



Thank you Brencis for inviting your Dad to visit students in Room 4. Chief Petty Officer Andrew Cott shared many interesting things about being in the Australian Navy. Room 4 students got to wear a Navy hat and all received a Navy showbag to take home full of surprises.



END OF TERM DISMISSAL:
Friday 14th December
Weather permitting,
a Count Down
Assembly,
commencing at
1:45pm.
Dismissal at 2:05pm

Principal's Report

With the end of term fast approaching, I would draw parent's attention to the following points:

Last Day of Term

- The last day of term is next Friday 14th December.
- On the last day of every term, school is dismissed at 2:05pm.
- Weather permitting, a Count Down whole school assembly is always scheduled prior to dismissal.

Class Allocations

Toni Ballard and myself have been working on the process of allocating students to classes and already have spent many days considering combinations of students to students and teacher to students.

This process considers student, current teachers and parent feedback and as such we find it an intensive and time consuming process to consider each request.

There are often complexities that may appear that we have not taken a teacher's, parent's or student's requests into account. Most often these factors are where we have conflicting information and need to make a decision. Examples of these factors are -

- Requests for students to be separated
- Friendships that aren't reciprocated
- Parents and student friendship requests and feedback being different
- Unhealthy friendships
- Requests for a friend from a different year level



Information re Class Allocations

At the end of the process, an allocation will be made, taking into account the information we have at hand. While parents are able to lodge a concern, these allocations will be considered final and changes will only be made in exceptional circumstances.

Students will be informed of their 2019 class on the last Thursday of term, 13th December. It will be included with their written report. On Friday 14th December, students will briefly visit their new classroom and meet their 2019 teacher (where possible.)

Student Reports

Students will bring home their end of year report on the last Thursday of Term (13th December). This will provide a summary of your child's achievement for the 2018 school year.

Sharron Ward, NPS Principal
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Diary Dates

Friday 7th December

- Assembly hosted by Room 21, 8:55am
- Kindy to School transition visit 3, 9 – 12noon

Monday 10th December

- Governing Council

Tuesday 11th December

- Year 7 Graduation

Wednesday 12th December

- End of year canteen lunch sale

Thursday 13th December

- Student written reports are distributed

Friday 14th December

- Students to visit next year's teacher if possible
- Final day of the 2018 school year! **Dismissal 2:05pm**



Reminder Before End of Term

Please take the time to check for any items that you are missing. Any valuables please check at the Front Office. Clothing and lunch boxes/bottles are kept by the stairs in the main building.

All items not claimed before the end of term will be disposed of during the holiday break.

Also, parents please check the label on the inside of uniform items (jumpers, hats etc.) to make sure that your child hasn't accidentally taken another child's clothing.

Thank you.

Front Office Staff



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Community Notices

The school's two notice boards are located on the Front Office verandah and under the shelter by the volleyball court. This week the following notices are displayed:

- **Carols in the Park on 7th December at 7pm in Memorial Gardens, Prospect**
- **Mars Marden Sporting Complex are holding various activities for children in January. For details visit www.marssportingcomplex.com.**
- **Bricks4Kidz in the school holidays. Book now: 0420 900 445**

SRC Update

Christmas Appeal

It is always a pleasure to see the spirit of giving at this time of year and we are so grateful that we had a part to play in spreading joy to families in need this Christmas.

Thank you to anyone who donated gifts and/or non-perishable foods to the North East Community Assistance Project. The SRC were overwhelmed with the donations and we are looking forward to passing them on to Veronica, the coordinator of the appeal.

Disco

The SRC would like to officially thank everyone who helped out at last Friday's Disco. It was a success due to the PFA, who organised the delicious snacks; the teachers who supervised on the night; the Finance Office and students who helped organise and distribute tickets; the classes that made decorations prior to the disco; Kylie Schooley, Sahibjot and Georgia for their technical support; and lastly our awesome DJs.

Jude and Samuel had their first experience as DJs at last year's School Disco. With their DJ skills and love for music they created a fun, lively atmosphere that even had teachers dancing. The SRC did not have to think twice to ask them back to DJ at this year's disco.

Once again Samuel and Jude gave up their own time in and out of school to produce a fun and lively playlist. It was such a pleasure to see both boys demonstrate such professionalism and passion for what they do. Thank you Samuel and Jude, your hard work definitely paid off.

Miss Iannucci, SRC Coordinator
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Fundraising and Governing Council

The Governing Council would like to thank the PFA, parents, and teachers for their generous donations of time and money this year. In particular, we'd like to thank the PFA, who volunteer their time to plan, organise, and run fundraising events. The members of the PFA are Angela Browne, Linda Mills, Amy Curnow, Deb Crowhurst, Ryan Westall, Sally Higgins, Brooke Boyle, Teena Mooney, Sarah Forster, Sue Farrell, Sarah Philippou, and Maud Giles. Thanks to each one of you for your efforts.

There have been many fundraising events this year including the Father's and Mother's Day stalls, Silver Challenge, cake stalls, Skipathon, and the ever-popular disco. Without donations at these events, the school would not be able to provide additional equipment to support children's learning.

The fundraising activities have raised over \$15,000 so far this year. This money has enabled the school to increase its ICT budget so that the school can improve its wireless internet, provide classrooms with new interactive whiteboards, and buy new laptops and iPads for the children.

As well as recognising the fantastic fundraising efforts this year at our last meeting, the Governing Council have recently:

- Written to Eleni Glouftsis congratulating her on winning SA Young Australian of the year
- Contacted MPs to request an increase in the size of the city schools' zone to include all pupils at Nailsworth Primary School
- Formed a Communication's Sub-committee to see how communication to parents can be improved
- Heard from the Canteen Committee that they have been reviewing tender submissions
- Endorsed the school's use of several new online tools to improve the school's performance in literacy and numeracy

Written by Darren Searson on behalf of the NPS Governing Council



Music and Drama News

National Cheerleading and Dance Championship

On Sunday 25th November I was fortunate enough to be able to witness several of our students compete in a national cheerleading competition on the Gold Coast. Cheerleading is a wonderful combination of dance and athletics and requires considerable skill and commitment. I was very impressed by the performances I saw and proud to know that our students are capable of this high standard. Well done to all who competed!

Don't Stop the Music

If you have not checked out the three part ABC TV series "Don't Stop the Music" I would encourage you to watch it on ABC iView as it gives an insight into the importance and benefits of Music Education and the current difficulties with getting all of our students to access good music education. Musical instruments are expensive and learning one requires a lot of encouragement and support, as well as, capable teachers. If you are interested in knowing how you can contribute to this program please check out the website <https://musicaviva.com.au/dontstopthemusic/>.

Judy Hanel, Music and Drama Teacher

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Year 4 Visual Art in Room 10

A focus in Room 10 this semester has been on creating Art from used objects. This tied in with our unit in HASS where we learnt about a lot of different sustainable practices. We have learnt that we can reuse items to create pieces of art with meaning and through one lady's passion for art, we have created a lot of different animals, monsters and items from recycled rolls.

Throughout this year, a very generous lady called Flowes has donated much of her time to provide various little pieces of art for the students in Room 10 to create. Flowes has been extremely generous with her time and she explains that this is her way of being able to show kindness towards others.

This week we are looking forward to learning more about endangered birds and creating some of these birds out of recycled items.

Teresa Swensen, Room 10 Teacher

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Pastoral Care

It has been amazing to be part of the Nailsworth community for the past 7 months. I have enjoyed getting to know the students, parents and staff and supporting them through different challenges by engaging in 1:1 meetings, phone calls, referrals and providing resources.

Sharing in lunchtime activities with the students has been great fun including yard games, a cupcake group, story time in the library as well as Christmas / Diwali craft. You are welcome to see their creative 'Around the World Christmas' display outside of the Deputy's office! Next we will be making Thank You cards together for volunteers at the Magdalene Centre, and then slime.

It has been great to meet many of you in the classrooms, at recess, staff socials, helping with Lunch Snacks, Sports Day and at swimming (F-2 classes). It was good to see parents and staff discussing student wellbeing with Dr Lee at the Psychiatrist Q & A session, and to hear about the importance of positive role models in the lives of young people. Activities to support staff have included providing self-care cards and surprise treats, and arranging for Broadview Uniting Church to bring Morning Teas.

I would like to wish the Year 7 students the very best for when they commence High School in 2019. It may be tough to begin with but don't forget to look for what you can learn from your experiences or for things that make you smile and be thankful. You may be pleasantly surprised!

As we wrap up 2018, I would like to express my thanks for this beautiful, diverse community and for the show of care for others that I often see despite the deadlines and the flurry of activity. May you and your families have opportunity to rest well and to find joy, peace and hope over the Festive Season. I really look forward to sharing in our adventures together in 2019.

Gemma Mayfield (Wednesdays, Thursdays), NPS PCW

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Yoga and Relaxation Classes at NPS

Wow, what an incredible year it has been, sharing life changing skills with the wonderful children at Nailsworth through Yoga, Mindfulness and Relaxation! The weekly classes have had such a positive impact on the students, as they have learnt practical techniques to feel more empowered and focussed and develop a greater understanding of their bodies and what they are potentially capable of.

Speaking with children after each class, as we do to end each session, has been so humbling and heart-warming, as they have openly shared the effects of yoga and relaxation for them personally.

I feel incredibly grateful for this opportunity to share my passion for teaching yoga with children this year and have loved every moment of it.

I am very thankful to Sharron, Toni, the staff and really supportive parents at Nailsworth, for understanding the far reaching value of teaching these skills to children and the epic benefits it has on their emotional state, relationships and learning. I have really appreciated you sharing your positive feedback, about the classes this year.

Please enjoy some final comments from children in Year 1 and Year 2.

In kindness,

Kerryn Kuchel, Yoga and Meditation Teacher

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- This has been the most beautiful moment out of all of the day. Ivy
- Yoga makes me feel happy and keeps me learning my best. It helps me feel calm, so I feel better at school and at home. Rachelle
- I love Yoga because it makes me feel relaxed and I like how it makes me feel focused on my school work. Orika
- Yoga helps me to learn, as it helps me to focus. Finn
- It helps me feel calm and not talk so much, so I can concentrate on my learning. Khai
- Every time I have come here I have felt peaceful and relaxed. Shayla
- I am happy and loved and I am more friendly. Lola
- Before I felt I had no energy left and didn't want to do anything, now I have my energy back and want to do things! Eva
- It makes me feel calm and helps me with my learning. Ava
- Yoga makes me calm and peaceful and helps me to focus. Bareeha
- It helps me feel calm and it feels great for my body. Gurneet
- Yoga helps me to feel happy and loved. Mason
- It makes me confident and relaxed. Ivy
- Yoga makes me feel relaxed and happy. Olivia
- I feel calm in my body and it makes me happy. Lakshya
- Yoga makes me feel happy and powerful and loved. Maisie

- Yoga makes me feel fast as a cheetah and better at making friends. Fenil & Cooper
- It makes me feel calm and gives me time alone. Anya
- Yoga keeps me happy and keeps me focussed. Navya
- All the time I am really really calm when I do Yoga. Miller
- Before I felt tired, now I feel really energetic. Scarlett
- Yoga makes me feel relaxed and happy. Fairy
- It makes my body smart! Dhairyra
- Yoga helps me feel calm and relaxed and it helps me learn better. Lila
- Yoga makes me feel calm and relaxed, it helps a lot with my learning. Jaya
- The feeling I have in Yoga, is the best feeling I have ever felt. Sienna

