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Week 4  
 Term 4



## Relieving Principal's News

On Thursday November 1 we were privileged at Nimbin Central School to have a visit from the CEO of NESA, the New South Wales Education Authority. This is the body that determines and oversees all curriculum and assessment in NSW schools, both public and private. Mr de Carvalho visits a number of schools in various regions of the state each year and he requested the visit to Nimbin especially as he had heard that we were using some interesting curriculum models including the Compressed Curriculum in Stage 6.

It was a wonderful opportunity to showcase our school and its activities and it was not wasted. After a tour of the school with our School Captains and SRC representatives, Mr de Carvalho met with students involved in the AIME program and discussed this program and its benefits with them.

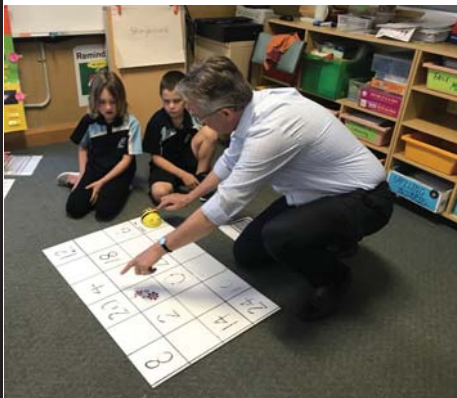
He then had lunch with the teaching staff answering questions and discussing various issues. There was a lot of dialogue around our Compressed Curriculum, Project Based Learning and Early Action for Success initiative, as well as the Fete of the Future held earlier this year.

Mr de Carvalho then visited various classrooms to observe and participate in the vast array of learning activities that occur across the school from secondary Virtual Reality, Photography and Automotive to primary Coding and Dance.

He commented on what fantastic learning opportunities he observed throughout the school. The following morning in an interview on Radio National he reinforced this, particularly noting the wonderful differentiation of tasks, allowing all students to engage meaningfully in the learning, he saw taking place.

Thank you to all involved in making this visit such a success and a genuine advertisement for all the wonderful teaching and learning that takes place in the public education system.

*Cath Marshall*



## IMPORTANT DATES:

### Thursday 15th November

Kindy Orientation 9.30—11.15 am  
 Bahzooley: 5.30 pm for food  
 6.30 pm for music

### Friday 16th November

AIME Years 7-11

### Tuesday 20th November

Year 6-7 Taster Day

### Thursday 22nd November

Kindy Orientation 9.30—11.15 am  
 RRISK Year 11  
 Year 12 Formal

### Monday 26th November—Friday 30th November

Intensive Swimming Years K-6

### Tuesday 27th November

#### HELP!!!

Could we please have some volunteers to help with food for Bahzooley. Simone can not do this alone and without help we will not be able to cater for the event.

Bahzooley is on Thursday November 15th and main meal dishes need to be prepared in advance. Health regulations insist that these dishes are prepared at the canteen.

Contact Simone at the canteen ASAP on 66891 355 to offer help.

Thank you  
 Val Mace

Year 6-7

Taster Day



## From the Relieving Deputy Principal

Hi everyone!

As I write this the HSC students are almost finished their exams! Fri 9<sup>th</sup> November is the final day. In Week 6 we start all over again with a fresh crop of HSC subjects. A big pat on the back to the students for navigating their way through this tricky time.

Last week Ms Steele and I were privileged to spend four days in Ballina completing *Stronger, Smarter* training. The *Stronger, Smarter* Institute aims to directly improve the educational outcomes for Indigenous Australians and beyond them, all Australian school children

The professional learning we undertook is aimed at equipping educators with the skills and knowledge to facilitate a "High Expectations" culture in schools. There are two key planks to the *Stronger, Smarter* approach –strong, healthy relationships across the school community and a positive learning culture. We are lucky at Nimbin Central to have a strong foundation in both of these areas, and Ms Steel and I look forward to working with students, staff, parents and the wider community to use this training to improve student outcomes.

Ms Mitchell also recently completed a day of training in Sydney on Aboriginal Education and one venture that Ms Mitchell, Ms Steel, Ms Marshall and I would like to get happening this term is the creation of a strong "Aboriginal Education Team". If there are any parents or carers who would be interested in being part of this team could you please contact me via the school number and I will then add you to my list. We are hoping to have an initial meeting for this team in Week 8 of this term.

*Andrew Grimshaw*



REMEMBRANCE DAY  
*Lest We Forget*

## NIMBIN REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

Date: Sunday 11th November

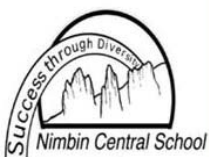
Start Time: 10: 40 (arrive at 10:30)

Please wear school uniform.

We will meet at the War Memorial.

## NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL IS NOW ON FACEBOOK PLEASE FIND US AND LIKE US:

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## K-6 NEWS

Phew, with Summer just around the corner things are really starting to heat up. And with the temperature increase comes the risk of heat related health issues. As a result, we are asking parents to ensure their child has a hat at school. Now that it's Summer, students without hats will be required to play in shaded areas. Thank you for supporting this.

### **Nimbin Central's Athletic and Spelling Whizzes back from Sydney**

A huge congratulations to Daniel and Mikayla Frey who have just finished competing at the PSSA State Athletics Carnival. Mikayla ran a personal best of 14.7 seconds in the 100m event, and put in an excellent effort in qualifying for the finals in the junior 200m and 800m event while Daniel threw a personal best of 11.5 m in the 11 year shot put.

Kaara Stephens-Smith has also returned from state competition in Sydney where she was representing Nimbin Central and the North Coast region in the State Spelling Bee.

Kaara performed extremely well against the State's best but got stumped on "perennial" and went out in the third round. I imagine it would have been daunting at the ABC centre and possibly funny as I heard Wendy Harmer was emcee.

### **Kindergarten Orientation Program**

What a great job the K/1 students have been doing in hosting the young visitors who will be enrolling in Kindergarten next year. The pre schoolers are visiting the school as part of their Kindergarten orientation program and spend part of the day participating in a range of activities and familiarising themselves with school routines. Also thanks to the Primary SRC, Ceejay, India, Nikita and Jett who greeted the parents and ushered them to the Kindergarten room.

### **Intensive Swimming Scheme**

The notes for the Intensive Swimming Scheme have gone home. Please keep an eye out for them. From Monday the 26th November to Friday the 30th November all Primary students will be travelling to Kyogle to participate in a water safety and learn to swim program. Competent swimmers will focus on stroke development, technique, styles, endurance and water rescue. Cost is \$22 and payments can be made in instalments to the front office.

### **Coffs Coast Excursion**

The Coffs Coast excursion for Year 5/6 is quickly approaching and final payments are due. Thankyou to everyone who have finalised their payments. As the date gets closer the students are getting more excited.

Well once again that's about all for this issue so until next time stay healthy and happy.

*Marc and the Primary Staff*



## RRISK Program—Young People and Risk Taking

Risk-taking is an essential part of learning and personal development for young people. Teenagers need to explore their own limits and abilities, as well as boundaries set by others. They also need to express themselves as individuals. It's all part of their path to becoming independent young adults, with their own identities.

Unfortunately, the risk involved in different activities and settings can often be poorly judged by young people and they are over represented in every category of risk-taking resulting in injury and trauma. For more information about the different types of risks for young people, see <http://www.kidshelp.com.au/grownups/news-research/hot-topics/risk-taking.php>.

The RRISK Program aims to reduce risk-taking behaviour associated with alcohol and drug use, driving and partying amongst year 11 students in northern NSW. Attending RRISK extends the school based drug education and road safety curriculum by providing opportunities for senior high school students to further develop knowledge, attitudes and skills to reduce risk taking and develop safer celebrating strategies.

Over 4,300 students from more than 62 high schools from Port Macquarie to Tweed Heads have registered to attend one of 9 RRISK Seminars. If you have a year 11 student in your family, encourage them to attend.

### Research shows that RRISK is effective in reducing young driver crashes by 44%

The largest study ever undertaken into young driver behaviour was conducted by the George Institute of International Health and published in 2009. Researchers consider RRISK a best practice program because it builds resilience by equipping young people with strategies and practical skills to manage risks in their social life and on the roads as drivers and passengers.

NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL

## BAHZOOLEY 2018

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>

# MPU

DELICIOUS FOOD FROM 5.30PM  
SHOW STARTS 6.30PM

ADULTS \$5.00  
SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN \$2.00  
PERFORMERS FREE



Nimbin Central School  
Kindergarten Orientation

*Will your child start school in 2019?*

*Come and join us*



*Our proud school offers personalised learning for your child in a safe and supportive environment*

**Kindy Orientation Dates are:**

- Thursday 1st November 9:30 to 11:15
- Thursday 8th November 9:30 to 11:15
- Thursday 15th November 9:30 to 11:15
- Thursday 22nd November 9:30 to 11:15 with a Teddy Bear's Picnic and information for parents.

Come along with your child on these days to get to know the teachers and other children

Contact our school: Phone: 02 66891355 or Email: [nimbin-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:nimbin-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Val Scarrabelotti and Gail Pierce, Classroom Teachers

Cath Marshall Relieving Principal

## EXCURSION REMINDERS

AIME Celebration Day at Southern Cross University next Friday, 16th November. All students who expressed interest are to meet Mr. Ramsey out the front of the school at 9am and will return back at 3pm. No costs involved! **School shirts must be worn.** See Mr. Wheeler if you have any questions or concerns.



End of Year Celebration notes for the secondary school have been distributed as of last Friday! Students have the option of attending Movieworld OR Dreamworld / Whitewater World combined (both \$37.50) OR Wet'n'Wild (\$27.50).

Spare notes can be found in the front office. Please note that any families who have any sort of World Pass ticket need to see Mr. Wheeler as soon as possible so that he can record this on his roll.

A reminder that the due date for notes and payment is November 30th - the Friday of Week 7. Please contact the school if there are any issues with getting these in on time.

*Corey Wheeler*

## Stage 5 PASS

A Beach Volleyball team from the Stage 5 PASS class competed in the Richmond Zone tournament last week. Boah, Cooper, Neem and Nyah were extremely competitive on the day - narrowly losing their first match 2-1 against Kadina, and then overcoming Evans River 2-1 in their second game. Well done and congratulations to the team for their athleticism and sportsmanship ensuring everyone had a fun day in the sun.

*Brad Clarke*



## FROM THE COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

### Your P&C Working for Your Kids

Your Parents and Citizens association here at school works for all the students of the school.

They work closely with school staff to make improvements in and around the school.

The school consults with them on items of mutual importance. Their opinion is asked on a wide range of topics and they are listened to and school adapts to those opinions if possible.

The P&C applies for and wins grants to fund improvements and additions to school equipment.

They also give financial support to those who represent our school in State events.

In short, they are a dedicated and committed group working to benefit everyone.

They have four major fundraisers coming up in a very short space of time and extra helpers will lighten the load for everyone.

Please give serious consideration to if and when you can help.

When	Event	What we need
Saturday 10th November from 8am	Sausage sizzle and Catering for Saw Mill Clearing Sale, Gungas Road	Donations of cakes for sale Offers of assistance at catering
Thursday 15th November	Dessert catering at Bahzooley	Donations of cakes and desserts Workers to serve desserts (no money)
Wednesday 12th December	Serving at Carols by Candlelight	Workers to help sell and serve
Sunday 23rd December	Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Lismore	Sales, cooking and serving. Many workers required to do a shift.

So there is a potential to earn the school quite a bit of money over the next 6 weeks. To do this well and avoid burn out the more helpers we have the better.

Working together gets things done in our community.

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." Helen Keller

Thanks for your support.

*Anne*

## CAREERS NEWS

Information on the the following areas is available from your Careers Adviser.

- Mr Chaseling has information on Student Exchange Programs with the WEP program. This information is relevant to any student from Year 9 upwards who wishes to spend a period of time attending an overseas High School and having a cultural experience in that country.
- We have recently been sent information for a possible Apprenticeship with Ballina Toyota. Student must be licenced to drive a manual car. Could any interested student see Mr Chaseling ASAP.

*Mr Chaseling*



**SCARY TIMES IN THE LIBRARY**

NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL HATS  
AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE.  
100% COTTON  
\$11.00



*Futsal is coming to Nimbin!*



**What?** Futsal is an indoor game based on soccer. It's what squash is to tennis – highly kinetic, intense, an excellent out-of-season skill builder but mostly awesome fun

**When?** Sessions will be run Thursday afternoons (school term)

**Where?** at Nimbin Central School

**How do I get involved?** Sign up is Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> of November 3:30 Nimbin Central School Hall

Please bring: running/tennis shoes (non marking), black shorts, t-shirt, \$20 for the season to cover insurance.

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**Primary Polo School Shirt**  
Sizes 4-16 \$18.30  
**Secondary Polo School Shirt**  
Sizes 10-18 \$22.00  
**Senior Secondary Polo School Shirt**  
Sizes 10-18 \$22.00



## Dirtgirl Headlines Kids Space At Fields Of Healing

November 24th & 25th at North Byron Parklands

**ALL KIDS 15 AND UNDER ARE FREE!**

**A FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT FOR ALL AGES!**

The first ever Fields of Healing is a family friendly event that will welcome Indigenous elders, peacemakers, musicians, artists and more from all over the world.

The 2018 Kids Program will feature the gumboot wearing, planet-loving Dirtgirl who will be bringing her grubby fun and joy to the stage at 3pm on Saturday afternoon.

There will also be natural and recycled craft activities operated by The Family Centre, Native American Dancing, Indigenous Weaving and Yoga, Mindful Meditation for Kids and more!!!

### RESTORATIVE YOGA

Mondays 1.15 - 2.30pm  
Birth and Beyond, Nimbin  
Commencing 5th November  
Cost: \$15

This deep restful practice allows both the mind and body to reset and move into healing and repair, enabling deep release and freedom in each session. No yoga experience is necessary and everyone is accommodated to find their most comfortable, appropriate way to practice.

### KIDS YOGA

Mondays 3.30 -4.30pm  
Birth and Beyond, Nimbin  
Commencing 5th November  
Cost: \$10

A fun class for primary aged children, building body awareness, calm minds, emotional and physical balance and compassion. The class includes yoga postures, breathing techniques, games and relaxation. A super fun way for kids to develop confidence and appreciation for themselves and others. Contact Branka for further details and bookings : 0414781313