

Week 1 Term 1
2018



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Important Dates

Monday 5/2

* Kindergarten Students
Commence

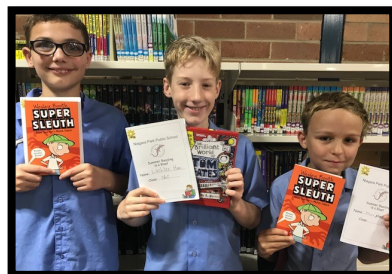
Tuesday 6/2

* School Banking
Commences

Thursday 15/2

* School Swimming
Carnival 5:00 pm

Welcome back to 2018



Welcome Back

Welcome back everyone and welcome to our new families who this year will be joining our fantastic school. We are excited Kindergarten will be starting next week and we look forward to be able to take them on their educational journey. Over the coming weeks, I will be visiting all classes to spend some time with the students and to participate in teaching and learning. Today we formed classes for 2018 and we have maintained 21 mainstream classes and also established our third support class.

Staffing Update

Welcome to new teaching staff: Mr Blake Hormann - Kindergarten, Mrs Amanda Rutherford - 4/5R, Mrs Ashleigh Hawkins - 3/4H, Mrs Rebecca Wardell - 1W, Miss Ashley Cockett - K-6C Support, Miss Jessica Moriarty - 3/4M and we also welcome back Miss Katrina Hextall - Kindergarten and Mrs Kelly Beckton - 5/6B who has been on maternity leave. Welcome also to Mrs Susie Boesen who will be supporting students as a School Learning Support Officer.

Grade Coordinators

If ever you have a particular problem at school, the first port of call is the class teacher. If required, any concerns regarding students in a grade can be referred to the grade coordinators indicated below.

Kindergarten: Mrs Joanne Figallo & Mrs Amelia Flood
Year 1 and 2: Mrs Kylie Williams (Acting)
Year 3 and 4: Mrs Samantha Baldwin (Acting)
Years 5 and 6: Mrs Kelly Beckton & Miss Lauren Owen (Acting)

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Part Time/Job Share Teachers

Like many schools, businesses and government organisations, our school has staff who work on a part-time basis. This may be because of leave options, employment requirements or employee choice. As the Federal Government provides this entitlement to all workers nationwide, more and more employees will take the option if desired.

This results in many classes in schools across Australia being taught by two teachers on different days of the week. While some parents may not see this as desirable, it is a staffing arrangement that exists in all schools. Our teachers are committed and hard working and when those who do job share team up with a colleague, we ensure that regular and frequent communication takes place between them and that the effect of two teachers on the students is nothing but positive.

Composite/Split Grade Classes

This year, we have a number of composite classes. Composite classes are a regular inclusion in all schools across the nation. Inclusion in composite classes can be a very positive experience for students. The students, whilst participating in regular grade appropriate programs, will have the opportunity to work with their classmates to improve their learning performance. They will also develop their independence skills and enhance their interpersonal abilities. As in other classes, all students will be provided with learning programs relevant to their own needs and abilities. These students will regularly integrate with other classes in their grade for a wide variety of activities.

School Contributions

Each year, we ask families to support their child/children by donating \$45.00 per child to the school. This money is tax deductible and is used as a Library Fund to purchase much needed literacy and technology resources. For us to continue to provide quality literacy and technology resources, we appreciate your support. School Contributions can be paid by using the Online payment system, cash, cheques made payable to Niagara Park Public School – Library Fund, credit card (slip attached) and EFTPOS. **If you are making EFTPOS payments can you please make those payments before 3:00 pm each day so the transactions can be acquitted by the school.**

Summer Reading is a Blast

The Summer Reading is a Blast holiday reading program has concluded. The students who participated and completed the Summer Reading is a Blast reading card and successfully read for 21 days during the holidays are eligible for a selection of book prizes. Please return your completed card to the school office by **Friday 9th February, 2018.**

Office Hours

Please note that the school office hours are **8:30 am to 3:15 pm** Monday to Friday. It is not always possible to get messages to children after **2:30 pm** unless in the case of an extreme emergency. If there is a change in your child's going home arrangements, please let the office know as soon as possible **before 2:30 pm.**

Excursions

Over the course of the year, there will be a variety of excursion opportunities provided. **Please ensure that excursion notes and money are returned before the date requested on the note, otherwise students will be unable to attend unless prior arrangements have been made.**

School Uniform

It is great to see the vast majority of our students wearing full school uniform. When our students are assembled together, it is a very impressive sight indeed. A reminder to some families however, that **black** is the colour of shoes at our school. Black shoes should not be mixed with multi colours or be of a slip-on variety. We remind students that **no nail polish** is permitted at school and that jewellery should be minimal including stud type earrings and all students require a school hat. The Clothing Pool is open Monday 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm and Thursday 8:30 am to 9:30 am or you can order school uniforms online through [flexschools](http://flexschools.com). Our school uniform policy will be provided in a future newsletter.

Usage Agreement

Each year we ask parents/carers to sign a Usage Agreement that contains permission forms for:-

Walking excursions
Child Protection lessons
Media coverage
Scripture
Internet Usage
Email
Facebook

Your support with your authority enables these programs to operate efficiently. The Usage Agreement will be provided next week and needs to be returned to your child's class teacher. All students are required to return a note.

"Wayamadi" - Newsletter/Communication

On Fridays, our weekly school newsletter, "Wayamadi" is available for you to read. This is an excellent way of keeping up to date with what is happening within our school. You are also invited to visit our school website which has copies of the Wayamadi, school notes and other useful information. A form will be sent home next week asking if you wish to receive the Wayamadi via email or a hard copy. Please indicate your preference.

Our school website is: www.niagarapark-p.schools.nsw.edu.au You can also download the Niagara Park Public School app available for android and iPhone smart phones as well as finding us on Facebook. The app and the school Facebook page will keep you up to date with events and activities.

Parent/Student Information Note

Shortly, parents will receive a note requesting up to date details concerning contact numbers, emails and medical information. We ask that you return this note to school immediately in order for us to keep our records current.

Head Lice

Head Lice are a concerning problem for all schools. Please check your child's hair regularly and if lice or lice eggs are detected, please treat your child's hair with appropriate treatments available from pharmacies. Household items such as linen, brushes, car seats etc., also need to be treated.

Swimming Carnival

Our school Swimming Carnival will be held from **5:00 pm on Thursday 15th February** at Gosford Pool. A permission note will be sent home and students turning 8 years old to Year 6 are eligible to compete. Please indicate your child's year on the note, not their class and return them to Miss Owen. No money is required, payment is paid upon entry to the pool on the evening. All heats are timed and ribbons will be presented to first, second and third in the event, not the heat.

High School Students On Our School Grounds

In previous years, we have had some problems with high school students arriving on our school grounds at the end of the day and causing problems for our students. As a result, we have banned high school students entering our school as our students' safety and security is a priority.

However, if parents wish for their high school child to collect his/her sibling on an afternoon, we ask that you request an "entry pass" in writing by email to adam.boulus@det.nsw.edu.au High school students will be required to keep the pass with them when entering our school grounds.

School Crossing Supervisors

Please be aware that the crossing supervisors are on the top crossing (front of our school) and shopping centre crossing from 8:15 am to 9:15 am and from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm. Please make sure that if your child is using the crossing, they must follow the supervisor's instructions, walk behind red lines on the footpath and that any balls are to be carried in a plastic bag or school bag and not be bounced about to ensure students' and road users' safety.

Bus Travel

We have 3 bus routes from our school each afternoon.

Red Bus (2059): line up at Library courtyard – Dean, Hanlan, Fountains Roads area

Blue Bus (2051): line up in K-2 area – Maliwa, Showground, Narara Creek Road area

Green Bus (2063): line up in K-2 area – Mangrove, Pinetop, Bentley, Alan Street area

Should your child require a Opal Card, please apply online at: transportnsw.info/school-students Once approved, the Opal Card will be sent to your address.

Staff Car Park Danger

We request that students and parents **do not** use the staff car park to walk into and from school for obvious safety reasons. We have locked the middle gate for this reason. Please do not walk through the car park near the scout hall, use the path provided.

Sport Days

We are finalising our sport days currently and will let you know ASAP.

P&C Meeting

Our first P&C meeting for the year will be held in the school staffroom on **Tuesday 20th February at 7:00pm** and everyone is welcome to attend.

Holiday Work

Over the break we had the roof replaced on F Block, and new carpet laid in the Library. Thank you to Mr Curry for his assistance during this time. Thanks also to Mrs Frost, the staff and parent volunteers for their help in dismantling the Library and setting it back up.

We are all looking forward to a terrific 2018. When we all work together, we do great things for kids.

Have a great weekend.

Adam Boulus

Principal

SCHOOL BANKING

School banking will commence on Tuesday 6th February and continue on every Tuesday. So don't forget to send in your child's banking book.

Banking Ladies





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Classes at Niagara Park Public School

Thursday
3:10 PM - 5-12 Yrs Jazz Technique
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