



NUNDLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 – WEEK 8

Calendar

Week 8	Friday 23rd Science/Technology Challenge 5/6
Week 9	Thursday 29th Scripture @ Anglican Church Friday 30th Good Friday
Week 10	Monday 2nd Easter Monday Tuesday 3rd -NDL Kindy photo's @ NPS - Zone Rugby League Trials Thursday 5th Scripture Friday 6th NPS cross country
Week 11	Monday 9th -Senior Citizen's Morning Tea -P&C Meeting Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th Junkyard Beat Workshop

Principal's Report

The last fortnight has again been full of lots of great things happening for students at school. I had the pleasure of accompanying our young leaders to the Halogen Foundation Young Leaders Day in Sydney last week. We combined with students from Dungowan and Woolomin Public Schools for a fantastic trip that included Geocaching, bus tripping and socialising. Students were inspired by talks from John Coutis, Harrison Craig, Lauren Cheatle and Matt Cosgrove.

Yesterday, all students travelled down to Woolomin Public School to attend a Harmony Day celebration. Harmony Day is a time that we all come together and reflect on what makes diversity great. Showing how people from different cultures can come together and live in harmony.

There have been some great discussions in the community about the use of technology and how this supports student learning. We have been very fortunate to acquire some new technological equipment to support students learning. We have a great collection of iPads, Laptops and desktop computers that all students have access to as part of their learning. Technology alone, is not the answer to quality education. Technology is used to assist students in accessing their learning at their level of need.

For example, students in the 5/6 class use Spelling City to engage with spelling activities at 4 different levels simultaneously. Not only does this enhance student learning, but it makes it fun as well.

We have just confirmed that our application for sporting schools funding has been successful for Term 2. We will be inviting Adam Joliffe from Little Athletics NSW to support our sports program next term. He will be running sessions for all students from 2-3pm on Fridays. He will also be running an additional session for students after school for those interested in attending. More information will be given out next term in relation to this.

Thank you to the parents who attended Monday night's Annual General Meeting for the P&C. I am confident that the committee we have formed are great representatives of the school and your voice. Following the meeting, we are going to be making some enquiries into various aspects of school life including school uniforms. In order to get accurate and informed representation of these, the proportion of survey responses needs to be high. I ask that you take some time to fill in the surveys so we can make informed decisions. These are anonymous and will be provided online and in paper form if requested.

Daniel Wilson, Principal of Tamworth High School came along to the P&C meeting on Monday and made a presentation about some of the key things that are happening there. One feature is that we have some former students participating in the THS Gifted and Talented program, which is a program tailored to the individual strengths and interests of these children. As our partner high school, we continue to support their programs and this is reciprocated by their support of many parts of our school life including athletics and swimming carnivals. Thank you for your continued support.

Stephen Gadd
Principal

P&C Report

Following our P&C AGM on Monday night, I am pleased to announce the following positions have been filled.

President – John Krsulja

Vice Presidents – Megan Trousdale, Nick Bradford

Secretary – Kelly Jaffer

Treasurer – Carol Fiddes

GNDR Co-Ordinator – John Krsulja & Nick Bradford

Canteen Co-Ordinator – Sue Robinson

Uniform Co-Ordinator – Donna Denton

Congratulations and thank you to these people for putting their hands up to take on roles in our P&C. As always, the committee cannot do things by themselves and need the support of many volunteers to help with the running of all of our events.

Some of the significant achievements of the P&C last year, was the successful running of the Great Nundle Dog Race, the sand pit upgrade and the purchase of the defibrillator. Last week we had Jason Phillips from Royal Life Saving present a demonstration on how to use the defibrillator. Thank you to those parents and community members who came along to see the demonstration. This defibrillator will be stored at the Caravan Park where it is available 24 hours a day – 7 days per week for 52 weeks of the year.

A special congratulations to Sue Robinson who will be taking on the canteen coordinators role. We will use the remainder of this term to do some planning. This will mean the canteen will re-open in Term 2. Stay tuned for more information.

**Our Student Leaders**

Our student leaders will be working as a team to ensure they are representatives of the students at school and give our children a voice in some of the things that occur at school. Student Leaders have been assigned portfolios and are starting to understand their roles in being peer role models for their younger peers. This system of student leadership resembles that of our community leaders in parliament.

The Student Leaders are:

Jessica Borchard – School Captain and Leader for Community

Will Archer – School Captain and Leader for Environment

Quinn Gibson – Vice Captain and Support Leader for Arts

Sequoia Stone – Vice Captain and Support Leader for Sport

Sam Archer – Leader for Sport

Brooke Krsulja – Leader for Arts

Trevor Blackwell – Support Leader for the Environment

Our student leaders have started to consult their peers and are coming up with some great ideas to put into place in our school.



Our young leaders from Nundle PS, Woolomin PS, Dungowan PS & Timbumburi PS in Sydney at the Halogen Young Leaders Conference

Stage 2&3 String Ensemble under the guidance of Miss Samara from The Tamworth Regional Conservatorium.



Riley Emerton on Springs after a successful day representing Nundle Public School at Willow Tree School Horse Sports last Friday 16th March

Class Awards 19th March

Years

K/1/2:

Alex Sutherland~ Great problem solving
Maton Little~ Responding to text

Years 3/4:

Sienna Burr~ Fantastic effort in maths
Emily George~ Excellent effort in reading

Years 5/6:

Montana McInnes~ Improvement in persistence
Faith Smith~ Perseverance in problem solving
Quinn Gibson~ Excellent creativity in composing spelling rap
Sequoia Stone, Brooke Krsulja, Will Archer, Sam Archer, Jessica Borchard & Quinn Gibson
~Excellent school representation at the Halogen Conference



Mrs Price reading a story to students in Years 3 /4.



Thank you to everyone in the community for sending us your COLES Sports for Kids Vouchers! Keep it up, our school will receive some amazing equipment

Student Profiles

Feature Student #1

Name: Will Archer

Age: 11

Class: 6

What is your favourite thing about school? Playing sport. I like to play football at lunch times with my mates. I also enjoy representing the school at zone swimming, athletics and cross country. Except for when it gets wet and cold.

Who is someone you look up to and why? My Dad Rohan. He likes what I like and he shows me how to do lots of fun and interesting things.

What do you want to be when you grow up? Some kind of Engineer

A fun fact about me? I'm a twin and a minute older than my brother.



Feature Student #2

Name: Max Burr

Age: 7

Class: 3/4

What is your favourite thing about school? I like yoga and art. I like how performing arts allows us to express ourselves and yoga gives us good flexibility.

Who is someone you look up to and why? My sister Bella because she is trustworthy, honest and great fun to be around.

What do you want to be when you grow up?
I'd like to be a professional ballet dancer.

A fun fact about me? I couldn't really walk until I was 3, now I want to be a dancer.



Junk Yard Beats

As a celebration of learning, recycling and music at the end of the term (10-11 April), we are hosting a group from Sydney called Junk Yard Beats. They are an exciting group of performers who specialise in playing the drums using recycled materials. They will be taking the children through some workshops and even preparing them for a performance on the afternoon of April 11. While they are here, they will be working with students to build a drumming/percussion installation using recycled materials. If you are looking to get rid of kitchen clutter, we are seeking donations of any "bangable" kitchen items to potentially be included in this project. These can be taken to Mrs Ryan in the office.

Thursday 22nd March 2018

HONOUR INDUSTRY TRUTH



Harmony Day



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Halogen Young Leader's Day - By Jessica

Last week we went to Sydney to go to the Halogen Young Leader's Day. Woolomin and Dungowan travelled with us and we all had a great time.

When we arrived at Sydney we stayed at the Sydney Olympic Park Lodge. The first thing we did was GeoCaching. We had to find two little treasures that people had hidden there before and then put them back for others to find. After GeoCaching, we got ready for dinner. We had dinner at Wenty's Leagues Club. It was very large and we had a great time.

The next day, we went to the Halogen Young Leader's Day. We listened to four incredible people speak about how to make a great leader.

The first speaker was John Coutis. John didn't have any legs. When he was born his legs were deformed and because of that he was bullied a lot. John Coutis couldn't go to school until he was 10 years old. Instead of school, he went to an institution.

When John did start school, he was bullied all of the time. The bullies had bullied John terribly, so much so, that he had to go to hospital. John had become so sick of it that he made the very hard decision to get his legs amputated.

Then, at the age of 12, he had given up completely. The only thing that had brought him back was his family.

John told us some very valuable things. He said that we should never back away from a challenge and to always step outside of our comfort zones. He said to always be ourselves and always treat others the way that you would like to be treated. He also told us to never give up and to never let anything stop you from doing what you want to do. I thought that he was very brave and inspiring.

The second speaker was Lauren Cheatle. She is on the Sydney Sixers cricket team, she is 19 years old and she is the youngest girl player there.

When Lauren was a kid, she used to play cricket in the backyard with her dad and her brother. They had a challenge to see who could win and whoever lost had to do the dishes. Lauren's dad had made it extra hard for her and she was really confused. She had asked her dad why he made it so hard and he said, "If it doesn't challenge you, it doesn't change you."

When Lauren was 17, she had her big debut on TV. She was having a horrible day and she wasn't playing well. Her coach said to her that she would want to forget that game forever. She would remember what her dad said to her and she started playing better.

Lauren had also injured herself many times and she couldn't play for ages. She told us that there are going to be moments where you feel like giving up but never let something stop you. She also told us to step outside of our comfort zones.

The third speaker was Harrison Craig. He won the voice in 2013. Harrison Craig had a stutter and he found it hard to speak.

Harrison Craig used to get bullied in school because of his stuttering. He found that when he sung, he didn't stutter as much. Singing was like his escape from the stuttering. He told us that we should never let anything bad stop us from doing anything good. He also said that we should never give up on making our dreams come true.

The last speaker was Matt Cosgrove. Matt is an author of children's books. His latest books are the Epic Fail Tales where he takes fairy tales and changes the characters into gross, violent people.

Matt Cosgrove was completely terrified of public speaking. He found it really nerve-racking to stand up in front of people and speak.

When matt was a kid, he loved writing and drawing and one day his teacher asked the class what they wanted to do when they grow up. Matt didn't know until the last minute when he looked around the library and saw millions of amazing books and he realised that was what he wanted to do. Matt Cosgrove also told us to step outside our comfort zones all of the time.

Thank you to the P and C and the school for supporting our involvement in this excursion. They were four amazing speakers who spoke at the Halogen Young Leader's Day. We had an excellent time in Sydney.



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Register at eatittobeatit.com.au – if there aren't any sessions scheduled at or around your school, put your name on the waiting list and we can schedule one.

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Good for Kids good for life

TARNAMBAI

Tarnambai is a Traditional Indigenous Game. Tarnambai means 'running' in the language used in the Batavia area of north Queensland.

How to play:

Players roll a tennis ball away from their partners, who sprint after it, pick it up on the run after it crosses a line 20 metres away, and return to the starting line. Time the attempts, hold a team relay, or use this as a tabloid event in small groups (two to four players) with a set time (2–3 minutes).

Check out the Yulunga Traditional Indigenous Games resource book online to see more fun games for the family to enjoy and to learn more about Aboriginal culture.



Source: Yulunga Traditional Indigenous Games 2009



Health
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Local Health District

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Healthwise NENW, along with *Nerridah Prentice from The McGrath Foundation* present;

BREAST CARE AWARENESS

FREE EVENT

at the Woolomin Hall

10:00AM TIL 1:00PM

10TH MAY,
2018

A light lunch and Health Checks will be provided.

Please RSVP Fiona
for catering purposes
by Fri 4th May: 0447611460

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CITY OF TAMWORTH SEVENTIETH ANNUAL EISTEDDFOD 2018

The 71st City of Tamworth Eisteddfod of 2018 is fast approaching. We wanted to let you know that the Syllabus has been released and is available to download from our website (tamwortheisteddfod.org.au).

Entries are able to be completed online through Comps-Online, and entries close April 6.

More information available on our website.

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