

Nords Wharf PS



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Term 4 Week 7

Thursday 19 November 2015

School Calendar 2015 Term 4 Events

Term 4	
Monday 30	Kinder Transition
<u>December</u> Tuesday 1	Maitland PS Band Perform 10am P&C Pizza Lunch
Thursday 3	Hello High School Year 6
Friday 4	Carols Night
Wednesday 9	Presentation Night 6pm to 8pm
Friday 11	Reports Go Home
Monday 14	Year 6 Farewell 6.00 pm
Tuesday 15	Water Fun Day
Wednesday 16	Talent Quest Last day for students
17 & 18 Thursday & Friday	Staff Development Day

*The community
acknowledges
traditional custodians of
the land on which the
school is located.*

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

The weeks are zooming by and planning for 2016 is underway. If you are aware of new students or families who are planning to start at Nords Wharf PS next year could you please ask them to contact the school. As we plan the classes over the next few weeks it is important that we plan to meet our students' needs in the best class for their learning. We will have 5 classes in 2016 and our room is almost ready for us to move in the new furniture.

Our leader voting for 2016 will take place tomorrow (Friday). Our future leaders will be presenting their speeches in the Library at 10:00am. Parents are welcome to attend.

The Carols Night is on Friday, 4 December starting at 6pm. We look forward to seeing all of families as we celebrate the festive season.

The staff and P&C have agreed to a change in lunch and recess times for 2016. This will enable our students to enjoy their lunch from 11:15 to 11:55am and afternoon recess will be at 1:40 pm until 2:00pm. We are also contemplating fortnightly newsletters. Please give us your feedback about newsletters. Have a great week!

K/1 News

Weeks 6 & 7 have been busy and exciting! We planted potatoes a few weeks ago and we have been watching them grow and pulling out the weeds around them. We have enjoyed picking cherry tomatoes and popping them in our mouths too!

On Tuesday, we made our own recycled paper. Thank you to Mrs MacKenzie and Mrs Clark for helping us. We can't wait to write on our special paper.

During our Science lesson, we took turns being blindfolded and using 3 of our senses (touch, smell and hearing) to work out what the object was in our hands. We discussed how our senses give us information about the world around us.

As part of our series of yoga sessions this term, we have started completing Cosmic Kids Yoga. These are fantastic stories online that the students participate in by copying the storyteller and doing the yoga moves with her. Have a look and see if you can join in at home. <https://m.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

I will be completing a number of projects over the next week and a half, so Miss T will be teaching K/1 during this time.

Trinity Hook

Year 1/2

The Stars of the Week are Julius and Isabelle.

Christmas has begun to creep into our classroom! We have written letters to Santa and by posting them early we hope to hear back before the end of Term!

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

The students in 1/2 had some lovely messages for Santa and learnt about how writing letters was different from other written text. We are also practising carols for Carols Night on Friday, 4 December.

On Thursday, 3 December I would like to invite parents and grandparents to our classroom for our annual Gingerbread House making afternoon! We will begin after lunch about 2:15pm. Any helpers that are available at this time would be very much appreciated.

Kate Halligan

2/3/4

The end of the year is fast approaching, which is a little exciting and sad all at the same time. However, it is great to see the continued effort that all of the students are showing. Congratulations to the students who scored 100% in their spelling last week. They were Conner, Dylan, Jack, Alex, Dylan, Daniel, Annie, James M, Lachlan, Darcy, Ruby, Max, Thai and Sunny. The students have also impressed me with their continued effort with reading and their times tables practice. This week we have had created 2 WIZARD MASTERS, these are the students that have achieved Grand Wizard at least 3 times this year.

Next week our class will be looking at Data during Maths and our news topic is to talk about a book that they love. We continue having some very interesting conversations around the early history of Australia. See if your child can tell you some of the ships names that travelled with the first fleet. As always please feel free to come and discuss anything that you like or if time is making such a conversation difficult please send a note in with your child and I will get back to you as soon as possible. My afternoon duty is on Mondays so you may be able to catch me at the school gate.

Mr Derbyshire

4/5/6

All portfolios need to be returned now so that the children can put this semester's work into it.

Another meeting for Year 5 parents to organise the Year 6 Farewell will be needed. I thought that Tuesday, 1 December would suit. Hopefully we can all be there at 3pm.

Year 5 students wishing to be office bearers will need to have their speeches ready for Friday.

Peter Westcott

Library News

E-safety for parents

The Australian government has launched a new website that helps parents deal with cyber safety. The website 'esafety resources for parents' <https://www.esafety.gov.au/education-resources/parent-resources> contains information about parent controls, cyberbullying and inappropriate content.

The Victorian Government have also provided a site that includes information for parents: Bully stoppers: parents <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/bullystoppers/Pages/parents.aspx>

Maria Stoppini

Office News

Invitations will be sent home next week for our Parent Helpers morning tea which will be held on Monday, 7 December. Every year, as a way of thanking all our wonderful volunteers, the staff put on a thank you morning tea. If you are one of our hardworking volunteers who is able to attend this morning tea, please RSVP no later than Thursday, 3 December so we can make sure catering is covered.

Robyn Hamilton

Merit Awards Term 4 Week 6



Class	Name
1/2	Bonnie, Charlotte, Joe, Kyan
2/3/4	Keely, Ben
4/5/6	Harry, Todd, Taj R, Oliver, Steve, Sam, Kaylan

Robyn Hamilton

Canteen News

The canteen will be holding a training day for any parents/carers/grandparents who are considering helping out in the canteen. Please come along to the canteen on Monday, 30 November from 9:30am – 10:30am. We would love to see you there.

P&C Christmas Raffle

Our wonderful and hardworking P&C will once again be organising a Christmas Raffle.

Prizes will be drawn at the Carols Night, Friday 4 December.

Tickets will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5 sent home to families next week.

Donations of non perishable Christmas items would be greatly appreciated, and can be left in the school office. Here are just a few suggestions: Christmas cakes or puddings, Christmas lollies, biscuits, jams, bon bons, tea towels or oven mits, soft toys, colouring in books, stickers, candles etc.



TERM DATES 2015

Term 4

6 October - 18 December

Term 1 2016

Staff return

Wednesday, 27 January

Students return

Thursday, 28 January

Did you know

Do you have a birthday in November? If so, you share the month with some very famous friends. Here are just a few.

Matthew McConaughey
Lorde

Leonardo DiCaprio

Ryan Gosling

Anne Hathaway

Whoopi Goldberg

Prince Charles

Danny DeVito

Owen Wilson

Jodie Foster

Scarlett Johansson

Miley Cryrs

Tina Turner



Quote of the week

The more you praise and celebrate your life, the more there is in life to celebrate.

Oprah Winfrey

In The Spotlight

K/1 have had a very 'hands on' week of learning.



How
To
Make
Paper
By Ms Hook



Step 1
Let's have fun!
Step 2
Remember to
Smile!

Step 3
A big
THANK YOU to
Mrs Mackenzie
and
Mrs Clark



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