

### Important Dates

**Tuesday 1/12**

- \* School Banking

**Monday 7/12**

- \* Year 1 to Niagara Park Sports Stadium

**Tuesday 8/12**

- \* School Banking - Last one for 2020
- \* Kindergarten to Niagara Park Sports Stadium

**Wednesday 9/12**

- \* Presentation Day Assembly

**Thursday 10/12**

- \* Year 6 Farewell

**Friday 11/12**

- \* Year 2 to Niagara Park Sports Stadium
- \* Years 3 & 4 excursion to Inflatable World
- \* Year 5 excursion to Mingara Leisure Centre
- \* Year 6 excursion to Bowling Alley

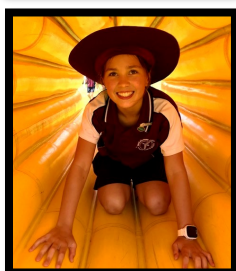
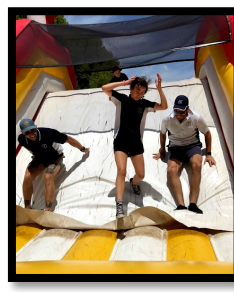
**Tuesday 15/12**

- \* Year 6 "Big Day In" Incursion

**Wednesday 16/12**

- \* Term 4 ends

## Obstacool



### Obstacool

Our P&C Obstacool was a fantastic success with the students having loads of fun and we thank you for your help in fundraising for our school. Thank you to our staff for assisting on the day and thank you also to our P&C for organising such a fun opportunity for our kids. Our prize winners are as follows and we will organise for prizes to be collected from school next week:

#### **Kindergarten**

1st Ayla KH, 2nd Connor KB, 3rd Lydia KB

#### **Year 1**

1st Ashley 1/2H, 2nd Nina 1S, 3rd Ayaan 2W

#### **Year 2**

1st Tyson 2M, 2nd Tyson 2M, 3rd Aleshia 1S

#### **Year 3**

1st Joshua K/6C, Corbin K/6C, 3rd Levi 3/4T

#### **Year 4**

1st Ava 3/4H, 2nd Scarlett 3/4H, 3rd Ella 3/4G

#### **Year 5**

1st Lily 5/6S, 2nd Lucas 5/6R, 3rd Lucas K/6 T

#### **Year 6**

1st Elizabeth 5/6S, 2nd Stephanie 5/6D, 3rd Jayden 5/6T

Winners of the class party was 2G.

### 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-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 12 February, 2020**. Students who complete the card will receive a book prize.

### **NSW School Updates App**

The NSW School Updates app allows parents and carers to receive operational status updates for NSW Public Schools. The app will complement the other means of communication available to parents and carers from schools and the Department of Education to ensure families receive timely, accurate information in a crisis. The app is free and available now for iOS and Android users. We believe this will be very beneficial for many families trying to coordinate their movements as we approach bushfire season.

#### **Android**

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=au.gov.nsw.education.nswschoolsafetyupdates&hl=en&gl=US>

#### **iOS**

<https://apps.apple.com/au/app/nsw-school-updates/id1494658146>

### **Update Information**

Through the course of the year, families have relocated, changed phone numbers and have different emergency contact details. If you have relocated or have different contact details, can you please provide them to the school office so our records are kept up to date. Also, if you are not returning to our school after the Summer holidays, can you please notify the school.

### **Reports**

At the end of the term, students will receive their Semester 2 report. This report will return to the usual reporting format and will include student achievement and application. Teachers will comment on each student's progress in all key learning areas, as well as providing a general comment that includes information about the student's work habits.

### **Staffing Update**

I have been successful through merit selection in gaining the position of Director Educational Leadership for the Windsor Network of schools and therefore will not be returning to Niagara Park Public School in 2021.

While I am very excited to move into this new position as it will be filled with new challenges, I am very sad to be leaving Niagara Park Public School as it is simply the most amazing school. The kids are incredible, the staff are the best and the families are so supportive. I will certainly miss this community.

In Term 1, Mrs Vicki Young will be returning from her secondment with the Teacher Performance Improvement Program to relieve as Principal and then the position will be advertised for the new Principal to start in Term 2, 2021.

Have a great weekend.

**Adam Boulus**

**Principal**

**LIBRARY UPDATE**

As this is a stocktake term, the last week for borrowing will be **this week**. Please see below for a brief outline:

**Week 7:** Last week for borrowing.

**Week 8:** No borrowing this week. **All books need to be returned this week**

**Week 9:** No borrowing - stocktake

**Week 10:** No Borrowing - stocktake

All classes in Week 8 will be looking at alternative sources of reading material for the Christmas school holidays so that students have access to something to read over the break.

If you really would like your child to borrow a set of books for reading over the school holidays, feel free to message me on DoJo or email me at: [Kayla.frost2@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Kayla.frost2@det.nsw.edu.au) so that I can get something sorted.

Your children have been kindly reminded this week about their overdue books and all students with overdue books will be sent home a reminder notice so that they know what they are looking for.

Thank you all for your support everyone! If you have any issues, please don't hesitate to contact me (the sooner, the better).

**Kayla Frost**  
**Teacher/Librarian**

**SCHOOL BANKING****Last day to order rewards for 2020**

If your child has collected 10 Dollarmites tokens and would like to redeem them for a School Banking reward item this term, please complete your child's redemption slip and send it in on our School Banking day **before Tuesday December 1, 2020**. This will ensure the reward item arrives before the school holidays.

Our **final School Banking day for 2020 is Tuesday December 8**. Any Dollarmites tokens that are not redeemed this year can be used in 2021.

**School Banking Ladies**



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