



NIMMITABEL
Public School

NEWSLETTER

Term 1 Week 4 | Friday, 21 February



Entertaining at Bingo

The sweetest singing voices

Our School Vision

At Nimmitabel Public School, we aim to nurture a positive, respectful, and encouraging environment where every student is supported to embrace all learning opportunities.

Principal's Note

We've had a busy couple of weeks of learning! Teachers have been completing beginning of year assessments in English and maths to guide their teaching and learning activities, as well as providing clear goals for each individual student.

Thank you to the families who have sent back their 'ideas' page from the Back to School BBQ. These suggestions and thoughts help shape our decisions as a staff and guide our direction for the year.

2024 End of year surveys

At the end of 2024, families were asked to complete a survey sharing their thoughts and opinions from the year. From this survey, we have observed the following:

Strengths of the school

- Our facilities and resources
- Communication channels - newsletter, SchoolBytes, messaging and the frequency of communication
- Student individual progress in maths and English

Focus areas

- Support for students facing challenges with attendance
- Parents feeling that their child is well-prepared for the next grade

All students were also surveyed at the end of the year. Some observations from their responses include:

Strengths

- The students feel that the teachers care about how they're going, that they are encouraged to try new things and take on challenges
- Our music and drama program, cooking program and participation in sporting events were highly rated amongst nearly all students

Areas for improvement

- Students are not as aware of their progress across different subjects - staff will work towards helping students understand how to recognise progress

In 2025, these surveys will be given out at the end of Term 3, to allow plenty of time for all families to have the opportunity to complete them.

Staff training

All staff have recently completed their annual CPR and anaphylaxis training. This valuable training is essential in our roles.

We were able to have the Surf Life Saving instructor look over our defibrillator, stored in our sick bay in the office area, to confirm that it is in working order and ready to use in an emergency.

On Tuesday 25 February, we head in for our 'Community of Schools' Day; teachers attending will have the opportunity to observe another teacher's lesson, with a focus on explicit teaching strategies. In Week 9, teachers from other schools will visit Nimmitabel and the other small schools to observe some of our teachers teaching.

Snowy Mountains District PSSA Swimming

On Wednesday 18 February, Kara and Fiona travelled to Cooma to represent our school in the Snowy Mountains District swimming carnival. Both competed in backstroke and freestyle in their age groups and had a lot of fun having a go. Well done girls!

Coming up!

Clean Up Australia School's Clean Up day

Friday 28 February 1-2pm

We will get ready at 1pm with a quick talk about safety and then students and staff will head off with bags and gloves to pick up as much as possible on the school grounds and areas around the school.

Parents, grandparents and siblings are welcome to join us for our clean up. Please bring some gloves and bags if you are joining us.

Student Assembly

Monday 3 March 2:15pm in the school library

We will have some of our amazing learning to show you, as well as a demonstration of some of the games we play for morning fitness each day after the assembly.

Rosie Allen

Relieving Principal

'SwapIt' Lunchbox Program



swop it
everyday in the lunchbox

Add a splash of rainbow

Wow your kids by making everyday lunchboxes fun, colourful and appealing. Lots of colour means lots of different vitamins and minerals.

Swap out cupcakes or lollies and swap in:

- Grapes or berries – sweet, shiny and juicy!
- Rainbow vegetable sticks – try carrot, green beans and capsicum
- Our rainbow recipes - Lunchbox rainbow noodles, rainbow vegetable kebabs or fried rice salad for a colourful vegetable hit!



Return and Earn recycling at school

Our bottle recycling is ready for a new year!

This was a good source of fundraising in 2024,

and we look forward to helping our school and the environment even more this year.

It was decided in the P&C meetings last year that the family rostered on to do canteen for the fortnight would take a load of bottles and cans. Staff are also able to help when needed.



Library News

All students are encouraged to borrow books regularly. We have beautiful books in our library and every different book your child reads means their brain makes another connection and grows some more.

If you are worried the books might get lost, have a special shelf at home where the books go back to and are ready to be returned each Friday.

Library is held every Friday afternoon at school. Each child needs a **library bag** to keep the books clean and safe.

Happy reading! Frau Swan

P&C News

Our next P&C meeting will be on:

TBA

Following our P&C AGM, our P&C committee for 2025 is:

President: Brent

Vice-president: Tabitha

Secretary: Vicki

Treasurer: Gayle

Canteen coordinator: Rebecca

P&C membership is \$2 per member per year. To be a member of the P&C and receive meeting minutes etc, please send your \$2 in to school.

Please note that there are changes coming to the way we do canteen at school. More information will come shortly.

Attendance

When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

Parents and carers can help foster positive attendance habits by:

- helping their child learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- ensuring their child arrives on time from the start of the school day, ready to participate in learning
- reducing disruption to learning where possible, by planning any necessary appointments outside of school time
- promptly communicating any absence to the school (within 7 days of the first day of any absence)
- working with the school to encourage and support regular attendance.



SCHOOL PLANNER

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This information can also be found in the
School Bytes calendar.



School Bytes

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	24 February	25 February	26 February	27 February	28 February
Term 1 WEEK 5	School counsellor visit	Visit to Cooma PS for the day			- Canteen - Pond family - Clean Up Australia School's clean up day 1-2pm
WEEK 6	3 March	4 March	5 March	6 March	7 March
	Student Assembly 2:15pm at school				Friday cooking - bring \$2
WEEK 7	10 March	11 March	12 March	13 March	14 March
			NAPLAN begins		Canteen - Doyle family
WEEK 8	17 March	18 March	19 March	20 March	21 March
	- Healthy Harold visit to school - No bingo excursion due to HH				Friday cooking - bring \$2
WEEK 9	24 March	25 March	26 March	27 March	28 March
	School counsellor visit		Grip Student Leadership conference - Year 5 and 6 students		Canteen - Lucas family

Contacting the school

Please contact the school if you have any questions, suggestions or would like to talk about your child. You can call the school phone on 02 6454 6205, message the school mobile on 0438 546 205 or email the school at nimmitabel-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au and we will get back to you within 2 working days.

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