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Principal's Report

It is with much sadness that I enclose the following letter from our school Principal, Mr Les Mc Mahon.

Goodbye NHPS



It is with great emotion that I wish to announce that I have been medically retired from the Department of Education following a lengthy medical condition. I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank the

school executive, teachers, school office staff, school learning support officers, general assistants, cleaners, P&C members, volunteer workers, parents, students and community members for your outstanding support of Nambucca Heads Primary School during my term as principal of this wonderful school (2004 – 2012).

During my time as principal I have had the privilege to meet and work with many wonderful children, teachers, families and school staff. For me teaching has been a very rewarding career. I've always found it very exciting to watch students grow up and excel academically, socially or on the sporting field, knowing that in some small way I may have had a positive influence on the path these young Australians travel. The same applies to watching young teachers develop knowing that they are the future of our profession.

The parents and students are the underlying strength of Nambucca Heads Primary. I have had the honour to work with a number of P&C presidents and committees during my eight years and I believe together we achieved many improvements in policies, student programs and building programs at our school. Some of the most visible improvements include the new school Computer Room, the new Student Support Teacher Room, the School Car Park, Canteen Room improvements, making parts of the school wheelchair friendly, the new school Library building and the magnificent School Hall. Always remember the P&C and student's families are a very powerful body when dealing with the department and government bodies. Together with the principal and staff of the school you can develop the culture and set the tone of the school for future generations.

During my thirty plus years as a school principal I have worked with many gifted and inspirational teachers who have striven to provide an outstanding education for many thousands of students. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the wonderful teachers here at Nambucca Heads Primary for their professionalism, care, commitment and dedication to the children and school community.

I leave the school, knowing it is in good hands and that the staff of the school will continue to deliver the high educational standards that our children here in Nambucca Heads fully deserve. I wish you

Term 4

Week 1

10 October 2012

Calendar of Events

October

- 18 P & C Meeting 6.30pm
- 18 Show- CSIRO K-6 9am
- 23 Coffs Harbour Pet Porpoise Pool Excursion Stage 1
- 24-26 Stage 2 GABC Excursion
- 29 School Swimming Scheme commences - 2 weeks duration
- 30 Halloween Disco

November

- 5 Swimming Scheme continues
- 7 Kinder Orientation
- 14 Kinder Orientation
- 21 Kinder Orientation
- 29 Yr 6-7 Orientation

December

- 6 Yr 6-7 Orientation
- 10 Reports Home
- 11 Presentation Day
- 12 Year 6 Farewell
- 19 Last day for Students





To receive your Newsletter in full colour please advise us of your email address.

STAGE 2 GABC EXCURSION Wed 24th - Fri 26th Oct

Total cost is \$255

A Huge thank you to all parents for getting their permission notes and money in so promptly

A vacancy for a student to attend has become available. Please see Mrs Fenning tomorrow if you are interested.

Principal's report cont....

all the best of luck and hope that our paths will cross again soon here in our beautiful valley.
Les Mc Mahon

I'm sure all staff, parents and students are very sad to lose Mr Les McMahon, and wish him a happy and healthy retirement and successful next Chapter of his life. He has made a huge contribution to NHPS as our school Principal for eight years, and indeed every school he has lead or taught in. 30 years plus in Education is a remarkable contribution to public life, and we honour Les for the contribution to every community he has worked in.

We will be arranging an official farewell, and will invite our whole school community. Details will be made public ASAP.

As for me –
It is good to be back!
I had a lovely break and feel refreshed and enthusiastic about this last Term of 2012.

At this point in time it appears that I will remain as Principal until the end of the year. I am very happy to continue in the role and have enjoyed the previous three Terms working with our exceptional students, parents, teachers and community.

Term 4 is an important Term, lots of new learning, end of Year reports, Stage 2 excursion to the Great Aussie Bush Camp, Years 2 & 3 and non swimmers Swimming School, excursions, end of year celebrations including Presentation Day and our Year 6 farewell. Exciting times and a Term to look forward to!

I came across a lovely quote from the Dalai Lama recently, which I feel is pertinent to our school community. It is worth thinking about!

"Education is the proper way to promote compassion & tolerance in society. Compassion & peace of mind bring a sense of confidence that reduces stress & anxiety, whereas anger & hatred come from frustration & undermine our sense of trust. Because of ignorance many of our problems are our own creation. Education, however, is the instrument that increases our ability to employ our own intelligence."

State Athletics

Huge congratulations to our three students representing NHPS in Sydney next week. Liam Jones, Year 3, is competing in his 100m age race, Chloe Martin, Year 4, is competing in high jump and Charlotte Williams, Year 5, is competing in the 800 meters race.

Achieving North Coast representation at State level is a major achievement for the students from our small town and school. The students have already competed at School, District, Mid North Coast and North Coast levels prior to competing at this high level.

Liam, Chloe and Charlotte are all dedicated athletes, who train hard at home and enjoy excellent parent support.

NHPS also has a daily Active Play Program coordinated by Mr Katte and supported by Mrs Fenning and Mr Herron. This program actively supports skill development, fitness and sportsmanship which I'm sure has contributed NHPS's proud tradition of student success in the Sporting arena for many years.

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Our entire school community wishes Liam, Chloe and Charlotte success and great enjoyment in Sydney. We are very proud of them!

Annual Principal's Writing Competition

I am happy to announce the Principal's Writing Competition for 2012. The topic for our Writers is

MY SCHOOL MY COMMUNITY.

Trophies will be awarded to a winning entry from Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3.

I look forward to reading every entry, so please encourage your children to put on their Writer's cap, practice their Writing skills and be creative.

Entries can be delivered in person to the school's office or emailed to the school's email address-
nambuccahd-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Winners will be announced and trophies presented at our Presentation Day, on 11th December.

Jenny Joske
Relieving Principal

P&C News

Uniforms



With summer coming up many families will be needing new uniforms, particularly for next year. Order forms are available from the office. Please do not leave this until the last week of the year or the first week back as we may not be available at all times. Thanks in advance for your thoughtfulness.

Halloween Disco

The P&C will be holding a Halloween Disco on Monday 30th October. The money raised from this event will be used to buy lighting for the hall to enhance upcoming events. Mrs Wood is currently looking into these lights and we hope to have as many children attend to support our efforts to raise the funds. It will be a fancy dress event, not necessarily a scary costume but any fancy dress. More info about the disco will be sent home soon.



Next P&C meeting



The meeting will be held on 18th October at 6.30pm in the hall. All welcome. We'd love to see you there.

Olympathon Update



Prize Winners

Announcement of prize winners will be happening in the next couple of weeks. This is due to a small group of Olympic officials being busy with other official Olympic business in London.

AMAZING ANIMAL REPORT

The female Tawny Frog Mouth is on her nest. It won't be long NOW!!!

By the RSP

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Friday 12th Oct
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Jade Muir

Wednesday 17th Oct
Heidi Cook

Thursday 18th Oct
Sonya Grafina

Friday 18th Oct
Sarah Walker

Stars of the Week - 21 September 2012

Jy Rothe, Aaliyah Hodnett-Daly, Lily Noonan, Dominic Lambie, Lachlan Hussey, Grace Holladay, Elle Holladay, Lydia Peterson, Jasmine Dell, Zeke Miller, Sophia Boyes, Connor green, Kayley Hunter, Koelby Welsh, Joe Malouf, Jack McLachlan, Monique Taylor, Domyinique Byrt, Jarrace Ham, Emma Bryce, Nathan Patfield, Jordan Brown, Llogan Greenup-Stokes, Noah Speer, Angus Kimber, Georgia Williams, Alex Cowen

Students of the Week

Leanna Brown, Yazmin Taylor, Georgia Hoffman, Luke Gruenhofer, Tarra Kelly, Mikayla Lord, Roxanne Hall, Sarah Dwyer, Chloe Keppie, Bailey Thompson-Rowsell.

School Awards

Taylor Adair, Lyam Caesar, Keira Phelps, Ruby-Mae Matthews, Taliah Waaka, Tasman Malouf, Kurt Smith, Logan Mackney, Clancy James, Zahalia Reedy, Jayda Rixon

Assistant Principal's Award

Taliah Waaka, Yazmin Taylor, Tasman Malouf, Bradley Stone, Brodie Kerwin, Isaac Hodnett-Daly, Titan Challenor, Lyam Caesar, Logan Mackney, Jayda Rixon, Jayden Ward, Jaxx Eadie

Principal's Award

Georgia Hoffman, Taliah Waaka, Luke Sheppard, Titan Challenor, Lachlan Reiss-Wears, Lyam Caesar, Patrick Noonan, Logan Mackney



Assistant Principal's Award Recipients



Principal's Award Winners

NAMBUCCA'S GOT TALENT

The SRC will be running a Talent Quest this term. If you can sing or dance or you are a magician or a juggler, did you polish up your act over the holidays.

Auditions are taking place all this week at lunch-time. The SRC judging panel will choose the top 10 acts to perform in the "Nambucca's Got Talent Final"

The Final will be in the Hall on Tuesday the 16th October.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

There is a cultural event that is being held at Yarrawarra on Sat the 20th of Oct. The event runs from 11am until 9pm and there will be market stalls including arts and crafts and local produce, workshops such as didge playing, photography and leather work. Fun activities for the children including a bouncy castle and in the evening from 7pm there will be black screen movies. We are still taking bookings for stalls, which start at only \$20, as it is a large site with plenty of space and we have ample room for parking etc. We hope to see you all there

Kind regards Jane and Clayton Donovan



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Cultural Event

Saturday, 20 October 2012, 11AM to 9PM
Yarrawarra Cultural Centre, Corindi Beach

Gaagal Art Exhibition
Art+Culture
Market Stalls
Workshops*
Food+Entertainment
Outdoor Cinema
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Some workshops may have a fee for participation. Please note that yarrawarra cultural centre, its grounds & this event are a drug and smoke free zone.

Gaagal Art Exhibition
A collection of local Aboriginal artworks reflecting and celebrating the ocean and its connection to our people, our history and our daily lives

Market Stalls
Local Produce, Food, Craft And More

Stall holders wishing to participate please call Jane Donovan on 0478 032 641

Workshops
Didge Playing, Weaving, Screen Printing
Dance, Painting, Bush Tucker Walks
Cooking With Native Foods

Outdoor Cinema, 7PM-9PM
A range of black films from the national film and television archive will be shown on the large outdoor screen. Bring a chair or a rug and enjoy a relaxing night of films under the stars

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YARRAWARRA ABORIGINAL CULTURAL CENTRE

bush and tentations

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FUNGAL Community

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Spring into Wellness Market
Sunday October 28 from 8am

Live Music from 9.30am
Didjital, Drumming Sheilas
St Pat's Choir & Big Band

Free workshops & demos from 9.15am
Kids Yoga Tae Kwon Do Demo+Workshop
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2012/13 Season!!

Registration Days:

- Saturday 13/10/12, Macksville Pool, 11- 1pm

Children must be 5 years of age and one parent must join. Membership is \$45 for Nippers (which includes a Club Shirt) and \$26 for non-competitive adults.

- Pool Swim Proficiencies, Macksville Pool, Saturday 13/10/12, 11-1pm.

- First Nippers day is on 21st October starting at 9:15 am and will include open water swim proficiencies. We encourage new and existing members between 5 and 14 years of age to join.

For any additional information please call: David Brunsdon 6568 2530

SPORTING NEWS

State Athletics Carnival

The State Athletics will be held in Sydney next Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th October.

The following children have qualified:



Charlotte Williams 11 Yr Girls 800m, Chloe Martin Junior Girls High Jump and Liam Jones 8 Yr Boys 100m.

Good luck Charlotte, Chloe and Liam. Go Nambucca !

Nambucca Strikers FC Presentation Day/Night is on:

Saturday 13th October, 2012
Time: 4pm

Where: Coronation Park
then onto

Leagues & Sports Club.

Format:

4pm - Coronation Park Soccer Games half field size, (Mums, Dads, Adults V's "The Juniors")

6pm - Dinner & Presentations at BBQ Area, Leagues & Sports Club.

7pm - Disco in auditorium.

IT'S CRICKET TIME AGAIN FOR 2011 -2012 SEASON!

YOU'RE INVITED TO AN OPEN DAY OF CRICKET.

ALL AGES – Under 10s, 12s, 14s & 16s – OPENS.

When: THURSDAY 13/09/11 4.30PM TO 5.30PM at
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