

The Kookaburra

North Nowra Public School News

Empowering a Positive future for our Learning Community

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Term 4, Week 7

Tuesday, 21st November, 2017

Term 4	
Week 7	
Tues, 21 st Nov	P&C Meeting and AGM at 6.30pm
Wed, 22 nd Nov	Kids in2Uni Day Year 6 Students
Thurs, 23 rd Nov	Kindergarten Classroom visits 9.30am – 10.30am
Thurs, 23 rd Nov	Dragon Tag Gala Day Selected Stage 2 & 3
Fri, 24 th Nov	Stage 3 Mini Fete – MUFTI DAY
Week 8	
Tues, 28 th Nov	Swimming Carnival whole school event

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE Community Service



At the beginning of this year, I wrote about how doing things for others, and volunteer work is according to research a way people ensure their mental

wellbeing is positive into the later years of life. We challenge our students every day to be positive and caring members of our school and the wider community. Two students from North Nowra Public School, Boudeeka and Teisha-Lee from Year 6 have taken this up in 2017. Early in the year, they approached me about putting together care packs for women in the Shoalhaven. It was recommended that they do this as a personal project and the school community could support through donations and fundraising. So off they went and set about developing the project.

This week the project reached its conclusion and the students delivered 124 care packages to the Shoalhaven Homeless Hub, an amazing effort. I thank Boudeeka and Teisha-Lee for their tenacity to ensure the goal of the project was achieved, their parents for supporting and seeing the project through and our communities' support in bringing the resources together. This project shows how our school's spirit can reach out to the

community. Great work North Nowra School Community. If you wish to see more about the story follow the link.

<http://www.southcoastregister.com.au/story/5060347/girls-take-homeless-leadership-role/?cs=207>

Bike Track Trial

You might remember that we are trialing the reintroduction of the bike track by opening it every day for riders in the second play break. At the beginning of the trial, things were a little rocky. I am pleased to report that the students have responded well to the PBL values and are now showing that they really value the work that Ms Baker and Ms Coates have done to re-introduce this great opportunity to our school. Students need to continue to follow the Schools PBL expectation when using the bike track. Please see the PBL Values for Bike Track Guide (attached) and take the time to discuss this with your child if they ride.

2018 Planning

As you would understand, the more information we know about families plans, expectations and recommendations the greater the capacity to consider these ideas when planning. Please consider the following concepts that effect planning and follow the recommended strategy to inform the school about your families' intentions or needs.

Leaving North Nowra School in 2018

While this would be regrettable, families may be moving over the holiday period, and it helps for planning to know this before the end of the year. We would also like to say goodbye. Recommendation: - Please call the office and inform them of your families' intention to leave the school

Family or Friends will be enrolling at North Nowra in 2018

We always welcome new enrolments meeting our enrolment criteria, knowing this information before the end of the year helps us plan class sizes and make application for funds where required.

Kindergarten students for 2018 should have already been to two or three transition days, so we need to know about any more Kindergarten 2018 students ASAP so that they can join the transition program. Knowing about any other student coming to school in 2018 is appreciated. Recommendation: - Please call the office and inform them of your families' intention to leave the school.

Learning Support suggestions and considerations for 2018

We welcome families to be part of the partnership of learning for their child. At times families have suggestions they would like considered when programs are being developed for the next year. Recommendation: - Please make an appointment with the class teacher or stage supervisor to provide your suggestions about your child's learning program for 2018.

School System suggestions and considerations for 2018

We welcome families sharing with us ideas about how to improve the learning experiences for the school community. This year many of you have taken the opportunity to participate in surveys, parent forums and the North Nowra P&C Association. If you have ideas, you think will improve students learning experience in 2018 please share these with us. Recommendation: - email the school northnowra-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au so we can consider how your idea might become part of our school vision to value individual excellence and equip future-focused learners.

P&C AGM and General Meeting

Tuesday 21st November 2017

If you have ever thought about joining the P&C or being part of the peek advisory group within our school community, I strongly recommend joining the North Nowra School P&C Association. The meeting starts at 6:30 pm, children are welcome if care is required and meetings are fun, rewarding and informative. Please come along and be part of our school community in a different capacity.

To our current P&C members and executive thank you for a great year of recommendation, fundraising and support to ensure that our school is delivering excellent learning opportunities to our students. This year you have run a canteen and uniform shop; raised significant funds for the school, over \$10,000; improved the access to power in the playground; supported to improve the communication systems by upgrading the phone system; and advised on the installation of eleven 203cm (80 inch) HD Screens for learning, a \$110,000 infrastructure experience.

Our school is very busy at this time of the year, and it is often hard to catch up with you in person. I look forward to seeing you around the school when you are picking your children up and or supporting them at many of the events that will be on over the last four weeks of school.

Peter Wright-Smith
Relieving Principal

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Our school swimming carnival will be held on **Tuesday, 28th November** at the **Nowra Pool**. **Permission notes will be sent home and should be returned to the school office along with \$6 payment on or before Tuesday, 21st November.**

This carnival is for all students who will be turning 8 years or older in **2017**. All students will be tested for water safety before competing in 50m events. If you have any queries please contact me.
Start training everyone! **Mr Farrow**



PBL Values for Bike Track Guide

Be Safe

- Wear a helmet when riding a bike on track
- Walk bike at all other times in the school
- Go the one way on track (clockwise)

Be Responsible

- Report problems at the right time
- Start and finish riding at the right spot on the track (near playground equipment)

Be Respectful

- Support less skilled riders to enjoy the track (look after the younger students)
- Follow teachers' directions immediately

PBL Bike Track Consequences

Positive behaviour rewards (but not limited to);

- Permission to use the bike track
- Kooka tickets/positive verbal praise
- Merit awards

Negative behaviour consequences

- Riding bike without helmet – no riding on track for one session
- Riding bike in school (not on bike track) – no riding on track one session
- Not following teacher directions – no riding on track one session

Repeated Disobedience

Repeated failures to follow the PBL Values, will be seen as 'repeated disobedience' and will result in the regular PBL Consequence system for playground being applied. Consequences could include but are not limited to

- Withdrawal from bike track program
- Withdrawal of permission to bring bike to school
- Administration of the Welfare and Discipline Guidelines for 'Repeated Disobedience'

School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) 2018 BUS PASSES

Students who hold an SSTS entitlement (buss pass) and are changing from Year 2 to Year 3 in 2018, will receive notification by email or post informing them of the pending expiry of their entitlement.

To update details or make an application for next year's entitlement go online to:

<http://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts.updateDetails>



Stage 3 Mini Fete

When: Friday, 24th November 2017

Cost: Tickets are on sale – 20 tickets for \$6

There are heaps of stalls that your children can go to All classes will have fun.

Students are invited to wear MUFTI for the day.

(Please remember to be sun safe (no singlet tops) and you must wear covered shoes.

Please send money in an envelope clearly marked with child's name and class to the office by Thursday, 23rd November 2017.

Book Club

The last Book club for the year is due this Friday, 24th November 2017. Thankyou Mrs George

P & C NEWS

Canteen Hours

Canteen will be closed 28th November 2017 due to swimming carnival.

Canteen will be closed the last week of Term 4.

The final day canteen will be open for lunch orders is Thursday the 7th December 2017.

School Banking

Hello once again School Bankers. School Banking is each Thursday. Pop your bank books with your deposit and filled out slip into the white box at the canteen window. Your deposits will be processed and each token earned goes towards earning a great reward item. Just check out the display case poster at the canteen to see what you can choose. Just to let you know that as at next year the BSB number and not branch name will need to be written on deposit slips.

The last banking day this term will be Thursday December 7th, second last week of term, so all those Bankers eligible to pre-order with 9 tokens or order rewards with 10 tokens need to get their requests in soon. Some of our students have 10 tokens but do not bank regularly. Don't be a stranger. We can organise a new deposit book for you and you can order your rewards at the same time.

Certificates will be going out to our regular and consistent savers soon. They will be delivered via canteen class baskets along with returning bank books. Congratulations to those families who have made the effort to keep banking at school. Recognition goes to the children who have been banking their pocket money from doing chores at home or for others. Each new student to participate in School Banking and every amount deposited earns a commission paid by the Commonwealth Bank that goes to the P&C Association of our school to help out with fundraising for specific facilities or items that benefit the school or to help fund other P&C run operations that in turn offer a service, such as the canteen. No money comes out of your deposits. It comes separately from the Commonwealth Bank as an incentive for schools to run School Banking and as a way to give financial education through their programs.

A special thank you goes out to the ladies that volunteer their time at the canteen each Thursday who assist me in a variety of ways that make my job of School Banking Co-ordinator easier.

School Banking 2018 will return on the second school week of term 1. If you have any enquiries please text or call me. Cath Nottle, School Banking Co-ordinator, Mob No: 0432 892 543.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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Bomaderry High School Orientation

Tuesday, 28th November 2017

9.15am – 1pm

Transport will be with individual parents.

Shoalhaven High School

Tuesday, 5th December 2017

8.30am – 2.40pm

Transport will be with individual parents. Bring recess and lunch, pencil case and writing pad.

Shoalhaven High School Information

Thursday, 30th November - 6-7 Information Evening for Parents/Carers and students. This will have book packs for sale, information about attendance, uniform showcase and more. All welcome to attend. In the SHS hall from 6pm until 7pm.

Thursday, 7th December - ASPIRE Showcase - an evening for potential ASPIRE students to see what types of things go on in the SHS gifted and talented class. If the first semester showcase is anything to go by, it will be worth coming along for a look. You should have received information from the ASPIRE team regarding times.

Bomaderry Football Club (Soccer) will be holding a trivia night

Where: Bomaderry Bowling Club

When: 25/11/17 @ 7pm

Cost: \$10 per person - organise tables of 10-12 or come and join a table

Tickets: Shoalhaven trophy centre, Stewart Place Nowra CBD Contact: Karen 0418 440 021 or karenmuller289@gmail.com RSVP: 22/11/17

Year 6 Students going into Year 7 2018

Immunisation is a simple, safe and effective way of protecting the community and individuals from disease.

Adolescent vaccines will be offered for FREE to your child when they commence Year 7 in 2018.

Your child will be given a Parent Information Kit in the first few weeks of Term 1, 2018, which contains information about the vaccines and a consent card that you will need to complete for the vaccines to be offered.

Vaccines offered to ALL students

GRADE	VACCINE	SCHEDULE
Yr 7	Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (dTpa)	1-dose
	Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	2-dose

For further information regarding this program or any other questions about immunisation please contact the Immunisation Team at the Public Health Unit on 4221 6700.