NOWRA HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL
WEEKLY BULLETIN
TERM 3, WEEK 9 - 8TH SEPTEMBER 2015
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CANTEEN  Every Wednesday
ASSEMBLY  Fridays - 2.00pm
UNIFORM SHOP  Fridays - 2.30pm - 3.15pm
PIE & POPPERS  Fridays (Terms 2 and 3)

DATES TO REMEMBER
Tuesday  8th September  P & C Meeting - 7.00pm
Friday  18th September  Last Day of Term 3
Tuesday  6th October  First Day of Term 4
Mon-Fri  12th-23rd October  School Swimming Scheme
Fridays  16th,23rd,30th Oct  Ed Plus Activities
Thursday  29th October  School Try-athlon

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS
I would like to thank Mr Barry Freshwater for his work last week in securing the recycled train station seating into the new cement foundations. It not only looks fantastic, but both areas will be pleasant spaces for children to sit during summer at recess and lunch times.

Many thanks to Megan Shipton who organised and ran the Father’s Day stall last Friday. This put a smile on many children’s faces to know that they were able to buy something for their dad without having to spend many hours walking through the shops searching for that all important gift. Thank you Megan and the Year 6 helpers for all your time and effort.

We also appreciate the service of Mrs Tash Adams who recently had to leave her positions on the P&C and the Canteen due to other commitments. Thank you Mrs Adams for the time you were able to give during your tenure in these areas.

During lunch times in the past week, we have had a group of Year 2-6 children who have become keen at weeding our playground and have been doing a fantastic job. These children have been doing a great service to the school and showing pride in their school environment. Well done.

TELL THEM FROM ME ON LINE SURVEYS
Currently there have only been 3 respondents to the on line parent survey. We remind parents that this is an important survey that the school is relying on to assist in guiding our annual school planning and is a great opportunity to influence your child’s education. Please log on when you have a spare 15 minutes and complete the survey. The website and log on details are as follows: www.tellthemfromme.com/login.htm
User Name - parent18781
Password: - Now4106

If you would like to make use of the Library computers to complete the surveys on Friday afternoon before Assembly please fill in the slip on the back to book a computer.
Students who have permission to complete the on line surveys will start to do so this week during school time.
SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS
During the upcoming holidays there will be some activity around the school. Repairs will be made to a water pipe near the front of the school. It is hoped that this will somewhat improve water pressure to the school. There will also be a wiring and cabling company installing long overdue wi fi throughout our school. All these works should be completed by the time students return in Term 4.

BOOK CLUB ORDER
We ask that parents please check recent Book Club orders that children recently brought home for a book that may have mistakenly been included with your child’s order. If your child received a book titled OPTICAL ILLUSIONS could you please return it to the school.

SHOALHAVEN MUSIC FESTIVAL
It was a wonderful effort from the 41 students who attended last Thursdays Music Festival performance. Again, there were many positive comments from parents and other schools on the general performance and our school items. We performed Lollipop at last week’s assembly and the children will be performing another song at this week’s assembly. Congratulations to Charley Shipton and Isabel Goodwin who were very courageous to volunteer for a soloist part and did a fantastic job. Well done.

SEASONS FOR GROWTH PROGRAM
Seasons for Growth is a program that Mrs Millard (DSTA) has been trained to deliver. It deals with helping children deal with loss and absence of parents during deployment and aims to build resilience in children. Mrs Millard will be commencing this program with a small group of select children during this week.

GYMNASTICS
This is the last week for Gymnastics. Last week the children were assessed and they will be bringing home their certificates this week. The children have enjoyed the 8 week program and the energy and guidance of our main instructors, Matt and Kristy. The program was partly subsidised by money secured through the new Sporting Schools Program which has replaced the Active After Schools Communities Program.

P & C MEETING
The September P&C Meeting will be held tonight in the school library from 7.00pm.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Happy Birthday and best wishes to Xavier Bendall, Leigha and Natalie Barrett who celebrate their birthday this week.

ICAS SPELLING RESULTS
This week children who took part in the ICAS Spelling competition will receive their certificates at the assembly. Of the 6 students who took part in the competition Matthew Higham, Alexandra Dezentje, Jack Lunn, Isabel Goodwin and Yasmin Willis all received a Participation certificate with Beau Crealy earning a Credit certificate. Well done to all these students for being part of this competition.

SCHOOL TRY-ATHLON FUNDRAISER
Next term on Thursday, 29th October (Week 4) the whole school will participate in a Try-athlon to help raise money for our new school signs. Our current school signs are now dated and in need of an update. We will be conducting this Try-athlon so all the students can have a part in raising money for these expensive items and assume some ownership. We are currently getting quotes and art work organised through several signage companies. It is hoped that an order will be made by early next term.

In the next few weeks the children will be bringing home a sponsorship form where they can write in donations, or ‘per lap’ sponsorships, for the run, cycle and obstacle course that will take place on school grounds and the area near Kids Crew. We will be asking for parent volunteers to assist especially with the bike course. The children will be put into mixed K-6 groups and they will all have a turn in at least one of the activities within their group so that everyone participates. More information will be provided as it comes to hand.

ASSEMBLY TIME
Please note that due to the upcoming events the School Assembly on Friday afternoon commences from 2.00pm.
INTENSIVE SWIMMING SCHEME
Intensive swimming will be held at the Bay and Basin Leisure Centre from the 12th-23rd October (Term 4, Weeks 2 and 3). This scheme will be open to all students from years 2-6. We have been given 60 spaces (no other schools involved). The importance of being able to swim safely and proficiently should be a priority for all families.

The Intensive Swimming Scheme lessons will cater for all levels of efficiency from non swimmers to students who just need stroke correction in freestyle. Lessons will be conducted over 2 weeks by qualified swimming instructors. This is an opportunity that we hope will be taken up by all students as this is subsidised by the P&C Association. Please fill out the slip on the back of the newsletter and return it to the front office together with a $10.00 deposit, if you are interested in attending the scheme. The total cost of the swimming scheme will be $60.00 per child. Children who paid for the cancelled small schools cross country and haven’t used there $6.50 credit will have this deducted from their total. The office has a list of people who have not used their credit.

ED PLUS
We would like to conduct our Ed Plus Program in weeks 2,3 and 4 in Term 4 on Friday afternoons from 1.45pm - 2.55pm. We can only offer such interesting activities in small groups if we can get enough volunteers to take groups. If you are able to assist, please return the slip on the back of the newsletter to the office as soon as possible.

MERIT AWARDS

Kinder - Triston Reay, Skye DeBrett
Class 1/2 - Jack Woods, Oscar Hawkins, Olivia Oke
Class 2/3 - Austyn Cornelius, Tahlia Stain, Natalie Barrett
Class 3/4 - Pippa Walsh, Maddison Caruana
Class 5/6 - Charley Shipton, Sarah Pearson, Abby Clarke

PRINCIPALS AWARD

Kinder - Jackson Caruana
Class 1/2 - Reagan Boyne
Class 2/3 - Billy Steve
Class 3/4 - Mitchell Downey
Class 5/6 - Luke Selby

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY
Our monthly Fresh Fruit Friday will be on this Friday during recess where children can take advantage of lovely fresh fruit cut up and served on large platters. Many thanks to Mrs Stephanie Radburn who volunteers her time to provide this service to our students.

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ED PLUS PROGRAM - TERM 4
I ______________________ am able to assist by taking a small group for Ed Plus On Fridays.

The activity I would like to do is ______________________ with _______ students. The age level appropriate would be __________.

Signed: ______________________  Dated: ________________

NOWRA HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL
BOOKING A SCHOOL COMPUTER

I would like to use the school computer on Friday, _______(date) September for the purpose of completing the school on line survey.

Name: _____________________  Signed: ___________________
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SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME - $60.00 or deposit of $10.00 PER CHILD

I would like my child/ren __________________________ in class _______ to participate in the Intensive Swimming Program to be held in the Bay and Basin Leisure Centre from 12th-23rd October 2015.

I enclose $_____________

Signed: ___________________________  Dated: ___________________