

# The Kookaburra

North Nowra Public School News

*Empowering a Positive future for our Learning Community*

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Term 3, Week 4

Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> August, 2017

Term 3	
Week 4	
Thurs, 10 Aug	District Athletics – High Jump - SHS
Fri, 11 <sup>th</sup> Aug	District Athletics Carnival - SHS
Week 5	
Mon, 14 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Assembly 1/2F
Tues, 15 <sup>th</sup> Aug	P&C Meeting at 6.30pm Spelling Bee Competition School Finals
Week 6	
Tues, 22 <sup>nd</sup> Aug	Book Week Assembly & Parade
Wed, 23 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	Albatross Museum of Flight Stg 1
Week 7	
Mon, 28 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Assembly 1/2V
Tues, 29 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Shoalhaven Library Book Week Thearte K-2
Week 8	
Mon, 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Regional Spelling Bee Finals
Fri, 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept	P & C Outdoor Cinema
Week 9	
Mon, 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Assembly 4/5/6K

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### District Athletics Carnival

This week we wish our District Athletics team well as they head out to the District Athletics Carnival on Thursday (High Jump) and Friday. It was great to see our relay teams training this week with nationally accredited athletics coach Mel Mustapic. We thank her for helping our students develop their athletic skills. I hope that the families headed out to the District Athletics Carnival have a great time watching our students represent the school.

### School Garden

Many of you coming through the front of the school will have noticed the ongoing work Mr. Molloy is doing to improve our gardens. Recently his efforts have slowed due to a lack of mulch to spread across the garden beds. Fortunately, last Friday A&D Tree Service was working on a property near the school and, when approached, agreed to support the school and delivered a load of mulch. Thank you, A&D Tree Service and Mr. Molloy, for improving our school environment.

### PaTCH

Congratulations and a vote of thanks is extended to our PaTCH (Parents as Teachers and Classroom Helpers) community members who graduated from the program and received their certificates this week. They

were recognised for achieving the outcomes of the program and the help they have provided in our K – 2 classrooms. It is great to have these community members in our classrooms supporting learning each week. We hope they continue volunteering in our classrooms.

### Swimming and Water Safety Program

In the last two weeks of Term 3, families will be able to elect to have their children (Years 2-6) participate in our swimming and water safety program. In previous years this event has cost a significant amount but through a very generous bus company offer we are able to offer this opportunity to 55 students for \$40 dollars. This opportunity will firstly be offered to Year 2 and 3 students but any additional places will be made available for students in older grades. Please ensure you are able to take advantage of this amazing opportunity to secure an Australian life skill, being a nation who celebrates its aquatic environments.

### Book Week Celebrations

We had some students who headed out to Bundanon to enjoy a school based experience yesterday. We hope you had a great and inspiring time. I hope to see some of the amazing art works in the coming weeks.

### Future Directions of NNPS

Finally, this week I would like families to mark out a space in their diaries in readiness for a great opportunity to be part of the consultation for the school's future learning plans and directions. On Tuesday 19th September commencing at about 2:00pm, our executive team are inviting families to the school to investigate the directions our families feel that our school should be considering as we develop plans for 2018 -2020. It is hoped this event will include a meal and child minding support (if required) to enable parents to attend. Please look out for the information and invitations.

A lot is happening in this very busy school but this is good and shows a school community that is flourishing and enjoying seeing children learning. I look forward to seeing families around the school this week and would love to say 'hello' and chat if you see me out and about. Have a great week.

**Peter Wright-Smith**  
Relieving Principal

## SCHOOL SPELLING BEE COMPETITION

Good luck to all Stage 2 & Stage 3 students who are competing in our School Spelling Bee Competition. Our spelling Bee Competition School Finals will be held in the school hall on **Tuesday, 15th August, 2017**. Parents/Carers of finalists will be notified of their success once results are in.



## BOOK CLUB

Bookclub Orders for Issue 5 are due back tomorrow, **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August**.

Thankyou.

Mrs George



## PBL REWARD

Congratulations! Our students have earned another PBL reward.

A **K-2 disco** will be held tomorrow, **Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> August** during last session.

A **3-6 Disco** will be held on **Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> August** during last session.

Mrs George

## GARDEN RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone who bought tickets and supported the SRC's garden raffle at Grandparents Day yesterday. We raised \$132.00 which will go towards brightening up our kitchen garden. The winner of the raffle was a very happy Bella-Rose Pond whose Nanny purchased the tickets.

Congratulations!

Mrs Kellert and Miss White



## SCHOOL SWIMMING AND WATER SAFETY PROGRAM

**11<sup>th</sup> September – 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2017**

All students in Years 2 & 3 are encouraged to participate regardless of their swimming ability as all abilities will be catered for. Please return signed permission notes and return to the school office along with payment in a clearly marked envelope as soon as possible.

Places are limited and will be offered to students on a first in first served basis.

Dave Farrow



## 2017 Woolworths Earn & Learn



Once again we are participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths. From Wednesday 26 July to Tuesday 19 September or while stock lasts, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn sticker for every \$10 you spend at Woolworths. Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn sticker sheet and when it's complete, the sticker sheet can be dropped into the collection box which is located in the school foyer.

If you'd like to know more visit:

[woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn](http://woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn)

## SICK CHILDREN

Over the last few weeks a number of children have come to the sick bay feeling unwell. They have told us that they were sick in the night or morning before school. Could I ask that if your child is ill please keep them at home? This gives them time to recover properly and also means that the other children and staff aren't exposed to colds and flu as well.

## 2018 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

If you have a child who will be enrolling for Kindergarten next year please contact the school office. We are required by law to sight a child's birth certificate, immunisation records and proof of residency when enrolling. If you are unable to locate these documents please apply for them now.

**WE ARE UNABLE TO ENROL A CHILD WITHOUT A BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR SIMILAR PROOF OF IDENTITY.**

If you know of other families intending to enrol at North Nowra Public School please inform them also to contact the school office so we can begin the planning process

## 2017 BOOK WEEK

### AT BUNDANON WITH MARC MARTIN

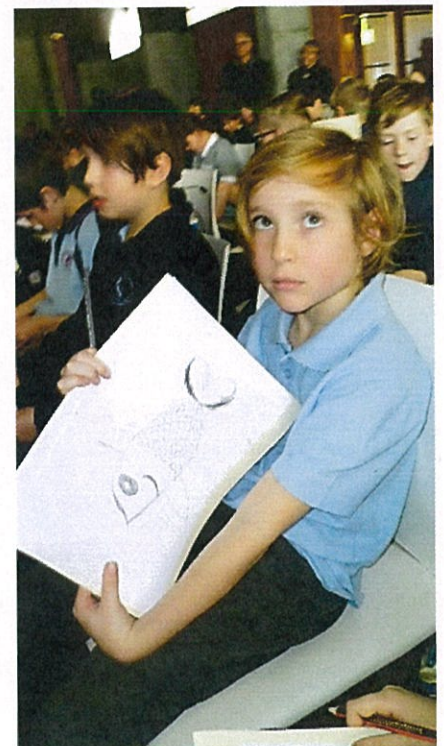
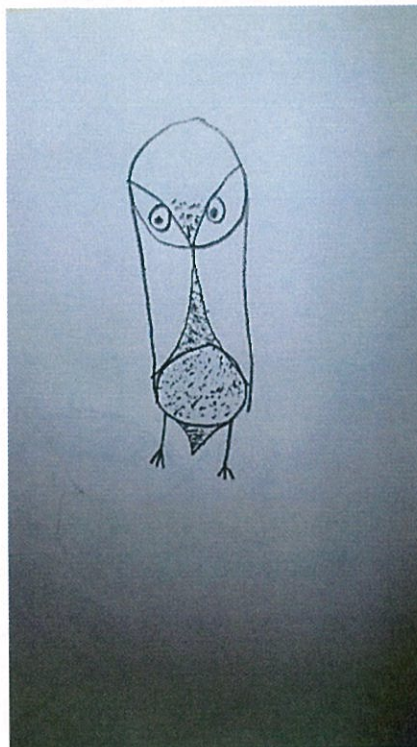
Yesterday 47 Stage 2 students travelled to Riversdale to meet author and illustrator Marc Martin.

He talked about his published picture books and discussed the steps involved in creating these works. He then conducted an illustrating workshop giving explicit instruction in drawing technique.

North Nowra has many budding young illustrators!

We thank the Bundanon Trust for including us in this Book Week program.

**Mrs Clifton**



## P & C NEWS

### Canteen Hours

Our canteen is open three days a week. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please call Jo on 0447 303 328 if you can volunteer your time. Many hands make light work!

### P & C Voluntary School Contribution

Thank you to all families who have already paid their 2017 P&C Voluntary School Contribution. These funds are used to provide books, pencils, art supplies and other educational supplies to all students. The school contribution for 2017 is:

**1 child - \$25**

**2 children - \$45**

**3 or more children - \$60**

If you have not paid this contribution please consider making this payment as soon as you are financially able to do so. Thank you to all parents for your ongoing support.

*No student will be disadvantaged by non-payment or miss out on any educational program*

### Uniform Sales

The canteen will be open for uniform sales on Wednesdays between 8:30 am to 9:00 am. If you cannot get to school during this time please contact the school office for a pre-order uniform form and your order will be completed ASAP.

## P & C MAJOR FUNDRAISER

It's that time of year again – our 3rd Annual Outdoor Cinema Screening. This year will be the magical award winning movie, "TROLLS". This will be held on Friday 8th September, with gates opening at 4.30 pm, and movie to start approximately 15 mins after dusk. It's going to be even bigger this year, with a huge raffle with awesome prizes, kids rides, food stalls and much more. A separate flyer is being sent home with today's newsletter for families wishing to purchase tickets through the school using cash. Tickets are also available online through [www.nnps.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.nnps.eventbrite.com.au).



### Outdoor Cinema Night – Expression of Interest

Our P & C will be holding our annual Outdoor Cinema night on Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> September. If you are interested in sponsoring this major fundraiser please email [anna.butler@nnpspc.org.au](mailto:anna.butler@nnpspc.org.au) for a sponsorship package. Last year's profits are now being used to fund a new school intercom system and power supply to our back playground. Please consider supporting the P&C with this event.

**Anna Butler – Fundraising Co-ordinator**

## COMMUNITY NEWS

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### Has your school-aged child or teen attended the Emergency Department?

To have the best start back at school, **before returning** to school:

1. **Contact the School Principal,**
2. **Tell them** what the **emergency** was, and
3. Tell them what the **Emergency Department recommended.**

When your child or teen returns to school they may find it hard to:

- \* Adjust back into school life.
- \* Keep on track with their education.
- \* Stay safe.

Your school can develop a plan to support your child or teen. They can also help your child or teen manage their illness or injury.

Not sure what to tell the school?  
**Ask us to write it down** for you.



**Health**  
Illawarra Shoalhaven  
Local Health District



**Uniting**

Delivering the NDIS in your community



## You're invited to a family fun day in the Shoalhaven

**Come and celebrate the arrival of the NDIS**

On 1 July, the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) was introduced in the Shoalhaven by Uniting and the National Disability Insurance Agency. The NDIS is the new way people with disability receive help and it means a new era of lifestyle and service choices for you and your family.

**Join us on Saturday 2 September 2017 from 10am to 2pm for:**

- The official celebration of the NDIS in the Shoalhaven
- Non-stop entertainment, food, music and fun
- An interactive expo of local businesses, organisations and service providers
- Local personalities and celebrities
- Roving magicians, face painters, fairies and entertainers.

There will be an event program available on the day so you don't miss a thing. Note the date in your diary, and feel free to contact us.

**When:** Saturday 2 September 2017  
10am to 2pm

**Where:** Shoalhaven City  
Turf Club,  
90 Albatross Rd,  
South Nowra NSW

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**Register your interest:**  
[www.uniting.org/shoalhaven-fun-day](http://www.uniting.org/shoalhaven-fun-day)

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