Calendar - 2016

March

Friday 25 March  Good Friday
Monday 28 March  Easter Monday
Tuesday 29 March  Canteen open

April

Friday 1 April  Canteen and Clothing Pool meeting 2pm in the staff room - all welcome  
               Bunnings BBQ - P&C Fundraiser
Friday 8 April  Last day of Term 1
Tuesday 26 April  Staff Development Day
Wed 27 April  Start of Term 2, 2016  
               Students return to school for Term 2
Friday 29 April  Lorin Nicholson performance  
                 9.30am in the hall

May

Friday 6 May  Assembly - Year 4 item

June

Friday 3 June  Assembly - Year 3 item  
               Labyrinth in the Library  
               An exquisite theatrical adventure into the imaginative world of books (for all students)

July

Friday 1 July  Last day of Term 2
Saturday 2 July  Bunnings BBQ - P&C Fundraiser
Monday 18 July  Staff Development Day
Tuesday 19 July  Start of Term 3, 2016  
                 Students return to school for Term 3

August

Friday 12 August  Assembly - Year 2 item

September

Friday 9 September  Assembly - Year 1 item
Friday 23 September  Last day of Term 3

October

Monday 10 October  Start of Term 4, 2016  
                   Students return to school for Term 4
Friday 21 October  Assembly - Kinder Blue item

November

Friday 11 November  Bunnings BBQ - P&C Fundraiser
Friday 18 November  Assembly - Kinder Red item

December

Friday 9 December  Presentation Day  
                  9.45am in the hall - everyone welcome
Friday 16 December  Last day of Term 4
19 and 20 December  Staff Development Days

Kitchen official opening

Last Friday we officially opened the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen with an afternoon tea for the Tamworth Lions Club members, who donated money and time to the project last year.

Year 6 and Mrs Bowman created a lovely spread of tasty treats for the 14 men and ladies of the Lions Club. The children cooked recipes that they have been making this term, with the banana cake being the most popular dish.

I took the opportunity to show the members our school and garden and they had a lovely time talking to the Year 6 students about the kitchen and what they learn during their weekly kitchen and garden lessons.

The club members were then treated to our monthly assembly, which included an exciting demonstration of gymnastics and science by Year 5. I presented a certificate of appreciation to Graham Davidson, 2015 Tamworth Lions Club president.

Graham commented on the achievements of the staff and students and later told me that he was so impressed with our school that the club would gladly help out with future projects.

This is certainly a community connection that we hope to maintain and call on in the future. Thank you Tamworth Lions Club.
School Banking

There will be no School banking next week (Week 10) due to the Easter Monday public holiday.

Banking will resume the following week, Monday 4 April.

School Banking Co-ordinators

Come and Try Day

On Tuesday, 25 eager pre-schoolers and their parents came to “Big School” for our annual Come and Try Day. The students had a lovely time with Mrs Holcombe, learning about farms and completing examples of activities that Kindergarten children will do in 2017.

While this was taking place the executive spoke about the opportunities our school can offer all students and the programs we have to present. We then took the parents and friends on a tour of the school and shared morning tea with them, which was provided by our wonderful staff.

The student leaders should also be mentioned for their excellent assistance in showing the pre-schoolers and their parents to the classroom, helping Mrs Holcombe and greeting them when they arrived.

National Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD)

As part of the Federal Government funding for all schools in Australia, Nemingha Public School is part of the National Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD). We participated in this process in both 2014 and 2015, and will do so again in 2016.

Our school values the full range of accommodations and adjustments to teaching programs to maximise learning. We register these adjustments in the NCCD to ensure that all students are catered for in the classroom. In order to continue to best support your child at school, all students are assessed to see if they suit any of the criteria of the NCCD. If you have any concerns regarding the NCCD please contact the school’s Learning and Support Team which is co-ordinated by Martina Stimson on 67609225.

Planning for History classes

The staff has been busy learning about the History K-10 syllabus during staff meetings that are held after school each Tuesday.

This knowledge will be put into practice in Week 11 when they work together with their stage counterparts to write a History unit of work to be taught in later in the year.

This collegial approach to planning provides all staff with a thorough understanding of the teaching and learning activities that will be taking place in Term 2. This enables teachers to adjust the activities to suit their class explicitly.

Easter Scripture Service

This afternoon we were treated to the Easter Scripture Service. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our scripture teachers who volunteer their time each week to provide this service to our school. Without such wonderful support, Nemingha Public School would not be able to provide the many and varied programs it has to offer in all areas for all students.

Have a lovely break with family and friends. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday 29 March ready for the final two weeks of the term.

Leanne Kemp, Relieving Principal

Tamworth High School Taster Day

Last Thursday, 21 Year 4 and 5 students visited Tamworth High School to participate in a ‘Taster Day’.

The students had the opportunity to experience a day in the life of a high school student. The four periods they were offered included a science lesson making sherbet, drama and dance lessons, a lesson using iPads in new and very interesting ways and a visit to the woodwork and plastics rooms.

The students mixed with children from other schools and were treated to a BBQ lunch. We would like to thank the principal of Tamworth High School, Mr Wilson, for inviting us. Thanks also to the teachers and students who welcomed us into their school.

Josh McDonald

STEWART HOUSE REMINDER

If you wish to support Stewart House with a donation and entry in their family holiday competition, please complete details on the back of the envelope sent out previously and return to the school office by 9 May.

The competition will be drawn on Friday 20 May.
**BUNNINGS BBQ**

Dates for 2016 for your calendar:
- Friday 1 April
- Saturday 2 July
- Friday 11 November

We are required to be there from 9am to 3pm, so any time that you can give to help will be most appreciated.
Contact Donna on 0418667202 if you are able to help on any of these days.

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**PIANO LESSONS**

We have a few vacancies in our Thursday piano lessons with Mr Weaver.
If your child is interested in learning piano next term, could you please contact the office for further details and a contract.
Half-hour lessons cost $20, payable direct to Mr Weaver.

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**FOR SALE**

Trumpet, metallic blue, in excellent condition $200. Please contact the school office if interested.

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**Clothing Pool**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the families for their continued support by purchasing school uniforms from the clothing pool.
I will be getting a lot of winter uniforms in, so please check your children’s winter uniform to make sure it fits.
If you need winter uniform items and can’t make it to the clothing pool on Mondays from 9.30 to 10.30 you are welcome to fill in an order form and send it to school with your child along with the payment and your child will bring it home.
Please remember if your child is marching in the ANZAC parade they need full winter uniform and ties.
Due to prior commitments, the clothing pool will be **closed until 4 April**. I’m sorry for any inconvenience caused.
I wish all families a safe and happy Easter.

Lesley Purdy,
Clothing Pool Coordinator

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**Dough Raiser Program**

Remember if you or your friends and family visit Bakers Delight in Tamworth Shoppingworld to ask that your purchase be accredited to Nemingha Public School.
We receive 5% of monies generated by sales to family, friends and staff.

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**What’s cooking in the Canteen**

The canteen will be open on Tuesday 29 March, after Easter.

On Friday 1 April at lunch, we will be selling some lollies:
- Wicked Fizz  20 cents
- Milkos  25 cents
- Fizzers  40 cents

Thanks to Mark Mitchell, Rogan and Amber’s father, for repairing one of our kitchen appliances. We appreciated your assistance.
Maryann and I attended a canteen managers’ workshop yesterday. It was organised by Good for Kids, and was most informative. Some specific points will be mentioned at our canteen meeting next Friday 1 April.
Thank you,
Marion Woods, Canteen Manager
0414 766 131
Sports News

Congratulations to our representatives

Soccer
Congratulations to Jayden Wise and Luke Gentle on their selection in the Southern team to go to the North West trials for soccer in Armidale on the 29 March. Best of luck boys.

Hockey
Congratulations to Emelyn Haling, who was selected for the Tamworth Zone Hockey team. Emelyn will now trial for the North West team in Armidale on the 31 March.

Cricket
Good luck to our five boys who are trialling for the North West Cricket team on the 30 March: Oliver Brennan, Luke Gentle, Charlie Henderson, Ryan Stewart and Ethan Dawson.

Touch football
The following boys have been selected in the open boys’ touch team for Nemingha: Jayden Wise, Fletcher Pennell, Luke Gentle, Jock Button, Charlie Henderson, Oliver Brennan, Lachie Humphries, Ryan Stewart, Tim Aspinal and Jack Thornton.

Horse sports
Erin Stirling had a busy day with her horse George at the Willow Tree Public School Annual Horse Sports Day.

Erin and George participated in every event, including the hack and rider classes and races including the mug race, keyhole race, barrel race, flag and bending races.

No ribbons but a personal best for George in the barrel race, stretching his little legs out to a gallop.

Many thanks to Christine Willcox as the Nemingha Team Manager on the day.

Nundle Pony Club Rally Day
If you would like to attend Nundle Pony Club’s Rally Day on 3rd April please ring Selena Sylvester on 0427468125 or 67693421

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY
TENNIS CAMPS
Jarrod Campbell and the team at the Northwest Tennis Academy will be holding 2 awesome tennis camps in the upcoming school holidays for the kids. Heaps of fun and great activities to keep the kids actively entertained having loads of enjoyment in a fun, safe & educational environment.

- 4 -16 years of age catered for.
- Fully supervised and run by a highly experienced and qualified team of tennis professionals.

Prizes for all kids who attend.
End of camp party and presentations.