

Nords Wharf PS



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Term 4 Week 3

Thursday 22 October 2015

School Calendar 2015 Term 4 Events

Term 4	
Monday 26	Swimming
Thursday 29	Music -Count Us In
<u>November</u> Monday 2	Kinder Trnsition Swimming
Tuesday 3	P&C
Friday 6	School Disco
Monday 9	Swimming
Wednesday 11	Remembrance Day
Monday 16	Kinder Transition
Monday 30	Kinder Transition
<u>December</u> Tuesday 1	Maitland PS Band Perform 10am
Thursday 3	Hello High School Year 6
Friday 4	Carols Night
Wednesday 9	Presentation Night 6pm to 8pm
Friday 11	Reports
Monday 14	Year 6 Farewell
Tuesday 15	Water Fun Day
Wednesday 16	Talent Quest Last day for students
17 & 18 Thursday & Friday	Staff Development Day

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS—Sue Holt

How wonderful to meet our new Kindergarten students and their families this week. Their buddies were very excited to introduce the new Kindys to their new classroom too. We look forward to our three other orientation mornings during this term, concluding on November 30 with a treasure hunt and morning tea.

Our Monday swimming program was very successful with students and staff enjoying the cool relief of the pool and the bus trip. The program runs for another three weeks.

Today Year 6 students met the Year 7 advisor from Swansea High as they begin their transition to high school.

Our new classroom was delivered today ready for next year. This caused great excitement as the huge crane lifted the four sections into place. Over the coming weeks the room will be fitted out ready for a class in 2016. The school numbers have grown this year and we look forward to planning new gardens and classes in the future.

Keep your eyes open for our new Kids Matter sign !

K/1

Our Henny Penny experience has come to an end. It has been wonderful watching the chicks hatch and grow. They were eating so much that we had to fill their food container 2-3 times a day! Students loved using the 'put the chicks to sleep' technique when holding them. More photos have been added to our Facebook page.



We discussed the life cycle of a chicken and looked at pictures of a chicken growing inside an egg. Did you know it takes a chicken 24 -26 hours to lay an egg and then it takes 20 -21 days for the egg to hatch?

Trinity Hook

Year 1/2

The stars of the week are Alby and Bonnie.

Yesterday 1/2 visited the K/1 classroom to see the chicks! The students enjoyed holding the chicks and we thank Mrs Hook and K/1 for sharing them with us.

P&C President

Sidone Lambert

Canteen

Open Wednesday,
Thursday and Friday

Coordinator

Sabrina Moore

Uniform Shop

Open Thursdays
9:00 am—9:30am

Coordinator

Leanne Munro

Student Banking

Tuesday



Library

Tuesday



Scripture

Wednesday

Guitar

Tuesday



Band

Wednesday



**School Security
Number**

1300 880 021

This term in Mathematics, Year 1 have been adding money by counting by 5c and 10c and are beginning to calculate change. You could encourage your child to count out their pocket money, money for a lunch order or to assist you when shopping to revise this skill.

Well done to the Year 2 students who went to swimming on Monday! Mr Derbyshire and Mr Westcott said what great behaviour the students had and I'm sure students will continue to benefit from the swimming program over the next three weeks.

Kate Halligan

4/5/6

We had a much better week in spelling this week. Congratulations to Jay T, Eva, Sophie, Sami, Stanley, Mary-Jane, Jared, Tiahna and Kaitlyn for scoring 100% in their spelling this week.

Could parents please check their child's hair for lice, as there has been a case recently in our class.

Assessments have begun and should be completed by next week.

Each day I use the behaviour chart to monitor behaviour in the classroom. Every student begins at "On Track", green level, and then can be moved according to behaviour. With excellent behaviour, a student can be moved to the blue level, "Working Above". If a student is given a warning for unproductive behaviour a student gets moved to yellow, then orange and finally red which means detention.

Ask your child which level they were on today.

Peter Westcott

Office News

Statements of accounts were sent home earlier this week. It would be appreciated if families could pay any outstanding money as soon as possible, as our annual School Financial Rollover is happening in 5 weeks. If families are experiencing difficulties in paying outstanding monies, please contact Sue Holt to discuss the available options for assistance and a payment plan.

Robyn Hamilton

Entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 in 2016

Applications for placement in Year 7 at a Selective High School in 2017 will be open to parents of students in Year 5 from 13 October to 16 November 2015. Copies of an application information booklet are available at the school office now. Parents with internet access are requested to apply online.

Online applications will be available from 13 October to 16 November 2015. Parents without internet access can apply at a public library.

The application information booklet will also be available on the High Performing Students Unit's website at:

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

All students wanting to attend a Selective High School for year 7 in 2017 will have to take the Selective High School Placement Test on the morning of Thursday, 10 March 2016 at a local school.

Parents are asked to email the High Performing Students Unit at ssu@det.nsw.edu.au or telephone on 1300 880 367 if they have enquiries not covered in the application information booklet.

Merit Awards Term 4 Week 2



Class	Name
K/1	Hamish, Lisa, Sophie, Delilah, Tilly.
1/2	Bonnie, Sophie, Kyan, Isabelle, Felix, Lyla, Hallie.
2/3/4	Sunny, Conner, Sean, Annie, Jaden, Alex, Darcy, Grace, Maggie, Keely, Max Lachlan, Jay
4/5/6	Sophie, Sami, Madi, Oliver, Keely, Kaitlyn, Tiahna, Stanley, Sam.



There will be a school Disco on **Friday 6 November.**

K - 2 - 5.00pm to 6.30pm

3 - 6 - 6.30pm to 8.00pm

The disco will be held in the school library with a gold coin donation entry.

P&C will be organising the sale of food.



TERM DATES 2015

Term 4

6 October - 18 December

Did you know



A snail can sleep for three years at a time.



Every one on this earth is born with the ability to wiggle their ears, but if you don't learn how early in life then the muscle atrophies and you can't learn any longer.



Moles can dig 91 meters a night.



Cows have the ability to walk upstairs but not down again.

Quote of the week

Yesterday is history.

Tomorrow is a mystery.

Today is a gift, that's why we call it

The Present

Eleanor Roosevelt



TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER

On Tuesday, 1 December Maitland Public School Band will visit us at 10am to perform for our school.

Nords Wharf Public School Band will join them to play a couple of songs with them. The P&C will host a sausage sizzle lunch at 11am that day.

Pre - orders will be taken closer to the date.



Nords Wharf General Store

Did you know that we offer school lunches when the canteen is closed.

We offer **10% off menu pricing for school lunch orders,**

healthy options are available. Eg: sandwiches, wraps & salad bowls.

To combat the summer heat all lunch orders will receive a complimentary

zooper dooper till the end of term.

Looking forward to serving you, Anthony & Dale

Ph 4976-2266

Please note parents must organise lunches with the general store for their child by calling the store and placing the order.

School Canteen open Wednesday to Friday.

Students and Staff Watched as the *New Classroom* was installed at the school today.

It will be ready for use in 2016.



First the footings and path were concreted in, then the pylons built the a tree cut down



Now that's a big crane!



The classroom arrived late yesterday afternoon and parked across the road. The poor drivers spent the night sleeping in the truck cabins guarding our precious cargo. Then skilfully reversed all the way up the driveway



It looked almost as easy as Lego!!!!



WOW!

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