The Kookaburra
North Nowra Public School News

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**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

Kindergarten Orientation

Last Wednesday we welcomed the 2015 Kindergarten cohort to our Kindergarten Orientation Session. It was very exciting to see happy little faces in our school. Thank you to Mrs Gardner and Mrs Kellert for organising a successful Kindergarten Orientation Program. Thank you also to our school leaders who demonstrated the school values of respect and responsibility as they greeted new families at the front gate. The children will be here again this Wednesday, and the following Wednesday for transition visits to the classrooms.

World Teacher’s Day

This Friday, 31st October is World Teachers Day. This special day focuses public attention on the contributions and achievements of teachers at all levels of education. It reinforces the work of teachers in providing the next generation of the world’s people with the knowledge, skills and understandings they need to shape and manage their lives in the 21st century. I am sure you will join me in thanking the teachers at our school for the wonderful job they do.

Parking Around the School

A reminder to parents and caregivers picking up/dropping off their children or visiting our school; please remember that parking across driveways is not permitted, just as it would not be permitted anywhere else. Even if you intend only to leave your vehicle for five or ten minutes, please be respectful of our neighbours by not parking in or across their driveways. They cannot enter or exit their homes if you do this. Respect our neighbours by keeping clear of their driveways.

Spider Warning

Last week a trapdoor spider was found in the school grounds by a visiting parent. Often confused with funnel-web spider trapdoor spiders are usually shy and retiring although will stand up and present its fangs if harassed. I encourage all parents to talk to their children about safety around spiders. If they spot a spider and feel unsafe they should report it to a teacher. As the weather warms up we will see more spiders around the school. Please remind your child/ren to zip up their school bags.

Enjoy your week!

Mrs Julie Ashby
Principal
POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR SUCCESS
SUPERSTAR AWARD /TROPHY

K/1G  Lachlan Sargent
K-1K  Thomas Toth
1T  Dakota Puplett
2D  Braiden Stewart
2/3W  Jenna Whymark
3/4F  Sarah Hyam
4/5P  Jaydn Burns
5/6G  Harley Shaw
5/6W  Josephine Hare
K-6 Support  Sonny Miles

LOST PROPERTY
If your child has lost an item of clothing, please check the box to see if it is there. Please also ensure that your child/ren’s property has their name clearly marked on it, so that we can easily return it to them.

YEAR 6 FAREWELL ORGANISING COMMITTEE
The Year 6 Farewell committee will be holding its next meeting on Friday, 31st October at 3.00 pm in Mrs George’s classroom.
All Year 5 parents (and interested Year 6 parents) are welcome to attend.
Mrs George and Mr Williams

2014 SWIMMING SCHEME
YEAR 2 STUDENTS
Swimming Scheme be held in Week 8 & Week 9
(Monday, 24th November – Friday, 5th December). A separate permission note has been sent home to all students in Year 2. Signed permission notes and payment of $80 should be returned to the school office money box by Monday, 17th November, 2014. If we do not get enough Year 2 students to run this program we will open it up to interested Year 3 students.
Mrs Thomson

ANNUAL MINI-FETE
Our mini fete is one of the highlights of the year for students. On Friday, 14th November, students will be able to visit stalls operated by all classes.
Students always enjoy our annual mini-fete, and most importantly, the money raised goes towards funding our Year 6 farewell. Tickets for stalls will be sold on the morning of the mini fete.

SUN SAFETY
This spring has seen temperatures soar. A new information pack with the latest advice on sun safety is available for schools and parents.
Find out more:

P & C NEWS
Canteen Operations
The canteen will be opened on Wednesdays and Thursdays but will be CLOSED THIS FRIDAY due to lack of volunteers. We still require volunteers for all three days or we will have to close for another day. If you would like to volunteer to assist in the canteen please contact the P&C. You can leave a note in the P&C box located in the office foyer, or email us at: northnowrapandc@y7mail.com

Meal Deal
This week’s Meal Deal is NACHO DIPPERS. These are different to the normal nachos we have on the menu. The meal deal is $5.00 for a nacho dipper, milk or juice and a snappy.

Uniform Sales
Thank you to Karina Miller who has volunteered in the position of Uniform Shop Co-ordinator. Karina can be contacted on Ph: 0408 257 019.
The uniform shop is now offering starter packs which consists of two sky blue shirts, one sports polo, 1 pair of sport shorts and a hat for the cost of $95. This is a saving of 10%.
The canteen will be open for uniform sales on Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8.30 am – 9.30 am.

Christmas Raffle
It’s time again to start preparing for our Christmas raffle fundraiser. Donations of suitable items can be left at the school canteen. The raffle will be drawn at the presentation assembly.

SCHOOL BANKING
Friday is school banking Day. Don’t forget to put your deposit books in the box located at the school canteen.