

Important Dates

Monday 26/2

- * Parent Information Sessions K-6

Tuesday 27/2

- * School Banking
- * Support Classes Parent Information Sessions

Tuesday 6/3

- * Year 6 Information Night at NVHS 5:30 pm

Wednesday 14/3

- * SRC Fundraiser - Bandana Day

Let's Tackle Bullying



Great Work

This week I had the opportunity to visit KG and KH and we read some very funny books. I also had some students visit to show me their work. Rocky, Samuel and Sallie-Anne from 1S visited to show me their great art work. Max and Wyatt from 1W dropped in to tell me how well they were participating in class and Mikayla, Sebastian, Drew and Ben from 3/4H read me their great writing. This week we had a visit from the Sydney Roosters who presented 'Let's Tackle Bullying' to students in Years 1 to 6 and provided the students with strategies to identify and react appropriately to bullying behaviour.



Sport House Captains

Congratulations to the following students who have been voted in by their sporting houses as Junior and Senior House Captains for 2018:

Neptune:	Junior – Max S. and Trinny D.	Senior – Aria M. and Sam A.
Pluto:	Junior – Reiss W. and Tyler J.	Senior – Bailey V. and Jesse W.
Jupiter:	Junior – Iyla S. and Ruby L.	Senior – Aaron B. and Ella B.
Saturn:	Junior – Aurorah C. and Saxon W.	Senior – TJ G. and Jazmin D.

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 would appreciate your support.



School Contributions can be paid by cash, cheques can be made out to Niagara Park Public School, credit card EFTPOS. You are also able to pay on line through the school's website:

niagarapk-p.schools.nsw.edu.au simply click on the tab "make a payment" enter your details and submit.

Parent Information Sessions

Our teachers have organised Parent Information sessions to explain the programs, events and procedures that will be happening in classes this year.

These information sessions will take place on **Monday 26th February, 2018** and will be held in your child's classroom.

Kindergarten :	3:15 pm
Stage 2: – (Years 3 & 4) 2/3S and 4/5R	5:00 pm
Stage 3: – (Years 5 & 6)	5:45 pm
Stage 1: – (Years 1 & 2)	6:30 pm

Supervision of Kindergarten students will be provided in the Library during the Kindergarten information session.

A map to help guide you to your child's classroom is included with this week's Wayamadi.

An information handout sheet will be available on the night and will also be provided to parents who are unable to attend.

Students in K/6P, K/6D and K/6C will have the information sessions on **Tuesday 27th February** at 3:15 pm. If your child is not using special transport that day, please let the class teacher know.

Cyber Safety

At Niagara Park Public School our Technology Teachers deliver units of work based on Cyber Safety and being an effective Digital Citizen. As your child's primary caregiver, there are many things you can do to support your child to be safe online. These are some helpful suggestions.

Educate your kids on internet safety early

Teach them appropriate netiquette

Warn kids of the **consequences** of their online behaviour: There may be criminal sanctions attached; they may not be able to undo their actions

Teach them that people are not always who they seem.; never meet someone they only know online

Teach them about **what to do** if they experience something unpleasant, uncomfortable or confusing

Set boundaries

No computers or mobile phones in the bedroom

Limit the time they spend on the internet (and in fact on screens all together)

Join them

Become friends with your kids wherever they are online so you can see all their friends, communities and posting

Guard Privacy

No personal details should be publicly available

Username should not identify you

Use high level privacy settings on sites such as Facebook if your child is over 13 years of age

Guard Security

Never share passwords

Never become friends with strangers

Know your kids' passwords so you can access their accounts

Monitor user history

Check the history on the internet browsers, or message registry on their mobile phone
Ensure all chat sessions are archived

Get tough

Remove access if you have to
You own it, you supply it, you pay the bills, so you are ultimately responsible
Unplug the WIFI, keyboard, power if you have to

Most importantly, Talk to your children

Know which sites they need to access
Know the social media forums your children are using - are they age appropriate?
Build trust and boundaries early

Safer School Zones

To help schools keep the school zone safer for all pedestrians and drivers, there are seven new traffic offences with new fines.

None of the seven offences attract demerit points when committed elsewhere on the road, but now in a school zone they each come with two points.

The changes are:

1. Stopping in intersection - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
2. Stop within 20m of intersection (traffic lights) - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
3. Stop within 10m of intersection (no traffic lights) - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
4. Stop near bicycle crossing lights - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.
5. Obstruct access to ramp/path/passageway - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$330 and 2 demerit points.
6. Not parallel park in the direction of travel - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a \$330 fine and 2 demerit points.
7. Parallel park close to dividing line - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a \$330 fine and 2 demerit points.

For more information please go visit:

<http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/roads/safety-rules/demerits-school.pdf>

Have a great weekend.

Adam Boulus
Principal



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Thursday
3:10 PM - 5-12 Yrs Jazz Technique
3:40 PM - 5-12 Yrs Jazz Concert
4:10 PM - 5-12 Yrs Hip Hop Concert
4:40 PM - 5-12 Yrs Contemporary Concert
5:10 PM - 5-12 Yrs Acrobatics Concert



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SRC NEWS

Our SRC fundraising event for Term 1 will be a Bandana Day on **Wednesday 14th March**, supporting cancer research. We are asking for donations of colourful and patterned material that you may have in your cupboards. We will then cut into squares for bandanas and headscarves that will be available for purchase on the day. Please send in the material to your child's class teacher **before Friday 4th March**.

Thank you in advance for your support for this very worthwhile research.

SRC Committee**SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS**

Thank you to everyone who has been bringing in their Sports for Schools vouchers from Coles. Please keep them coming!!



Learning to Read in Kindergarten



When: Monday 26th February

2:15—2:45

Where: 1S Classroom (demountable near gate)

Topics: How is reading taught in Kindergarten?
How does the level system work?
How can I help my child read their books at home?
Tips and tricks for maintaining interest in learning high frequency words.



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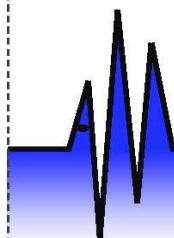
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