



NUNDLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

WEEK 8 TERM 1

Calendar-2016

MARCH

Thursday 17 th	Mr Worley away-Small Schools' meeting
Friday 18 th	Mr Worley away-Conference Maths (TEN) Training-Ms Weis, Miss Warden, Mrs Price, Mrs Worley
Monday 21 st	Whole School Scripture-Easter Service at Anglican Church-12.20pm Mr Worley-meeting Tamworth School Counsellor here
Wednesday 23 rd	
Thursday 24 th	Mrs Price away-Focus on Reading 5/6 Science Engineering Challenge
Friday 25th	Good Friday
Monday 28th	Easter Monday
Tuesday 29 th	Students at school
Thursday 31 st	Ms Weis away-cricket coaching

APRIL

Monday 4 th	Seniors Day at Nundle Public
Friday 8th	Last Day Term 1

The End is Nigh-Again

Well, it's getting close to the end of term. Remember that Easter happens outside of the school holidays this year. The students still have another 2 weeks of school left after Easter. Speaking holidays, I will be on 2 weeks long service leave from Easter to the end of the holidays. I made application for this leave part way through last year. Mr Barry Burnett will be covering the 5/6 class for the last 2 weeks of term. I will be back again at the start of Term 2. Ms Lynne Weis will be relieving as principal for the 2 weeks I am on leave. Please direct any queries to her during this time.

There are a number of events coming up which the school community needs to be aware of. NAPLAN assessment will take place in term 2 from the 10th to the 13th of May. Students in years 3 and 5 will participate in these assessment tasks.

On Monday 4th April, we will be holding our Senior's Celebration. Students will be performing and serving morning tea to the Senior Citizens. If you would like to come along, please contact the school for details.

Next term, I will be offering a parent information evening here at school. I will be going through a variety of policy, school plans and curriculum breakdowns. This information session will happen on the second Wednesday 4.5.16 at 6.00pm in the 5/6 room.

If anyone is interested in being a part of the NAIDOC-National Aboriginal and Islander Day of Celebration committee, we will be meeting in the school at 6.30pm on Tuesday 10.5.16. It would be great to have interested people along to help us plan our celebrations.



The SRC will be holding a disco this term on 1/4/16 - April Fools' Disco. There will be a sausage sizzle from 6.00pm to 6.30pm in the school grounds followed by the disco from 6.30pm to 7.30pm in the Nundle Hall. The cost will be \$4. The disco is only open to students of Nundle Public School.

A big congratulations to our Regional Swimmers who did a fantastic job in Armidale. Lindsey Burnes, Sequoia Stone, Joe Burr, Campbell Jones, Sam Archer and Jack Bell all put in a big effort and represented their school exceptionally well.

This week staff has been working on Focus on Reading. This involves looking carefully at the way literacy is taught within the upper years of primary school through the later years of high school. Within this training, being run by Mrs Price, we have been looking closely at assessment for learning, assessment of learning and assessment as learning. These are valuable ways of staff assisting students to improve their achievements of outcomes. As a staff, we have also been looking at a public relations policy for our school. This encompasses a variety of areas. I would be very interested to hear from parents and community in relation to ways we can improve our public relations. I will be going through this in the parent information evening next term. Speaking feedback, we will soon be sending out our surveys. We do appreciate your honest feedback and this helps us continually improve our school.

Ian Worley

Principal

5/6 Class Report

In the past two weeks 5/6 has been doing many wonderful things.

In English, we have been doing creative writing, almost all in the first person. Mr Worley had given us prompts or titles and our stories had to be based around them. A few of them were *A Walk to the Shop*, or based on a Lego creation that each student built and we have now just started a story in the third person that has to be based on either *Sunset* or *Sunrise*.

During math with Mr Worley we have been studying problem solving and order of operation. Everybody seems to have been able to learn how to do order of operation, even though it was tricky at first. With Miss Boland we have been focusing on time – 24 hour, digital, analogue and 12 hour.

Science has been really fun in the last two weeks. We have been studying yeast and its properties and we had to complete an assignment on it. They all look fantastic, and they give us a laugh when Mr Worley forgets to duck his head when he's walking underneath them.

For HSIE with Miss Boland we have been doing lots on mapping and Geography, focusing on the Asian region. So far we have had to label a map, give latitude and longitude of certain Asian capitals and locate certain cities.

In art we have been working on a piece that's based on the book we are reading with Miss Boland – *Boy Overboard*. It is half an Afghan lady's face on one side, and the other side an Australian lady's face. They are starting to come together nicely.

By Jay and Charlie

Kindergarten Report Week 8

In English, we have been very busy learning to read. We listen to the teacher read, read with the teacher, read in the tent and read at home. The more the better!

We entered our train paintings in the Tamworth Show. The display looked very good, with art from lots of other schools. Eric won a special award for his work.

This week we will not be swimming, as some teachers are in a training course on Friday. Next week we will swim on Thursday, before the Good Friday holiday.

Week 8 1/2 Newsletter Report

Classroom life continues to be busy as Easter fast approaches. The Year 1 and 2 students have been working hard on the persuasive writing techniques and have put together a rather convincing list of reasons as to why Mr Worley should build the class an indoor swimming pool.

In maths, students have been learning how to count by 10s with a little help from a very clever book called 'One is a Snail, Ten is a Crab'. To help remind them how to count by 10s they made some fabulous red paper plate crabs with googly eyes

Students are learning about natural, constructed and managed environments in geography. They are enjoying identifying the features of these in our local areas and explaining who is responsible for these environments.

This week we welcome Curtis Rixon into our classroom, who is staying with his grandma..



Years 3 and 4 Report

Year 3 / 4 have been very busy over the last 2 weeks

In English we continue to read Blue Back. We have also been learning about how humans affect our oceans and sea life. Did you know that if the sand temperature is 29 degrees or above that the turtle will be female. Did you also know that penguins wear fitbits. We have been doing buddy reading in the mornings – it is still really important for us to be reading orally every day. Have your children persuaded you to participate in Earth Hour on Saturday night?

In maths we are doing some work with multiplication and division. Our class is discovering how important it is to know our times tables.

In Geography we have all chosen a country from Africa or South America. Students are researching interesting information and facts.

Ghana has a population of 25.9 million people. – Will

The Congo River in Congo is the second largest river in the world. – Brooke

Hello in Botswana is Le Kae – Quinn

Columbia has a population of over 45 million. – Tyson

Kenyas capital city is Niarobi – Faith

Nundle Pony Club Rally Day

If you would like to attend Nundle Pony Club's Rally Day on 3rd April please ring Selena Sylvester on 0427468125 or 67693421

Tamworth High School Review - Written Kandeita Self

On our first day at Tamworth High School we were learning about the hats of Public Speaking. As a class we sat down and talked about the important rules of Public Speaking and also about what not to do in a Public Speaking contest.

Our teacher Dr McCrohon gave us a special task on writing out the blurb of our speech. We had to do our speaking on Environmental problems. Most of us students wrote about trees and about animals' loss of homes.

On next day we spoke about our project on the wars over many years. Everyone in the class got to choose what group they were going to be in. Some of the groups included Drama, Music, Art, Dancing and PowerPoint Presentations. My group was the Drama group; we chose to do our act on the Christmas Truce in 1915.

Our next couple of days were Wednesday 2nd March, Thursday 3rd March and Friday 4th March. On those three days we had to get our presentations ready to go, also get props ready, get costumes ready and some kids had to have their dance known by heart. By Friday afternoon we had all of our stuff ready to go to show the class. On Friday the 11th March our parents came in to watch all of the hard work that we had done over those three days. After we had shown our work we had an afternoon tea and thanked all the teachers for their hard work on helping the students complete their projects.

AWARDS – 9th March, 2016

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

COOPER BURR for wonderful behaviour

Kindergarten

Caitlin Emerton – excellent effort in reading

Years 1 and 2

Riley Emerton – trying hard in writing

Digby Gibson – trying hard to stay on task

Years 3 and 4

William Archer – excellent effort in English

Ryan Fitzgerald – excellent work in maths

Years 5 and 6

Kandeita Self – dedication to work

Emily O'Connor – Peer Support leadership

NUNDLE PUBLIC SCHOOL HOSTS SMALL SCHOOLS CRICKET MILO T20 BLAST

Cricket NSW have taken their Cricket Development MILO T20 Blast Program to Nundle with ACA player Naomi Stolenberg and local junior star Lara Graham

Over 80 students from 5 schools gathered in Nundle to participate in their first MILO T20 Blast Small Schools Cricket Day. Nundle, Woolomin, Dungowan and Bendemeer schools all participated in the day. Teams played T20 Blast games with music, coaching and lots of 6er's going on throughout the day.

In two divisions the year 5/6 age group winners were Nundle Stars while Woolomin Wolves won the year 3/4 winner on the day. Teams played games throughout the day in very hot conditions receiving coaching tips from ACA Player Naomi Stolenberg who was visiting the region to help promote Cricket especially cricket for girls. Naomi was assisted with the game coaching by local junior cricket talent Lara

Graham who through this season has been playing elite girls cricket with Penrith which is Naomi's home club. Thanks goes to the Australian Cricketers Association for their support of regional Cricket across Australia assisting with funding past and present players to travel to rural centres and deliver development programs like the T20 Blast day in Nundle. Over 80% of the students involved in the event had no previous cricket experience. By the second and third game of the day we saw skills rise, hits bigger with more 6er's and catches being taken in the outfields.

After the lunch Break Naomi and Lara gave the students an opportunity to play against their batting and bowling skills which brought great joy and excitement to those who participated in this game.

For many this was also the first time they had met an Australian sporting representative so getting photos and autographs was a great highlight for the day. Plans have already started to now make this Bush Cricket Small Schools Day in Nundle an annual event with a Day

especially for year 5/6 students in Term 3 and then in Term 4 a day from year 3/4 students.

Thanks goes to all schools who participated, the students had a great day and teachers all learnt a lot about how to make cricket fun for their students, their involvement in the day was amazing, it seems the non cricketing teachers had as much fun as the students. Maybe they could join the TDCA Monday women's bush cricket team next week – they need a couple of extra players.



AWARDS – 16th March, 2015

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

CHARLIE JONES for leadership

Kindergarten

Phoenix Duncan – hard work with reading

Years 1 and 2

Tenzen – improved completion of work

Emily George – hard work in class

Years 3 and 4

Jade Krsulja – hard work in maths

Tyson Warraweena – effort in all areas

Years 5 and 6

Jayden Morrow – improved writing

Deegan Peterson – improved writin