



## NUNDLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

**NEWSLETTER****TERM 1 – WEEK 6****Calendar**

March	
3rd	Peel Valley Small School Swimming Carnival
6th	Regional Swimming Carnival at Armidale
6th	P&C AGM 7pm followed by General Meeting
7th	Seniors Week—Morning Tea 10.30am
8th	School Counsellor
8th	Debating Day—Nemingha Public School

**Principal's Report 27.02.17**

What a busy couple of weeks we've had. As the Term continues to fly by students have been continuing to engage in interesting and meaningful learning activities. On Monday, students worked in small groups with peer leaders to be introduced to the concept of bucket filling. In the book by Carol McCloud, she offers an insight into how we can spread happiness on a daily basis using invisible buckets. Some of the ways students have identified to spread happiness include: friendly greetings, helping each other out and teaching our friends new skills. I am looking forward to seeing our children look for opportunities to fill each others buckets over the coming weeks.

Our students represented the school with outstanding sportsmanship and participation last Friday as part of the Tamworth Zone Swimming Carnival. Students participated against the best swimmers in the region. It was great to note that students were proud of their achievements, which included some personal best times and even some regional qualifications. An outstanding effort from our small school and a testament to the effort and commitment these students show outside of school in swimming club. They will again get to show off their abilities this Friday at the Peel Valley Carnival. I am confident students will continue to show great sportsmanship, regardless of the results. Good luck to those students who are participating at the Regional Swimming Carnival in Armidale on Monday.

Mrs Price and Mrs Worley have commenced their Language, Learning & Literacy (L3) Journeys this week. This is an intensive focus on the teaching of Literacy and will definitely build their capacity to teach to the varying ability groupings in our K/1 and 2/3 classrooms. Mrs Quast is coaching the teachers in her role as Instructional Leader. Teachers are already noticing the impact this role is having and we are excited to continue to see improved student performance throughout 2017.

I was fortunate enough to attend a Principal's induction conference last week, where I met with almost 100 new principals from all over the state. It reaffirmed my understanding of the role and highlighted some exciting developments for the Department of Education. I enjoyed the opportunity to hear both the Secretary, Mark Scott and Minister for Education, Rob Stokes, talk about the key priorities for schools in NSW. It was very reaffirming to see that Nundle Public School is on the right track. This week the Tamworth Principal's Network Meeting will focus on Aboriginal Education, Community Engagement and School Planning. I look forward to having some discussions about the School Plan.

Regards  
Stephen Gadd

**P&C AGM - POSTPONED TO Monday April 3**

A general meeting will still be held at 7:00pm in the School Library next Monday. School Planning and Organisation of the Dog Race will commence. It would be great to see lots of parents there to help.

**High School Transition**

Our transition program has prepared our kindergarten students for the challenge of Primary School. They are enjoying the many aspects of school life as confident members of our school community. The next aspect of transition will be the preparation for Year 6 moving into High School. Tamworth High School is our partner high school. I have been attending meetings with them and they are looking forward to supporting our school in many events throughout the year. Year 6 students will be receiving some information packages regarding the transition to High School, they will re-

### Teddy Bear Hospital

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March Medical and Radiology students from the University of Newcastle, Department of Rural Health will be coming to school to run a Teddy Bear Hospital.

All students will need to bring a Teddy Bear or stuffed toy on the day. The purpose of this activity is to encourage children to enter the health profession and ensure they have a positive relationship with health professionals.

At afternoon tea children and bears will participate in a Teddy Bears Picnic. Children are to bring their normal afternoon tea and staff will provide a few treats.

Don't forget.... Teddy Bears - next Wednesday



### Zone Tennis

On Friday February 18, Sequoia and Wunda participated in the Tamworth Zone tennis trials. Wunda played 7 games in total. Winning 2 games. While she was unsuccessful she learned a lot about tennis. Sequoia played some really intense games and demonstrated courage and determination, despite not being selected. Well done to both students.

### Zone Swimming

On Friday February 25, 15 students went to the Tamworth Zone swimming carnival. Ella, Wunda, Jessy-Lee, Jessica, Emily, Sequoia, Will, Sam, Ryan, Saskia, Gryff, Tenzon, Jack and Brayden all represented our school with pride. Students were proud of their results with a number of them swimming Personal Best Times. Sequoia, Gryff, Sam, Will, Jack and Ryan have progressed to the regional carnival on Monday. We will have a chance to admire our superfish this Friday at the Peel Valley Carnival.

**Kindergarten enjoying their music lesson with Samara****Year 1 students enjoying “tub reading”****Kindergarten students hard at work****Kootingal & District Football Club***‘Northern Inland Football Club of the Year 2014’*

## Information and Sign-up Day

**12.30pm-4.00pm Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March****Kootingal Bowling Club (BBQ Area)**

Open to boys and girls of all skill levels from kindergarten up. Why not introduce your child to Tamworth's and the world's most popular team sport.

**Alternatively, you can sign-up now at**

[www.kootingalkougars.com.au](http://www.kootingalkougars.com.au)

For further information, call -

Craig Johnston – 0447 186 613

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**P&C News****Canteen**

The canteen service will resume Friday 10 March. We apologise for not being able to start any earlier, but we are waiting for a new stove and oven to be installed.

The more parents who can volunteer to work in the canteen means more opening days. A canteen **training day** for interested parents will also be held on this day, Friday 10th March. If you would like to attend the training please contact Carol 0429 978732 or Lyn in the school office.

**General Meeting**

Monday 6th of March at 7pm in the School Library.  
Discussion about the Great Nundle Dog Race (Sunday 7th May) will also be on the agenda.

**Annual General Meeting POSTPONED**

All positions are open for renewal on Monday 3rd April.  
The AGM will commence at 7pm, followed by a general meeting.

Susi Bell  
President

## SENIORS WEEK

**A morning tea will be held  
at Nundle Public School  
Monday 6th March 2017 at  
10.30am. All Seniors are  
most welcome to attend.**



### Students of the week

**23.02.17****Tim George****Great Start to Kindergarten****Trevor Blackwell****Great Attitude**

### Students of the week

**02.03.17****Eric Robinson****A fantastic start to Year 1****Jack Whale****Responsible Behaviour**

### Class awards

- K/1** Henry Whale—Working well in class  
Desitiny Smith—Great work in class
- 2/3** Bailey Little—Great Effort in Reading  
Sienna Burr—Excellent Effort In Literature  
Circles
- 4/5/6** Saskia Fitzgerald—Big effort in literacy  
Wunda Jaffer-Williams—A big effort in  
bookwork