

**Important Dates**

**Tuesday 9/3**

\* School Banking

**Thursday 11/3**

\* Selective High School  
Test - Gosford H.S.

**Friday 12/3**

\* K-2 Sports Day

**Tuesday 16/3**

\* School Banking

**Friday 19/3**

\* Athletics Carnival  
- Mingara

**Tuesday 23/3**

\* School Banking

## Well done!



### Great Work

This week I had an opportunity to view some of the great collaborative learning experiences Stage 3 are engaging in as part of our Robotics program. Stevie-Lee D. from KE came to tell me about her great participation in group work. Students from 1S showed me some excellent work in writing and Scarlet from K/6W showed me her beautiful tracing.

### Selective High School Test.

The Selective High School test will be held on **Thursday 11 March** from 9:00am to 1:30pm at Gosford High School, Racecourse Road, Gosford. Parents of participating students will receive a note containing additional information.

### NAPLAN

The NAPLAN test for Years 3 and 5 will be conducted between 11 May to 21 May. All tests will be done online with the exception of the Year 3 Writing test. A brochure will be sent home with all students undertaking the tests with more information. A practice test will be conducted in late March at school. The link below is to the NAPLAN public demonstration tests. Parents and students have an opportunity to familiarise themselves with the type of questions and related functionalities available in the NAPLAN Online Assessment.

<https://nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

### Tell Them From Me Student Survey 2021

The Tell Them From Me Student Survey provides school Principals and school leaders with insight into student engagement and wellbeing and the impact of teaching practices at their school, from



the perspective of our students. Data collected from the survey responses are compiled into reports which provide information that can help schools in their annual planning and reporting activities, by helping to identify emerging issues and plan for improvement.

Students in Years 4, 5 and 6 at our school will have the opportunity to complete the Tell Them from Me Survey at school. The first survey will open on 8 March and close on 30 April. All surveys are completely anonymous. Additional information about all the surveys can be found at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/> A non-consent note has been sent home with all Year 4, 5 and 6 students this week. It need only be returned if you do **not want** your child to complete the survey.

### **Student Safety**

The school has been made aware of a recent alleged approach to a student from another Central Coast school. We would appreciate your support in speaking to your children about Safe People/Safe Places, as we will be doing at school:

- Make sure your parents or another adult you know is aware of where you are at all times
- Always walk straight home or to the required destination. Walk near busier roads and streets, or use paths where there are a lot of other people
- Know where safe places are – a shop, service station, police station, library or school. If you are frightened, you should go to one of these places and ask them to call the police
- Learn about safe adults you can look for and talk to if you need help – police officers, teachers at school, adults you know and trust
- Don't talk to people you don't know and never get into a car with someone you don't know. If a car stops on the side of the road and you don't know the person inside, do not stop
- If you are scared and can use a phone, call triple zero (000) and tell them you are scared
- If someone tries to grab you, yell out, 'Go away, I don't know you!' This lets other people know you have been approached by someone you don't know.

For further information please visit:

[https://www.police.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0004/364927/01english-crime-prevention-fact-sheet-children-safe.pdf](https://www.police.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0004/364927/01english-crime-prevention-fact-sheet-children-safe.pdf)

### **Parent Information Sessions**

Last Wednesday, our teachers held information sessions for parents/carers providing an overview of teaching and learning focus for the year ahead. If you were unable to attend and did not receive the handout containing the stage/grade information, please contact your child's class teacher to request a copy or visit the school website and look under the "notes" section. Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended and thank you to the teachers for organising and presenting the sessions.

### **P&C Crazy Hair Mufti Day**

The P&C Crazy Hair mufti day was a big success. Thank you to all the students who participated in the fun and donated.

### **Usage Agreement**

In week 2, a note was issued seeking permission for child protection programs, scripture, local walking excursions, publication of school photos and internet usage. We require your consent to enable your children to participate in these activities and to take photos of your children. We are also requesting email addresses so that we can make distribution lists to send out newsletters and notes. Please return the completed notes to the front office as soon as possible.

### **Athletics Carnival**

Our Athletics Carnival will be held on **Friday 19 March, 2021**. This carnival will take place at Mingara Athletics Field and will be for all students turning 8 or above this year. Parents/carers and students are bound by Mingara's Covid-19 restrictions. A permission note went home this week with more information regarding buses and general organisation.

**K-2 Sports Day**

On **Friday 12 March** all students K-2 will participate in a series of fun sporting activities and games. These will be organised and run by the K-2 teachers. Unfortunately, current Covid-19 restrictions do not allow for parent/carer spectators on the day.

**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. Keep in mind there are age restrictions for social media sites and students are not permitted to join them if they are under age.

**Guard Privacy**

No personal details should be publicly available

Username should not identify them

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 kid's 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

Have a lovely weekend.

**Vicki Young**

**Principal (Rel.)**

## SUPERSTAR AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students on receiving their Superstar awards.

### One Star

Issabella J.	(2G)	William P.	(2G)	Wyatt B.	(2G)
Archer T.	(2G)	Chelsea R.	(2G)	Isabel W.	(2G)
Jamicyn S.	(2G)	Benjamin K.	(2/3H)	Tyler B.	(3/4C)
Ari M.	(3/4C)	Ruby B-O.	(5/6T)		

### Two Star

Bodhi H.	(2/3H)	Emily K.	(3/4G)	Tayeisha T.	(3/4T)
Maci M.	(3/4T)	Ivy W.	(5/6D)	Liam W.	(5/6D)
Francis C.	(5/6H)	Nicholas C.	(5/6R)		

### Three Star

Violet J.	(5/6D)	Joel D.	(5/6D)	Ella B.	(5/6R)
Gabe S.	(5/6T)				

### Four Star

Patrick D.	(5/6D)	Elizabeth L.	(5/6D)
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## BIG MOVER AWARD - Sebastian H. (5/6R)

Sebastian is an inquisitive student who has made wonderful gains in his learning and attitude towards school. He has developed a positive and persistent approach when dealing with challenging tasks and listens carefully to constructive criticism in order to improve his work.

Sebastian enjoys sharing his knowledge on a variety of topics with his classmates. He asks analytical and challenging questions to further his understanding that often tests his teacher's knowledge!

Sebastian's resilience in a variety of areas has improved vastly. He reflects on himself and his work and is very articulate when explaining his thoughts and opinions on his progress.

His bright nature and sense of humour are appreciated by all and it has been such a pleasure to watch Sebastian grow and mature over the past year. We have no doubt that he will continue to work hard and achieve amazing things in the future.

Congratulations Sebastian, you are a deserving recipient of the Big Mover award.



## SRC REPRESENTATIVES - SEMESTER 1 2021

Congratulations to the following students on being selected on the Student Representative Council for Semester 1, 2021.

K/6C	Louis S.	
K/6P	George L.	
K/1M	Rowan S.	Lydia M.
1F	Frankie W.	Ivy M.
1H	Cooper M.	Mercedes S.
1S	Hendrik B.	Frankie P.
2G	Tillie G.	Will P.
2M	Nina R.	Will F.

2/3H Kristina D.  
 3/4G Grace L.  
 3/4L Kaleah M.  
 3/4T Rocky C.  
 3/4C Zander M.  
 3/4F Saphine H.  
 5/6T Archie S.  
 5/6A Caleb S.  
 5/6D Violet J.  
 5/6H Kimberly S.  
 5/6R Bella B.  
 5/6M Kirra M.

Liam M.  
 Chaise T.  
 Lucas E.  
 Jayda McF.  
 Emie R.  
 Cameron R.  
 Jakaya B.  
 Sam O.  
 Charlotte M.  
 Cameron L.  
 Azzy C.  
 Braxton W.



## STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAMS FOR 2021

Congratulations to the following students for their appointment on the Student Leadership team for this year.

### Senior House Captains

<b>Pluto</b>	Charli H.	(5/6R)	Darren D.	(5/6M)
<b>Jupiter</b>	Tayla S.	(5/6H)	Kaleb G.	(5/6H)
<b>Saturn</b>	Isabella E.	(5/6M)	Will B. & Patrick D.	(5/6D)
<b>Neptune</b>	Phoebe W.	(5/6M)	Dylan W.	(5/6R)

### Junior House Captains

<b>Pluto</b>	Lia R.	(3/4L)	Brodie H.	(3/4G)
<b>Jupiter</b>	Kayden G-C.	(3/4C)	Mya F-F.	(3/4F)
<b>Saturn</b>	Sallie-Anne D.	(3/4T)	Jackson H.	(3/4T)
<b>Neptune</b>	Matinka De-K.	(3/4F)	Lucas T.	(3/4F)

### Library Monitors

Ivy L.	(5/6M)	Braxton W.	(5/6M)	Alan C.	(5/6R)
Madison H.	(5/6H)	C C F.	(5/6A)	Sebastian H.	(5/6R)
Mikayla T.	(5/6R)	Ivy W.	(5/6D)	Celeste L.	(5/6H)
Thomas K.	(K/6C)				

### IRC Monitors

Lucas R.	(5/6M)	Eli M.	(5/6D)	Joel D.	(5/6D)
Ethan K.	(5/6D)	Will B.	(5/6D)	Keiran M G.	(5/6R)
Eli P.	(5/6A)	Caleb S.	(5/6A)	Jazmeena B.	(5/6A)
Mikayla D.	(5/6H)				

### Environmental Leaders

Ava C.	(5/6H)	Sallie-Anne D.	(3/4T)	Rocky C.	(3/4T)
Jasmine M.	(3/4G)	Rachel K.	(3/4T)		

### Bus Monitors

<b>Red Bus</b>			
Summer R.	(5/6R)	Archie S.	(5/6T)
<b>Green Bus</b>			
Scout De-K.	(5/6H)		
<b>Blue Bus</b>			
Charlotte M.	(5/6D)	Michael M.	(5/6H)



**Kylie Williams**

**Deputy Principal (Rel.)**



**STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE**

For over 40 years, the Stewart House Donation Drive has been a major annual fundraising event in NSW public schools. Envelopes went home today to all students and students are encouraged to enter the draw. For as little as \$2.00 you could win a prize valued at \$4,000. Envelopes must be returned to school by **Friday 14 May, 2021** to be eligible for the draw.

Kylie Williams

Deputy Principal (Rel.)



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