**Regular events return**

The school was a hive of activity on Friday with many of our regular events returning for 2016.

As most of you are aware we try very hard to schedule extracurricular occurrences on Fridays so that high quality educational experiences can take place with minimal interruption on Monday to Thursday.

Last Friday saw the return of religious education and our monthly assemblies. We also hosted the Opportunity Hub and the Kootingal and District Soccer Club.

**Scripture classes**

We are very blessed to have a wonderful team of volunteers who provide weekly scripture classes to the students every Friday at 11.20am.

I would like to thank Mrs Margaret Gentle for her organisation of classes and teachers, and thanks also to the scripture teachers who provide this service to our school.

Religious instruction is not a compulsory subject and we do provide supervision of students who do not attend.

Mrs Sharkey will work with K-2 students and Mrs Diss with Years 3-6 during this time if you choose for your child to be withdrawn from scripture.

**Opportunity Hub**

The Opportunity Hub is providing small group instruction, student wellbeing and leadership skills to students in Years 3-6.

The Opportunity Hub is a department within the Tamworth AECG and is providing this service to many schools within...
the region. Twenty students each week will participate in this program which will run every Friday morning for eight weeks.

“Come and Try” soccer day
The annual “Come and Try” soccer day was run by the Kootingal and District Soccer Club last Friday.

Mr and Mrs Corney and Mr Thompson joined with some of our school soccer players to conduct this skills-based day. All children from Kinder to Year 6 were able to participate in activities and drills in a non-competitive session.

As most of you would know, one of our major strategic directions in the school plan is community involvement, and this is evidence of our school and outside agencies working together to provide many varied opportunities for the students at NPS.

Congratulations to Year 6
Congratulations to Year 6 and Mrs Bowman on an entertaining assembly last Friday.

Year 6 showcase
What a busy start to the term it has been.
Year 6 have hit the ground running this term and are learning units of work across the different KLA’S and learning new concepts.

Year 6 have participated in leadership activities over the past few weeks. This has enabled them to learn about what it takes to be successful when carrying out various leadership roles within the school and wider community. Learning has included public speaking, confidence, conflict resolution and team building activities.

Year 6 presented their assembly item last Friday ‘Cartoon Heroes’. Students enjoyed dressing up in their costumes and the opportunity to choreograph their own routine and learn a song for the performance. Well done Year 6!

As this was our first Friday assembly we had many awards and presentations to hand out. I would like to congratulate Kindergarten on their exemplary behaviour throughout the proceedings. I would also like to commend our 2016 school captains and vice captains, Luke, Evelyn, Jock and Emelyn on the way they led their first Friday assembly. They behaved like seasoned professionals.

Thank you also to the parents of our school leaders who were able to make the assembly and be a part of the induction process.

Bus and pick-up arrangements
We are going to trial a new system for getting messages to students about bus and pick-up arrangements starting next week.

If all parents could contact the school prior to 2.30pm with any messages about home-time routines it would be greatly appreciated. At 3.00pm each day a call will be made to every classroom stating these messages. This will alleviate the time spent giving and receiving messages at bus lines and pick-ups and ensure parents and buses do not have to wait too long before the children are with you.

This is only a trial, which we will conduct for two weeks before we review it and either make it part of our school procedures, or try another system.

I look forward to seeing many of you tonight at the Welcome Barbeque and Disco,

Leanne Kemp, Relieving Principal

The details of the upcoming Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Nemingha Public School P&C Association are as follows:

Wednesday 9 March 2016
7pm in the Nemingha Public School Staffroom

All positions will be declared vacant and nominations will be taken for the positions of:

- President
- Vice President x2
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Canteen Convenor
- Clothing Pool Co-ordinator
- Fundraising Co-ordinator
- We Care Committee Co-ordinator
- School Banking Co-ordinator
- Publicity Officer
- Sports Committee Representatives

Karlie Tongue, Secretary
What’s cooking in the Canteen

Thanks to Harry, Edward and Laura for their kind donations to the canteen pantry this week.

Your generosity is appreciated.

Next week we will be paying some extra special attention to our new Kindy students. A window will be opened ONLY for them and their helping buddies to buy food at recess and lunch.

This is to help them become familiar with our routine on Monday and Friday, give them confidence in asking for food and handling a little money. Canteen items to purchase over the counter start at 30 cents for cheerios, and icy bites are very popular for 50 cents. The full menu is available for you to look at on the Skoolbag app or on our website. I look forward to seeing you all!

Our Term 1 combined Canteen and Clothing Pool meeting will be on Friday 1 April at 2pm in the staff room. Everybody is welcome, especially our canteen volunteers.

Thank you,
Marion Woods, Canteen Manager
0414 766 131

Tamworth Football Club

The committee of Tamworth FC (TFC) would like to welcome you to the 2016 football (soccer) season. If you are a returning player, welcome back, or a new player, we welcome you to the club. To register with TFC we are again using the “MyFootballClub” website and will be using the online payment system.

Registration Days:
Saturday 27th February – 9.00am-10.30am
Tuesday 8th March – 4.00pm-5.30pm

Registration fees:
Players 5-7 yrs $90*  Gipps St Football Fields
Players 8-11 yrs $100*
Players 12-18 yrs $110*
Seniors $280*  (men and women 19+)

*Fees after special club discount.

Email the club on tamworthfc@northerninlandfootball.net.au
if you need assistance with enquiries or online registration.
Club contact: 0418200148

Tamworth Junior Rugby COME & TRY DAY!

Tamworth Tri-Colours will be holding their Come & Try Days on Friday 4th & 11th March 2016 from 4.30 to 5.30 pm.

Come along & enjoy the great social atmosphere & learn more about the great game of rugby. Bring a friend!

Where: Viaduct Park, Marius St

Contacts: Leonie Phillips - Secretary 0467 671 515
Tim Elliot - President 0407 520 572

Visit our Facebook Page: Tamworth District Junior Rugby Union Club
Email: tamworthtricolours@gmail.com

Come for a day...........stay for a season!
SPORT NEWS

Come and Try soccer

We would like to thank Noel and Julie Corney and Chris Thompson for giving up their time last Friday to come to Nemingha and run a Come and Try soccer day.

All the students had a great time and enjoyed their soccer experience.

Cricket skills

Tomorrow we have Kathy Barber, the cricket development officer for Tamworth, coming to Nemingha to run some skills sessions with our students. These sessions are provided for the next five weeks and are free of charge thanks to the Sporting Schools grant which we received this year.

PSSA Netball

Congratulations to the following girls who have been selected in the PSSA Netball team for Nemingha: Abbey Greentree, Lucy Plowman, Emelyn Haling, Evelyn Murdoch, Jorja Norton, Amelia Hawes, Holly Austin and Hayley Mortlock.

Best of luck girls in your first game, which will be against Hillvue or Kootingal.

Girls’ cricket

Congratulations to the following girls who have been selected in the open girls’ cricket team: Emelyn Haling (C), Evelyn Murdoch, Monique Corbett, Abbey Greentree, Amber Mitchell, Amelia Hawes, Ellie Sainsbury, Jess Haling, Lucy Plowman, Paige Breen and Jess Plowman.

The girls will play Oxley Vale in the first round on Friday 11 March at Oxley Vale as they look to defend the state title we won in 2015.

Zone swimming

Good luck to the 28 students going to Zone swimming at Scully Park swimming pool tomorrow. We are sure you will represent our school with pride.

David Lewis, Assistant Principal

Book covering day

Thank you to Michelle Lane, Rachel Petrie, Kristy Train, Nanna Margaret and Martina Stimson for coming on Tuesday to cover books.

They did achieve a lot but there are plenty more books to be covered.

We would love more helpers next Tuesday at 10.30am.

Junior Season Launch

Sunday 6th March 2016
2pm – 5pm
at Dungowan Recreation Ground
Under 6s through to Under 14s

Come along if you are:
- thinking about playing Rugby League and want to know more about it
- an existing player, who wishes to have a bit of Rugby League fun before the season kicks off

Tom Learoyd-Lahrs will be there, as well as some of our Senior players.

For further info, inbox our Facebook page (Dungowan Junior Rugby League) or email dungowanboysjuniors@outlook.com