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Week 8, Term 4 - 2023



Nimbin Central School

Term 4, 2023

Key Dates

Monday 4 Dec	Primary End of Year Celebration Day @ Kyogle Pool
Tuesday 5 Dec	Primary End of Year Assembly –Arrive at 9am for 9.15am start
Wednesday 6 Dec	Carols by Candlelight
Friday 8 Dec	Colour Fun Run
Tuesday 12 Dec	Secondary End of Year Assembly @
Wednesday 13 Dec	WORLD'S Excursion for Secondary
Thursday 14 Dec	Year 6 Farewell Dinner
Friday 15 Dec	Final Day of Term for students



This is a community event—supervision of children is the responsibility of parents and caregivers.

CLASS OF 2023

YOU ARE INVITED TO

YEAR 6

FAREWELL DINNER

SAVE THE DATE

14 DECEMBER 2023

THURSDAY

5 - 8 PM

NIMBIN BOWLING CLUB

\$20 PER PERSON

COVERS THE MAIN MEAL AND DESSERT.

DRINKS ARE EXTRA

RSVP 07.12.23



2024 Improvement Measures

In 2024, we are implementing targeted measures to enhance reading and numeracy skills, boost attendance rates, and elevate the outcomes of the Higher School Certificate (HSC) and Pathways programs.

Our focus on literacy and numeracy stems from the understanding that a strong foundation in these fundamental skills is crucial for overall academic success. Through innovative teaching methodologies, personalized learning approaches and additional support resources, we aim to nurture a culture of curiosity and critical thinking among our students, empowering them to excel in both reading and numeracy.

Improving attendance remains a top priority for Nimbin Central School. Recognizing the direct correlation between regular attendance and academic achievement, we are implementing strategies to engage students, support families, and create a positive and inclusive school environment. By fostering a sense of belonging and enthusiasm for learning, we aim to increase overall attendance rates and create a vibrant atmosphere where every student feels valued and motivated to attend regularly.

In terms of the HSC and Pathways programs, we are enhancing our curriculum, providing targeted support for subject-specific challenges, and collaborating with industry partners to offer diverse pathways for our students beyond graduation. Our goal is to equip every student with the skills and knowledge necessary to pursue their desired career paths, whether through tertiary education, vocational training, or direct entry into the workforce.

These school improvement measures are a testament to our commitment to continuous growth and excellence. We believe that by addressing these key areas, we can create a learning environment that not only meets the academic needs of our students but also prepares them for success in their future endeavours. Together, with the support of our dedicated staff, engaged parents, and motivated students, Nimbin Central School is poised to achieve new heights in 2024 and beyond.

Student Leadership Team

Our SRC is undergoing a re-design. Interested students have put together a series of recommendations that we will be working through.

It is with great pleasure that we announce the esteemed members of our Student Leadership Team and Captains for the academic year 2024. Sara and Giselle will be our Captains, Darius and India our Vice Captains and Ceejay and Will as our Senior Leaders. We look forward to what their time in office will mean for our school.

Junior Leadership Team

This process is occurring as we go to print. I look forward to announcing who will be in the leadership roles in our junior school for 2024.

Community Markets

Thank you for your support in 2023 for our Teaching Innovation projects otherwise known as our community markets. I have enjoyed being hustled by our entrepreneurs to purchase products they believe of interest to me. I have also been impressed with the students who have taken their products to markets around the Nimbin area showing their commitment to financial literacy.

Sally Ann Thompson

Deputy's Report

SIMON GRAHAM

Lots of exciting things happening as we wrap up 2023.

Celebration assemblies, fun days and reward ceremonies all celebrating another year of learning and growing.

Our school leaders for 2024 have been announced for the secondary school and the elected leaders will be inducted at the End of Year Assembly. Congrats to Sara, Giselle, India and Darius on their election, we are confident they will do great things for the school in 2024.

Thank you to the parents who completed the TFM survey. I have passed the survey results on to the P&C for consultation.

Flood assistance money needs to be spent before the end of the year. Please see your School Bytes Parent Portal account or contact the office for the balance of funding remaining and how to spend it. Remember flood funding can go towards uniforms and other school resources for 2024.

There is still no news on who will be the Principal of NCS in 2024, this is very unsettling for the whole school community. We have already rolled over in secondary school into the 2024 academic year and really need a Principal so we can plan for 2024 and beyond. Hopefully that announcement comes sooner rather than later.

We know our School Improvement Plan (SiP) initiatives for the next year - reading/numeracy/HSC and pathways and attendance but we need to make decisions about how we do it, how we measure it and how we report and celebrate it.

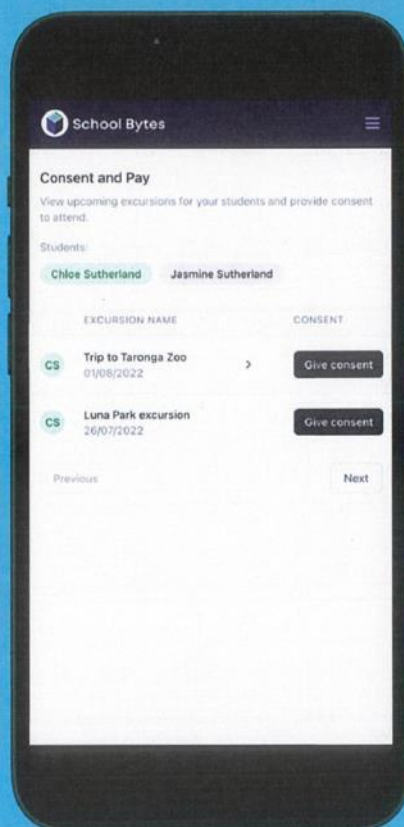
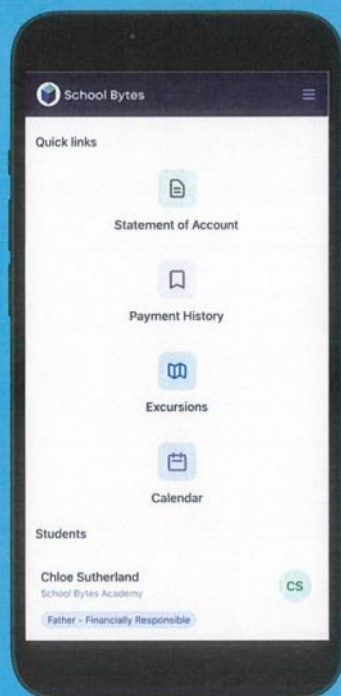
Two things that are guaranteed to happen next year are a continuation of the 4C's - Collaboration/ Communication/ Critical Reflection and Creativity and the formation of an attendance team. In 2024 we will have a reduced engagement with the 4C transformational learning organisation and focus on embedding this way of learning in our everyday practice. If you're interested in learning more, check out their website- <https://www.4ctransformativelearning.org/>

We will also be forming an attendance team at school to improve attendance. This will include more people involved in monitoring, reporting, and chasing absenteeism. This will ensure a more time- effective process and support for those struggling getting to school.

This week we viewed the Grounded. Empowered video at a whole school assembly. This was a collaboration between One Vision Productions and our Indigenous students. It's a banga, check it out at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ct7WzCbjdgc>
We are very proud of what our deadly kids produced.

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>



NSW Department of Education

Bushfire danger period information for parents and carers

Factsheet

This factsheet provides information for parents and carers about arrangements for the bush fire danger period.

The NSW Department of Education has engaged external experts to conduct assessments of all NSW government schools, to identify schools at greater risk of impact from bushfires.

To support the health, safety and wellbeing of students and staff, the department, in consultation with NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS), will direct the school to temporarily cease operations on days when a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating has been declared for your school's NSW fire area. Alternative learning arrangements will be put in place for these days.

Schools may be directed by the department to become non-operational at any time based on advice from emergency services and the State Emergency Operations Centre.



What is a Fire Danger Rating?

Fire Danger Ratings describe the potential level of danger should a fire start. The ratings are determined by a combination of factors including air temperature, relative humidity, wind speed and drought.

For further information on the Australian Fire Danger Rating System, visit rfs.nsw.gov.au/news-and-media/fire-danger-ratings-are-changing-soon

Fire Danger Rating sign



NSW Department of Education

**When will I know if my child's school has been made non-operational?**

At approximately 4:00pm each day the Fire Danger Rating is issued for the following day. This means that schools, including onsite preschools, will be notified after school hours that it will be non-operational the following day. Your school will notify you as soon as possible by the preferred method of communication.

Parents and carers are requested to:

- provide up-to-date home and after-hours contact details to your school
- stay up-to-date with news and local media through the bushfire danger period.

**NSW School Updates app**

Get the free NSW School Updates app to receive operational status updates for NSW public schools education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/nsw-school-updates-app

**What education arrangements will be in place if the school is non-operational?**

When non-operational, your school will advise of alternative learning arrangements, including any relocation or learning from home plans.

**Learn more**

Be prepared and ensure you have a bushfire survival plan in place. The NSW RFS has resources for all residents to plan and prepare for the bushfire season.

Consider whether your home is safe from bushfires and grassfires, and be prepared to relocate to a safer place well in advance. Find more information and resources from the NSW RFS rfs.nsw.gov.au/plan-and-prepare

We appreciate your cooperation during the bushfire season. For further information about Fire Danger Ratings and the bushfire danger period, please refer to [NSW Rural Fire Service rfs.nsw.gov.au](https://www.nsw.gov.au/rural-fire-service)

The department's School Safety website education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/school-safety provides up to date information during bushfires and grassfire emergencies.

Please contact your school with any additional questions.

**Need help?**

Speak to your local WHS Advisor for support and advice, or contact the Incident Report and Support Hotline on 1800 811 523.



In our science unit *Moving Objects*, Kindergarten / Year 1 students have been exploring the way objects move. We have explored and related the changing motions to push and pull forces. We have also investigated how technologies use forces to create movement. We took our knowledge and designed a toy that can be pushed or pulled. After we double checked and labelled our designs, we then made our toys out of crafting materials.

Investigating and designing push and pull motions provided students with the opportunity to develop their science inquiry skills and have shared their findings with their peers.

Alora : It was a bit tricky making the holes but I got help. You can pull my toy. I have beads on the side too, with long string.

Wynter: I made a pull and push toy. First I made the cup part then I added the wheels. The best part is the colour I chose.

Kylo: I made a pull toy. It a crab.

Kayde: I made holes in the cup with a pencil, then I could make the pipe cleaner legs. You can push my toy.

Tazanna: I used lots of tape on my toy. The holes in the cup came from poking a pencil in. You can push and pull my toy and I've got string too.



**REMINDER
SNACKS FOR FIRST BREAK
10.10 - 10.30am**

Please ensure your child brings sufficient snacks/ fruit etc., for first break, especially if they have a lunch order which isn't available until 11.45am.

NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL IS NOW ON FACEBOOK. PLEASE FIND US AND LIKE US:
www.facebook.com/nimbincentralschool





Nimbin Central School Community Market





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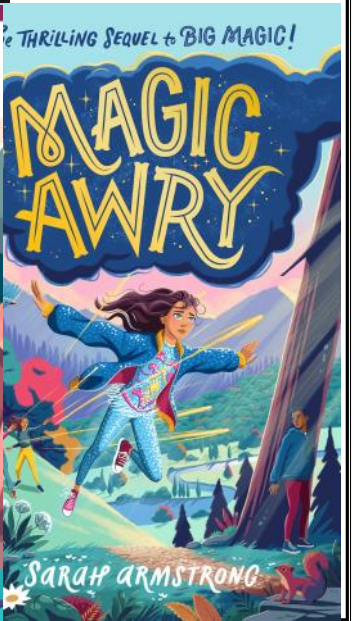


LIBRARY UPDATE

This term we had Russ the Story Bus come all the way from Sydney! The bus was filled with beautiful brand new books, and every student and teacher in primary school were able to select a book to keep. Students from Coffee Camp, Larnook and Barkersvale joined us at Nimbin Central School for this special event.



Author Sarah Armstrong also came along and gave an author talk about her books *Big Magic* and *Magic Awry*. Some students had the chance to get up and show their circus skills!



November turned into Dinovember in the Library, and we have been exploring all things dinosaurs. Students adopted dino pets when they borrowed a book, went on dinosaur scavenger hunts, and voted in a dinosaur election to determine who the best dinosaur is. Students were also challenged to see how many of them could fit in a life-size triceratops. Miss Mia’s class were the winners, with thirteen students squeezed in!



MORE FROM THE LIBRARY

A reminder to everyone to please have a good look at home for any overdue books and return them to school as soon as possible. That way those books can continue to be borrowed and enjoyed by other students.

I hope you all have a wonderful holiday break, and take some time to read a good book!

Boogulbeh,
Ms Sara (Teacher Librarian)



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 7th** & running for 8 weeks **until March 27th 2024**
- **Group 2: Thursdays 10.30am-12.30pm (QLD time: 9.30am-11.30am)** beginning **February 8th** & running for 8 weeks **until March 28th 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 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"

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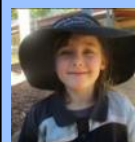
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OFFICE
100% COTTON



\$15.65

NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU Term 4, 2023

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
Bakery Spinach & Cheese Roll	HALF only	\$2.30	Chips – Sea salt/ Grain waves s/c chives/Pretzels		\$1.20
Bakery 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	COLD MEALS		
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
TOASTIES			SNACK PACKS		
Just Cheese		\$2.50	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	And are both now served in COMPOSTABLE Boxes		

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		\$4.80	Nippys 375ml choc/strawberry/coffee		\$3.50
Ham Cheese Salad OR Chicken Salad		\$5.00			
ALL SANDWICHES ARE MADE ON JUMBO WHOLEMEAL BREAD FROM LOCAL BAKERY USING DAIRY FREE SPREAD			FROZEN		
WRAPS			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
Falafel, Lettuce, Cucumber, Tomato, Hommus		\$5.00	Chocolate Moosie		\$2.00
Flame Grilled Chicken, with mayo, lettuce & sweet chilli sauce		\$5.50	Juicies	4 flavours	\$1.50
BURGERS 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 EACH
*Falafel, hummus, tomato, lettuce		\$5.50	(Vegan = coconut		
*Cheeseburger - Beef patty, cheese and choice of sauce (please add 50c extra per ingredient if you want salad items)		\$5.50	Dairy = chocolate,		

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