

Nords Wharf PS



Term 2 Week 1

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School Calendar 2016 Term 2 Events

Term 2	
Tues 3/5	Starstruck rehearsal
Wed 4 /5	Athletics Carnival
Friday 6/5	Mothers Day Stall and Pampering Day
Tues 10 - Thurs 12 /5	NAPLAN Years 3 & 5
Wed 18/5	Zone Cross Country
Wed 18 –Fri 20/5	Year 5 & 6 Camp Canberra
Friday 27/5	CAPAPillar Day
17-18/6	StarStruck
Mon 20/6	Soccer Gala Day
Wed 22/6	Netball Gala Day
Tues 28/6— Wed 29/6	Band Link

**School Security
Number**
1300 880 021

The community acknowledges The Awabakal people as the traditional custodians of the land on which the school is located.

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS—Karin Hird

Save the date: School Concert is Friday, 9 September.

Welcome to Term 2. Please find attached to this newsletter a calendar of events. As always this is published with the understanding that unforeseen circumstances can lead to changes to dates and times of events.

Holiday Events

You may have seen on our Facebook page that our band was involved in a performance at Catherine Hill Bay last Saturday evening. They played the opening piece for the Film Festival. This was a very interesting experience for them as they played a 'soundscape' representing the mood created by the waves under the jetty. The band were joined by students from Caves Beach PS band and with some experienced adult musicians. Thank you to Julia Schofield and Kate Halligan for their hard work and effort to make this happen. Band members also 'busked' at Belmont Bunnings last Sunday. The students made \$153 from their busking and together with the sausage sales and Film Festival donations, \$1026 was raised for the band. Thank you to the parents and teachers who were able to come and support the band in their endeavours.

On ANZAC Day our school leaders Oliver and Taj were joined by Ruby in representing the school at the Catherine Hill Bay Dawn Service. This is always a very special event and the students did a wonderful job of representing us within the community. Later in the day a group of 20 students marched in the ANZAC Day March through Swansea with Oliver reading the Prayer for the Queen at the service afterwards. Thank you parents for your support in having the students there to march. The Swansea RSL showed their appreciation through a \$50 donation to the school.

Year 5 Opportunity Class Placements for 2017

If you are a Year 4 parent and are interested in your child being considered for placement in an OC class next year, applications are now open and close on Friday, 13 May.

Applications can only be made online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

There will be a placement test (not held at Nords Wharf PS) on Wednesday, 27 July.

An intention to apply letter is being sent home to all Year 4 parents. Please complete and return this form whether or not you are intending to apply.

Athletics Carnival

Our annual Athletics Carnival is being held on Wednesday next week. This carnival is for all students K-6 and all staff members will be in attendance. Parents are very welcome to come and watch, cheer and assist. Assistance with timekeeping is always appreciated and the P&C welcome you spending time serving in the canteen or cooking sausages. If you have experience with Little A's and are keen to provide more specialised support then please let us know.

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P&C President

Kate Lechner

CanteenOpen Wednesday,
Thursday and Friday

Coordinator

Anna Ditchburn

Uniform Shop

Open Thursdays

9:00 am—9:30am

Coordinator

Leanne Munro

Guitar

Monday

**Student Banking**

Tuesday

**Library**

Tuesday

**Scripture/
Ethics**

Wednesday

Band

Wednesday & Friday



We will be departing from school at 9 am. If you are taking your child directly to Baxter Oval please inform us beforehand so that we are not waiting for your child to arrive at school. All drivers need to have given the office their registration details and completed a Working with Children check. If you have not already provided this information then please arrive in plenty of time for the office to be able to assist you.

We will mark the roll prior to leaving school and again on arrival at Baxter Oval before getting underway with our March Past and War Cries.

Students may wear their house colours: Pelicans – green; Kingfishers – Red; and Sea Eagles – yellow.

Mother's Day Stall and Pamper Morning

On Friday, 6 May we will be pampering our mums in appreciation for all that they do. A note is coming home with all of the details. We hope that you will be able to join us for this special day.

Karin Hird

Kindergarten News

Welcome to Term 2. This term we will be looking at a Science unit called On the Move, which supports students to explore the push and pull forces they can use to move objects in ways such as sliding, bouncing and spinning. We have been practising skills for the Athletics Carnival, such as long jump. I will be sending home a note this week which explains all of the events Kindergarten will be involved in this term so that you can read about what is involved.

Trinity Hook

Class 1/2 News

Welcome back students and parents in 1/2! We have a great term ahead of us. Homework and spelling will begin next week and a Term Overview will also be sent home, which will be a helpful guide to our activities over the term. Please send in any home reading folders with books that need to be changed at any time. This week we have started straight back with SSP (Speech Sound activities, Reading groups and Maths groups, with the Year 1 Maths groups learning a great new Maths game to help with addition called "Greedy Pig". You could ask your child about this game. Next week, Wednesday, 4 May is our Athletics Carnival. Students will have the opportunity to participate in races and field events as well as purchase a sausage sandwich. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Kate Halligan

Class 2/3 News

Welcome back to Term 2! We hope all our students had a lovely, relaxing break and are ready for another exciting term of learning. Our focus in English will be journeys. We will be reading and studying a variety of texts to develop understanding of this theme. This is our public speaking term. A note went home yesterday with details of news topics, including when students will present their speech to the class. In History, we will be looking at past and present family life. Students will learn about similarities and differences in family life by comparing the present with the past. We will be learning about the Earth's natural resources in Science – what they are, how they are used and how we can care for them. Once again, if you have any spare time and can pop in to help in the classroom, we would be very grateful.

Donna Black and Karin Hird

Class 3/4 News

It was great to see the students return with big smiles and an eagerness to start work this week. No broken bones and all feeling healthy. It was also nice hearing about students "filling each other's buckets" over the holidays which I was very impressed with. I can announce at least 4 GRAND WIZARDS already to start the first week of Term 2. We have begun doing a few NAPLAN PRACTICES to help with any nerves and to just give some preparation for the upcoming test in a couple of weeks. The students seem to be coping well. Next

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week during maths we will continue with some questions structured in the NAPLAN format. We will also have the Athletics carnival on Wednesday so I hope to see as many of you there as possible. I am looking forward to another great term with your fantastic children.

Carl Derbyshire

5/6 Class News

I hope everyone has had an enjoyable break from school. For the first four weeks of this term, we have Mrs Pead from Curtin University helping with the teaching in our class. Our Canberra excursion is fast approaching and the children are getting excited. Also coming up is the science fair held at Swansea High. Interested students could begin thinking about a suitable experiment by googling Science Fair Ideas. This term we have public speaking. The title is free choice. The expected duration of the speech is three minutes. Students should aim for an interesting introduction, appropriate gestures and an effective conclusion.

Peter Westcott

Band News

Thank you so much to our wonderful band families who supported us last weekend at the Catherine Hill Bay Film Festival and Bunnings Band BBQ. Mrs Schofield and I were extremely proud of our students who came and performed at these events. Band accounts are being paid a different way this term. Cash or cheques for the terms fees can be made out to Nords Wharf Band Committee. Direct deposit can also be made by quoting your child/children's name/s and Term 2 to Nords Wharf Public School Band at the Commonwealth Bank, BSB: 062-820 Account number : 10053112. Thank you in advance.

Kate Halligan

Star Struck News

Our first Star Struck rehearsal is next Tuesday, 3 May. It would be appreciated if Star Struck students could return their permission note tomorrow (if not already returned) so Mr D can organise transport. The students, Mr D and I are very excited to be involved in Star Struck 2016 and I'm sure it will be a fantastic experience for your child.

Kate Halligan and Carl Derbyshire

MOTHERS DAY STALL

WE ARE IN URGENT NEED OF DONATIONS OF GIFTS FOR OUR MOTHER'S DAY STALL BEING HELD AT SCHOOL ON FRIDAY, 6 MAY, PLEASE SUPPORT OUR WONDERFUL P&C WITH THIS BY SENDING IN A SMALL GIFT. DON'T FORGET EVERY FAMILY WHO DONATES RECEIVES A RAFFLE TICKET TO WIN A 2016 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK VALUED AT \$60.

THANK YOU



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TERM DATES

2016

Term 2

26 April—

1 July

(Students return 27 April)

Term 3

18 July—

23 September

(Students return 19 July)

Term 4

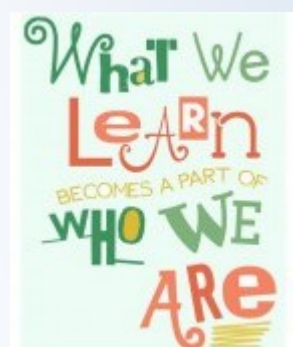
10 October—

20 December

(Students finish

16 December)

Quote
of the week



Did you know?

Children who take
music lessons show a
considerable increase
in ability to learn.

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Thank you to Miss Melons Fruit & Veg for donating fruit to our school this week. We had free apples to give to students who had no fruit for fruit break.

Merit Awards—Week 11 Term 1

Class	Name
K	Judah N
1/2	Rory B, Julius O, Taleah C, Tilly S, Taylah S, Callum G
2/3	Tommy B, Alby W, Charlotte P, Sari S
3/4	Madison O, Torhi S, Lyla M, Annie F, Jaden C
5/6	Evan G, Jay T, Nathan L-W, Ruby B, Billy K, Sam, S, Madi G, Jet O, Eva H, Sophie I, Coby B, Thai S, Max C, Taj R, Kaylan H, Oliver W

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