Calendar - 2015

May

Friday 15 May  Assembly  2.30pm - Year 5 item
Monday 18 May  Zone Cross Country  Barraba Recreation Ground
Friday 22 May  CAPERS Expressions of Interest  Expressions of interest for CAPERS 2015 should be returned to the school today
Wednesday 27 May  Chess Day  NSW Junior Chess League Competition for the North West Region  9.30am at Nemingha Public School  Permission notes due Tuesday 19 May

Wednesday 27 May  Year 3/4 Excursion meeting for parents  5pm in the Year 4 classroom
Friday 29 May  Canteen and Clothing Pool meeting  Term 2 meeting at 2pm in the staff room. All welcome.

Bunnings BBQ Stall

June

1-3 June  Tamworth Eisteddfod  Choral Speech
Thursday 4 June  Environment Day at Peel Wetlands  For Year 4 students
Friday 5 June  Bunnings BBQ Stall
Wednesday 10 June  School Council and P&C meetings  School Council at 6pm, P&C at 7pm
Saturday 13 June  Nemingha P&C Ball  at the Loombaherah Hall
15-16 June  Tamworth Eisteddfod  Choir
17-19 June  Year 3/4 Excursion  Aussie Bush Camp
Friday 19 June  The Gruffalo’s Child  11am - for Kindergarten and Year 1  Permission notes due by Friday 5 June

July

Friday 17 July  Athletics Carnival
Friday 24 July  Assembly  Year 3 item

August

Tuesday 25 August  School Photos
Friday 14 August  Zone Athletics Carnival  Tamworth Athletics Complex

November

6 and 7 November  CAPERS 2015  Tamworth Regional Entertainment and Conference Centre (TRECC)

Smiling faces at Mothers’ Day stall

I hope all the mothers and grandmothers had a wonderful day last Sunday.

Once again the fundraising committee excelled with their choices of gifts for the mums. Thank you to the committee, under the guidance of Sally Cronberger, for providing this service to the students. There were lots of smiling faces once the difficult job of choosing the right gift was complete.

School Council

The school council AGM was held on Wednesday night with the following people taking on executive roles:

President  Toni Petty
Secretary  Nicolette Moss

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome to the council Stacey Brown as parent representative, Janelle Tongue as community representative, and Pip Diss as staff representative.

Opportunities in performing arts

A number of notes have gone home recently regarding excellent opportunities for students to represent our school in CAPERS and the Tamworth Eisteddfod.

These events are a wonderful way for your children to experience working together and performing in front of an audience. Please consider completing these permission notes and allowing your child to represent Nemingha Public School in these cultural pursuits.

NAPLAN

Today was the final day of the NAPLAN tests. I would like to congratulate the Year 3 and 5 classes on the mature way they completed these assessments. The completed tests will be sent to Sydney for marking and results will be forwarded to parents in September.

From 2017 the NAPLAN tests will start to be delivered online. A major benefit of NAPLAN online will be a faster turnaround of information – around two weeks – for educators and parents to receive their child’s results.
**Rake and Bake**

Another successful Rake and Bake working bee took place on Wednesday morning. The ladies, under the guidance of Belinda Brennan and Karli Scott, were very busy in the garden as well as creating some craft items for the ‘Piallamore Pickers Day’.

Our Rake and Bake group have made some links with John Tucker from the local Landcare alliance. John and his band of helpers will work with us to beautify the front of the school with plants and enrich the soil around the bus bay.

If you are out and about on 14 June please call in to the Piallamore Recreation Ground and support our stall. All monies from this, along with the fee of one dollar per week per primary student for the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden, go towards providing ingredients and plants for this worthwhile educational program.

Have a wonderful weekend,
Leanne Kemp, Relieving Principal

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**The Gruffalos’s Child**

Kinder and Year 1 students have been offered a wonderful opportunity to watch a live production of “The Gruffalos’s Child” at the Capitol Theatre on Friday, 19 June.

This production is based on the award-winning picture book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler. The production has been described as “… everything good children’s theatre should be”. The Gruffalo’s Child brings together physical theatre, music and beautiful puppetry to deliver songs, laughs and scary fun!

Fifty-six tickets have been made available, and these will be available to Kindergarten and Year 1 in the first instance. If all tickets are not taken up by Kinder and Year 1 by the due date, the tickets left over will be offered to students in Year 2, and their names will be drawn out of hat to ensure fair distribution.

Kinder and Year 1 students are asked to hand notes and money to their classroom teacher by Friday, 5 June.

School uniforms (winter) are to be worn for this occasion. Students will travel by bus which will leave Nemingha School at approximately 10.30am. Students will have early recess before leaving and will have lunch on their return to school.

**CAPERS 2015**

Notes have gone out seeking expressions of interest for students to be part of CAPERS 2015.

Please remember that if you would like your child or children to be included in this wonderful performance event, the expression of interest should be returned by Friday 22 May.

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**Chess Day**

**Wednesday 27 May**

The second round of the Primary Schools Chess Teams Competition, which is run by the New South Wales Junior Chess League, is to be held on Wednesday 27 May at Nemingha Public School.

There will be over 100 students competing, who will play 6-7 rounds.

Chess players please bring some cakes or slices for Marion to sell at the canteen. Money raised will go towards the playground and new competition chess sets.

Canteen will be open on the day for all students and chess players will need to order before the competition starts at 9.30am.

Students will need to be in full winter uniform.

*Please come along and watch a game, as the students are amazing!*

Kristine Sharkey, Chess Co-ordinator
GRIP Leadership
Isabella Cameron, Campbell Spanswick and Deni Baker attended the GRIP (Generosity, Responsibility, Integrity, People) Leadership course on Monday 4 May.

The students learnt many practical and creative ways to be an effective leader. Throughout the day the students met with other leaders, discussed how to find opportunities to lead, what it means to stand up for others and how to develop a plan to make a difference.

Later in the year, the school leaders will be gathering ideas, developing a plan and then taking action to involve our school community.

What’s cooking in the Canteen

Volunteers
Volunteers for Week 6 are:
Mon 25/5  Amy Gregory
Wed 27/5  Julie Bazal
Friday 29/5  Michelle Mortlock

Canteen opening an extra day!
On Wednesday May 27 Nemingha Public is hosting a Chess Day. As other school students and parents will be in attendance it’s been decided the canteen will open for the day to help cater and look after our extra visitors.

This will be a Red Day, which means special food items can be sold. Donations of cupcakes and other treats would be appreciated, and can be dropped into the canteen in the morning.

Fridge Facts
Your fridge needs to be at or below 5 degrees Celsius. Bacteria can grow rapidly when food is kept in the temperature danger zone of 5-60 degrees Celsius. Food that has been in the temperature danger zone for between two and four hours needs to be consumed immediately. If it has been more than four hours, it needs to be discarded.

Buy a fridge thermometer and check your fridge temperature.

Remember: Recess and lunch orders need to be handed in before the bell.

Thank you,
Marion Woods, Canteen Manager
0414 766 131

P&C News

Next P&C Fundraising Meeting
Wednesday 20 May 5.30pm
Meeting at Hungry Jacks

Seeking Donations
The P&C are seeking donations of goods or services, nothing too big or too small, as we organise the Winter Wonderland Ball.

If you are able, or know of anyone able to donate, please contact Donna Murphy on 0418667202.
Outstanding cross country results

Last Friday we held a very successful Cross Country Carnival. All students participated well, with some outstanding results.

The winners of each age group are as follows:

5/6 Boys: Alex Hawkins
7 Boys: Lewis Leslie
8/9 Boys: Robert Murphy
10 Boys: Charlie Henderson
11 Boys: Thyla Condrick
12/13 Boys: Mitchell Henderson
5/6 Girls: Elsie Greentree
7 Girls: Mia Gentle
8/9 Girls: Cheyanna Norman
10 Girls: Monique Corbett
11 Girls: Sienna O’Mally
12/13 Girls: Sophie Corbett

Zone representatives

The following students will represent Nemingha Public School in Barraba on Monday 18 May at the Tamworth Zone cross country:

Mitchell Henderson
Deacon Tait
Tyhla Condrick
Jock Button
James Sainsbury
Luke Gentle
Charlie Henderson
Cody Barnett
Campbell Elliott
Ryan Stewart
Robert Murphy
Adam Davis
Riley Gentle
Forbes Murdoch
Cheyanna Norman
Paige Breen
Jess Haling
Chloe Moss
Monique Corbett
Elli Sainsbury
Amelia Hawes
Jess Plowman
Sienna O’Mally
Abbey Greentree
Emelyn Haling
Evelyn Murdoch
Sophie Corbett
Finella Palmer
Brianna Elliott and
Grace Darling.

Spectators welcome at girls’ cricket tomorrow

On Friday 15 May our girls’ cricket team play at 11am. Spectators are most welcome. They play Sir Henry Parkes school at Nemingha school.

David Lewis, Assistant Principal

Netball success

Congratulations to the Girls PSSA Netball Knockout team who won against Kootingal 17-1.

The team consisted of Emelyn Haling, Deni Baker, Isabella Cameron, Brianna Elliott, Nellie Palmer, Sienna O’Mally, Indianna Diss, Jasmine Olrich and Grace Darling.

The girls will play their next game against Tamworth South next Friday, 22 May, at the Sportsdome.