

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

March 13th, 2024



Growth.
Respect.
Inclusiveness.
Fun.

MARCH

Wednesday 13th

NAPLAN Writing-Grades 3&5

Thursday 14th

NAPLAN Reading-Grades 3 & 5

Friday 15th

NAPLAN Conventions Grades 3&5

Monday 18th

School Council AGM 6pm

Tuesday 19th

NAPLAN Numeracy- Grades 3&5

Thursday 28th

Final day of Term One-
out of uniform day.

Annual Wheelbarrow Grand
Prix. 11.30am-1pm

All welcome.

2.20pm finish

APRIL

Monday 15th

Students return.

Monday 22nd

Pupil Free Day.

Staff attending Professional
Development

Hope everyone found ways to stay cool during the heatwave of the last weekend!

NAPLAN

This week our Grade 3 and 5 students are participating in online NAPLAN assessments. Students at Nicholson have had some opportunities to familiarise themselves with the format through practise tests in an online and paper format. While we do analyse the data from NAPLAN for internal reasons, we do not see these tests as the key measurement of student progress. There are many summative and formative assessments teachers use to get an accurate, precise picture of student achievements and growth.

Parent/Teacher Catchups

Home-school partnerships are extremely important to us at Nicholson. Research shows that the stronger the partnership between home and school, the more engaged and successful students will be with their learning.

While there are ongoing opportunities for parents to meet informally with teachers, there are also opportunities to meet in a more formal setting twice in the year. Our first formal meeting is next week. This is an opportunity to catch up with classroom teachers and discuss how your child has settled into the school year, expectations of the year and any questions you may have around your child's learning.

We strongly encourage all families to attend. Booking forms have been sent home today. Please check your child's bag. Booking requests will be allocated on a first in, first served basis.

Late Arrivals/Early Pickups

A reminder, students who arrive late or are being picked up early must be signed in or out at the office. Thankyou

Wheelbarrow Grand Prix

At Nicholson Primary School, we celebrate the end of Term One with a Wheelbarrow Grand Prix, hosted by our Grade 5/6 students. It is a lot of fun and unique to our school! We hope that you can join us on the day.

Kind regards

Sue Clague

We acknowledge the Gunai-Kurnai people the traditional owners for the land our school is built on. We pay our respects to the elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



RECURRING EVENTS:

Breakfast Club:

Monday to Friday 8:15 – 9:00am

Playgroup:

Mondays 9:30am till 11:00am

Lunch Orders:

Orders and payment into school by Thursday morning.
Friday is lunch order day

School Council News

Easter Raffle: Could all families please donate to our Easter raffle which will be drawn on the final day of term, Thursday 28th March. Donations can be left at the office.



Birthdays

Reading Awards

Happy Birthday
Frankie & Ms Gamble



Learner Quality- Learner Quality- *Persist*

Persistent learners think positively, show patience, solve problems enjoy a challenge and learn from the mistakes they make. Persistent learners also stay focused on the task, try their hardest and never give up and show pride in what they achieve.

FOUNDATION

The students are settling into the school routines very well. We have now covered the 's,a,t,p,i,n,m' phoneme boxes and covered the correct formation of the letters associated with each. They have learned and practised a store of words known by sight, which they use and recognise consistently in their reading and writing. In maths we are working together to recognise numbers and collections of numbers to 20. They are also working very hard on the correct formation of the numerals. We are also learning to recognise and develop an effective working environment and co-operative learning strategies, working and playing with partners and small groups.

Grade 1/2

Students have been working on their handwriting, focusing on correct positioning and formation of letters. In reading and writing students have been learning about summarising stories and are currently publishing their own long weekend recount. In maths we have been working together to broaden our understanding of single and double-digit numbers, ordering smallest to largest and creating these numbers with unifix and MAB. We have also begun to write numbers out in word form. To complement students understanding of spelling, reading and writing, THRASS skills of blending and identifying different letters and their sounds has been a useful subject the students have been enjoying learning.

Grade 3/4

In maths we have been working on renaming numbers. We used money as an example to discuss value. I could have a \$10 note and my sister might have two \$5 notes. The value is the same, even though the notes are different. We can do the same with numbers. We made numbers using MAB blocks to model how we can change to combinations of blocks but keep the same value. For example, making 23 using two tens blocks and three ones blocks or one tens block and thirteen ones blocks.

In writing we brainstormed arguments for the persuasive topic 'I should learn to swim'. We then practised using a planning template to help us to plan our piece, including thinking of evidence to back our arguments.

Grade 5/6

After an amazing week on camp, we are back into classroom learning. We welcomed Luke into our grade and are excited to have a new friend here with us. In literacy we have been developing narratives using success criteria. We have chosen personal research topic ideas on technology and narrowed down our research parameters by asking three questions to investigate. In numeracy, we continue to work on our goals in place value, we have been exploring length and how to use appropriate units of measurement and learning how to convert between these units. This week we are moving onto collecting and analysing data in various formats.

Boat Ramp Mural

Have you noticed the new mural at the boat ramp in Nicholson? Our grade 3/4 were recently invited to participate in the project .It is a very colourful and bright addition to the area. Well done everyone!



THE RESILIENCE PROJECT™

Recently in The Resilience Project in Grade 3/4 we have been learning about character strengths.

What are character strengths?

Character strengths are the positive changes that a person possess naturally and impact the way a person thinks, feels and behaves in their life. Character strengths are used to help define our own core identity. We discussed the 24 different character strengths and then identified some that make up each one of us.



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YEAR 7 2025 INFORMATION EVENING

27 MARCH 2024



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- Well, we would love to speak to you!

Please call in and have a chat with Sam at the Lakes Entrance Aquadome or alternatively call 5155 3333.

For further information on courses please go to the following websites.

<https://austswim.com.au/course-listing>

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INDOOR SOCCER

FUTSAL SEASON STARTING 13th MAY 2024

WINTER COMPETITION

Mondays - 12 weeks + Finals

Juniors (ages 7+) & Seniors (Men & Women)

Come and Try days & Practice Matches at the BARC
29th April - Juniors 4:30 to 6pm / Seniors 6 to 7:30pm
6th May - Juniors 4:30 to 6pm / Seniors 6 to 7:30pm

- \$120 Juniors (7yo - 15yo)
- \$150 Seniors (16+)

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