SCHOOL CAPTAINS PRESENT RONALD McDONALD HOUSE DONATION

We received a lovely thank you letter from Chris Watson, the House Manager of Tamworth's Ronald McDonald House. The school captains and presented our school's generous donation of $1524.70 on 18th October which was raised by all our students on Charity Day 2012 and Charity Day 2013. Mr Watson expressed his sincere appreciation for our ongoing support and welcomed future partnerships with our school. He stated in his letter that 7438 individuals have been supported by RMH since it opened its doors in September 2008. This is a fabulous achievement for what is a community driven initiative in our town. It was a proud occasion for the captains and myself. We were given a guided tour and full explanation of the ways in which the RMH helps families from our region. Well done students, staff and families of Nemingha Public School!

HOST FAMILIES

Thank you to our families who were kind enough to volunteer to be a host family for our lovely South Korean visitors this week. What an amazing opportunity for our visitors to be immersed in our daily lives. Big smiles were everywhere each morning as the children relayed their experiences to each other - swimming, quad bike riding, etc. Our students have also benefited from this visit by learning more about South Korea and its culture and education. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Graham for hosting a lovely BBQ for the students and host families on Thursday evening. This was a generous offer and greatly appreciated by all.

SISTER SCHOOLS

Mr Tae-Je Cho (Mr Jo), Principal of Naeri Elementary School, South Korea, and I have signed a memorandum of understanding which demonstrates an intention by Nemingha Public School and Naeri Elementary School to build a Sister School relationship in order to continue cultural exchanges via videoconferencing through the Australia-Korea ConneXions (AKC) program, coordinated by University of New England, and school exchange visits when it is possible and appropriate.
Nemingha Public School and Naeri Elementary School agree to the following:

1) Continue videoconferencing for cultural exchanges.
2) School exchange visits when it is possible and appropriate.
3) Arranging homestays for visiting school’s students and teachers.
4) E-pals by pairing the schools’ individual students to become friends by email exchanges.
5) Exchange of cultural artifacts once each year, preferably in October.
6) Exchange of educational information for mutual benefits.

CAPERS 2013

What a magnificent event at which our students and staff were able to shine! It takes a great deal of organisation and practise from our staff, our students and the many staff from other schools who organise and lead different components of the performances. School staff and parents donating their ‘home’ time for students makes such events possible. I think everyone would agree that it is a very worthwhile experience and that it gives our rural students the opportunity to display their talents in front of a large audience.

Congratulations to everyone involved!

MUSIC TUITION STUDENTS’ RECITAL

On Monday 18th November at 1.30 we will be showcasing the talents of our students who are undertaking tuition in Violin, Brass and Woodwind. Piano and Guitar. Each student will perform a small rendition of music they have been studying. Parents and family members are invited to come along and enjoy the progress these children have made.

Have a lovely Weekend

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SCHOOL PHOTOS

Orders for Sports / Captains photos closed on Friday 1st November. If anyone still wishes to place an order a $10 handling fee will be charged by the company.

CAPERS

It took a great deal of organisation and planning to pull together this fantastic public school event. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved. I would like to thank the students performing, parents, all teachers and students who went to the matinee. It certainly would not have been able to happen without everyone’s support.

Congratulations to the students who were performing. They gave their time to learn and practice every day and I am very proud of their efforts.

They represented Nemingha Public School with exemplary behaviour. There were many comments from other schools as well as the managers of the tunnels to say how well behaved and delightful the students were. Di Hall the director also personally thanked Nemingha for being involved this year.

I would like to thank Sharon Haling for helping with the Boy’s Dance and Toni Petty for the lanyards.

It makes me very proud to be a teacher of Nemingha Public School.

Kristine Sharkey

Jakayla Siemsen, Amber Mitchell and Avalon Sanbrook performing at CAPERS.

NOTELINK

Notes sent home in the past week

- Meal Deal
- Korean Exchange Visit
- School Spectacular invoice
Special visit from Naeri Elementary School, South Korea

This week, Nemingha Public School students have been fortunate to have some very special visitors from South Korea stay with us for the week.

This year, Year 5 and 6 students have been participating in weekly video conferences with students from Naeri Elementary School in South Korea. During this time we have exchanged information about our countries and cultures. This has been very interesting and both students and teachers have learnt a lot. Our visitors arrived on Monday afternoon. After a tour of the school, the children and teachers went home with their host families to enjoy a well-earned rest after their long trip.

On Tuesday morning we held a special assembly to welcome our visitors to the school. We were treated by a beautiful traditional fan dance performance and a Taekwondo demonstration. The Korean students then participated in classes with years 5 and 6. In Year 5, students did percussion and bush poetry and in year 6 they did Indigenous art. In the afternoon, both classes participated in Melbourne Cup activities.

On Wednesday, the Korean students and teachers along with years 5 and 6 went on an excursion around Tamworth. We had a tour of the AELEC, TREC, Golden Guitar and enjoyed a BBQ lunch at the Marsupial Park. We were also treated to a special cultural performance by the Peel HS Indigenous Boys Dance Group. The students were told stories of the dreaming, listened to the wonderful sounds of the didgeridoo and learnt how to throw a boomerang. Peel High School then presented the Korean students with a boomerang to take home. We would like to extend a very big thank you to Peel High School for their hospitality. We would also like to thank David and Sarah Weimer for cooking our BBQ lunch.

On Thursday, the Korean students were able to participate in a video conference with their own school. They made slideshows so they could share pictures of their Australian experience. A BBQ was also held at the residence of Peter and Priscilla Graham on Thursday night for the Korean students and their host families. We would like to thank the Graham family for offering to host the evening.

This experience has been one that both our students and the Korean students will remember for a very long time. It has been wonderful to see children from two very different cultures come together and enjoy learning from each other. We have really enjoyed hosting the students from Naeri Elementary School and consider ourselves very lucky to be a part of this experience.

Of course, a visit as such would not be possible without people opening their homes to host the Korean students and teachers. We would like to thank the following families for their generosity and kindness; Graham, Lesslie, Newcombe, Klepzig, Haling, Weimer, Price and the Gooch Family.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with Naeri Elementary School.

Kylie Lacey and Tracy Gooch

ROAD SAFETY

Parents are reminded that the drop off zone in front of the school is only to be used for pick up and drop off. The law states that you may not leave the vehicle and can only be parked in the zone for 2 minutes. Please do not use this area as long term parking. Also, when exiting the lower car park, please ensure that you do so in a safe manner. Do not exit straight ahead – you must turn left and use the appropriate exit. Speed limits are enforceable.
The Clothing Pool will **not** be open on **29**th November. Please note this change on your Term 4 Calendar.

*Karen Darling*
*Clothing Pool Coordinator*

**What’s Cooking in the Canteen**

Meal Deal “Let’s Wrap up 2013” on Monday **11**th November $5.50. Please do not put loose coins in the lunch bags, a small ziplock bag will prevent loss of money and keep the bag clean.

There will be a canteen meeting next Tuesday **12**th November at 9.30am.

*Marian Woods*
*Canteen Coordinator*

**YEAR 6 FAREWELL**

Year 5 students are holding a Lolly Guessing Competition to raise money for the Year 6 Farewell. Each guess will cost 50c and there are six prizes. Year 5 students will be available at lunchtimes during the next four weeks to record the guesses. The competition will be drawn on Friday **6**th December.

*Tracy Gooch*

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**BUNNINGS BARBEQUE**

Thank you to Renee Hawes, Mel Sanbrook, Kristy Train and Peter Henderson who donated their time to assist at the Bunnings Barbeque yesterday Wednesday **6**th November, your help was greatly appreciated.

**CATERING AT NEMINGHA HALL**

Nemingha Fundraising Committee have been approached at the last minute, to cater for the Christmas Extravaganza at the Nemingha Hall this **Saturday 9**th November. We need volunteers to help with serving between 9.00am and 4.00pm. Just one hour would be greatly appreciated. Please contact

Karlie Tongue on 0407 926132 or Sally Cronberger on 0410 609583.

*Sally Cronberger*
*Fundraising Coordinator*

**GINGERBREAD HOUSE**

The P&C fundraising committee is planning a Gingerbread house making night to be held on **6**th December at 7.00pm in the school hall. Notes with details have been handed out today.

*Fundraising Committee*