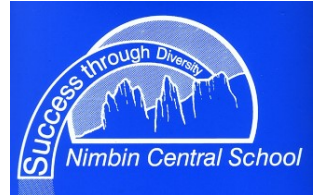


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Week 6
Term 1



From the Principal

Dear Parent or Caregiver,

The NSW Department of Education is working closely with the NSW Ministry of Health in response to the unfolding international COVID-19 (formerly referred to as Novel Coronavirus) situation.

Further travel restriction

Effective 1 March 2020 the Federal Government has issued a travel ban on foreigners coming to Australia from Iran. Only Australian citizens and permanent residents coming from Iran will be allowed entry to Australia, and from 1 March they are required to self-isolate for a period of 14 days after departing Iran consistent with the restrictions for those entering from China. Additionally, Australians have been advised NOT to travel to Iran.

Updated advice from the NSW Government for parents and affected staff regarding COVID -19 is:

- Any student or staff member who has been in, or transited through, mainland China (not just Hubei province) or has been in Iran is excluded from work, school or child care services for 14 days from the date they left mainland China or Iran (as the COVID-19 incubation period can be as long as two weeks).
- Any confirmed case of COVID-19 will be excluded until they are medically cleared to return.
- Close contacts of a confirmed case of COVID-19 will be excluded for 14 days since last contact with the confirmed case.
- Students and staff who have returned to Australia from mainland China or Iran more than 14 days ago and have shown no symptoms are able to return to school.

The NSW Ministry of Health has processes to identify any close contacts of cases confirmed in Australia. Advice about not attending school would be provided to these close contacts by the NSW Ministry of Health.

Consistent with current guidelines, students who are unwell with respiratory illness should remain at home until symptoms resolve. In accordance with the NSW Department of Education's current practice, if any student becomes unwell, the school will implement infection control guidelines and follow the advice provided by the NSW Ministry of Health as appropriate.

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IMPORTANT DATES:

2nd March 2020

Premier's Reading Challenge commences

16 - 23 March - Book Fair

Tuesday 17th March
Year 7 Vaccinations

Year 6 to 7 Transition
Evening 4-6pm

Primary Book Parade
9.20-10.50am

Friday 20th March
Science Pop-Up Day Small Schools Visit

NEXT P&C MEETING
Wednesday 11 March
From 2pm



From the Principal (Cont).

Maintaining good hygiene standards is an important way to reduce the risk of acquiring and spreading respiratory infections. Parents and caregivers are asked to promote good hygiene, including handwashing with soap as handwashing is the single most effective way to reduce the spread of germs that cause respiratory disease.

The NSW Ministry of Health has advice and resources about COVID-19 in English and Chinese. The NSW Department of Education will continue monitoring the COVID-19 situation and provide parents and caregivers with updated information about the virus.

Cath Marshall

From the Relieving Deputy Principal

Jingalee,

We are very fortunate to live in the beautiful Northern Rivers and to have a lovely school – from the buildings, to the land on which we operate and of course, the spectacular view of Nimbin Rocks.

You may have noticed a lot of barricades, scaffolding and tradespeople around the school recently. To maintain our attractive environment, Nimbin Central School is presently undergoing some sprucing up – external cleaning, internal painting and wall panelling in classrooms, resource upgrades, renovations of the MPU and tidying of vegetation.

After waiting patiently for some years, all of these things do appear to be happening at once and we do ask for students, their caregivers and community members to be patient and adhere to all safety guidelines whilst the work is being conducted. Learning and school events are continuing as normal, despite a few room changes here and there. Your support is invaluable to us in keeping our school at its best.

Sick bay is a very busy place at Nimbin Central School, with bumps, scrapes and the flu season approaching. To ensure the health and wellbeing of all students, it is really important that your child knows how to report correctly to sick bay.

Primary students should report their injury or ill health to their teacher or teacher on duty. The teacher will advise them of the next step, usually reporting to sick bay accompanied on their journey by one friend (who then returns to class or play) and a note.

Secondary students should follow the same protocol if they are ill or injured and MUST go through the sick bay if they want to be sent home. Once in sick bay, students are assessed for 10 minutes. If it is determined that the student needs to go home, our friendly Administration staff will call identified caregivers (or emergency contacts, as appropriate) and look after the student until collected.

It is not appropriate for students to call or SMS parents directly for pick up, bypassing sick bay. If your child is ill, we want to make sure they receive the best care and attention.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you wish to discuss these matters further.

Bugalbee,

Kellie Cockburn



K—6 NEWS

The "ENCHANTED FOREST BOOKFAIR"

Our school will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair from Monday 16th March to Friday 20th March and we would love you to come. It's our own pop-up bookshop at school. We encourage the joy of reading and the school receives a commission on all sales to purchase resources for our library.

Children will preview the books and write their wish lists and take them home on Monday 16th March

AND

Come along to Our Enchanted Forest Book Parade. This fun-filled day is Wednesday 18th March starting at 9.20am to 10.50am in the Library. Students are asked to participate in the parade by dressing up in the theme of The Enchanted Forest.

Keeping your children safe when dropping off and picking up at school

Here are a few things you can do to help keep your children and others safer during drop-off and pick-up times during the school week:

- Make sure your children are fastened in the correct child car seat for their age and size and that it is fitted correctly.
- Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone and look out for children who may be about.
- Watch for flashing lights on buses. They let you know that there may be children crossing or about to cross the road. A 40km/h limit applies when school bus lights flash.
- Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
- Never call out to children from across the road – they may run to you without checking for traffic.
- It's safest for children to get out of the car through the Safety Door, away from passing traffic. This is the rear footpath side door of the car.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on safetytown.com.au

*Di, Toni &
The Primary Staff*



NORTHERN RIVERS ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL - PRIMARY

The Zone Swimming Carnival held at Alstonville Pools brought another great day of competition. The rain didn't stop lots of supporters from turning up to cheer and our swimmers did not disappoint. Nimbin Central School was represented by Mikayla Frey and Zoe Farmer. Both girls performed extremely well in their events and Zoe narrowly missed out on the age champion title but is motivated to continue improving for future events.



Congratulations on making it this far girls!

Sam Bouni

SPORTING NEWS

Last Sunday, 1st March, Daniel and Mikayla Frey travelled to Brisbane to compete in the Little Athletics Queensland State Combined Event Championships. They participated in a number of track and field events, scoring points according to times and distances achieved, with places awarded according to overall points scored, as in senior athletics men's Decathlon and women's Heptathlon. Both athletes were outstanding ambassadors for both their club (Tweed Little Athletics) and Nimbin Central School, demonstrating excellence in tough competition, and sportsmanship.

Daniel won a silver medal in the Under 13 Boys Throws Triathlon (Discus, Javelin, Shot Put), his first ever State medal.

Mikayla won her first State gold medal in the Under 11 Girls Tetrathlon (Long Jump, 100m sprint, Shot Put, 800m run), setting a new Queensland record of 969 points in the process.



SRC INDUCTION



On Tuesday 18th February we held our annual induction ceremony at Nimbin Central School to welcome our new Secondary School Captains, Vice Captains and the seventeen SRC students from Years 7-11.

We would like to congratulate our 2020 School Captains: Kai Prikulis and Mayla Tribolet, as well as our Vice Captains: Grace Bellamy and Boah Winston.



Furthermore, our Primary School Captains were formally acknowledged in their Assembly on the 21st February.



We congratulate our 2020 School Captains: Mikayla Frey and Zoe Farmer as well as our Primary SRC representatives: Yuta Penn and Amelie Sledge.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our Assembly and we look forward to seeing the achievements of our new SRC in 2020.

Tiff Wiblen

NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM

Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2020 the following vaccines will be offered:

YEARS	VACCINE	NUMBER OF DOSES
Year 7	Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine	2-doses at least 6 months apart
	Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine	Single dose
Years 10	Meningococcal ACWY vaccine	Single dose

Parent Information Kits that include an information sheet, consent form and privacy statement will be sent home to parents/guardians. To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:

- read all the information provided
- complete the consent form, including signing their name next to the vaccine/s they would like their child to receive
- return the completed consent form to their child's school
- ensure that their child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

Please note that, to improve vaccination completion, students will be opportunistically offered any missed doses during Year 7 or 8 (for HPV and dTpa vaccination) and during Year 10 or 11 (for Meningococcal ACWY vaccination).

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal or phoning the school. The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/withdraw_consent.aspx.

A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic either as a physical card or a text message sent to the mobile number recorded on the consent form. Details about vaccinations given at school will also be uploaded to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) to support complete vaccination histories.

NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL

YEAR 7 VACCINATIONS

TUESDAY

17th MARCH 2020



Overview of the Vaccination Program

Vaccines being offered in 2020

The following colour coding is consistent with the colours of the consent forms for each vaccine contained in the Parent Information Kits.

In 2020 the following vaccines will be offered:

Year 7 Students	Vaccine	Disease	Who is Eligible?	How many doses / visits?
	Gardasil	Human Papillomavirus	Year 7 (boys and girls)	2
	Boostrix	Diphtheria / Tetanus / Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	Year 7 (boys and girls)	1

Year 8 Students	Vaccine	Disease	Who is Eligible?	Dose
	Gardasil	Human Papillomavirus	Year 8 students who started the course whilst in Year 7 ONLY	1

Year 10 Students	Vaccine	Disease	Who is Eligible?	Dose
	Meninx	Meningococcal ACWY	Years 10 (boys and girls)	1

CAREERS NEWS

Any Year 12 student interested in studying Medicine at University in 2021 should talk to me ASAP concerning general information and how to register for a UCAT exam. UCAT is a compulsory examination for many medical degrees and will need to be registered for shortly.

A reminder to Year 12 students that applications for the Southern Cross University Star Scheme will open in early April 2020. If students apply through this scheme for courses at Southern Cross University they may be able to gain early entry to University on the basis of their application. For further information please see me as soon as possible.

Mark Chaseling

FROM THE COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER**When is an assignment really due?**

When the date arrives, it is really due.

Students have a number of years to prepare themselves for the rigours of senior years. By that time they need to put forward planning into action. NESA (New South Wales Education Standards Authority) sets the requirements for senior years. They set due dates. They set attendance demands. Teachers need to enforce those requirements which can make teachers seem a bit tough but it is not their call. NESA makes the call.

So how best to cope with this? Our kids must practise planning ahead, being prepared, not leaving things to the last minute and being organised. Not a thing that comes naturally to many I know but it is one of life's great lessons that can smooth the way in the future.

By attending every day a student sets themselves up for success when they attend every class. By attending every day a student cuts themselves some slack in case an unexpected event occurs and they must take some time out. By attending every day students develop characteristics of reliability, tenacity and steadfastness. By encouraging them to maximise their attendance you are helping to set them up for future success.

It is the same with assignments. By knowing what assignments are due and when, you can help your child with pacing themselves and using their time wisely. Little bits often is more beneficial than the last minute panic which you may know from your own experience. Being up to date with assignments gives a bit of slack if things do go pear-shaped close to the due date. As parents we are endeavouring to raise successful adults and these habits built over time can stand them in good stead for their adult lives.

By working with teachers on these matters you are smoothing the way for your child. Remember that you are helping them towards their senior studies success when you know the what and the why. NESA sets the requirements and teachers need to enforce them.

For more information remember to download the SchoolStream App!

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LIBRARY NEWS



Let's read together, get involved and boost our vocabulary... the more words we know, the more powerful the choices available to us all. Challenge your child/yourself to read 20 books between now and the end of August. Kindy to Yr2 students have to record 30 since they can have the books read to them as well.



Book Fair is coming, 17th to 23rd of March

Our costume Parade is on Wed, 18/3/20 so wear something enchanting: fairies, unicorns, dragons, elves, gnomes, mushrooms, treehouses, witches and wizards surprise us with your enchanted forest creature.

Mazz Webb

YOUTHROCK 2020 IS ON ITS WAY!

YouthRock is a NSW competition for young bands and has helped launch the careers of artists such as Silverchair and Alex Lloyd! There is also \$15,000 worth of prizes to be won!

To enter, you will need to submit an entry form and upload a video of your band to YouTube. Finalists will perform about 15 minutes of ORIGINAL material in Sydney in April.

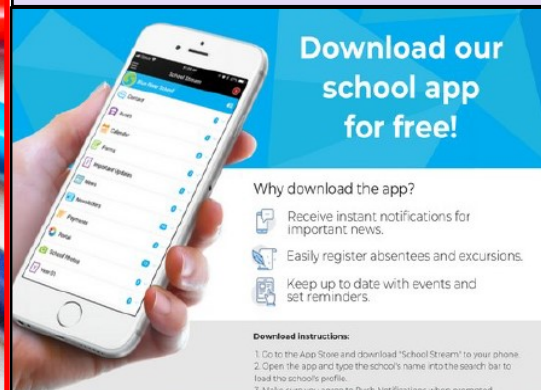
ENTRIES CLOSE 8.00pm on Sunday 22 March '20

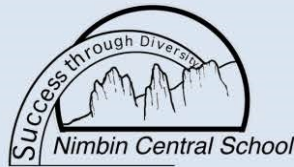
Visit www.youthrock.com.au or see Mr Osterhage for more information or entry forms.
So get together with your mates, write some original material, and ROCK ON!!



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2021 YEAR 7

Parents and Caregivers of 2021 Year 7 Students

You are cordially invited to a Year 7 information afternoon which will be held on

Tuesday 17th March 2020

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Students and their carers should proceed to the school's Multi-Purpose Unit (MPU, also known as the hall) where we will provide information, answer questions and introduce our great teachers before embarking on a tour of the school, showcasing our specialty learning spaces.

The tour will culminate with a light afternoon tea where any further questions will be answered.

Please RSVP to the school office by Friday 13th March 2020 on 66891355 and let us know whether you and your son/daughter are able to attend.

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Cawongla Playhouse
Community Preschool

Needs a Cleaner, Mower and Repair person

Ongoing weekly contract in school terms (work completed *outside of preschool hours* 9am – 3pm on Tuesdays- Thursdays), plus extra-long clean/mow before each term. Exact hours to be negotiated.

Cleaning equipment supplied - you provide lawn mower. We prefer one contractor but will consider splitting this into two contracts if needed. Start date - end April 2020.

Please provide rates and references to
cawonglaplayhouse.director@gmail.com

Cawongla Playhouse, 5325 Kyogle Road, Cawongla

KARATE CLASSES

ages 12 yrs - Adults

Nimbin
Central
School
hall



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Children's Storytime presents Rory Close
with an

Aboriginal Music and Dance Event

Wednesday 11 March

Lismore Library

10.30 - 11.00am

After the session we will be making a special craft.



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