# Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

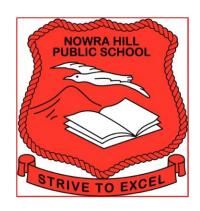
### Mother's Day Stall

Thank you to the parents and grandparents who assisted in our Mother's Day stall last Friday. It was a special time for our children to buy a present for their mum and it is a wonderful initiative from the P&C. Thank you everyone who was involved and for the P&C's commitment to this event.

Here is a photo of kindergarten coming back from purchasing their Mother's Day present.

I hope all mums and families had a great Mother's Day last Friday in the beautiful weather.





### **Weekly Events**

Library – Wednesdays

Assembly Dates– Every 2nd Friday 2.15pm

 $May - 13^{th}$  and  $27^{th}$ 

June - 10th and 24th

ASSEMBLY ITEM - 13<sup>th</sup> May 1/2B

## **Upcoming Events**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> – Fri 20<sup>th</sup> May

NAPLAN - Yrs 3 and 5

Wednesday, 18th May

District Cross Country

Monday, 30th May

Musica Viva

Tuesday, 31st May

Yrs 3-6 Eisteddfod

Monday, 6th June

Small School Athletics Carnival

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### **P&C (Parents and Citizens Association)**

Our last week's P&C formal meeting was affected by sudden changes, but we did manage to have a good catch up with those of us in attendance. Part of this catch up was a potential 2 new members joining our P&C and being on the executive.

Our next meeting for the P&C will be in June and I look forward to these new members coming along and joining our P&C.

## **No Dogs on School Grounds**

A reminder to all that it is a departmental policy of no dogs upon school grounds.

### Friday Assemblies are Odd Weeks

A reminder that our Assemblies are now every fortnight; being <u>Weeks 3, 5, 7 and 9.</u> Which is May 13 & 27, June 10 & 24.

This is week 3 and we have an assembly this Friday for mums, dads, and carers to attend. We hope to see you here. 1/2B will be presenting an item.

I will not be at school this Friday as I have a principal's meeting in Queanbeyan and Miss Reminis will talk and present awards in my absence.

### NAPLAN Weeks 3 and 4

Our Year 3 and 5 students have begun their NAPLAN this week. As mentioned last week, we are instilling resilience in our children and keeping our students in their usual patterns, rhythms and expectations leading up to these exams.

We conducted Writing today, and it went very smoothly and all students in attendance participated very well in their NAPLAN today. Well done Years 3 and 5 and it is encouraging to see you all confident and capable in your NAPLAN testing.

### Parking inspector

The local council ranger decided to enforce the parking laws outside of our school last Friday. This decision was not in any way known, communicated or came from the school and this took our school staff and community by surprise.

Please be mindful of safe and legal practices in parking outside of the school. This ground directly outside of our school is council land and it appears council will police the parking regulations.

Please take care when parking, to avoid a fine and to keep our children safe.

# **COVID Updates**

Whilst we have had no children report COVID positive this term, 1 staff member has reported COVID positive today after feeling exposed to COVID over the weekend.

Please keep monitoring for symptoms in yourself and children and stay at home if you have symptoms or are feeling unwell.

I will repeat last week's departmental Covid Updates as there was a lot of information.

Departmental changes to close contact isolation requirements follow:

From the beginning of Term 2, students and staff who are identified as close contacts will be able to attend school at the principal's discretion with the following risk mitigations in place:

- Parents/carers and staff must notify the school if they or their child is a close contact and intends to attend school or work
- Students and staff should conduct a daily rapid antigen test (RAT) and receive a negative result each morning before attending school for 5 subsequent school days
- Staff and high school students identified as close contacts must wear a mask in all indoor settings when at school
- Primary school students identified as close contacts are recommended to wear a mask in all indoor settings when at school
- Close contacts are not allowed to enter SSPs, support classes, assisted transport or attend overnight excursions for 7 days from identification as a contact.

# **Unwell at school**

Any student or staff member who is unwell and/or displays symptoms of COVID-19 will be asked to go home and stay there until they can complete a RAT or PCR test.

- If symptoms continue, they should stay at home and take another RAT in 24 hours or have a PCR test.
- If the second RAT or initial PCR test result is negative, the student or staff member can return to school.
- In NSW, positive COVID-19 cases are provided a Medical Clearance Notice after 7 days and allowed to leave self-isolation as long as they do not have COVID-19 symptoms.

# What happens if a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19?

Under the close contact rules, schools are no longer included in contact tracing. Our school will inform the school community of a positive case and advise families of the current public health advice, including monitoring for symptoms.

# **School Cross Country**

Last Friday the weather cleared, just enough for us to put on a very special day for our school community. Many parents and carers came and were part of the fun in watching every student attempt some cross country.

It was a great afternoon for those who could make it and I thank everyone involved, especially Mr Vucic, for organising what turned out to be a great community event.

From this event, some of students from 8 years and up have qualified to represent the school at the District Cross Country Carnival on 18<sup>th</sup> May at Willandra's Cross Country Track and I wish them all the best of luck.

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Have a great week everyone

Jason Wilkins

Relieving Principal









# MORE IMPORTANT NEWS

#### NHPS CROSS COUNTRY

We were so fortunate to have a lovely day for our School Cross Country Carnival and a fantastic turn out from parents & carers. The following children won their respective age divisions:

5 & 6 year girls: **Fvie** 5 & 6 year boys: Kye 7 year girls: 7 year boys: Charlie Killarney 8 & 9 year girls: Isobel 8 & 9 year boys: Braxton 10 year girls: Mitsuki & Anna 10 year boys: Tai 11 year girls: Madeline 11 year boys: Connor 12 & 13 year girls: Amelia 12 & 13 year boys: Torr

All placegetters will be receiving their ribbons at this Friday's assembly.

Congratulations to all place getters and participants. It was particularly difficult this year as the weather and ground conditions didn't allow us to do as much practise as we usually do.

The house point score was very close with Wirri (on 96) narrowly beating out Buru (on 91). Well done to all runners and many thanks to all parents & carers for coming to cheer and support your children.

#### **YEAR 6 SHIRTS**

The Year 6 shirts have arrived and they will be distributed throughout the week. Many thanks to Nicky Lovell for organising the ordering of the shirts from the uniform shop.

### SHOALHAVEN DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

The Shoalhaven District Cross Country Carnival will be held at 'Willandra' Cross Country Course at West Cambewarra on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>, May (Week 4). Those children who placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at our school carnival would have received a permission note today to attend the carnival. Transport will be by private vehicle so please return the note with an indication of whether you can transport your child to and from Willandra no later than Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May.

#### **SHOALHAVEN EISTEDDFOD 2022**

This year all three primary classes have been entered into the Eisteddfod for Verse Speaking on Tuesday, 31st May. Children will be bringing home permission notes for the Eisteddfod next week. The children will be travelling to the venue, Shoalhaven Indoor Sporting Complex @ Bomaderry, by bus.

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#### SMALL SCHOOLS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Small Schools Athletics Carnival is on much earlier than usual this year. This year it has been scheduled for Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June (Week 7). The children will be transported to Ron Brown Oval at Shoalhaven High School by bus. All 8-13 year old students will be expected to participate on the day and they are able to enter any event/s they wish.

### **KINDERGARTEN 2023**

If you have a child who will be starting Kindergarten in 2023, could you please apply to enrol your child online. Online enrolment can be located on the school website nowrahill-p.schools.nsw.edu.au under the enrolment tab. If you are outside our catchment area you will have to apply for an out of area enrolment.

### STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE 2022

Envelopes from Stewart House have gone home with students. If you would like the chance to win a \$4000.00 gift voucher, please place a \$2 inside the envelope and return it to the office. All envelopes are to be returned to school by Wednesday, 18th May 2022.



Happy Birthday and Best Wishes to **Braxton**, **Anna and Kage** who celebrate their birthday this week.

# P & C NEWS

Due to the lack of volunteers there will be NO CANTEEN this week, 11th May 2022.