PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

I recently spent time with the staff at our school undertaking some professional development training after school. This training was focussed on the teachers professional goals and one session in particular stood out for me as particularly interesting and in some ways quite revealing. Each person in the room was asked to spend just two minutes outlining one of their professional goals for the upcoming year. To sit and listen to the passion and commitment each and every one of the participants have for our school was professionally invigorating and it made me more aware of what a dedicated and professional group of teachers we’re lucky enough to have at Nimbin Central.

Year 6 Into 7 Transition

I know it seems very early in the year to be discussing the move from years 6 into 7 when school has only just come back after the summer break however parents are asked to provide details of their intentions regarding what school they would like their Year 6 child to attend in early March and for this reason Mr Everingham, accompanied by some of our fantastic current Year 7 students, paid all of our partner schools a visit this week to provide some information about our school to the incoming cohort of students. To follow up on this we’ll be holding a parent information afternoon at Nimbin Central School in the school’s MPU on March 7th starting at 3.45pm. The aim will be to provide parents and carers of prospective Year 7 students with all the information they require to help them make this critical decision.

School Canteen Volunteers

I’ve had some discussions with our canteen manager Simone Barnes this week about a range of issues about the running of our canteen and the topic of help in the canteen came up. Simone asked if I could try to encourage parents to volunteer to help out and I felt that this was an opportune place to raise the issue to parents and carers as there is a real shortage of helpers at the moment. If you’re a parent, carer or community member and you have to flexibility in your day to volunteer to help out in the canteen please drop into the school and speak to Simone about this. I know the students at our school will be extremely grateful.

Trevor Hodges
FROM THE DEPUTY MARSHALL

The year has certainly taken off at full pace. And most of our students are settled in well at school for the coming year. Just a reminder that it is important for students’ learning that they are prepared and equipped for all classes. Equipment lists for all years are available at the front office and basic requirements such as pens, books, art diaries and USBs are available for purchase at school. Students also need to come to school with sufficient food and water for the day – being hungry is another proven hindrance to concentration and, thus, learning. Of course we can provide these things for students if needed – just let us know if you need help with these at any time.

We have some exciting events coming up for our students during the rest of term that I look forward to seeing all students participate in. The Secondary Swimming Carnival and SRC Induction Assembly are on next week and our annual Meet the Teacher afternoon on February 28th.

I look forward to seeing you all at these events to start 2017 with a focus on the many positive things happening for our young people.

*Cath Marshall*

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**SAVE THE DATE**

MEET THE TEACHERS AND THE NEW PRINCIPAL

SAUSAGE SIZZLE
Tuesday 28th February
4.00 pm
Outside the canteen
Sausage sandwiches for the whole family.
We would love to see you there!

NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL YEARBOOK 2016
AVAILABLE AT FRONT OFFICE
$37.00

Any student interested in Robotics please see Ms Cockburn or Mr Zsigmond.
K-6 NEWS

Good to see we all survived the intensity of last weekend’s record hot weather. I’m just so glad I don’t live in Birdsville or Thargomindah 47.5° C. OMG and there are still climate change denialists.

One way to escape the heat was to head to the beach or the pool. I was lucky enough to spend the day at Lismore Pool last Friday attending the Terania District Swimming Carnival.

Fifteen Nimbin primary students, plus Marc Le Bars and myself travelled to Lismore to compete at the annual swimming carnival. The students were competitive and represented the school with pride and passion. A huge congratulations to all the kids for their sportsmanship and efforts. Well done especially to Giselle, 1st in 11 yr girls backstroke and runner up girl champion, Elijah, 1st in 10 yr boy freestyle and to Djamal 1st in 12 yr boys backstroke and 2nd in freestyle. These students have qualified for the regionals in Lismore and we wish them the best of luck.

A quick request to parents. As you know the primary classes first session goes from 9.10—11.15. During this time the students have a 10 minute fruit break. Could you please include an extra bit of fruit as some of the students are eating their lunch at this time leaving little food for the remainder of the day.

Also something else that has come to our attention with all this hot weather is head lice. There have been some students detected at school with lice. Could you please check your child’s hair and treat if necessary to prevent an infestation occurring. Your assistance in this matter would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Well that’s about all for this week so until next issue stay healthy and happy.

Marc Everingham
Assistant Principal
FROM THE COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

Your child is at school, now what?

Your job as parent has not ended just because your child is at school. Your child is always your child no matter how old they are. Always you want the best for them.

So it is during their education.

You want them to get the very best out of their days at school.

Those informal chats where they tell you about their day at school are so important. You get to learn what is easy for them and what is a challenge.

You get an understanding of the complexities of their lives and how you can support them.

There is an excellent way that you can get a deeper understanding of their life at school: Volunteer.

Primary Classrooms enjoy having help in the room and there are a variety of jobs that can make all the difference to the smooth running of the class. Chat with your child's teacher about possible opportunities for you.

The Canteen always wants more volunteers.

A volunteer enables Simone to have a greater variety of fresh food on sale. The more volunteers the better the canteen.

As a volunteer you can learn about safe food handling, catering for large numbers, new recipes, working to a time deadline. There are so many skills to learn and practice in the supportive environment of the school canteen. Simone is a friendly, patient and organised person who is always willing to help volunteers.

Your kids will love to have you there at their school. It is great to see the kids faces light up when they see people they know at their school. You can help them to share the joy of being at school. Drop into the canteen at any time to chat with Simone about a time slot of your choosing. All training provided in a safe and fun environment. Give it a go; you have nothing to lose.

Remember to have fun.

Anne Bowden

CAREERS NEWS

Information on the following areas is available from your Careers Advisor:

- On Tuesday 21st of February Nimbin Central School will be conducting an excursion to Kyogle High School for the University Roadshow. At this event students will be able to listen to talks from University Marketing managers concerning making an application for university, scholarships and accommodation. After the talks an opportunity will be available to collect brochures from participating universities from Northern NSW and South East Queensland. Interested students in Years 10-12 have been invited to speak to Mr Chaseling and Ms Cockburn.

- Any Year 12 student interested in attending Bond University can you please see Mr Chaseling for scholarship information.

- Overseas Student Exchange Program with the WEP organisation (www.wep.org.au). This is a not for profit program which operates High School Student Exchange Programs in a variety of countries.

Mr Chaseling
School Drive Subsidy

If you live a long way from public transport and need to drive a student to a public transport pick up point or to school, you may be able to get financial assistance.

The School Drive Subsidy provides eligible parents and guardians twice-yearly payments to help cover some of the expenses of getting children to school.

To find out if you're eligible, and to apply online, visit transport.nsw.gov.au/schooldrive

Can't get online?
Ask about the School Drive Subsidy at your school, or call 131 500.

NSW Government
Transport for NSW

Karate Classes

with Sensei Rachel Whiting  0427 778 837
Re-opened in Lismore & Nimbin

Get FIT and learn to DEFEND yourself this year!
Karate teaches focus, self-discipline & practical skills for life.
Karate builds strength, balance, agility & co-ordination.

10yrs - Adults

Tuesdays 4-5.30pm  Dance Hall, Nimbin
Fridays 4-5.30pm  The Rings, Lismore
$15/class

During school term: Commencing Tuesday, Jan 31st

傳統沖繩極真流傳

Traditional Okinawan Goju-ryu Karate-do Association

Teach Your Teen To Drive

Are you learning to drive or about to begin learning...or teaching a learner?
Would you like some free help from a qualified driving instructor?

Thursday 9 March, 4.30 - 7.30pm
Lismore Library

Help is available to pay your energy bills.
For information on rebates and emergency assistance go to:
or phone Service NSW on 137 788

Eligibility criteria apply
headspace – Lismore

headspace helps young people aged between 12 and 25 going through a tough time in the Northern Rivers Region of NSW. headspace provides a range of services for:

- Mental health and wellbeing
- General health
- Youth worker support
- Connections to education, employment, alcohol, and other drug services

headspace has GPs, youth workers and counsellors available for appointments.

Address: 2A Carrington Street Lismore NSW 2480
Opening Hours: Monday to Friday: 9:00am to 5:00pm
Phone: 02 6625 0200
Fax: 02 6625 0299
Email: enquiries@headspace-lismore.org.au

Primary Polo School Shirt
Sizes 6-16 $23.10
Secondary Polo School Shirt
Sizes 10-18 $22.00
Senior Secondary Polo School Shirt
Sizes 10-18 $22.00

NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL HATS NOW AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE.
100% COTTON - $11.00

Thursday 2nd of March is the start of training for the junior teams!
Have you registered yet?
Do you need to register?
Come down the field to meet your team mates and coach.
From 4pm till 6pm. Small sided games and lots of fun.
Hope to see you there!!!!

GO MIGHTY!!!!!
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Info:
Nimbin Headers Sports Club Inc on facebook
66890092 / 0417298642
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