

Important Dates

Monday 17/12

* Carols & Fireworks
Night 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Tuesday 18/12

* Year 6 "Big Day In"
Incursion

* School Banking

Wednesday 19/12

* Term 4 Ends

Monday 28/1/19

* Public Holiday

Tuesday 29/1

* Staff Development Day
- no students at school

Wednesday 30/1

* Term 1 Commences
Students Yrs 1-6 return

Monday 4/2

* Kindergarten students
commence

Year 6 Farewell



Great Work

This week I had some students visit to show me their great work. Charlotte R, Phoebe, Catherine, Jarrah, Aiden and Noah from 5/6O dropped in to read me their persuasive texts and Christian from 3/4S showed me the musical instrument he made. Congratulations to Levi 1S and Riley 1/2H for reading 100 nights. Well done to Jackson KH, Lucas 1S and Abbey KG for reading an amazing 200 nights and congratulations to Kirra 2/3S, Alex 1W and Elizabeth 3/4H for reading for 300 nights, an outstanding achievement. Congratulations to Rafaela from 5/6J who received our final Big Mover Award for the year.



Presentation Day

On Wednesday our students were recognised for their academic and sporting achievements. Congratulations to all students who received awards and congratulations also to our 2019 School Captains - Aiden Webber and Phoebe Ham, Vice Captains - Jude Cardozo and Taylor Haverkamp and Prefects - Charlotte McLeod, Isaac Power, Gabriella Kylma, Noah Drennan, Kira Alarcon and James Hornal. I am sure they will lead our school with responsibility and pride.



Thank you to the families of Year 6 students leaving us. We appreciate the support you have provided to our school. Thanks to Mrs Young and Mrs Shepherd for organising our Presentation Day. We have excelled in many areas in 2018 and you can read more about the details of our achievements in the School Report that



will be available in April 2019.

Christmas Carols and Fireworks

Come along to our Christmas carols and fireworks at Niagara Park Public School on Monday 17 December, gates open at 5:00 pm. There will be tea, coffee, cakes, ice creams, fairy floss, slushies, a BBQ and a selection of gourmet foods. The students and our school band will be performing Christmas carols and we will have a special visit from the man in red. Students are asked to wear Christmas themed clothing. We will conclude the evening with our raffle and a fireworks display.

A huge thank you to our P&C for their organisation of our community carols event.

Special thanks to Little Miracles Niagara Park and Niagara Park Dental for their kind donations towards our fireworks.



Choir Visit

On Monday our school Choir visited the Evergreen Nursing Home to entertain the residents with Christmas Carols. Thank you to Miss Moriarty for coordinating the school Choir and to Mrs Darch for organising the opportunity.

Summer Reading is a Blast

Reading is the key to success in education, but reading is not confined to school - what is learned at school needs to be used at home through reading for pleasure and interest.

Reading with or to a child will help keep their reading skills alive and prevents the loss of these skills. In a similar holiday reading program, results showed that 96% of students who participated, improved or maintained their reading levels over the holidays. These holidays we will be running the Summer Reading is a Blast Holiday Reading Program. You and your child are invited to participate in **Summer Reading is a Blast** for these summer school holidays. There is no cost involved, just commitment to have fun reading through the holidays.

Every participating student in Years K to 5 will receive a **Summer Reading is a Blast** reading card in the last week of school to record what they read over the holidays. The card also has tips for shared reading activities. Students are asked to read for 21 days during the summer holidays. They record their holiday reading on the provided card and return it to school by Friday 8 February 2019. Students who complete the card will receive a book prize.

Farewell

Mrs Baldwin who has been teaching at Niagara Park for 7 years will be leaving us and moving to Point Clare in 2019. Miss Goldie and Mrs Franklin have been engaged to work at Narara Public School and Miss Owen is moving to Garden Suburb Public School.

These amazing teachers have taught many students in our school community and have developed strong

Awesome prizes!!! **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE** **\$1 Tickets**

All proceeds support Niagara Park P.S. Christmas Carols & Fireworks night.
Be in it to win it!

	1st Prize \$750 Casey's Toys Voucher!
	2nd Prize \$250 Rebel Sport Summer Sports Pack
	5 x Runners Up Prizes \$100 Rebel Sports Vouchers

Raffle will be drawn at the Niagara Park Public School Christmas Carols & Fireworks Night, Monday 17th December 2018
Winners will be notified by phone.

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Win!!! **Win!!!**

relationships with our families. They are valued colleagues and friends and we are sad to see them leave but wish them well in their new positions.

We also thank Miss Moriarty, Miss Irvine and Miss Gray for their work this year and look forward to working with them again in 2019 in a casual capacity.

Next year we welcome Mr Luke Thompson, Mrs Michelle Spence, Miss Amelia Christensen, Mrs Lisa Atkinson and Mrs Juliet McLoughlin as permanent teachers to Niagara Park Public School.

School Security

Please contact School Security on - 1300 482 737 during the holidays in the event of any security issues.

Thank You

This is our last newsletter for the year and I would like to acknowledge and thank all of the staff at Niagara Park Public School for their efforts in making a difference for your children this year.

Thank you to all of our parent volunteers and community members for the work they have done in the support of students and staff in our school and lastly, thank you to the students of Niagara Park for being the fantastic kids you are, you make each and every day special.

I wish all of our students and their families a Merry Christmas, a safe holiday and a Happy New Year. In particular I would like to wish our Year 6 students all the very best for their transition into High School.

School resumes on Wednesday 30 January, 2019 for students in Years 1 to 6 and on Monday 4 February 2019 for our students starting Kindergarten. At the beginning of the 2019 school year, all students will return to their 2018 classes and possibly their 2018 teacher. This arrangement will remain in place until student numbers are confirmed and then the 2019 classes will be established. The school Uniform Shop will be open on **Tuesday 29 January 2019 from 8:30 am to 9:30 am.**

Take care and enjoy the break.

Adam Boulus

Principal

BIG MOVER AWARD - (Rafaela 5/6J)

Rafaela has demonstrated fantastic growth this year and has blossomed into a happy and more confident member of our class. She is a creative and hardworking student, who consistently displays a positive attitude towards her learning. Always well behaved and polite, Rafaela has begun to show the bubbly and humorous side of her personality to her friends and teachers. In the classroom, she is demonstrating an eagerness to share her interests and opinions with others. With support from her peers, Rafaela thrives in our happy and inclusive school environment and allows her personality to shine through.

She is a most worthy recipient of the final Big Mover Award for 2018. Well done, Rafaela. We will miss you next year.

Vicki Young

Deputy Principal

P&C NEWS

Raffle

Our major fundraiser for term 4 is the Christmas Raffle. Please ensure your raffle books have been returned to school. They will need to be in **no later than Monday morning** to go in the draw. Please also return any unused or unsold books.

NIAGARA PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

The prizes this year are fabulous!

- 1st Prize :** \$750.00 Caseys Toys Voucher
- 2nd Prize:** \$250.00 Rebel Sports Summer Fun Pack

There will also be 5 additional prizes of \$100.00 Rebel Sport Vouchers

The raffle will be drawn at our Carols and Fireworks on **Monday 17th December, 2018.**

There will be a prize of a pizza party for the class that sells the most raffle tickets by Thursday 13 December, 2018. There will also be \$5.00 Canteen vouchers once a week for students who have sold tickets. This draw will take place at a morning assembly. Good Luck.

Lisa Mills
P&C President

MERRY CHRISTMAS

On behalf of the office staff, we would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families a wonderful Christmas and a very safe and happy New Year.

To our Year 6 students, we know we will hear great things of your achievements in high school and wish you all the very best with your futures. We will miss your smiles and friendly faces.

Happy holidays everyone!

Kristine Shepherd, Leanne Roods,
Cathie Loschi &
Deborah Bannerman



Learning For Life



Vacation Care

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
7 January	8 January	9 January	10 January	11 January
DAY CAMP	EXCURSION	INCURSION	EXCURSION	DAY CAMP
Disney & Superhero Day Come dressed up as your favourite character as we whisk ourselves to happiest place on earth	Clip & Climb-Japanese Gardens Let's reach for the top and brave the rock climbing wall. We will then make our way to Japanese Gardens for	Kiddie Cart Vroom Vroom! Take a ride through the Obstacle Course!	Swimming & Soccer 5's Soccer with a twist and then a cool off at the YMCA Mariners Pools	Wheels Day Bring in your wheels-Bike, scooters or roller blades and let's get moving! Don't forget your Helmet!
\$53	\$85	\$70	\$85	\$53
14 January	15 January	16 January	17 January	18 January
INCURSION	EXCURSION	DAY CAMP	EXCURSION	INCURSION
Disco Let's get our move and groove on as we hit the dance floor for the latest tunes!	Alinta Gymnastics Tucking, rolling, tumbling and jumping are just the many things we will get to explore!	Science Day Get those lab coats on as we discover and explore our senses through a number of awesome experiments	Bowling and Bill Sohler Park We will have a play in the park and hit the lanes for 10 pin bowling. Who can get a strike?	Farmer's Day A Special furry visit from Radley's farm where we will get to learn about some animals and maybe hold them.
\$70	\$85	\$53	\$85	\$70
21 January	22 January	23 January	24 January	25 January
DAY CAMP	EXCURSION	INCURSION	EXCURSION	DAY CAMP
Rock & Roll Day Put on your dancing shoes as we rock and roll they day away!	Swimming & Soccer 5's Soccer with a twist and then a cool off at the YMCA Mariners Pools	Coding & Robotics Let's see if you have what it takes to code a Robot to drive.	Aquarium & Sydney Wildlife A big city trip to the city to visit some undersea creatures and furry wildlife native to Australia	Bunnings & Sausage Sizzle A Special Visit from our Bunnings. What better way to top it off with a Sausage Sizzle.
\$53	\$85	\$70	\$85	\$53

*Activities and prices are subject to change. Visit us online for most up-to-date information including times, dates, descriptions, terms and conditions.

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ENROL FOR 2019 CLASSES!

Classes Held at Niagara Park School
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Classes for 5-10 Years
Thursday
3:10 PM - Jazz
4:10 PM - Hip Hop
4:40 PM - Contemporary
5:10 PM - Acrobatics

Classes for 10-15 Years
Friday
4:00 PM - Jazz
5:00 PM - Hip Hop
5:30 PM - Contemporary
6:00 PM - Acrobatics



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Niagara Park Public school P&C Assoc. presents

Christmas Carols & Fireworks



Raffle draw
Student performances
Food and drink stalls
Fireworks at 9pm

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6-9pm (Gates open from 5pm)

Monday 17th December 2018
Niagara Park Public School

★ *Merry Christmas!* ★

Please secure your pets to keep them safe during the fireworks



OCCI Central Coast, FREE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES – January 2019

Come and explore rock pools at Terrigal Haven, Nora Head and Toowoan Bay with OCCI's expert guides and learn about the fascinating creatures that live there. There is a maximum of 25 people per walk **so bookings are essential.**

Most suited to ages 5 years to adult. All children need to be accompanied by an adult. All participants are required to wear closed in shoes for protection.

DATES:

Monday 7 th January 2019	Rock Pool Walk Terrigal Haven,	3:30 pm
Sunday 20 th January 2019	Rock Pool Walk Norah Head,	2:00 pm
Monday 21 st January 2019	Rock Pool Walk Terrigal Haven,	2:45 pm
Tuesday 22 nd January 2019	Rock Pool Walk Toowoan Bay,	3:30 pm



To book, please phone or text Linda on 0404 450 429

You will need to leave:

- ◆ **Your name and telephone number (preferably mobile)**
- ◆ **Children's names and ages**
- ◆ **Date and walk location**
- ◆ **Source of information**

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