# The Kookaburra

**North Nowra Public School News** 

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Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 Term 4, Week 8

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Term 4	
Week 8	
Wed, 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Swimming Carnival
Thur, 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Volunteers Morning Tea 11.00 am
Week 9	
Mon, 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Celebration & Improvement Assembly
Wed, 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Nowra High School Orientation Day
Fri, 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Student Reports go home
Week 12	
Mon, 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 6 Farewell
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Presentation Assembly 9.30 am
Fri, 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of school for students

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### **Volunteer Morning Tea**

Schools need volunteers! We have some brilliant volunteers at our school. They are in classrooms, canteen, gardens, fundraising, caring for our chooks, school banking, Breakfast Club, teaching Scripture, P & C, helping on committees, organising big events, bringing their dogs to help children read. Thank you to our volunteers on behalf of the entire school community. We hope to see all of our volunteers on Thursday morning at 11 am just to share a cuppa and acknowledge their contribution to our school.

## Thank you Mrs Cornish

Mrs Karen Cornish has been teaching Scripture, Combined Christian Faiths, at this school for 15 years. Mrs Cornish has decided to retire. On behalf of the students and families who have worked with Mrs Cornish during that 15 years, I thank her and wish her all the best for a safe and happy retirement.

The Scripture concert last Thursday was appreciated by all who attended. Thank you to the coordinators.

#### Thank you to our Gardeners

Thank you again to Mr Volpatti and Mr Nottle for the work done in our gardens last weekend; it looks fantastic!

#### **School Swimming Carnival**

Mr Farrow has been working hard to arrange tomorrow's swimming carnival and we are looking forward to a great day. Hats, rash vests, sunscreen and water bottles are essential items for tomorrow. Unfortunately, if notes have not been returned, your child will not be able to attend the carnival. Programs at school will continue for students not attending the swimming carnival.

#### **Book Club**

A reminder that Book Club orders for Issue 8 will close this Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2016.

#### **Celebration and Improvement Assembly**

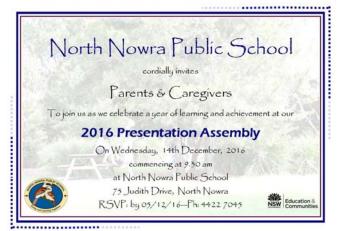
Our Celebration and Improvement assembly will be held next Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> December commencing at 9.15 am to recognise the achievements of many of our students within our Positive Behaviour for Learning program and those who have made outstanding academic improvements during the year.

#### **Stop Work Meeting**

The NSW Teachers Federation have called a Stop Work meeting for this Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> December morning. Minimal supervision will be provided until 9.45. Normal classroom programs will commence at that time.

Enjoy your week!

# Mrs Julie Ashby **Principal**



#### **2017 YEAR 3 STUDENT BUS PASSES**

All students entering **Year 3 in 2017**, who currently hold a bus pass, must complete a new application form for next year. These students <u>will not</u> automatically receive a bus pass at the commencement of 2017.

The requirements of the NSW Government Transport and Infrastructure are that students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 are eligible for bus travel irrespective of the distance from home to school. Students in Years 3-6 must reside more than 1.6 km from school. All students entering Year 3 in 2017 need to reapply and complete a new application form.

To apply complete the online application form available at <u>transportnsw.info/school-students</u>, sign and date the completed application then return it to the school for endorsement. If you don't have computer access to the form please contact the school office.

For further information contact NSW Transport on Ph: 131 500

#### **ARE YOU LEAVING?**

In order to plan our class/year numbers for next year, it is very important that we know which families won't be at North Nowra Public School at the start of 2017. If you are leaving, or think you are leaving this term or during the Christmas holidays, please let the front office know as soon as possible.

# Did you know that you can make payments to your child's school online?

This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Log onto the school website at <a href="http://www.northnowra-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/">http://www.northnowra-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/</a> Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or Mastercard.

#### P & C NEWS

#### !! CANTEEN CLOSED !!

The canteen will be closed on <u>Wednesday</u>, 30<sup>th</sup> <u>November</u> due to the swimming carnival. Please ensure your child brings lunch to school with them on this day.



# Hey Kids! It's time to write to Santa!

Santa receives thousands of letters from children all over Australia with requests for all sorts of things, including toys, books, pets and even world peace.

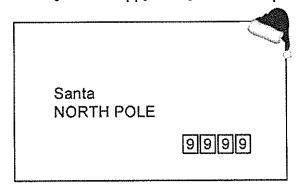
This year our school office is working with Santa, and his elves, collecting letters from students who attend our school and making sure you receive a reply to your letter.

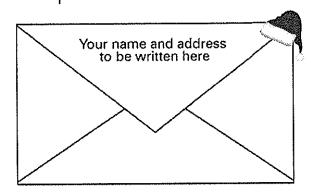
## What do I have to do?

Using your favourite pencil or pen in your neatest hand writing write a letter to Santa. Don't forget to write your name and class on the bottom of your letter.

No need for a postage stamp!

When you are happy with your letter, place it in an envelope and label it like this.





You can also tell your teacher about Santa Mail and maybe your whole class could write letters together.