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**Week 10, Term 4 - 2023**



As we bid farewell to the 2023 school year, I am delighted to reflect on the journey we've undertaken together at Nimbin Central School. It has been a year filled with accomplishments and growth.

I have enjoyed the year as Principal. I will remain in the Principal role for Term 1 while the position is advertised and then filled for the beginning of Term 2. I appreciate all the support I have been given in this role.

Success looks different for different people. This year we have witnessed success in sport, academic, cultural, leadership and wellbeing domains. The students from Nimbin bring a diverse set of skills to the school and we welcome the challenge of offering engaging learning experiences to meet their needs.

HSC results at Nimbin Central in 2023 saw six of our students on the Distinguished List with many others achieving personal bests in their courses. Well done to our Stage 6 students.

To our graduating Year 6 class, enjoy high school and make the most of the opportunities available to you. Learning should be hard but also fun.

2023 has been the year of delivering on projects. We have seen many changes occur to our site that makes it a better place to come to. We have many more projects planned.

To our families we wish you a safe and happy holiday.

To the staff at Nimbin Central a very big thank you from me for the way you do your job each and every day. Have a great holiday team.

***School returns on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February for Years 1-12. Any new families to the area can complete applications online and we will be in touch to schedule interviews from Friday 2 February 2024.***

*Sally Ann Thompson*

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## Deputy's Report

### SIMON GRAHAM

Another year over.

Please note a sample parent letter on the following page that you will be receiving next year. It informs you that we are a category B Bushfire school and what that means.

I am immensely proud of the achievements of our Stage 6 students in the HSC. For a small school we punch well above our weight in the rankings. Congratulations to the students/parents and teachers for all the work and support that goes into this.

We are achieving in the sporting domain as well, with National/State/Regional and Zone representation.

And as I reflect on all the other amazing stuff that goes on at our busy little inclusive school (Bazhooley/ Café Central/ Community Markets etc etc), I am grateful, honoured and excited to work in such an awesome learning community, from our support staff like Mark and Julie to Sally, NSC is a special place to learn together, from our little Kindy Jarjums to our exceptional, talented and intelligent students it really is the best school in NSW!

See you all in six weeks so we can do it all again!

Wishing you a safe, relaxing  
and enjoyable Christmas

## Nimbin Central School

### Term 4, 2023

### Key Dates

<b>Friday 15 Dec</b>	Final Day of Term for students
<b>Thursday 1 Feb</b>	Years 1—12 return to School
<b>Thursday 1 Feb</b>	Kindergarten Best Start
<b>Friday 2 February</b>	Kindergarten commence for 2024

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## ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE UPCOMING BUSHFIRE SEASON

Dear Parent/Carers,

I am writing to advise you of bushfire emergency arrangements for our school this bushfire season.

Our school is in a bushfire prone area and is listed as Category 2 on the NSW Department of Education's bushfire risk register.

To ensure the health, safety and welfare of students and staff, the department has determined that on days when NSW Rural Fire Service declares a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating for Northern Rivers Zone-Nimbin Brigade area, our school will temporarily cease operations for the following day.

In addition, schools may be made non-operational due to changing higher risk conditions and advice from emergency services and the State Emergency Operations Centre.

We recommend that you download the Parent App and select to monitor advice from our school which will push notifications to you advising that the school is non-operational. We also recommend that you stay up to date with bushfire and grassfire activity by using the Hazards Near Me app (set a watch zone for your school area), and by monitoring local media. You can also review fire activity and alert levels on the RFS website.

The Fire Danger Rating does not mean there will be a bushfire, but rather weather conditions that could pose a high risk for a bushfire event. The measure is proactive to ensure staff, students and the community remain safe.

To ensure that we continue to support student learning on these days, I have put the following arrangements in place:  
**[School to indicate what arrangements will be in place on days when the site is not operating due to a catastrophic fire danger rating]**

Our school will inform our school community after 4pm if there is a change to the operational status of the school for the following day. To assist the school in contacting all families please ensure that you have provided us with up-to-date contact details.

Further information on up-to-date communication of school operations, can also be found through:

- our school website or Facebook page
- NSW Department of Education's School Safety website: [education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/school-safety](http://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/school-safety)
- NSW School Updates app: [education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/nsw-school-updates-app](http://education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/nsw-school-updates-app), and
- social media.

We recommend that all of our families follow the advice of the NSW Rural Fire Service and ensure that your family knows what to do if there is a fire.

It can take as little as five minutes to make your plan. Discuss it with your family so you know what you will do in the event of a fire. [www.myfireplan.com.au](http://www.myfireplan.com.au)

Please contact the school on 02 6689 1355 if you would like any further information about this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Sally Ann Thompson  
Principal





### Australian All Schools Athletics Championships

I want to share with you the outstanding achievement of my daughter Mikayla, who competed for Nimbin Central and NSW at the prestigious Australian All Schools Athletics Championships, held in Perth, WA, last weekend.

Mikayla competed in the U15 Girls Triple Jump event, executing the best four jumps of her life and achieving a personal best jump of 11.75m, to secure the gold and the Australian Title.

After her disappointment of narrowly missing a podium finish at the National Championship last year, Mikayla's determination and dedication to training and self improvement has paid dividends.

Her results are testament to the old adage of "Never give up"! She is inspirational to all around her, and we're really proud to be her parents.

Michael & May Frey





## **Mikayla Frey – Our Sporting Superstar**

On behalf of the whole Nimbin Central School community, we would like to extend our congratulations and admiration to Miranda Frey, who was crowned National Triple Jump Champion in Western Australia last weekend. She secured the title with a jump of 11m 75cm!

Mikayla is an amazing young person who, at 14 years of age, in addition to her rigorous training schedule, is also part of our academic acceleration program, having just commenced Year 11 studies.

Mikayla, we are all so proud of you!

*Kellie Cockburn*



**CLASS 3/4/5/6 - MS MACKNEY**

*It's the end of the term! It's the end of the year! It's the Holiday season.*

All the students from 3-6 wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas. In preparation for the festive season, our students created gifts for their families with care and attention and lots of love.

Our wreaths were painstakingly crafted from strips of (new and not used) plastic garbage bags and a wire coat hanger. Students took great pride in their work and the finished products were outstanding.

As sustainability is a focus of our school, the wreath can be used again and again, year after year.

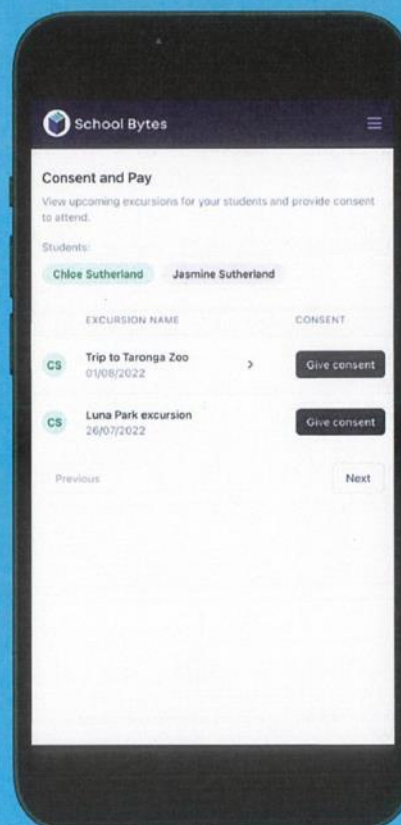
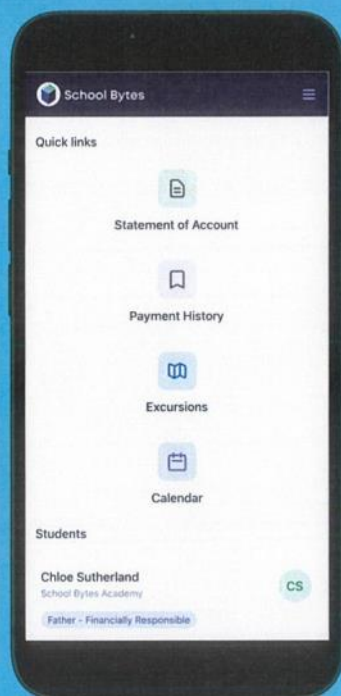
*Merry Christmas and we will see you in the new year.*





# AVAILABLE NOW!

We are excited to announce our school will be transitioning to a more flexible and simplified way parent/carers can make payments



## The Parent Portal

- Easily make a payment online
- Download your receipt
- Sign and return permission notes digitally
- Use any credits on your account to make payment
- View your complete payment history
- Request a refund



School Bytes

AVAILABLE DURING

# TERM 3

Register for the Parent Portal via the QR Code or visit

<https://portal.schoolbytes.education>





## Nimbin Central P&C Membership Info

The **Nimbin Central P&C** Association is a Not-For-Profit Organisation which is established to promote the interests of the school by bringing parents, citizens, students and teaching staff into close co-operation and to assist in providing facilities and equipment for the school and in promoting the recreation and welfare of the students at the school.

Membership of the **Nimbin Central P&C** Association is open to all parents and guardians of pupils attending the school and to all citizens. **Nimbin Central P&C** Association is always keen to welcome new members and particularly members who access or have an interest in the services provided by the P&C Association, such as our OOSH and the Canteen and Uniform Shops.

Meetings are held on Thursday Week 3 & Week 7 Thursday of every school term. **Nimbin Central P&C** Association operates sub-committees where your contribution would be greatly appreciated. Annual membership is \$1 and entitles you to be involved in the decision making of **Nimbin Central P&C** Association. When you become a financial member, you agree to follow the Constitution, by-laws, Code of Conduct, Policies, Procedures and sub-committee rules as adopted by the **Nimbin Central P&C** Association, copies of these materials are available from the **Nimbin Central P&C** Association Secretary at each meeting of the P&C Association. You are recognised as a financial member of the **Nimbin Central P&C** Association after the meeting closes at which you submit your payment. The Treasurer shall issue you a receipt for this payment, you should retain the receipt for the current P&C Association year as proof of your membership.

If you are interested in becoming a member, please complete the form on the next page and bring it with you to the next meeting of the **Nimbin Central P&C** Association. If you are unable to attend the next meeting but wish to become a member, please submit this form and payment to the Treasurer via the School front Office.





## Nimbin Central P&C Membership Form

**Full Name** \_\_\_\_\_ *Please print*

**School Community Member Type**      Parent       Citizen       *Please tick*

**Contact Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

I include a payment of \$1 to become a financial member of the Nimbin Central P&C Association.

I acknowledge that I am aware that I agree to follow the Constitution, by-laws, Code of Conduct, policies, procedures and sub-committee rules as adopted by the Nimbin Central P&C Association.

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**Signed**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

# Community Recovery Program



## Tuning in to Kids® Online Parenting Group

An online parenting group for parents and carers who would like to:

- Improve communication and strengthen the bond with their child
- Better understand their child's behaviour and learn new parenting approaches
- Connect with other like-minded parents



### What is Tuning in to Kids®?

Tuning in to Kids (TIK) is an evidenced based, emotion-focused parenting course that supports parents/carers to recognise, understand and manage their own and their children's emotions. TIK has proven success in improving children's emotional intelligence which can reduce big behaviours.

### Who is it for?

We are delivering TIK as part of our Community Recovery Program. For Term 1, 2024, TIK groups will be open to parents/carers from the following LGAs: **NSW:** Lismore, Ballina Shire, Richmond Valley, Tweed Shire, Bega Valley Shire, Eurobodalla Shire, City of Shoalhaven, Nambucca Valley, Kempsey Shire, Glen Innes Severn Shire, Clarence Valley, Mid Coast, Port Macquarie-Hastings & Snowy Monaro. **QLD:** Gympie Region, Somerset, Lockyer Valley, Western Downs

### Where?

Groups will take place online via Zoom.

### When?

Term 1, 2024 Choice between 2 groups:

- **Group 1: Wednesdays 7.45pm-9.15pm (QLD time: 6.45pm-8.15pm)**, beginning **February 7<sup>th</sup>** & running for 8 weeks **until March 27<sup>th</sup> 2024**
- **Group 2: Thursdays 10.30am-12.30pm (QLD time: 9.30am-11.30am)** beginning **February 8<sup>th</sup>** & running for 8 weeks **until March 28<sup>th</sup> 2024**

*\*Spots are limited- please reach out ASAP with your preference for joining Group 1 or Group 2. We are also taking expressions of interest for Term 2, 2024.*

### Next steps:

TIK is **free to join**. Please contact our team if you are interested or have questions:

[communityrecovery@royalfarwest.org.au](mailto:communityrecovery@royalfarwest.org.au) or (02) 9466 1726



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#### What parents have said:

*"I am so incredibly grateful for this course! I couldn't be more thankful for my learning and the strategies that are making an amazing difference with both of my boys"*

## NCS Newsletter Team

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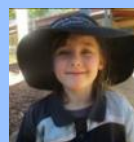
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## NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL HATS

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OFFICE  
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\$15.65



**NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU Term 1, 2024**

HOT FOODS	COST	SNACKS	COST
Garlic Bread	\$1.00	Piece of Fruit - seasonal	\$1.00
Cheesy Garlic Bread (needs to be ordered)	\$1.50	Air popped popcorn	\$1.00
Dim Sims steamed Chicken 3 FOR \$5 or each	\$2.00	Custard Cup / Yogurt cup	\$1.00
Hash Browns each	\$1.00	Tinned Fruit Cup Plain \$1.00 With Custard	\$1.50
Spinach & Cheese Roll HALF only	\$2.50	Chips – Sea salt/ Grain waves s/c chives/Pretzels	\$1.20
Sausage Roll	\$4.50	Pikelets x 3 with maple syrup	\$2.00
Stir Fried Rice VEG \$4.50 Chicken	\$5.00		
Pasta Bolognese * Meat OR Veg	\$5.00		
		<b>COLD MEALS</b>	
Mexi Beans & Rice *	\$5.00	Pesto Pasta Plain \$3.00 OR with cheese	\$3.50
Mac Cheese	\$5.00	With lettuce, tomato, red onion	\$5.00
Nachos Bean	\$5.00	With lettuce, tom, red onion, flame grilled chicken	\$6.00
Teriyaki chicken or Butter Chicken n Rice	\$5.00	WARM versions also available by request	
Bag of 4 Chicken Fingers/Dino Nuggets	\$2.50	GLUTEN FREE PASTA AVAILABLE BY ORDER FOR AN EXTRA	\$0.50
* WANT CHEESE WITH YOUR MEAL? THEN PLEASE ADD AN EXTRA 50c TO THE PRICE *	0.50	Basic Salad Box Lettuce Tom Cuc Sprouts Red Onion	\$5.50
		With Ham OR Cheese OR Egg	\$7.00
		<b>TOASTIES</b>	
		<b>SNACK PACKS</b>	
Just Cheese	\$3.00	½ sandwich of choice + juice popper + custard cup	\$5.00
Ham Cheese / Salami Cheese / Tomato Cheese	\$3.50		EACH
Ham Cheese Tomato	\$4.00	**Or switch the custard to cup of tinned fruit**	
Chicken & Cheese	\$4.50	SALAD BOXES & SNACK PACKS MUST BE ORDERED	
½ Round Roll Toasted with Tomato Cheese / Ham Cheese	\$3.00	STAFF SALADS AVAILABLE FROM	\$6.00

Tomato/BBQ/Sweet Chilli Sauce 30c Small tub of Salad Dressing/Hummus 50c extra Forks/Spoons 10c

SANDWICHES	COST	DRINKS	COST
Jam OR Vegemite	\$2.00	100% Juice cups Apple	\$1.00
Cheese OR Tomato	\$3.00	100% Just Juice Poppers 4 flavours	\$1.50
Tomato & cheese OR Cheese & cucumber	\$3.50	Water 600ml	\$1.50
Ham & Cheese	\$3.50	Water 1 litre	\$2.50
Salami Cheese Lettuce OR Ham Cheese Tomato	\$4.00	Juice bomb can 8 flavours	\$2.50
Salad (lettuce ,cucumber, tom, carrot, sprouts)	\$4.50	Cup of chocolate milk 12oz (355ml)	\$2.50
Egg Mayo Lettuce OR Curried Egg Mayo Lettuce	\$4.50	Cup of warm milo 12oz (winter months only)	\$3.00
Tuna Mayo Lettuce with Red Onion & Tomato	\$5.00	M 2 GO Choc/S'Berry	\$2.50
Chicken Lettuce Mayo/Chicken Avo/Chicken Cheese Sprouts	\$4.50	Nippys 500ml Iced Choc/Coffee H/S ONLY	\$4.50
Salad with Cheese	\$5.00	Nippys 375ml choc/strawberry/coffee	\$3.50
Ham Cheese Salad OR Chicken Salad	\$5.50		
ALL SANDWICHES ARE MADE ON JUMBO WHOLEMEAL BREAD FROM LOCAL BAKERY USING DAIRY FREE SPREAD		<b>FROZEN</b>	
<b>WRAPS</b>		Juice Cups Apple	\$1.00
Salad with Dairy Free Mayo	\$5.00	Sips 4 flavours Half/Whole	50/100
Chicken lettuce mayo	\$5.00	TNT Δ	\$1.00
Egg, lettuce n mayo/curried egg lettuce n mayo	\$5.00	Snap juice ice blocks 6 flavours Half/Whole	50/100
Flame Grilled Chicken, with mayo, lettuce & sweet chilli sauce	\$6.00	Chocolate Moosie	\$2.00
		Juicies 4 flavours	\$2.00
<b>BURGERS</b> CHICKEN OR FALAFEL OR BEEF		CANTEEN MADE custard cubes/yogurt cubes (Summer months only)	\$1.00 EACH
*Flame Grilled Chicken, lettuce & special burger sauce	\$5.50	ICE CREAM CUPS VEGAN OR DAIRY	\$2.00
*Cheeseburger - Beef patty, cheese and choice of sauce	\$5.50	(Vegan = coconut Dairy = chocolate,	EACH
(please add 50c extra per ingredient if you want salad items)		NEW FRESH YOGURT BERRY GRANOLA CUPS	.....
		gluten free/nut free available 2 <sup>nd</sup> break	\$4.00

PLEASE REMEMBER TO ORDER ALL HOT FOOD, BURGERS, SNACK PACKS, WRAPS AND SALADS