Dear Parents/Caregivers,

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY TIME CHANGE
In order to avoid the potential heat of Friday afternoons in the Hall we have decided to move our assembly time to 9.00am for the remainder of the term.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION
The Kindergarten orientation is on this Thursday, 26th November from 9.30am. The children will be in the Kindergarten room with Miss Barry while the parents will be in the Hall for an information session.

A morning tea will be provided for the parents after the information session. Parents will have the opportunity to look at and purchase uniforms at the Uniform shop.

HEALTH ALERT
We need parents to be aware that we have several children from our school who have the chicken pox. If you suspect your child does have chicken pox please take them to the doctor as this is a very contagious disease. Although chickenpox causes a relatively mild illness in children it can have serious implications for pregnant women.

According to NSW Health:

- Chickenpox begins with a sudden onset of slight fever, runny nose, feeling generally unwell and a skin rash.
- The rash usually begins as small lumps that turn into blisters and then scabs.
- The rash appears over three to four days. At any one time, the lesions of the rash vary in stages of development.
• Symptoms usually occur two weeks after exposure to the virus.

• The infection is highly contagious to people who have never had chickenpox or who have not been vaccinated.

• People are infectious from one or two days before the rash appears (that is, during the runny nose phase) and up to five days after (when the blisters have formed crusts or scabs)

CANTEEN COORDINATOR 2016
I would like to thank Kirsty O’Connell for her work as Canteen Co-ordinator this year. Due to unforeseen circumstances Kirsty has found it necessary to step down from the position for next year.

If you would like to assume the position of helping to organise the Canteen for one day a week next year please contact the Office on 4421 5671 and we can put you in contact with Kirsty who can take you through what the position entails.

P & C RAFFLE
Each family has received a book of 20 tickets with the newsletter. If you sell all your tickets, please feel free to pick up some more from the office. Please return all sold or unsold tickets and money to the school by Tuesday, 8th December. The raffle will be drawn on presentation night.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR for LEARNING ACKNOWLEDGEMENT EXCURSION
At the moment all the children are collectively working towards a common goal of collecting 12 000 Dingaroos in order to earn a free excursion at the end of the year.

The children have until the end of Week 9 to achieve their goal. More details about the excursion in the coming weeks.

YEAR 1/2
Just a reminder for the children to bring in a small plate of ‘Christmas’ food for our last scripture session on Thursday with Mr Phil and Miss Cindy for 2015.

Thank you to those children and parents/caregivers who remembered their dress rehearsal clothes today. We will have another follow up dress rehearsal on Friday, 27th November. It is my hope to get 100% on presentation night.

Thanks, Mrs Rowe.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS 2016
The election for school captains for 2016 will be held this Friday. Those students who are nominated will do their speeches at assembly at 9.00am Best wishes to all candidates.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Happy Birthday and best wishes to Charlie Manwaring, Scarlett Pridgeon and Jack Lunn who celebrate their birthday this week.

NOWRA HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL 150th CELEBRATIONS
In 2017, it will be 150 years since Nowra Hill Public School opened. With this in mind the school and P & C have already begun to think about how we can celebrate this milestone.

As a start, we will be asking the school community to share photos and stories that they may have about the school and previous staff and students through our school email nowrahill-p.schools@det.nsw.edu.au. Any photos that are supplied will be scanned and returned.
Please send any information to the school email under the heading 150th Celebrations.

**SCHOOL ENROLMENTS FOR 2016**
If you know your child will be leaving the school at the end of this year could you please notify the office as soon as you can. This will greatly assist us with the organisation of staffing and classes for 2016.

**MERIT AWARDS**

- **Kinder**: Abigail Dezentje, Heidi Lovell
- **Class 1/2**: Kyah Schell, Madison Fish, Mick Nolan
- **Class 2/3**: Dylan Stockley, Ryan Boyne, Austyn Cornelius
- **Class 3/4**: Holly Barrett, Imogen Radburn
- **Class 5/6**: Adrien Griffiths, Litia Schell, Luke Selby

**PRINCIPALS AWARD**

- **Kinder**: Cala Stubbs
- **Class 1/2**: Summer King
- **Class 2/3**: Khallen C
- **Class 3/4**: Hunter Woods
- **Class 5/6**: Cooper Atkinson

**SEASONS FOR GROWTH**

Congratulations to Lauren, Faith, Scarlet, Summer and Billy on completing the Seasons For Growth program. All students received a certificate at the Seasons For Growth celebration on Friday.