

# Newsletter

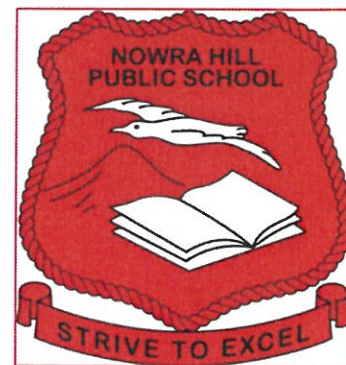
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to 2024. I hope everyone had a wonderful break, and Christmas with family and friends. I would like to welcome all of our new Kinder children as well as all new families who are now part of our little Nowra Hill community. I know everyone will make new families and students feel welcome.

I am confident we will continue the year with 6 classes. It is always close, but we have managed to stay at the magic number. Classes should be stable from this point. I have had the opportunity to visit classrooms and students have jumped straight into learning. All classes are settled and students are getting to know their classmates and their teacher as well as the expectations for learning. It's going to be a busy and productive year.

This year we welcome back Ms Holmes. She will be teaching Kinder in 2024. As you are aware, Mr Vucic has retired but we may see him back for the occasional day later in the year. There have been no other staff changes. Staff for 2024 are listed below.

Ms Holmes	KH	
Mrs Peters	1/2P	
Miss Reminis	2/3R	Assistant Principal K-2
Mrs Rossouw	3/4R	
Miss Rudd	4/5R	
Mrs Wilson	6W	Assistant Principal 3-6
Mrs Raymer		Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction

### Weekly Events

Library – Monday and Friday

### Upcoming Events

#### Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> February

Library starts

#### Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> February

Small School Swimming Carnival (competitive 8-13yr olds)

P & C AGM and Meeting

#### Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> February

Kindy STEPS Vision Screen

Scripture Starts

#### Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> February

Meet the Teacher Afternoon

#### Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February

District Swimming Carnival

#### Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> March

Assembly - 2/3 Item

Clean Up Australia Day

Mrs Coyle	RFF	(Tuesday & Wednesday)
Miss Musson	RFF	(Tuesday – Thursday)
Mrs Horton	RFF	(Tuesday)
Mrs Bennett	Library	(Monday & Friday)
Mrs Neradil	LST	(Tuesday – Thursday)
Mrs Martin	DSM	(Tuesday, Thursday and every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday)
Ms Monaghan	Counsellor	(Wednesday)
Mr Freshwater	GA	(Tuesday & Wednesday)
Mrs Jones	Office Assistant	(Monday – Thursday)
Mrs O'Sullivan	Office Manager	(Monday – Friday)
Mrs Tekis	SLSO	KH
Mrs Lynch	SLSO	1/2P & 2/3R
Mrs Weaver	SLSO	3/4R & 4/5R
Miss Jess	SLSO	6W
Miss Tahlia	SLSO	2/3R (Wednesday)

Our Kinder students started today. It was an extremely settled start with most children confident to walk up to class on their own. I was extremely impressed with how ready these little people were for school. They jumped straight into routines and met their Year 6 buddies. They will all do great things at 'big school'!

This term will be extremely busy and I ask you check the calendar on the newsletter and in Sentral for up and coming events. If you do not have a log in for Sentral please see the ladies in the office as soon as possible. Other than some fun school photos on Facebook, Sentral will be the only form of communication. Parents will need this App for parent teacher interview bookings, advising of student absences, paying for excursions or events and student reports. Skoolbag (Audiri) and SEESAW will **NOT** be used this year.

Look out for the following notes that will come home this week. One for the swimming carnival (students that are aged 8-13 years and can confidently and competitively swim 50m are attending) and the other for Meet the Teacher Sessions.

Our first P&C meeting of the year is next Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February, 6:30 in the staffroom. It is also the AGM. If you are interested in assisting the P&C in anyway, please come along and share your ideas. They are always looking for helpers.

I'm looking forward to a wonderful term. It has started well and I know it will end even better. Have a great year everyone!

Regards  
Jo West  
Principal



# The Nowra Hill Public School P&C Association

**invites you to be a part of a great team.  
Did you know that your P&C is responsible for the  
School Uniform shop and fundraising.**

Would you like to be involved and kept up to date with what's happening in your school?  
Maybe you have some ideas or would like to volunteer some time to help improve your  
child's school experience?

We invite you to join the association, have your say and help us to provide the very best  
educational experience for our children.

The P&C consists of enthusiastic parents and teachers who contribute their ideas, skills and  
spare time to the school in a variety of different ways.

An active P&C Association is essential to ensure a healthy school community where parents  
and community members meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of each new school term at 6pm in the school  
library.

**Next meeting will include our AGM and be held Tuesday  
13<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**The following positions make up your 2023 P&C Association:**

President – Jade Forner

Vice President – Helen George

Secretary – Jade Merchant

Treasurer – Steph Caruso

Uniform coordinator – Tamara Smith

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Meetings are short, friendly and have an open forum policy allowing everyone to have their say.

**School uniforms** can be purchased from the uniform shop. We supply uniforms at affordable costs and encourage compliance of the school's uniform policy. Please order on My School Connect and if you wish to try on or see our secondhand uniforms, please let the office ladies know and we can get a member of the P&C to assist you. These are just a small fee, sometimes gold coin donation. We also love donations of used uniforms if out grown or no longer required we are happy to take them.

Throughout the year the P&C run various fundraisers to assist with the purchase of equipment and improvement of facilities around the school. This year we have run a successful Easter raffle, Entertainment Books, Mothers and Father's Day stalls, pie drive, crazy hair and socks, jersey day, and our School Disco. Purchases with these funds have included, new metal outdoor picnic tables, contributions to bus expenses for excursions, supplies and ink for classroom printers and Year 6 logo printing and farewell gifts, contribution to gymnastics and fruit cup day. We also have painted handball courts soon to come, just to name a few. We thank our volunteer P&C team for giving up time to make all these events happen and to everyone for their support in fundraising as it all goes back to our children and school.

The committee has a close working relationship with the principal and staff and our involvement ensures that the school reflects the needs of our community.

It is vital that we attract new members to bring in fresh ideas to enable continuous improvement in what we offer to the school. In 2024 we hope to have more people put their hand up to help us assist our kids' school even greater.

Thank you.

# NHPS Family Calendar

Term 1, 2024

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Jan 29	Jan 30 Staff Development Days	Jan 31 Staff Development Day	Feb 1 Kindergarten - BEST START Students Return to School 2024	Feb 2 Kindergarten - BEST START
2	Feb 5 Kindergarten - BEST START	Feb 6 Kindergarten First Day of School	Feb 7	Feb 8	Feb 9
3	Feb 12	Feb 13 Small Schools Swimming Carnival 8-13 yrs Competitive Swimmers Only P & C Meeting 6:30pm	Feb 14	Feb 15 STEPS - Vision testing Kindergarten Scripture Starts	Feb 16
4	Feb 19	Feb 20 Meet the Teacher Afternoon	Feb 21	Feb 22 District Swimming Carnival	Feb 23
5	Feb 26	Feb 27	Feb 28	Feb 29	Mar 1 Clean Up Australia Day Assembly - 3/4 Item 2:30pm
6	Mar 4	Mar 5	Mar 6	Mar 7	Mar 8

Mar 11	Mar 12	Mar 13	Mar 14	Mar 15
		NAPLAN - Yrs 3 and 5	NAPLAN - Yrs 3 and 5	NAPLAN - Yrs 3 and 5 Assembly - Item 6W 2:30pm
Mar 18	Mar 19	Mar 20	Mar 21	Mar 22
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Mar 25	Mar 26	Mar 27	Mar 28	Mar 29
	Grip Leadership - Yr 6 - Wollongong		Easter Hat Parade	Good Friday
Apr 1	Apr 2	Apr 3	Apr 4	Apr 5
Easter Monday			Small Schools Cross Country	
Apr 8	Apr 9	Apr 10	Apr 11	Apr 12
				Assembly 2/3R 2:30pm