Term 4 Week 8 2023



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Christmas Mufti Day



We acknowledge Darkinjung people as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which our school is built and pay our respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to Hayden W. who finished 7th in the Australian Ninja Warrior Competition held recently. A mammoth effort. Hayden only just missed out on going through to the world finals. We are so proud of you, Hayden!

Presentation Day Assemblies

Next Tuesday, 5th December, 2023 we will be holding our Years 3 to 6 Presentation Day Assembly from 9.15am and our K to 2 Presentation Day Assembly from 11.45am in the school hall. A letter of invitation has been sent to parents and carers of students receiving an award. Congratulations to all these students.

Student Leadership Team 2024

Yesterday the names of the students who were successful in their election to the 2024 Student Leadership Team were announced at the Superstar Assembly.

Huge congratulations to Isla S., Michael D., Ayla G., Jonathan N., Emie R., Luke G., Josephine W., Remi W., Zander M. and Maison C. Each student's role on the Student Leadership Team will be announced next week at the Years 3 to 6 Presentation Day Assembly and badges will also be presented.

Important Dates

- * Tuesday 5/12 **Presentation Day** Years 3 to 6 - 9:15am Years K to 2 - 11:45am
- * Wednesday 6/12 **Cut off for Flexischools**
- * Thursday 7/12 **Last day for Clothing** Pool
- * Wednesday 13/12 **End of Term Rewards**
- * Thursday 14/12 Reports go home
- * Friday 15/12 Term 4 ends
- * Wednesday 24/1 Cut off for holiday Flexischools orders
- * Monday 29/1/24 **Public Holiday**
- * Tuesday 30/1
- Staff Development Day No students at school
- Flexischools Orders **Collection from Clothing Pool**
- * Wednesday 31/1 **Staff Development Day** No students at school
- * Thursday 1/2
- Students Years 1-6 return to school
- Clothing Pool open 8:30am to 9:00am
- * Tuesday 6/2 Kindergarten

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I would like to thank all students who put forward their nomination and delivered a speech. You were all amazing and we are so proud of you.

Sports House Captains 2024

Elections were conducted for the Leadership roles of Sports House Captains last week. Congratulations to the successful candidates. They were:

Neptune: Kiara O'M. and Jayda McF.
Pluto: Junior C. and Alexa D.
Saturn: Harlo H. and Maddison E.
Jupiter: Lexie M. and Aden R.

These students will receive their badges at the Years 3 to 6 Presentation Day Assembly next week.

Home Reading

Congratulations to the following students for reading for 100 nights: Callum B. (KS).

Congratulations also to the following students for reading for 200 nights: Jackson M. (2F), Remi W. and Zali S. (5T) and huge congratulations to the first of our students to read for 300 nights - Aaron D. (2F), Evie H. (5T) and Amber D. (5/6D).

Staffing News

Another baby on its way! Mrs Amelia Kealy is expecting baby number 2 in May next year. We are very excited for the Kealy family.

Mrs Justine Temple will be moving into a school counsellor-in-training position and continuing her studies in psychology next year. It is sad news that we farewell Mrs Temple but such exciting news for her as she has worked hard for this. I am sure you all join us in congratulating her.

P&C Christmas Mufti Day

Many thanks to all the students who participated in our mufti day for a gold coin donation and to the P&C for their organisation of the event. The school was a sea of red, green and glitter!

End of Term 4 Rewards Event

On Wednesday 13th December, 2023 all students who have achieved 120 dojo points or more throughout the term will be invited to participate in some fun activities run by Challenge2Bfit, an external provider. Activities will include navigating an inflatable obstacle course and a foam dance party.

Students should wear mufti shorts and a T Shirt on the day and bring a spare set of clothes to change into following the foam dance party and a plastic bag in which to store their wet items. Please ensure all clothing is labelled with your child's name and class.

If your child has earned their dojo points, but you do not wish them to participate in these activities, please let your child's class teacher know and we will organise an alternate activity for them.

2024 Classes

Over the next few weeks, we will be working on staffing and classes for 2024. We have a number of additional staff made permanent this year as a result of the department's Transition to Work initiative, including both teaching staff and SLSO/administrative staff which will open up options for teaching and learning organisation. As in the past, students have been asked to list other students with whom they would like to be placed next year so that we can ensure that they are placed with at least one friend from their list of preferences, wherever practical.

2024 Enrolments – new arrivals and families leaving

The school is currently accepting enrolments for 2024. If you know of families intending to enrol 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 2024, could you also please contact the office so that we are aware of any changes when planning for our 2024 classes.

Reports

Over the coming weeks, our teachers will be very busy completing, analysing and grading assessments to determine student academic performance in order to complete the Semester 2 reports. Please try to ensure your child is present every day that they are well enough to do so. Academic reports will be sent home on **Thursday 14th December, 2023**.

Last day of Term 4 for students

Just a reminder that the last day of school for students in 2023 is Friday 15th December, 2023.

Have a lovely weekend!

Lyndal Coleman and Vicki Young Principal & Principal (Rel.)

SUPERSTAR ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to the following students on receiving their Superstar certificates.

One Star					
Jacob W.	(K/6C)	Remi G.	(KE)	Lacy T.	(KM)
Noah S.	(1G)	Rosanna R.	(1G)	Toby P.	(1G)
Maximus M.	(1H)	Harper L.	(1H)	Pepper W.	(1Y)
Niamh A.	(1Y)	Cruz S.	(1Y)	Patrick M.	(1Y)
Olivia L.	(1Y)	Jaiden H.	(1Y)	Caden T.	(2M)
Two Star					
Max F.	(K/6T)	Emelia L.	(2M)	Lia R.	(5/6D)
Three Star					
Charlotte L.	(3/4T)	Billie M.	(4A)	Kayden L.	(5G)
Isla S.	(5/6D)	Ryder B.	(5/6D)	Jasmine H.	(5/6D)
Aden R.	(5/6D)	Malakai S.	(6A)	Alexander C.	(6A)
Liam S.	(6T)	Wyatt S.	(6T)		
Four Star					
Eva R.	(5G)	Eli C.	(5T)	Lan C.	(5/6D)
Oscar L.	(5/6D)	Jackson H.	(5/6D)	Lucas T.	(5/6D)
Ethan W.	(6A)	Lucas E.	(6A)	Oscar W.	(6A)
Travis R.	(6A)	Coby C.	(6A)	Felicity T.	(6A)
Chase S.	(6A)	Hayley A.	(6T)		
Five Star					
Kaleah M.	(5G)	Ella-Jane P.	(5G)	Cadi W.	(5/6D)
Sallie-Anne D.	(5/6D)	Hannah W.	(5/6D)	Amber D.	(5/6D)
Sam F.	(6A)	Alexis S.	(6A)	Jasmine M.	(6A)
Six Star					
Lily R.	(6A)		ų.		
Seven Star				Congratulation	W. ! Fr
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BIG MOVER AWARD - Wyatt S. (6T)

Wyatt has made some outstanding gains over the years he has been a student at Niagara Park Public School, both inside and outside of the classroom.

Of particular note are the significant improvements that he has made in his ability to self-regulate his behaviour. It is really pleasing to see him regulate his emotions in adverse situations and draw on learnt strategies to reset. Wyatt has matured into a student who tries hard to follow our school rules of being responsible, respectful, safe and proud.

Wyatt has greatly increased his application towards his school work and has developed a more positive attitude towards his learning. During reading comprehension and maths groups, he takes on board the feedback provided by his teachers, contributes ideas and comes up with plausible solutions to problems. He has increased his contributions to class discussions and will happily share his thoughts and opinions with others.

Wyatt has proven himself to be a happy, friendly Year 6 student who enjoys time spent with his friends. We are confident that Wyatt will continue to make advances in his future schooling and wish him all the best for his time at high school.

Congratulations, Wyatt. You are an extremely deserving recipient of the Big Mover Award

Vicki Young

<u>Deputy Principal</u>



BREAKFAST SHACK NEWS

Our Breakfast Shack has been successful in securing donations from Foodbank NSW as part of their school breakfast program! This will supply our school with bread, cereal, milk, spreads and fruit. The only thing we need to purchase is margarine. Any donations of margarine can be handed into the Canteen.

Our school Leadership Team does an amazing job each morning helping to wash bowls and pack up the shack, ready for the next morning and have set a high standard for the Leaders next year, who will take over these responsibilities.

This initiative could not be possible without the organisation, enthusiasm and energy from our dedicated SLSO's. These lovely teacher aides not only make breakfast for 100+ children each morning but also provide a friendly face and morning check-in to lots of children. We thank them for all their work in making the Breakfast Shack a success.

Amelia Flood
Assistant Principal



END OF TERM REWARDS EVENT

Students who have achieved 120 dojos in Term 4 are invited to attend our Niagara Park Public School End of Term Rewards Event on Wednesday 13th December, 2023.

Activities will include:

An inflatable obstacle course and a foam dance party.

Important Information:

Please wear shorts and a t-shirt that covers your shoulders. Students will get wet, so please provide a change of clothes and a plastic bag.

Any parent not wishing for their child to participate should contact their child's class teacher and an alternate activity will be provided.





