

Important Dates

* Friday 10/11
Band Demonstration

Welcome Back!



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been fantastic having our students return over the past two weeks! Our classrooms are full of students learning, the playground is full of activity, smiles and laughter. It feels like a school again! Well done to all of our amazing students who have returned to school positive and ready to learn. You are all superstars! Hopefully all our parents have enjoyed the peace and quiet at home. If you are experiencing any difficulties with the return to school, please touch base with your class teacher. We are happy to support in any way we can.



Staffing News – double congratulations

Congratulations to Mr. Dane Hartshorn who has secured himself a permanent teaching position at Porters Creek Public School, a new school being built in the Warnervale area. This is very sad news for us all here at Niagara Park Public School as Mr. Hartshorn brings so much to our school, but it is such a great achievement for Mr. Hartshorn as permanency ensures his financial security. I am sure you all join me in

congratulating Dane and wishing him well for his future. Mr. Hartshorn's final day will be Friday 26th November. 5/6H will be taught by Mr. Ben Winter for the last 3 weeks of term.

Congratulations also to Ms. Carr who is expecting her first baby in January! Such an exciting time for her and her family.

2022 Enrolments – new arrivals and families leaving

The school is currently accepting enrolments for 2022. If you know of families intending to enrol for Kindergarten or who are moving into the area, please let them know to phone the office. Alternatively we now have online enrolments available via our website. If you are looking at moving away from the area in 2022 could you also please contact the office so that we are aware of any changes when planning for our 2022 classes.

Canteen

Our Canteen has been operational since Monday 25th October. Please remember students are only be able to order lunch and recess online through Flexischools. There will be no over the counter sales and the Canteen will be operating with reduced menu options.

Year 5 families: Selective high School Placement 2023

Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2023 opened on October 19 and close on November 17, 2021 at the weblink below. Attachments and an intention to apply to Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2023 opened on October 19, 2021 and will close on November 17, 2021. Please return your intention to apply for year 7 placement at a selective high school in 2023 slip that was sent out this week, to the office as soon as possible. This is not your application, however it is used for school records and allows us to follow up on students who are applying. Parents can apply online at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

Congratulations to Emerson F. (KB), Issabella C., Joe Mc., Gryffyn S. (KS), Stella D. (KB), Marlee H. and Kyra T (K/1M), Ricky S. (1F), Emily S., Ava D., Billie W., Orlando B. and Liam M. (1H), Kaiden C. (1S) for reading 100 nights.

Congratulations also to Savannah W. (KB), Jack M. (KE), Navreet C., Kendrix M., Aaron D. (KS), Vivienne C. (K/1M), Cooper M. (1H), Blake M. (1S), Liam M. (2/3H), Erica K. and Ethan W. (3/4C), Will B., Luke G., Amber D., Penny K., Morgan B., William B. and Kaleah M. (3/4L), Kirra M. and Alana C. (5/6R), Joshua K. (5/6T) for reading 200 nights.

Special mention and congratulations to Alana C. (5/6R) for reading 300 nights!

Fabulous effort everyone, so great to see your achievements!

School Banking

Unfortunately after 90 years, school banking will not be returning to schools as the Commonwealth Bank has made the decision to cease all school banking programs after 2021 due to some recent Government legislation. For more information on this contact your local Commonwealth Bank or visit www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Have a great fortnight.

Lyndal Coleman

Principal

Did you know?

A group of rhinos is called a crash

BAND DEMONSTRATION PRESENTATION

A band demonstration session will be held here at Niagara Park Public School via a zoom webinar in the classrooms with teachers on Friday 10th November, 2021 at 10:00am. Please see the flyer in this week's newsletter for details.

Catherine Clarke
Band Coordinator

LIBRARY

Exciting news!!

Niagara Park Public School is continuing with our subscription to ebooks and audiobooks for the rest of this year and next year!

This is such exciting news as I know a lot of our students have really enjoyed the access to ebooks and audiobooks over the at home learning period. Students will be shown how to access ebooks and audiobooks through our school's online library during their Library classes.

	<p>Try Again In 24 Hours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Fever above 37.5c -Hard Cough -Constant runny nose -Diarrhoea or vomiting -Undiagnosed Rashes -Uncovered Sores -Unusual Colour -Sore throat or swollen glands
	<p>Join Us if Parents can be on call</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Fever Free for 24 Hours -Sporadic Cough -Minimal runny nose
	<p>Okay to come in and play!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mild, infrequent cough -Clear Runny nose -Active, Playful and rested

In the meantime, you can give them a head start by downloading the 'wheelers ePlatform' app onto their devices so that when they are at school, we can help them to log on and sort out their loans.

If they are keen to get a head start, once they have downloaded the app, they can logon with their school login details (the ones they use to access their portal and the computers at school) and get borrowing!

SO EXCITING!!!

Kayla Frost
Teacher/Librarian

EVERY DAY COUNTS....
A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!

NIAGARA PARK BAND

JOIN THE BAND!

Is your child interested in joining the school band?

The school band is now taking enrolments for 2022 and is open to all students currently in years 2-5.

No prior experience needed!

During Term 4 students will see a band demonstration highlighting the different instruments available to learn at school. After this demonstration they will receive a flyer with information about school band and how to enrol.

What do you need to do?

1. Carefully read the flyer for information about the school band (or visit www.teachingservices.com.au/EOI)
2. Select which instrument** your child would like to play in the band – there are some important factors to consider when selecting an instrument and these are all covered on our website
3. Enrol online – once you have confirmed which instrument your child wishes to play, please finalise your enrolment online

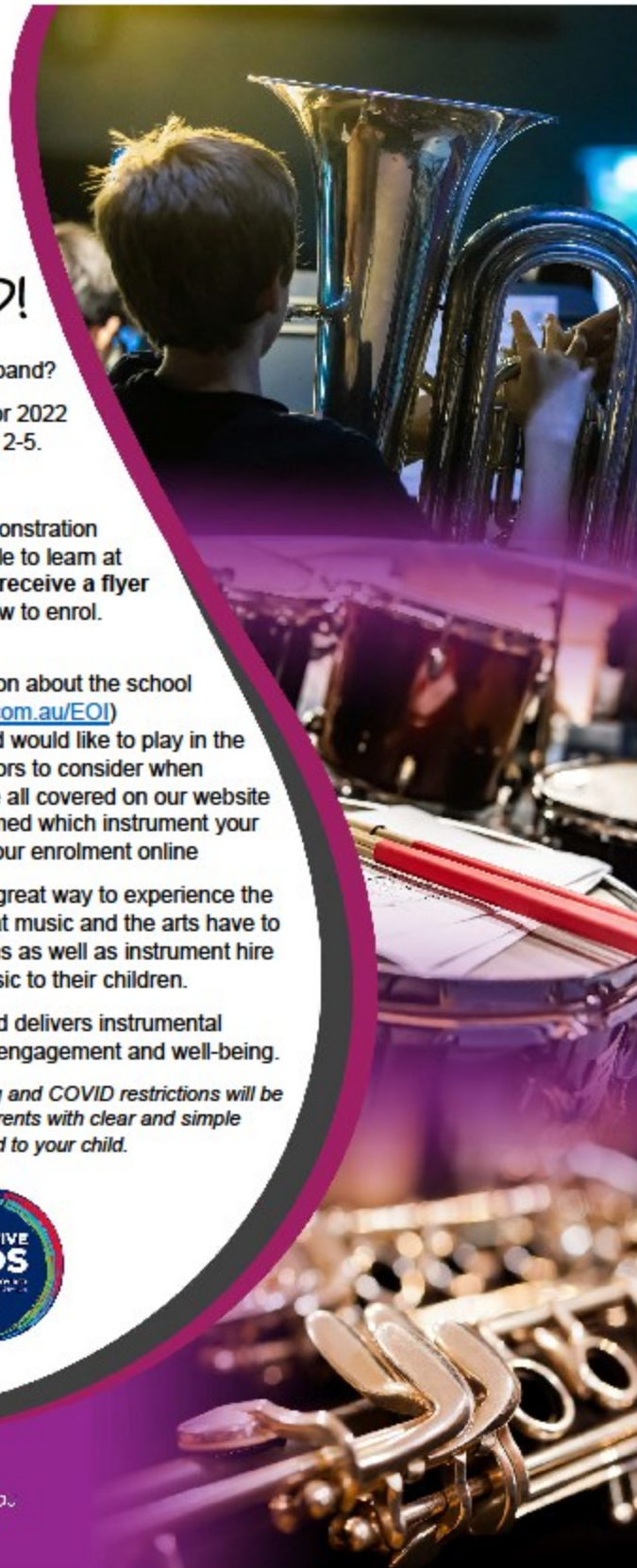
Learning an instrument in an ensemble is a great way to experience the social, educational and personal benefits that music and the arts have to offer! TSA provides a variety of tuition options as well as instrument hire and sales to help parents give the gift of music to their children.

TSA is a registered COVID-safe provider and delivers instrumental programs with a focus on inclusion, student engagement and well-being.

***Selecting an instrument during remote learning and COVID restrictions will be different to previous years – TSA will provide parents with clear and simple advice to help you find the instrument best suited to your child.*



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