

Newsletter

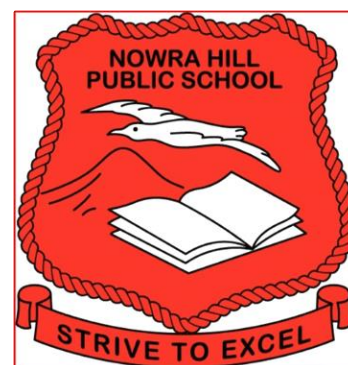
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Dear Parents and Carers,

The next few weeks are going to be very busy at Nowra Hill Public School. Due to the changes in restrictions we have been able to book in some excursions for our Years 3 – 6 students. Notes will come home this week. Our students are very excited.

Next week we welcome our 2022 Kindergarten Transition students to school. It will be great to meet our new students and I am sure they are going to learn a lot about what it is like to come to BIG school. We can't wait to see the children and their families early next week and the week after.

Last week the school learnt about the importance of Remembrance Day. Remembrance Day falls on the 11th of November each year. Nowra Hill PS has always commemorated this historical and important moment in our calendar and even though this year we could not meet in the hall together Julie Martin our Defence Support Mentor made a power point for all classes to watch 5 minutes before 11.00am. So on the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month, a minutes' silence was observed by all classes.

A reminder at this time there are NO PARENTS AND CARERS allowed on the school site - please call the office and if you are required on site (for a meeting or for any other approved reason) someone will come and escort you on to school grounds.

Weekly Events

Wednesdays - Library

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, 16th Nov

Yr 7 2022 - Shoalhaven High Information Night

Mon 22nd, Tues 23rd Nov

Life Education - Virtual

Monday, 22nd Nov

Nowra High Orientation Day

Tuesday, 23rd Nov

Yr 7 2022 – Shoalhaven High orientation day

Wednesday, 24th Nov

School Photos

Friday, 26th Nov

Years 3-6 excursion

Afternoon Pick Ups

I would like to remind all parents to wait on the grass area or by your car then walk to collect your child at the gate when your child walks out. There are a large number of parents congregating on the road in the turning circle and in the Kiss and Drop/pickup Zone. It is important to wait in a safe area and not on the road.

Kiss and Drop Zone is designed for your convenience and for your child's safety. It is designed for quick entry and exit, the zone minimises congestion and risk when used properly by all parents and carers. The zone operates under the same conditions as no parking zones, which means you may stop to drop off or pick up children for a maximum of 2 minutes. You're required to remain in, or within 3 metres of, your vehicle. The zone operates as a Kiss and Drop zone 8.00 – 9.30am and 2.30-4.00pm only. It is parking at all other times.

Morning Drop off

Please ensure children are NOT dropped off before 8.30am in the morning as there are no teachers on duty and they are unsupervised. If you require children to be cared for before 8.30 please contact Kids Crew (before and after school care) and register your child. Kids need to be ready to learn at 8.55am. A good nights sleep, a healthy breakfast and a settled morning give children a great start to be ready to learn.

Life Education Program

All classes will participate in the Life Education program. Usually we have the van come to school and all students get to visit Harold and learn about the importance of health and safety. This is year we will be having our lessons via Zoom.

Kindergarten – Harold's Friend Ship

Year 1 - Harold's Friend Ship

Year 2 – Growing Good Friends

Year 3 – Bcyberwise

Year 4 – Bcyberwise

Year 5/6 – Decisions

End of year organisation

End of Year Organisation will see all students finish on Thursday 16th December.

Staff will be involved in Professional Learning on Friday 17th December 2021.

2022 will commence with staff only being involved in School Development Days on Friday 28th January and Monday 31st January 2022.

All students, Years 1-6 will return on Tuesday 1st February 2022.

Kindergarten will have a staggered beginning to 2022 which will see them participating in Best Start testing. Notes will be sent home this term informing you of the day of their assessment. All Kindergarten will begin as a cohort on Thursday, 3rd February 2022.

School Reports

School Reports are currently being prepared by teachers. At the moment Literacy and Numeracy will be addressed as well as informing you of what your child has achieved and what they can do to improve. A general comment will also be provided communicating how your child has settled back into their normal school routine. Reports will be sent out on the 10th of December 2021.

MORE INFORMATION

SHOALHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT

The Shoalhaven High School Information night for 2022 Year 7 students will take place on Tuesday, 16th November from 5.30pm - 7.00pm.

The student orientation day will take place in Week 8, Tuesday 23rd November from 9.00am – 2.30pm.

AWARDS

Congratulations to the students who received awards last week.

MERIT AWARDS

KR: Amity and Annalise

1/2B: Kaine and Kage

1/2R: Ryan and Jack

3R: Peyton and Kokoda

4/5C: Liam and Chelsea

5/6V: Evie and Marley

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

KR: Killarney

1/2B: Savannah

1/2R: Peyton

3R: Andriko

4/5C: Josie L

5/6V: Tiarn

Library: Hudson

NOWRA HIGH SCHOOL YEAR & ORIENTATION

All Year 6 children attending Nowra High next year in Year 7 have received information about the orientation on Monday, 22nd November (Week 8) from 9.30am-2.30pm. **Children must wear a mask when indoors.**

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Envelopes were given to students yesterday for school photos. MSP Photography will be taking photos on Wednesday, 24th November. Students are to wear their summer uniform including black shoes. If you require a new uniform please order it through the My Connect App.

Parents are asked to pay for the photographs online and reminded to use the shoot key marked on their envelope (which is individual to each student).

Unfortunately, they will not be able to take sibling photos this year.



Happy Birthday and best wishes to **Connor V and Taj W** who celebrate their birthday this week.

SCHOOL BANKING

Dear Parents/Carers

On 24 October 2021, the Treasurer and Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning, the Hon. Sarah Mitchell MLC, announced that school banking programs will no longer be run in New South Wales schools from 2022.

School banking programs at Nowra Hill Public School are arranged at a local level [via the schools' P&C Association]. With the upcoming cessation of the program, students will no longer be able to deposit savings through the school banking program at Nowra Hill Public School. You can still keep your child's bank account open and can continue to make deposits into your child's accounts through online transfer or at any bank branch. More information are available on the department's school banking website and Commonwealth Bank of Australia's school banking website.

The decision was made following the review of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) review on School Banking Programs on 15 December 2020, which found that the costs of the program outweighed the benefits.

Key findings of the review include:

- School banking programs claim to help children develop long term saving habits; however, providers were unable to demonstrate that these programs in and of themselves improve savings behaviour;
- Payments to schools for implementing school banking programs incentivise schools to encourage greater participation in the programs;
- Young children are vulnerable consumers and are exposed to sophisticated advertising and marketing tactics by school banking program providers;
- School banking program providers fail to effectively disclose that a strategic objective of these programs is customer acquisition.

Financial literacy is embedded in the curriculum K-10. It is part of a continuum of learning in the *work and enterprise* learning across the curriculum content area from K-12. In Mathematics K-10, students develop knowledge, understanding and skills specifically related to financial literacy, such as money, financial transactions, pay rates, taxable income, rebates and levies. In Stages 4 and 5 many students elect to study commerce. A key objective of the Years 7-10 commerce syllabus is for students to develop skills in decision-making and problem-solving in relation to consumer and financial issues they may encounter now and in the future. Opportunities also exist for the inclusion of financial literacy in the mandatory Life Ready course in Stage 6. More [information on the NSW Curriculum](#) is available.

To further support our students with financial literacy education, the department launched the [Treasurer's Financial Literacy Challenge](#) in collaboration with ASIC. The challenge is currently in pilot intended for students in Years 5 to 8 but open to all. The challenge aims to engage students in practical activities focused on making informed financial choices, setting goals and managing money.

If you have further questions, please feel free to contact the school on 4421 5671.

Kind Regards

Nowra Hill P & C Association



Free Shoalhaven Cycling Community Safety Event

9am, Sunday 28 November 2021 | White Sands Park Huskisson

Shoalhaven City Council in partnership with the Shoalhaven Bicycle Users Group is holding a free community event, encouraging everyone to get outside and experience the fun of bike riding in beautiful Jervis Bay. The event will also focus on safe cycling, safe cycling equipment and safe cycling behaviours.

Everyone is invited to White Sands Park at Huskisson where participants will ride together on an easy paced scenic return 12 kms coastal route from Huskisson to Plantation Point, Vincentia.

The ride will be guided and supervised by the Shoalhaven Bicycle Users Group (SBUG) who have qualified ride leaders.

What you need to know?

- Beginners welcome
- Free bike and helmet check by Shoalhaven Bicycle User Group (SBUG) members
- Suitable for mountain or road bikes
- All cyclists must wear a correctly fitted helmet and appropriate clothing/footwear
- Children under 14 years of age must be accompanied by an adult
- Free bike safety sample bag for all registered participants
- Participants should have their bike in good working order
- Bring a water bottle
- Guided by a trained Shoalhaven Bicycle Users Group Ride Leader

COVID safe measures will be in place and participants are reminded to follow current NSW Public Health Orders.

To register please call **Shoalhaven City Council's Road Safety Officer on 4429 3484.**