

# The Kookaburra

North Nowra Public School News

*Empowering a Positive future for our Learning Community*

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Term 1 Week 6

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Term 1, 2019	
Week 6	
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	School Photos
Week 7	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole School Assembly 2pm
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Walk to School Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	PSSA Legends Shield Rugby League
Week 8	
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	P & C Meeting

## Staff Profile

Your name: Naomi Radford

Your class; Learning support officer with 1/20 and 1/2D

Why did you become a teacher? I find my roll as a SLSO to be a super fun and rewarding. A great job is one that you look forward to every day and I believe that teaching (and supporting) is that.

What is your favourite book? Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's dairy is my all time favourite book. So much fun.

Where is your favourite place to travel & Why?

My favourite place that I have travelled to is Iceland for so many reasons. It stands out mainly because it was the first place I stood under the northern Lights, so surreal.

Do you have any pets? If yes, what kind? Yes, I have two very spoilt pets. An old black cat, named Artemus. And a beautiful big puppy dog called Lady, who is a six month old Bernese mountain dog

If you were a superhero for a day, who would you be and why? Black Widow from the Avengers. She might not be the strongest or the fastest, but she isn't afraid to get amongst things when they get tough to help people who need it, loyal, caring and she gets to hang out with Thor and Captain America! Who wouldn't want to be her for a day??

Do you have a favourite teaching memory you would like to share? So hard to pin point a memory but I love it when the end of the term/year rolls around, reflecting on how far each student has come, and seeing there faces when they realize it themselves. Little steps can make a big impact to some students its so much fun seeing that.



## Clean up Australia Day 2019



The North Nowra Way is to be respectful.

Annually, our students participate in Clean Up Australia Day.

On Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> of March all the students took part and cleaned up rubbish around the school.

We were not expecting to find this much rubbish! Plastic chips packets and snack packets were the main find. We hope to keep our school beautiful for the rest of the year.



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## Parking and Use of Havenlee/ North Nowra Public School's Drive way area

With the commencement of the school year, it is important to revisit the conditions under which the community uses our school's driveway.

In the morning the driveway on Judith Drive can be used by the community as a 'Drop – off Pick – up Zone' from 8:00 am to 9:30 am. We ask that where possible you do not get out of your car and if you do you need to be aware you must remain within 15 meters of your car according to RMS regulations (even though it is on private land).

In the afternoon conditions are significantly different, and a large number of our community are not following the signposted requirements and are therefore committing a Parking Offence which can attract a fine. The driveway on Judith Drive at 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm becomes a '**No Stopping Zone for Unauthorised Vehicles**'.

Due to recent complaints from a concerned community member, the Police and Council Rangers have advised that they will be monitoring the communities Parking habits and intend to issue Parking Offence notices to drivers who are not following the signposted requirements.

For your children's safety and financial well being, I ask that you avoid parking in No Stopping areas. To support the community North Nowra Public School monitors students exiting from school via the Back Gates on Page Avenue and the Side Gate at Nellore Place. In these areas, the RMS provides a crossing coordinator, and there are less restrictive parking requirements.

Thank you for supporting your children to enter and exit our school safely while following the road and traffic guidelines. Teaching your children the rules and following the rules in their presence helps them to be better members of our community in the future.



### Reading Eggs & Mathletics



Have you spotted the laminated card in your child's communication folder to access Mathletics and Reading Eggs? They can access these great programs at home for free!

Here are the web page links for each program to login:  
Mathletics

<https://community.mathletics.com/signin/#/student>

Reading Eggs

<https://readingeggs.com.au/login1/>

Happy learning!

### School Banking

Bankers drop your deposit into Mrs Nottle each Thursday and collect your tokens for rewards!



### School Canteen

The school canteen is open Tuesday's, Wednesday's & Thursday's, with a new Healthy Schools approved Menu.

The menu can be found on our facebook page.



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## MOMO IS NOT REAL

Despite the numerous reports from parents stating their children are being frightened by Momo, experts say the Momo Challenge is 'group thinking' that can be addressed through safe internet practices.

The Commonwealth Government's Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner has developed a resource for parents – iPARENT – which is designed to help parents learn how to be safe and secure with the connected devices in their children's lives.

iPARENT – found at <https://www.esafety.gov.au/education-resources/iparent> - provides facts and stats about Australian children online, managing technology in the home and strategies used by parents to keep children safe online.

A Parent's guide to online safety can be downloaded from the site, and a range of useful information is available. For example, parents can access information about cyberbullying including

- how to talk to your child;
- a parent's guide to responding to cyberbullying;
- what to do if your child is being cyberbullied or cyberbullying others; and
- sources of professional support and help.

Information is also available for parents about unwanted contact, inappropriate, offensive or illegal content and sexting.

The Department of Education also has a cyber safety resource for parents on its website – Raising Good Digital Citizens which is accessible at

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/en/technology/usingtechnology/raising-good-digital-citizens>

*If you or someone you know needs help, contact Lifeline on 13 11 14.*

*Support services are available for children and teens at Kids Help Line on 1800 55 1800.*



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## Community Announcements



### ACTIVE KIDS and CREATIVE KIDS VOUCHERS

Whether your child is into sport and organised physical activity or more into creative and cultural learning activities, there is a voucher available to assist you with paying for the necessary training and classes.

Parents can now access both Active Kids and Creative Kids vouchers which provide parents with up to \$200 for every school-aged child to help cover the cost of enrolment for either sporting activities or creative and cultural learning activities.

Parents can use one voucher for every school-age child per year to help meet the cost of registration and / or enrolment.

With the commencement of the school year I encourage parents to get in early by accessing the **Service NSW website** to **register for both the Active Kids and Creative Kids vouchers**.

Cost of living is a major issue for families and because of our State's strong budget position, we are proud to be providing this assistance for children and families to participate in these valuable sporting and creative programs.

If you have any questions, give me a buzz!

Gareth Ward MP  
Member for Kiama

## NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY 2019



**FRIDAY 22 MARCH 2019**

Join more than 350,000 students across the nation, who will ride, walk, scoot and skate to school.

Visit [ride2school.com.au](http://ride2school.com.au) to find out more.



**The Magpies**  
BERRY SHOALHAVEN HEADS

**Play JUNIOR Rugby League!**  
**Boys and Girls Join the Mighty Magpies in 2019!**  
**From Under 6 to Under 16**

**REGISTER NOW!**

**GO TO**  
**WWW.PLAYNRL.COM**

**f Find us on Facebook**

**Rego \$150 includes socks and shorts**  
Use your \$100 Active Kids Voucher and only pay \$50

**Come to our Open Day on Saturday March 16 at the Berry Showground to collect your gear from 10am to 12pm.**

**CONTACT BERRYJUNIORLEAGUE@GMAIL.COM**

