Principal’s Report

Our total school enrolment appears to be stabilising at around 280 students which gives us 11 class groups. We are pleased to welcome many new families and encourage all families, new and old, to join us at school activities and functions.

School at the Pool
This Friday 6 February our school Swimming Carnival is at Macksville pool for Years 3 to 6 and any Year 2 students who are turning 8 this year and can swim 50 metres.

Join our P&C
Our first P&C Meeting is on Wednesday 18 February at 6.00pm in the school hall. All parents are welcome to these meetings to learn more about our school and offer your thoughts and suggestions.

Information Sessions
Teachers will be holding Parent Information Sessions in the next few weeks. Please join your child’s teacher to find out all the exciting learning opportunities planned for 2015.

Team 1 Meetings -
Mrs Gerard – Tuesday 10.2.15 2.15pm
Mrs McKinney – Monday 9.2.15 2.30pm
Mrs Miller – Thursday 12.2.15 2.15pm
Mrs Battiston – Wednesday 11.2.15 2.15pm
Mr James – Monday 16.2.15 (Week 4) 2.15pm

Team 2 Meetings
3F and 4K - 5.00pm Tuesday 17 February

Team 3 Meetings
4-5M, 5-6 JW and 5-6 H - 5.00pm Wednesday 18 February.

Bus Travel
Statistically, travelling to and from school by bus is the safest way for children to travel. Students travel free if they are in Kindergarten to Year 2 and older students who live a long distance from the school. Bus passes are required. The application form is available from the school office. Busways have asked us to remind students travelling by bus that eating is prohibited by law on school buses. Water bottles are OK.

Scripture
Scripture starts next week on Wednesday 11 February 2015. All students attend Scripture unless you have indicated non-attendance on your child’s enrolment form or sent in a short note to your child’s teacher. We hope to see you at school soon!

Canteen Roster
Thursday 5th
Helen

Friday 6th
NO CANTEEN
(Swim Carnival)

Wednesday 11th
Helen
Woodwind 2015

Tuesdays and Fridays 12-1pm (HALL)
Woodwind will be starting next week (Week 3). We have many returning performers and a few new members. Practice will be on twice a week and students need to bring their instruments to school on Tuesdays and Fridays for small group and whole band workshops. All members using a school instrument are required to pay $20 to the office (or pay online) to cover service and repairs. Students may take their instruments home once they have paid. Do not pay the office unless Miss Hollister has assigned you an instrument.

Stage 1 Information

Welcome Kindergarten and their Families to NHPS
It has been wonderful to welcome Kindergarten of 2015 who will be the future Year 6 of 2021. The time will go quickly! They have been made feel special by their Year 5 and 6 Buddies who have enthusiastically looked after our newest students. Students in other classes have kindly helped out as well to show the Kinders around and ensure a seamless transition into Big School. The Kinder students seem confident and happy to be at school and learning. Early observations are that they are engaged in their lessons and keen to learn. We are fortunate to have the support of the local community who chose to send their children to NHPS. Mrs Makinson

Parent Teacher Information Sessions Stage 1
Parents are invited to attend information sessions in their child’s classrooms over the next two weeks. These are a once only opportunity so please take the opportunity to meet your child’s teacher and find out what is happening in the classroom. These sessions are for general information and not individual interviews. If you would like to speak to your class teacher please arrange another time to have an interview. At the end of this term parents will be invited to the school for an individual interview. The times for the upcoming information sessions are indicated below. Sessions will be held in your child’s classroom while the class is at Library or computer. Hopefully lots of parents will be able to make the dates. Morelle Makinson (Stage 1 Leader)

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Mrs McKinney – Monday 9.2.15 2.30pm
Mrs Miller – Thursday 12.2.15 2.15pm
Mrs Battiston – Wednesday 11.2.15 2.15pm
Mr James – Monday 16.2.15 (Week 4) 2.15pm
Mrs Broad – Thursday 12.2.15 2.15pm
Stage 1 welcomes - new Teachers
Stage 1 welcomes Mrs Annette Broad on 2-3B and Mr Peter James on 2PJ. It is also pleasing to welcome back Mrs Coulter on Monday and Friday and Mrs Hullman on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Ms Attenborough is also back to support the Early Action for Success program to ensure Stage 1 students get the best possible start to their education.

Positive Behaviour for Learning
NHPS is a PBL school. Our values are Respect, Honesty and Safety. Our mascot is a blue shark called Seemore. From Day 1 our new students will hear these words and be encouraged to act in a safe, respectful and safe manner. Students will receive Gotcha’s for following the core values. The Gotcha’s can be saved for a certificate at 5 and a badge at 10. So if you see round disks with a blue shark on it your child has been caught doing the right thing.

Swimming Carnival
Stage 1 wish the Primary students all the best for the swimming carnival this Friday. Stage 1 would like to give a special cheer for our Year 2 students who will be attending their first swimming carnival. Kinder and Year 1 will be at school on Friday doing what we do best – learning and of course having some fun!
Mrs Makinson
Eight ways to get your kids organised
Are you ready for morning madness, late assignments, yesterday's half-eaten lunch sweating in the schoolbag? Just like adults, children cope much better if they can manage their time and their environment wisely.

Smart foods to boost learning
Mother Nature is full of foods that help us think and feel better. What do you give your child to help them think more clearly, and enhance concentration and memory?

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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<td>Encouraging good behaviour, independence and self-esteem – a simple discipline program that really works!</td>
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ALL COURSES ARE FREE OF CHARGE
To enrol in any of the above courses, please ring UnitingCare Burnside on 6659 2800
Places are limited, so please book early!

Samuel & Evan
Tess & Amy
Aydan & Kellara
Seth & Kalib-Earl
Soccer Registrations for season 2015 now open!
Registrations for all North Coast Football players is open this week. These days, registrations are taken online at www.myfootballclub.com.au, however, most clubs have sign on days at their local ground or a shopping centre so players can meet their coaches or buy socks etc.

Macksville SC - Saturday Feb 14th & 21st 9am – 12noon at Macksville Playing Fields, Bellevue Drive. For more info Penny More 0407 241 468

Nambucca Strikers FC - Saturday February 14th at Nambucca Heads Bowling Club 10am - 3pm. For more info Brendan Goswell 0413 411 400.

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Experience The Magic Of Hosting

"In July our exchange student, Toon, joined our family. And when I say joined he literally did that. He has become my teenage son. Our experience as a family has been amazing and unforgettable.

Toon is leaving this week and I feel like my son is grown up and leaving home. There is nothing negative that I can say about our time with Toon. Toon has brought so much joy into our family’s lives, our home is always full of laughter. Our family is so much closer because of Toon, we will miss him so much and are already looking forward to hosting again next July. We will have a hard time thinking about July. We will never forget Toon.

Thank you WEP for the chance to host Toon. I would not have been possible without the WEP team. Only a quick few words to show my appreciation in meeting Toon and to WEP.

Enrich your home with a curious exchange student in July 2015

Request student profiles now to find out more!

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Have you bought your School Hat yet?
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2014 Annual School Year Book

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Urungsa Physie Club has been providing fun and affordable exercise classes for the girls and ladies of the Bellinger Valley for many years. Physical Culture is a choreographed syllabus of exercises, dance and fitness routines. Physie helps to develop co-ordination, fitness, flexibility, balance and benefits academic skills of concentration, sequencing, fine and gross motor skills, listening skills, memory and teamwork all in a fun and friendly environment. Classes are held each Monday for girls from 5 yrs right through to Ladies. Pre schoolers 3.30pm; 5 – 8 yrs 4.00pm; 9 – 12 yrs 4.45 pm; 13-16yrs 5.45 pm; Seniors 17+ 6.45pm; Ladies 7.30pm, commencing Monday 16th February, at the Senior Citizens Hall, behind the Seafood Takeaway in Urungsa. If you would like to be part of this active friendly club for the beneficial enjoyment of exercise or the challenge of a competition turn up at the class times or please contact Sue Raymond 66500717 for further information and visit www.epphysi.com.au or like our Facebook page Urungsa Physical Culture

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**School at the Pool**

**Swimming Carnival – Stage 2 and 3**

This Friday 6th February the Annual School Swimming Carnival will be held at the Macksville Aquatic Centre. The carnival will go ahead even if the rain continues so an extra towel and a jumper might be handy. All children in Stage 2 and 3 at school on Friday 6th are expected to attend the carnival. A note was given to all Stage 2 and 3 children last week with all the details of the swimming carnival.

Year 2 children who turn 8 and can swim 50m are also invited to the carnival. See your child’s class teacher or Mr Katte if you are unsure.

Children who are going with parents to the pool are asked to pay at the pool. Children catching the bus pay at school for the bus and pool entry.

A program of events is included in this newsletter. If you require a program on Friday please bring this one. If there is rain on Friday the program will start with the age races. The 100m will then be the last race.

The swimming records and a copy of the program are on the school website. Go to the Nambucca Heads Public School Home Page and look for swimming carnival in the calendar.

**Program Of Events**

**Nambucca Heads Public School Annual Swimming Carnival**

All 50 & 100m races 1st, 2nd and 3rd receive ribbons. Placings are determined by times in the heats. All heats will be timed and the placings will be decided by these times.

- 9.00 - Medley - Children organise own transport if they wish to compete
- 9.15 - School Bus arrives
- 9.20 - Open 100m Freestyle
- Cheer Competition
- 50m Freestyle Age Races - 8yrs, 9yrs, 10yrs, 11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs
- 50m Breaststroke Junior, 11yrs, 12/13yrs
- 50m Backstroke Junior, 11yrs, 12/13yrs
- 50m Butterfly

Approx. 12.00pm. - 25m Events for children who did not swim in any of the 50m Events

Approx.1.30 pm - 4 x 50m Relay

2.30 School Bus leaves pool to return to school – Children are not allowed to remain at the pool after 2.30.