Term 2 Week 6 2024 Important Dates

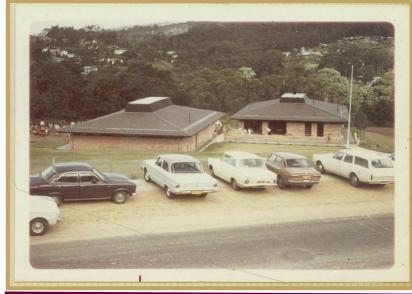
- * Monday 10/6 Public Holiday
- * Tuesday 11/6 Yr 6 Interrelate
- * Friday 14/6
 Stage 2 Sydney
 Excursion
- * Lisarow High School Transition Day
- * Friday 21/6
 Sydney North Cross
 Country
- * Friday 28/6 P&C Mufti Day -Wear your PJ's
- * Thursday 4/7
 Semester 1 Reports
 Go Home
- * Friday 10/7
 Superstar Assembly



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Kindergarten classroom on the left (KH & KS).

K-2 Assembly area and the toilet block on the right.

Narara Valley Drive in the foreground.

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,

Niagara Park Public Schools 50th Anniversary!

This year we celebrate 50 years since our wonderful school was opened. We are currently planning 50th Anniversary celebrations to take place in Term 4. In the meantime, we will be sharing with you some of the old photos from the early years so you can all see how much our school has changed – and how much times have changed! We hope you enjoy.

Some background information to start us off!

On 30th January, 1974 our school was opened. Mr Peter Day was the first Principal and Mrs Strange, Mrs Madradzia and Mrs Rowe were the teaching staff. The first enrolled student was Dean Wilson and 123 students were enrolled during the first year.

The school had three brick classrooms and administrative rooms. As the school grew, demountables were brought in to house the classes.

By 1982, demountables were replaced with the brick buildings we have today: the Admin building, hall, library and 21 classrooms.



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Congratulations to the following students on reading for 100 nights:-

Harry H. (K/6K), Orlando H. (KH), Lenny M., Lennox S. and Oscar D. (1G), Zali W. and Kenley M. (1Y), Alexander L. (1/2F), Mackenzie M. (2C), Nate S. (3W), Aria B. and Thomas P. (3/4M), Zai B. (5H) and Aaliya T. (6C).

High Potential and Gifted Pathway Opportunities!

<u>Dancing</u> - Last week our talented dancers in our three school dance groups attended their dress rehearsals for the Central Coast Dance festival. Our 3 students in the Junior regional Ensemble, Sophie M, Sophie E and Nina R also had their rehearsals. It is so wonderful to be able to provide these opportunities for our dancers. We can not wait to see the shows!

<u>Public Speaking</u> – This week our talented public speakers competed at our school public speaking finals. Wow – what talent we have within our school. Congratulations to Pepper W., Callie Y., Elsie C., Frankie W., Sophie E. and Maisie B-D., who will all move on to compete in the zone public speaking competitions. Thank you to Mrs Andrews who organised the competition.

Spelling – Congratulations to Dali S. in Year 2 who qualified to competed in the Stage 2 Junior Spelling Bee coming up in Week 8. What an amazing speller he is!

<u>Cross Country</u> – Congratulations to the following students who all placed in the top 6 of their races at the recent Brisbane Water Cross Country competition: Tilly, Lennox, Kristina, Orlando and Isla. These students now head off to the Sydney North carnival.

Messages to students

Every day we have phone calls from parents asking us to get a message to the classroom to remind students where they are getting picked up after school. More often than not, the student is aware and so is the teacher. Can we please ask that parents trust that their child will remember the arrangements and find their way safely. It is a good way to build independence in our little ones. After school if a child is unsure where to go, the class teacher or the office will always call to clarify.

More Sponsorship

Thank you to Tayla from Influence Performing Arts who has come forward to sponsor the school. Influence Performing Arts is a local dance studio attended by many of our students. Tayla's sponsorship will be used to supplementing our special reward and top Dojo winners rewards at the end of each term.



Not on the Parent Portal Sentral app? You need to sign up now!

Just a reminder that all families who are not yet connected to the Parent Portal need to sign up by the end of this term or you will miss out on all vital information and notes from the school.

Reports Online

This semester we will be sending out our Academic Reports via Sentral. This means, everyone will receive the report digitally. If you require a printed copy of the report, please call the school office and let them know. Reports will be sent home during Week 10 of this term.

Notes Online

Please note that from next term, all notes will be sent out via Sentral and no printed copies will be available. Parents can print from the app if you like to have the note printed. All permissions and payments will be completed through the app giving us a quick, easy, efficient and cost effective way to collate information and track payments. Please note – that since we need to send due dates for excursions – no late payments will be able to be accepted.

Have a wonderful long weekend and fortnight!

Lyndal Coleman Principal

Did you know?

There are only four words in the English language which end in "dous": tremendous, horrendous, stupendous, and hazardous.

SUPPORT AVAILABLE TO HELP YOUR CHILD'S ATTENDANCE

We know that sometimes it can be a challenge getting your child to school. Especially if they are experiencing anxiety or are refusing to attend school.

They might be worried about their schoolwork, talking with other kids or teachers, playing sports or being away from their family. If you are concerned about your child's attendance at school or any other issues that may affect their attendance, please reach out to me or one of your child's teachers.

We are here to support you and your child to make sure they are ready and engaged at school.

You can also access resources on the <u>department website</u> to support positive conversations with your child about attending school.

Tenneille Melvin Deputy Principal (Rel.)

Vicki Young

<u>Deputy Principal</u>

SUPERSTAR ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to the following students who received their Superstar Awards.

One Star Brandon B. Elliot B. Tommy B.	(K/6E) (1/2F) (2M)	Scarlett S. Xander M. Shiven P.	(K/6K) (2C) (2M)	Zali W. Riley J. Carter J.
Two Star Tanisha M. Emerson F. Cale M.	(K/6K) (3W) (3/4M)	Johnny R. Aaron D. Ella E.	(2C) (3/4M) (5G)	Sam W. Issabella C.
Three Star Emily McC. Sophie E. Junior C.	(K/6E) (5G) (6D)	Ryan C. Mitchell H.	(3/4M) (6C)	Olivia N. Mason L.
<u>Four Star</u> Jayla D.	(6D)	Jayda M.	(6D)	5
Five Star AJ G.	(6D)	Bodhi H.	(6D)	(0.0)





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BIG MOVER AWARD - Emily McC. (K/6E)

Emily is a bright and bubbly student who always comes to school with a positive attitude. She is an active member of K/6E and welcomes new staff and students to the school by offering support with her knowledge of the rules, routines and procedures. Her friendly and patient nature eases others' worries, and she is always an approachable and dependable student.

Emily is always determined to overcome challenges, give each task a try, and approaches all her activities with enthusiasm and positivity. She is a focused and driven student, with an unwavering commitment to achieving her personal goals. Emily's positive attitude towards learning is infectious and she has been a wonderful influence on her peers.

During her break times, Emily can be seen helping as a Library Monitor and supporting the Kindergarten students in the Support Unit in her role as a 'Buddy'. Emily has also taken on the role of SRC representative, which she has undertaken with pride. She has also been an active member of the Green Team.

Emily is always a safe, respectful learner and her ability to persevere and maintain a positive attitude in the face of setbacks is a true testament to her strength of character and work ethic. It has been a delight to have Emily as a proud and active member of our school and we cannot wait to see what bright future lies ahead for her.

Vicki Young

<u>Deputy Principal</u>

ATTENDANCE DRAW WINNERS

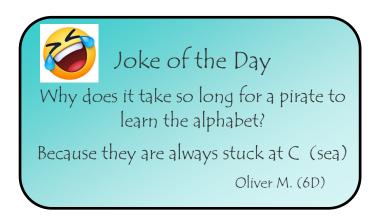
Our new attendance draws have started. The winners received a \$3.50 Canteen voucher, thanks to the sponsorship from Eden and Tayla from One Agency.

Week 5 Winners					
Eric H.	Lilian B.	Christopher C.	Rahael A.		
Marcus L.	Grace P.	Meredith P.	Mark K.		
Week 6 Winners					
Kaleah M.	Andrew K.	Ewen E.	Lani C.		
Michael D.	Joshua G.	Harry M.	Finlay O.		



Our current attendance rate across the school is 92.6%. Keep up the great work NPPS!

Tennielle Melvin Deputy Principal



DIFFERENT ON THE OUTSIDE, SAME ON THE INSIDE

Stage 3 were lucky enough to have had their second visit from Maree Jenner, who presented her program "Different on the Outside, Same on the Inside". The program is aimed at breaking down misconceptions and social barriers and encouraging awareness and inclusion for people with disability. Maree spoke to Stage 3 about her own experiences of difference as a person of short stature and the challenges faced by "growing up little" in a world built for average height people. Students were challenged to create their own technology that would assist people with disabilities complete tasks that are challenging for them. Maree was very impressed with the ideas they came back with.



We thank Maree for her time and for presenting students with the take home message that **disability** does not define the person.

Jessica Andrews

SPORTS NEWS

Brisbane Water Cross Country Carnival

On Friday 24th May 48 amazing Niagara Park Public School students attended the Brisbane Water Cross Country. All students competed exceptionally well on the day and the way they cheered on their school mates was impressive.

Special mentions to Tilly, Lennox, Kristina, Orlando and Isla for making it through to the Sydney North Carnival at Wyong racetrack. Here they will compete as part of the Brisbane Water team.

Great job Niagara Park Public School!

PSSA Rugby League

On Tuesday 4th June, 2024 the PSSA Rugby League team played against Warnervale Public School in the second round of the classic shield. The boys unfortunately went down, but not without an outstanding effort. They played well together as

a team and should be commended for their persistent attitude.

Thanks to the parents/carers of these students for traveling to Morrie Breen oval for this match.

Elliot Dawkins
Sports Coordinator













