

The Kookaburra

North Nowra Public School News

Empowering a Positive future for our Learning Community

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Term 4, Week 9

Tuesday, 5th December, 2017

Term 4	
Week 10	
Mon, 11 th Dec	Year 6 Farewell
Tues, 12 th Dec	PBL Water Play Day
Wed, 13 th Dec	Presentation Awards Ceremony at 9.30am
Fri, 15 th Dec	Last Day of School for 2017
Tues, 30 th January	School Resumes 2018

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Thank you to all who have provided me with well wishes and advice over the past week. I have found it somewhat surreal and very humbling. I am looking really forward to working with the North Nowra School Community, to continue the journey to making our school a great school in the district. The role of Principal comes with massive responsibility I will be working with the community to uphold, so that confidence can be developed by all in my leadership.

Student Achievement

Cailin Ardler attended the Aboriginal Education Excellence Awards yesterday. She was awarded the regional award for Special Education, for her Outstanding Commitment to Academic Growth And Leadership. Congratulation Cailin, we are very proud of your achievement.

P&C

On Monday 4th December, the P&C held an extraordinary meeting. At this meeting we sadly had to accept two resignations from our P&C executive due to family circumstances. The most significant of these was our President who is leaving to support her daughter as she takes up a teaching appointment in another part of the state. I would like to thank Jo for the amazing job she has done over the past 2 years both on the P&C and as an integral part of the School Canteen. She will be very hard to replace and I know she will be deeply

missed. I wish Jo and her family well as they leave our school and journey to a new school.

At the meeting, new Officers and Committee members were identified for 2018.

2018 P&C Officers

President:	Nathan Edwards
Vice president	#1: Amanda Volpatti
Vice President	#2: Tim Nottle
Secretary:	Brooke Cluney
Treasurer:	Mark Lambert
Fundraising:	Anna Butler
Uniform:	Karina Miller
Canteen Committee:	Anna Butler, Mark Lambert, Karina Miller
School Committee Positions:	-
Finance:	Gary Wells
Merit:	Rosie Lambert
School Self-Eval:	Unfilled
Policy Planning:	Amanda Volpatti
Out-Of-Zone:	Anna Butler, Karina Miller, Mark Lambert
School Banking:	Cath Nottle

The committee also has directed me to inform the community the date of P&C meetings will be changing in 2018 to the third Monday of each month (in school terms). As a result, the first meeting for 2018 will be Monday 19th February.

For more information about the work our P&C is doing and how you might be able to help, come and talk to one of the P&C officers (listed above), visit their website (<https://nnpspc.org.au>) or call me and I will put you in touch with the right people to help.



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Farewelling Year 6 2017

This great group of students I know have lots of memories and will be celebrating their graduation from our school on Monday 11th December. I was lucky enough to teach many of them in year one. I thank Ms Spelter, Ms Terry and Mrs Kellert for the work they have done this year, to prepare and support these students, to develop into the wonderful people they are. I am sure Year 6 would also like me to thank their parents for the wonderful job they have done to raise them. Of course, I also thank our school community for their help to support these students, because as the old saying goes, it takes a village to raise a child, not just an individual.

Year 6 - have a great time in high school. I hope you will drop in from time to time, if any of you journey on to be teachers later in life, please ask to do a 'Prac' with us. We would love to see you back in our school.

Scripture

This week is our last week of scripture for the year. I thank the scripture teachers for coming into our school for sharing their faith each week with the students.

Canteen is finished for the year

The canteen is closed for the rest of the year. I thank the wonderful volunteers for running the canteen throughout the year. Without their commitment to our school community, students would not have had a canteen this year. Thank you.

On the note of closure, it is going to be a challenge for the canteen to open in 2018 with the current number of volunteers available. Without more committed volunteers, our canteen is unlikely to re-open in the new year. If you can help out, please come forward and speak to a P&C member. If you can help keep the canteen open we would love to speak to you. Even if you can help out one day a month the P&C would love to hear from you

Volunteers - Thank you

Without the massive team of volunteers who help in our school, we would not be able to run all the activities, have such great grounds, and opportunities for students. On Friday, I will officially thank our volunteers at a Morning Tea. I am sure you extend your gratitude to these wonderful individuals. We have attempted to send

an invitation to all of our volunteers, inevitably we will have accidentally missed people. I firstly apologise but also extend to you the warmest invitation to Friday 8th December's Morning tea 11:00am. I hope to see you there.

The Week Ahead

Well as I move into my second week of being the Principal at North Nowra Public School, I look forward to all the great events we have ahead of us this week and next. With all these events on, I am sure to see you in the school. If I haven't already said hello, this year please remember that I appreciate catching up with families when they visit the school. I enjoy chatting about how well you children are going and celebrate with you their success and achievement.

Peter Wright-Smith
Principal



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Cailin's Certificate of Achievement



My school nominated me for an Aboriginal Education Achievement Award. I went to Bateman's Bay on Monday and won the Special Education Award at the Soldiers Club. My family was so proud of me even Miss White was proud of me. I received a framed certificate and a medallion. These things are very special to

me and I will like to say thank you to this school for nominating me. I am very honoured. Thank you Cailin Ardler

You are invited ... Planet Nowra

Friday, 8th December

6.00pm Storytelling - Pupils from North Nowra Public School and Terara Primary School tell their own stories in the St Andrews Church Hall

6.30pm Welcome and opening address in the garden

6.45 - 9.30pm Artworks and projections in the garden and surrounding walls

Goldilocks Zone North Nowra Public School students will be exhibiting sculptures of their Avatars should they inhabit Planet Nowra

8.30 - 9.30pm Projections on surrounding walls

Saturday 9th December

12 noon Daytime installations in the garden

6.30 - 9.30pm Projections on surrounding walls

Please consider popping in to support our student's involvement in this wonderful project.



NORTH NOWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL
Year Book 2017



NNPS

2017 Yearbook

I would like to purchase
.....copies of the 2017
Yearbook at \$13.00 per copy

Child's Name:

Class:

Amount:

Closing date: Tuesday 5th December for payment

North Nowra Public School

cordially invites

Parents & Caregivers

To join us as we celebrate a year of learning and achievement at our

2017 Presentation Assembly

On Wednesday, 13th December, 2017

commencing at 9.30am

at North Nowra Public School

75 Judith Drive, North Nowra

RSVP: by 06/12/17 - Ph: 4422 7045



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 2018.

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.

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>



COMMUNITY NEWS

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Summer at Nowra Library!

We have some wonderful programs planned for Summer 2017-18 at Nowra Library. For any further information on any of the programs here, you can contact us on 4429 3705 or email library@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au. See you at the library soon!

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING END OF YEAR CELEBRATIONS

WATER PLAY DAY – TUESDAY, 12TH DECEMBER

On Tuesday, 12th December students will be rewarded for their ongoing commitment to following the school values, learning and positive behaviour with a Water Play Day here at school.



There will be inflatables, water, games and lots of fun for all.

Students can wear mufti clothes with swimwear underneath. Please send your child/ren to school with:

- A rash shirt and shorts for boys and swimmers with a rash shirt for girls. Please, NO SINGLET TOPS.
- Sunblock
- A sun hat
- Suitable footwear, an old pair of joggers/water shoes would be ideal due to safety and binds in the grass.

Please, NO THONGS.



Go4Fun
Register now for term 1 2018

Nowra Aquatic Centre Tuesdays

A fitter, happier healthier kids program

NSW GOVERNMENT | Health Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District

Call 1800 780 900 or visit www.go4fun.com.au

The Queen's Baton Relay is coming to NOWRA

When: February 5th 2018

Free pool party at Nowra Pool 2-4pm

Come and line the streets as the Baton runs through Nowra 4.30-5.30pm. Free fun community celebration on the lawns of the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre from 4-7pm. Hot potato band, music, food entertainment and circus performance. For more details www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au



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