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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the impacts our community faced due to the recent Ex-Tropical Cyclone Alfred. This experience has provided an opportunity to reflect on our community's resilience and the spirit of support that we have shown one another. A heartfelt shout-out goes to our staff and families who serve our community through various roles, including our SES, RFS, and emergency services. We truly appreciate your dedication and support.

Maintaining open communication with the school is essential as we work together to support our students' return to attendance and well-being. If you have concerns about your child, please reach out to the school so we can assist in accessing the appropriate supports. Please remind your child that there are staff members at school available to support them, which may include referrals to our school counselling service.

We know that the best place for students is in school, learning and growing. With this in mind, we are adopting a well-being-focused approach to adjust assessment schedules for all students. This may include modified timelines, alterations in tasks, scaffolds and support with frequent consultations to ensure students receive high levels of support whilst demonstrating their learning and achievements.

Additionally, please note that the NAPLAN schedule has been postponed. The new schedule will commence on Monday, 17 March, for Years 3, 5, 7, and 9. I encourage you to check in with your child regarding their upcoming tasks and to communicate with Year Advisers if necessary.

Attached is the adjusted Stage 6 schedule for your reference.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mitchell Cross
Rel Principal

AMENDED ASSESSMENT SCHED. TERM 1 2025

WK 8/Thurs 27th March
Ceramics Assess 2 &
Adv/Stand English Assess 2

WK 9/Wed 2nd April
Modern History Assess 2
& Extension I English

WK 9/Thurs 3rd April
Agriculture Assess 2

WK 9/Fri 4th April
Economic Assess 2
& Physics Assess 2

WK 10/Mon 7th April
Music Assess 2

Tuesday 8th April
Visual Arts Assess 2

WK 11/Mon 12th April
English Studies

**Tues 13th - Fri 16th
April EXAMS!!!**

TERM 2, 2025

WK 1/Wed 1st May
Extension I English
Preliminary Exams

WK 1/Fri 3 May
Extension II English

K/2 News

As we enter week 6, our K-2 students have been learning in a variety of environments, making connections across subjects in fun and meaningful ways. In English, we explored the sights of Sydney Harbour and the impact of plastic on wildlife, while in math, we discovered repeated patterns in nature and everyday life.

Our learning extended beyond the classroom into our school garden, where we found a pineapple growing in the agriculture plot and enjoyed tasting a fresh capsicum from our K-2 garden. These hands-on experiences help bring learning to life, sparking curiosity and engagement in all areas of study. If you would like any more information regarding your child's learning, please drop by the classroom or make an appointment through the office.

Heather Jessup - Classroom Teacher

Tina - SLSO



SCHOOL PHOTOS NEW DATES

*School Photos have been
rescheduled to Friday 4th of
April, 2025.*

*Catch up photos are Tuesday
8th of April, 2025.*



K/2 CONT.

**AGRICULTURE NEWS**

Nimbin Central Students have been enjoying caring for our newly hatched chicks. They hatched while Cyclone Alfred was causing havoc. A big thanks to Jess Bamford for looking after them during the blackouts. She kept them warm by regularly rotating hot water bottles. These chickens will grow to become part of our egg production enterprise, supplying our canteen and food tech department with fresh eggs. Here we have some year 8's sharing some love with the chicks.

Anthony Neenan





Basketball Gala Day

Nimbin Central School Opens boys basketball team had a Gala Day and Trials for the Northern Rivers CHS Basketball on Monday the 24th February. This was a great day to showcase the Nimbin Central School playing jerseys.

First round Nimbin played Mclean High School, Nimbin students played very well and competed to the best of their ability, just losing to Mclean High School.

Nimbin Central School had friendly matches against Casino High School, Woodenbong Central School and Evans River Central School, all of which were played in great spirit and sportsmanship. Nimbin team won 2 out of 4 matches played.



Great effort from the Nimbin Central School Basketball team, all players should be extremely proud of their efforts.

TERANIA SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Some of our Primary School students went to the Terania Swimming Carnival. All of the participants made a big effort, and three of our students qualified for the Northern Rivers PSSA Swimming Carnival.

Kayden Taylor - 50m Freestyle, 50m Backstroke, 50m Breaststroke, 50m Fly

Kilarni Taylor - 50m Backstroke

Aurelia Witlemeier - 50m Breaststroke



ATTENTION: NR PSSA DATE CHANGES

- NR 11yrs and Opens Rugby League Trials scheduled for Monday 10th March, to be held at New Park, Kyogle - are postponed until Tuesday 18th March 2025 at New Park - Kyogle.
- NR Boys and Girls Softball Trials scheduled for Wednesday 19th March, to be held at Albert Park, Lismore - proceeding - nominations close 12th March
- NR Girls Rugby 7's Trials scheduled for Thursday 20th March, to be held at Wollongbar Alstonville Rugby Fields, Wollongbar - proceeding - nominations close 13th March - this note has been updated
- NR Boys AFL Trials scheduled for Friday 21st March, to be held at Hepburn Park, Goonellabah - proceeding - nominations close 14th March

Northern Rivers Conservatorium

Northern Rivers Conservatorium, in partnership with Nimbin Central, is delighted to be engaging youth in our Music in Schools program 2025. The Music in schools program is one on one lessons with a professional music tutor, who is NRC staff. Individual lessons are the most effective for learning an instrument, however we offer shared lessons as a lower cost option.

Currently we are offering lessons at Nimbin Central in Drums, Guitar, Bass and Beginner Vocals. This is for all students from Kindy all the way through to Yr 12.

Little do I need to say that music is a wonderful thing. Being involved with music education is great for development of fine motor skills, the brain, skills in communication and collaboration and so much more...

If you would like your young music prodigy to engage in music lessons, you absolutely need to enrol your child/children. We can only offer a limited number of spaces, so please enrol as soon as possible.

Please visit: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MQMSBVV> to enrol your child.

Brett Osterhage



SURROUND SOUND '25

Surround Sound is a band program for students from secondary schools in rural and remote areas. Bands must have between 3 and 16 members and may perform covers or originals in any contemporary music style.

Applications are submitted by video audition.

Selected schools will be visited by an industry mentor for a school-based workshop.

Bands will receive tiered support to travel to Sydney and be accommodated for a camp style workshops and performances on the mainstage at SpecFest, outside Schools Spectacular Term 4 Week 7 - full details on our website at the link below

Applications close Friday 6 June (Term 2 Week 6)

SPECFEST 2024



Surround Sound
artsunit.nsw.edu.au/Surround-Sound
surroundsound@det.nsw.edu.au

The Arts Unit
artsunit.nsw.edu.au
theartsunit@det.nsw.edu.au



rainbow social groups 2025

Queer Cahoots

ages **12 - 15**
4th Wednesday of
every month
4-6pm

H-AWKS

ages **16 - 17**
1st Wednesday of
every month
4-6pm

Sour Patch

ages **18 - 25**
3rd Wednesday of
every month
4-6pm



free social gatherings with snacks and activities for young people
who are LGBTIQSB+, questioning, or allies



Contact: 6625 0200
reception@headspace-lismore.org.au
29 Molesworth street Lismore

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headspace Lismore is delivered by Social Futures and is funded
by the NSW Government through the North Coast RPH Program

Compass Music Festival North Coast



**Seeking talented local
public school students
to perform as a
featured item in the
upcoming Compass
Music Festival!**

Compass is an
instrumental and vocal
festival that provides
high-quality
opportunities in the
performing arts for
students and teachers in
regional and rural areas.
Compass North Coast
will be held at Wiigulga
Sports Complex on
Monday 2 and Tuesday 3
June 2025.

We invite interested
schools to audition a
solo, duo or trio
ensemble to perform a
featured item within the
program.

P & C NEWS

Our next P&C Meeting is on Thursday the 27th of March at 3.30pm. All Parents and Community Members are Welcome!



Have you changed address or phone number since enrolling your child?

Please advise the office of any changes so we can update your records and keep you in the loop of all updates.

Many tracks, one road, sustaining community.
Northern Rivers Community Gateway

MyAwesomeDay at rainbow region kids

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CHILD CARE



After school, the RRC educators pick us up, and we dive into a **fun afternoon**. Today, it's all about **craft**! We cut, glue, and sprinkle glitter everywhere—oops! I make a **colourful** mask, while my friends create puppets and cards. Before I know it, Mum's here. "Look what I made!" I say, holding up my masterpiece with a big **smile**.

RRK is a place for creativity, friendship and fun... every day is an adventure!

BOOK now

Call 0429 640 075 (9AM to 3 PM)
Email rrkassist@nrcg.org.au
Web nrcg.org.au/rrk

QR code and social media icons (Facebook, Instagram) are also present.

2025 REGISTRATIONS OPEN! CALLING MINIROOS PLAYERS CALLING MINIROOS PLAYERS

We are looking for players aged 5-11 to join one of our MiniRoos teams!

Team sports can offer numerous benefits:

- fostering a love & enjoyment of the game
- **skills development**
- enhanced fitness
- **stronger social connections**
- improved self confidence.



Come join our club! **MiniRoos training starts Tuesday 18th March @ 4:15-5:30pm.**



REGISTER AT PLAYFOOTBALL.COM.AU

NIMBIN HEADERS ARE AN INCLUSIVE AND WELCOMING CLUB, RUN BY VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S WEEK FESTIVAL 2025

PROUDLY  PRESENTS

Blossoming throughout the Seasons



An exploration of our intergenerational journeys as women from maiden to mother to crone

 **Wed 5 March | 9.45am - 3.30pm**
Church of Aquarius, Nimbin
Tickets \$30 + booking fee
including lunch and refreshments

creativecommunitiesconnect.org

RESILIENT LISMORE

Stronger Together

a community gathering in the Lismore Quad

Saturday 1st March 2025
3.30pm - 7pm

 **Live music:** Tapestry Road & The Lismore Supper Club Soul Band

 **Affordable food** available

 **Art to make** & games to play

Check out more on:

All Welcome!

We acknowledge the Widjibal Wia-bal People of the Bundjalung Nation, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we live, work and play.

Early Childhood Early Intervention Playgroup

Free for all families
Morning tea provided

Outdoor play area

Early Childhood Early Intervention Playgroup

An inclusive playgroup supporting early childhood development for children aged 0-5 years.

- Are you concerned about your child's development?
- Would you like advice from an experienced early childhood intervention specialist?
- Would you like to connect with other families?

Learn:

- how children develop and what to expect at different stages
- how to encourage speech and language development
- how to support positive behaviour
- where to get additional help if needed

Friday
10:00am - 12:00pm

During school terms
7th Feb-11th April

Southern Cross University
61 Rifle Range Road
East Lismore

Just turn up or contact us for more information
(02) 6621 2489
admin@fsn.org.au



An inclusive playgroup supporting early childhood development for children aged 0-5 years.
Do you know of a parent who is concerned about their child's development?

We meet Fridays in school term, 10 am to midday, February 7th to April 11th, 2025.
Held at Aruma Early Intervention, 61 Rifle Range Road, East Lismore.
Just turn up, or contact us for more information 66212489 admin@fsn.org.au

 THE BUTTERY

CORE PARENTS DAY REHABILITATION

Proudly funded by 

The Buttery's CORE Parent Program

The Buttery's CORE Parent Program offers a comprehensive non-residential 7-week, day rehabilitation program, complemented by 4 months of aftercare support.

Designed specifically for parents and caregivers dealing with problematic alcohol or drug use.

Drawing upon The Buttery's wealth of expertise in treating substance dependency, participation in the CORE Parents Program is provided at no cost.

Program Structure

- 7-Week Day Rehabilitation:** Participants engage in a 7-week day rehabilitation program, attending group support and individual support sessions. Online services available.
- 4 months Aftercare:** Participants receive 4 months of aftercare support.

Location

The Core Parents program is delivered in 7-week blocks during school terms in various locations across the Northern Rivers.

To donate visit
buttery.org.au/make-a-donation
buttery.org.au

Phone: (02) 6687 1111
Email: intake@buttery.org.au
PO Box 42 Bangalow NSW 2479

Yoga Nimbin YOGA CLASS



Every Tuesday during the school term
3:45pm - 4:45pm

NCC DANCE STUDIO

Northern NSW Local Health District



The Primary School Mobile Dental Program is visiting soon!

The Northern NSW Local Health District Primary School Mobile Dental Program will be visiting Nimbin Central School from the 19th of May until the 5th of June 2025.

All primary school children who have returned the dental consent forms will be seen.
For parents that wish to attend their child's appointment, staff will be in contact to arrange an appointment.

Toothache or emergency appointments will be prioritised.

Please return your child's forms no later than Friday the 2nd of May.



Brush your
teeth morning
and night



Eat more
fruit and
vegies



Choose
water as
a drink



Have regular
dental
check-ups

BARBER SHOP

Sharp Looks, Smart Prices



STUDENT DISCOUNTS
AVAILABLE

Book Now

NOW OPEN @
NIMBIN NEIGHBOURHOOD
CENTRE.

Tuntable Falls Yr 6 Presents A Spooky Disco



\$10 Entry

4th April 5-9pm @ Nimbin Town Hall
Spooky dress up theme
Food & Drinks available

All minors must be accompanied by an Adult

Nimbin Preschool

Playful, collaborative, multi-layered, creative, respectful, critical and lasting.

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

8:30AM-4PM

Run by our experienced early childhood teacher Katie Pennant, Nimbin Preschool offers a genuinely child-focused and led program.

A variety of spaces for your child to explore, learn, play and grow.

We have a vegetable garden and an enormous outdoor shaded play area where your child can test out their physical prowess. We have chooks, guinea pigs, bunnies and an education support dog named Gidget.

We also take walks into the wider and sometimes 'wilder' world. There is always a repertoire of activities on hand - painting, felting, reading, piano playing, mud kitchen, cooking and more...

ENROLLING NOW



contact us

Phone: 6689 1203

Email: nimbinpreschool.director@gmail.com

Facebook: Nimbin Preschool

Location: A&I Showgrounds, Cecil St

www.nimbinpreschool.org.au

KEY DATES

School Photo Day **4th April**

Catch up Photo Day **8th April**

Open Classroom/Parent Teacher Night K-6, Year 7, Year 11 & Year 12
26th March

Naplan **12th-24th March**

School Captains Leadership Camp
19th - 21st March

Primary School Mobile Dental Program - **19th May - 5th June**



Have you changed address or phone number since enrolling your child?

Please advise the office of any changes so we can update your records and keep you in the loop of all updates.

CVIAV

**CLARENCE VALLEY
INDIGENOUS
ART AWARD
2025**



**ENTRIES
NOW OPEN** UNTIL FRIDAY
27 JUNE
EXHIBITION ON SHOW
SATURDAY 26 JULY - SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

NAPLAN

National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy Information for parents and carers

- All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in Australia do NAPLAN tests in March each year.
- NAPLAN tests students' skills in reading, writing and maths.
- The test questions are presented in Standard Australian English dialect.
- Students read some of the questions and listen to others with headphones.
- The tests will get easier or harder, depending on how students are going in the test.
- Students do four different tests. The names of the four tests are:



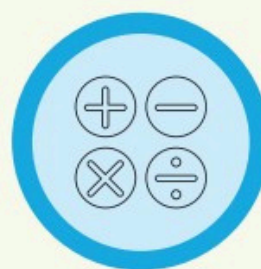
Writing



Reading



Conventions of language
(spelling, grammar and punctuation)



Numeracy

- Students in Year 3 will do the Writing test using pencil and paper. Year 3 students will answer the other test questions on the computer.
- Students in Years 5, 7 and 9 will answer all their test questions on computers.
- Teachers will help students get ready for NAPLAN tests.
- Schools will get their students' results. The school will then give parents/carers a report showing their own child's results.
- Parents/carers can talk to the teacher about these results.
- NAPLAN shows how students are going all over Australia. People who work in the Australian Government, state and territory education authorities and schools use NAPLAN results. The results let them see which schools are doing well and which schools might need help.

Talk to your teacher if you have any questions about your child doing the tests.

For more information on NAPLAN, visit nap.edu.au.

Bundjalung

Language and Culture camp

Expression of Interest (EOI)

Wednesday 28th - Friday 30th May 2025

Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre

164 Camp Drewe Road, Lennox Head NSW 2478

The camp will contribute to informing, strengthening and connecting students to language and culture through sharing of knowledge and resources.

The NSW AECG Inc. is committed and actively involved in supporting Aboriginal student identity and belonging and raising the academic achievement of Aboriginal students. We aim to empower students to be active learners in their education and training by providing opportunities to develop skills in leadership roles within their schools and communities. This camp will look at opportunities that can inspire and motivate students or who simply want to challenge themselves.

Schools to complete the Expressions of Interest (EOI) on behalf of students hoping to attend the camp. EOIs can be completed through a google forms process using the following link:

<https://forms.gle/aeLCq1ixGgDMtg1d7>

The maximum numbers of students for the camp is 100, each school please limit applications to 10 students.

EVENT:	Bundjalung Language and Culture camp.
TARGETING:	Aboriginal students in Year 5 & Year 6.
DATES:	Wednesday 28th - Friday 30th May 2025
VENUE:	Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre, 164 Camp Drewe Road, Lennox Head NSW 2478.
EOI:	<i>Close – 9am Friday 21st March 2025</i>
COST:	Free.
ACCOMMODATION:	Cabin style accommodation.
TRANSPORT:	Responsibility of and organised by individual schools - cost met by schools.
SUPERVISION:	Individual schools must send a teacher to supervise students.
TEACHER RELIEF:	Cost met by individual schools.

Have some local news to share with your community? Please email
nimbin-c-school@det.nsw.edu.au