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Week 10 Term 4 - 2024



#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

As the year draws to a close, it's a time to reflect on all the accomplishments, growth, and milestones that have made this school year special. From the first day of classes to the final exams and everything in between, it has been a year filled with challenges, successes, and memorable moments for our students, teachers, and staff. Two National medals, OnSTAGE nomination/selection and a swagger of outstanding HSC results in the past few weeks alone.

To our teachers – thank you for your tireless efforts in the classroom. You have not only imparted knowledge but also instilled values, nurtured creativity, and provided encouragement when it was most needed. You have been mentors, role models, and guides for our students, shaping their futures with each lesson, discussion, and interaction. Your passion for teaching and your commitment to our students' success make a profound difference every day.

I would like to recognise and celebrate the contributions of our staff moving on to new ventures. Ms Lucia Shulz, Miss Emily Jett, Ms Jo Cable, Mr Darren McMahon, and Mr James Smith who was recently successful in gaining a Head Teacher position.

As we look forward to the coming year, let us celebrate the incredible achievements we've made together. We have shown resilience, teamwork, and determination, and we should be proud of all that we've accomplished. But the work doesn't stop here – we will continue to support each other, learn from one another, and strive to make the coming year at Nimbin Central even better.

Mitchell Cross Relieving Principal



### From the Deputy Desk

It has been a momentous year here at Nimbin Central School and looking back on events, one thing is clear — Our school community is strong and connected in one common goal: supporting our young people.

Nimbin Central School, by location and spirit, is at the heart of the Nimbin community, educating generations of families and always striving toward Success Through Diversity (our school motto).

We would like to thank our whole school community; families, students and staff, for their ongoing strength, resilience and support.

There are a few exciting school events in the lead up to the school holidays including the Primary Celebration Assembly and Disco and some wellbeing activities and a theatrical representation of Pythagorus' Theorem for Secondary. We look forward to the release of the HSC results on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> of December, which is also the last day of school for students and wish all of our 2024 Stage 6 students the very best of luck.

Have a wonderful and safe holiday break and we'll see all our current and new students commence the academic year on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025 (Kindergarten to Year 12). Staff return on Friday 31st of January for essential planning and professional development.

Kellie Cockburn



## **Congratulations to Mikayla and Daniel!**

Competing at the 2024 Australian All Schools Championships, Mikayla soared to an impressive 11.92m in Triple Jump, securing Gold for a consecutive year!

Daniel demonstrated outstanding skill and earned Bronze in Shot Put with a powerful performance.

Their dedication and commitment to their sports have truly paid off. Nimbin Central School is so proud of their achievements at a National level!





## K/1 NEWS

What a wonderful year it has been for our K-1 students! We've celebrated incredible learning achievements and fostered meaningful social connections. Highlights included our time with the school chickens, swimming, athletics carnival, school market, Bahzooley and an exciting excursion to Currumbin that everyone enjoyed. I'm eagerly looking forward to working with K-2 in 2025, with the continued support of our wonderful SLSO, Tina Cudmore, who plays such a valuable role in our classroom.

Heather Jessup



# Student Leadership Camp Experience Written by School Captains Sophie Brown & Livio Gulizia

On Wednesday, 11th December, our student leadership team embarked on an educational survival camp. This was an incredible opportunity to develop teamwork, trust, determination, initiative, and leadership skills.

During the excursion, our survival instructor, Scott, taught us how to start a fire using various methods, including the hand drill, flint and steel, and a ferro rod. He also educated us about different types of natural kindling, where to find them, and how to prepare them.

The learning continued with a session on how to treat snake bites, followed by constructing a shelter using the natural environment around us, known as a debris hut.

The day ended with a thrilling challenge called "The Leap of Faith." In this activity, one team member, harnessed to the instructor, had to jump off a platform suspended roughly eight meters above the ground, aiming to grab a hanging trapeze. With unwavering support from their peers, everyone faced their fears and made the leap! Our SRC coordinator even made it to the trapeze "Show off" he was a rock climber in a previous life.

Throughout the day, the team encouraged each other in every exercise and thoroughly enjoyed the unique experiences the camp offered. We strongly encourage any students who are passionate about leadership and want to share their voice to join us at our meetings every Thursday during the third break.

#### **Camp Quotes:**

- "Best day of Term Four!" Sophia
- "I loved flying through the air like a fairy!" Maleiah
- "It was a cool day of extracurricular activity." Ava
- "I learned that it's not just the bitten limb that you can't move when bitten by a snake." Sian
- "I'm glad we survived!" Sophia
- Experiential learning is the best!! Aaron









#### **SCHOOL SPECTACULAR**

In Week 8, I joined Ava, Winter and Amaya for an excursion to Sydney for the 41st School Spectacular. We were just 3 of 5500 dancing students from across NSW. We flew down and stayed for five nights, travelling each day, sometimes a couple of times a day, to Olympic Park where the girls rehearsed and performed in the Qudos Bank Arena on a stage that has been performed on by some of the biggest names in music. The girls showed great endurance, resilience and creativity, bringing their best for four massive performances over two days. Being a part of this production was an outstanding opportunity.

They had some obstacles to overcome, with their first rehearsal day taking place in 40° heat, followed by being informed that they had forgotten to make costumes for our school. The girls took these challenges in their stride and continued to show up with smiles on their faces (and glitter on their eyelids). Everyone commented on how fantastic they were and how exciting it was to have Nimbin Central as part of the School Spectacular family. We made some time for shopping and tasting of exotic food in between our hectic rehearsal schedule. Seeing our students perform for audiences of thousands of people was an incredible experience! You can watch the recorded version on Saturday 14 December at 7 pm to 9:30 pm on Channel 7, or stream on 7+ Catchup afterwards. Keep an eye out for our girls in green in the ABBA Medley!

Lucia Schulz







## **Nimbin Central Honey**

Stage 5 and Stage 6 Agriculture students have been busy harvesting and jarring up our honey. For many of these students, this was the first time working with bees and everyone enjoyed the experience. We extracted honey from 10 frames and yielded about 15kg, leaving plenty in the hive for the bees.

Anthony Neenan









**More Agriculture News** 

Stage 5 and Stage 6 Agriculture students have been busy building a chook pen extension. As our chook numbers build, so does their requirement for more space. This new area can be opened and closed off periodically to allow vegetation to regrow.





## "Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be Responsible"

























CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Our Primary School Captains for 2025 are Sofia and Colin. Vice Captains are Buttercup and Miranda.









#### **Careers News**

In Week 5 this term, a group of enthusiastic Year 10 students had the exciting opportunity to attend Southern Cross University's *Masterclass Day*, an event designed to give students a taste of university life and inspire them as they begin to consider potential career paths.

The day was packed with engaging and informative workshops, allowing students to explore areas of study that they may not have previously considered. Students were able to select from a range of disciplines, including the sciences, engineering, nursing, law, and education, giving them a firsthand experience of what these fields entail. Whether experimenting in a state-of-the-art science lab, learning about the fundamentals of engineering, or discussing the practicalities of a career in law or nursing, students were able to interact with experienced academics and gain insights into each profession.

Beyond the workshops, the event also offered valuable information about life as a student at Southern Cross University. Attendees learned about the various support services available to students, the vibrant campus life, and the many extracurricular opportunities offered by the university. The day not only helped students explore future academic options but also provided a glimpse into the culture of higher education and student life.

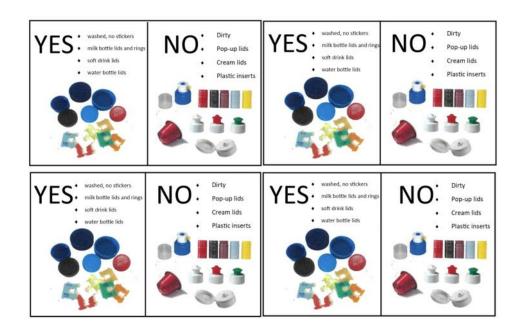
This experience is a great way for students to start thinking critically about their career options and take the first steps toward making informed decisions about their future educational and career pathways. We hope that the *Masterclass Day* has inspired our Year 10s to dream big and start planning for their next chapter.

In an effort to further enhance their employability and practical skills, a group of our former Year 12 students recently completed the *Responsible Service of Alcohol* (RSA) course. This essential training provides students with the knowledge and understanding of the legal and ethical responsibilities involved in serving alcohol in a hospitality setting.

The RSA course covers a wide range of important topics, including how to identify signs of intoxication, the legal drinking age, the importance of safe service practices, and how to manage difficult situations that may arise when alcohol is being served. By successfully completing the course, students not only gain a deeper understanding of their role in ensuring a safe and enjoyable environment for patrons but also earn a nationally recognised qualification, which is a valuable asset for anyone seeking employment in the hospitality industry.

Mark Chaseling





#### NASA SPACE CAMP

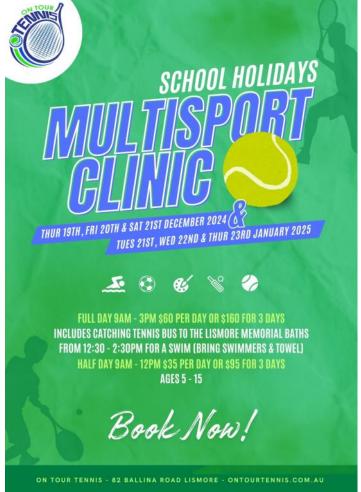
Vacation Education has secured an exclusive allocation for a NASA Space Camp during the September 2025 school holidays. This exciting opportunity is available to students aged 15 years and older and will include a 5-day NASA Space Camp experience, along with visits to some of the most iconic locations in space exploration and entertainment:

- Cape Canaveral
- Kennedy Space Center
- Disney World
- Universal Studios

For schools with **15 or more interested students**, we are happy to tailor the program to meet your school's specific requirements. However, if there are fewer students interested, a combined program with other schools will be available.









MEN'S ASSOCIATION ...

**TRADING HOURS** 

OPEN DAYS

10 AM—3 PM

2nd and 3rd Wednesday

Of the Month

OP SHOP DAYS

10 AM—3 PM

1st and 4th Wednesday

Of the Month

9.30 AM—3 PM
4th and 5th Sunday
Of the Month

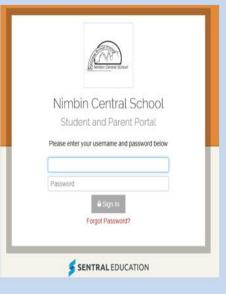
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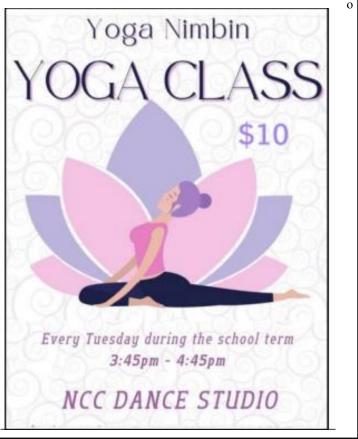


The school canteen is desperately looking for volunteers. If you can spare some time to help out, it would be greatly appreciated. Even just an hour or two can make a big difference to the quality and variety of food we are able to provide to students. Call Simone on 66891355 or drop in to see her.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE CANTEEN

Parents please do not send \$50.00 notes to the canteen for lunch orders or purchases. Change is not always available to accommodate.





## NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU Term 4, 2024

| HOT FOODS  | COST         | SNACKS  | COST   |
|--|--------------|---|--------|
| Garlic Bread   | \$1.00       | Fresh Fruit – seasonal from                       | \$1.50 |
| Cheesy Garlic Bread  | \$1.50       | Air popped popcorn from                           | \$1.00 |
| Dim Sims mini steamed chicken                              | 5 for \$3.00 | Custard Cup / Yogurt cup 2 sizes \$1.00 OR        | \$2.00 |
| Hash Browns e  | ach \$1.00   | Tinned Fruit Cup                                  | \$1.50 |
| Spinach ricotta rolls (canteen made)                       | \$3.00       | Chips – Sea salt/ Grain waves s/c chives/Pretzels | \$1.50 |
| Sausage Roll. (bakery)                                     | \$4.50       | Pikelets x 3 with maple syrup                     | \$2.50 |
| Bag of 4 Chicken Fingers or Dino Nuggets or Small meat pie | \$2.50       | Jelly cups (WEDNESDAYS)                           | \$1.50 |
| Stir Fried Rice VEG \$4.50 Chick                           | en \$5.00    | Chocolate Mousse Cup (ask if available)           | \$2.00 |
| Pasta Bolognese * Meat OR                                  | Veg \$5.00   | COLD MEALS  |        |
| Mexi Beans & Rice *  | \$5.00       | Pesto Pasta Plain \$3.00 OR with cheese           | \$3.50 |
| Nachos Bean  | \$5.00       | With lettuce, tomato, red onion                   | \$5.00 |
| Teriyaki Chicken or Butter Chicken or Thai chicken         | \$5.00       | With lettuce, tom, red onion, pesto chicken       | \$6.50 |
| (All served with rice)                                     |              |   |        |
|  |              | GLUTEN FREE PASTA AVAILABLE BY ORDER FOR AN EXTRA | \$1.00 |
| * WANT CHEESE WITH YOUR MEAL?                              | 0.50         | Salad Box Let,carrot, Tom Cuc Sprouts Red Onion   | \$5.50 |
| THEN PLEASE ADD AN EXTRA 50C TO THE PRICE *                |              | With Chicken OR Ham OR Cheese OR Egg              | \$6.50 |
| TOASTIES   |              | SUSHI (WEDNESDAYS ONLY)                           |        |
| Just Cheese  | \$3.00       | Nori Rolls and Tofu Pockets (canteen made)        | \$4.00 |
| Ham Cheese / Salami Cheese / Tomato Cheese                 | \$3.50       | *Tuna/Chicken/Veg options                         | EACH   |
| Ham Cheese Tomato  | \$4.00       |   |        |
| Chicken & Cheese   | \$5.00       | SALAD BOXES MUST BE ORDERED                       |        |
| 1/2 Round Roll Toasted with Tomato Cheese / Ham Cheese     | \$3.00       | STAFF SALADS AVAILABLE BY ORDER FROM              | \$6.50 |

| Tomato/BBQ/Sweet Chilli Sauce 30c   | alad dres                  | sing 50c Extra Forks/Spoons 10c   |                |
|---|----------------------------|---|----------------|
| SANDWICHES  | COST                       | DRINKS  | COST           |
| Jam OR Vegemite   | \$2.00                     | Berri pop top juices 250ml (apple or ABC)                                 | \$2.50         |
| Cheese OR Tomato  | \$3.00                     | 100% Just Juice Poppers 5 flavours  | \$2.00         |
| Tomato & cheese OR Cheese & cucumber  | \$3.50                     | Water 600ml   | \$2.00         |
| Ham & Cheese  | \$3.50                     | Water 1 litre   | \$3.00         |
| Salami Cheese Lettuce OR Ham Cheese Tomato  | \$4.00                     | Juice bomb can 8 flavours   | \$2.50         |
| Salad (lettuce, cucumber, tom, carrot, sprouts)   | \$4.50                     | Up & Go chocolate (DF also available)                                     | \$250          |
| Egg Mayo Lettuce OR Curried Egg Mayo Lettuce  | \$4.50                     | Cup of WARM milo 8oz (winter months only)                                 | \$3.00         |
| Tuna Mayo Lettuce with Red Onion & Tomato   | \$5.00                     | M2GO milk poppers Choc/S'Berry  | \$2.50         |
| Chicken Lettuce Mayo/Chicken Avo/Chicken Cheese   | \$5.00                     | Nippys 500ml Iced Choc/Coffee H/S ONLY                                    | \$4.50         |
| Salad with Cheese   | \$5.00                     | Nippys 375ml iced choc/coffee   | \$3.50         |
| Ham Cheese Salad OR Chicken Salad   | \$5.50                     | (*coffee is for high school and staff only*)                              |                |
| ALL SANDWICHES ARE MADE ON JUMBO WHOLEMEAL BREAD FROM LOCAL BAKERY USING DAIRY FREE SPREAD  |                            | FROZEN  |                |
| MUFFIN PIZZAS   |                            | Juice Cups (canteen made) Apple   | \$1.00         |
| Half an English muffin topped with  |                            | Sips 4 flavours Half/Whole  | 50/100         |
| *Pizza sauce, mozzarella cheese, ham  | \$2.50                     | 9   |                |
| *Pizza sauce, mozzarella, red onion, capsicum   | \$2 50                     | ΤΝΤ Δ   | \$1.00         |
| *Pizza sauce, mozzarella, Pesto chicken   | \$3.00                     | Snap juice ice blocks 6 flavours Half/Whole                               | 50/100         |
|   |                            | Chocolate moosie  | \$2.00         |
|   |                            | Juicies 2 flavours  | \$2.00         |
| BURGERS CHICKEN OR BEEF OR VEG  |                            | CANTEEN MADE yogurt cubes *summer item*                                   | \$1.00<br>EACH |
| *Flame Grilled Chicken, lettuce & special burger sauce *Cheeseburger - Beef patty, cheese and choice of sauce *Veg – veg patty, tomato, lettuce, sweet chili sauce (Please add 50c extra per ingredient if you want salad items | \$5.50<br>\$5.50<br>\$5.50 | ICE CREAM CUPS Vanilla Dixie cup<br>(Vegan option available upon request) | \$2.00<br>EACH |