## **Nowra Christian School**



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#### MAY

- **K-6 Cross Country Immunisations Year 7** 3.10pm Teacher Meeting **6pm Board Meeting**
- Stage 3 da Vinci Decathlon
- **SCHOOL PHOTOS**
- **SECET My School My Responsibility MSMR at NCS CSSA Soccer Trial** Stage 5 da Vinci Decathlon **Mother's Day Stall** No K-12 Assembly
- NAPLAN Years 3, 5, 7, 9 3.10pm Teacher Meeting 6.30pm K-2 Parent Reading **Workshops - NCS Library** 7.30pm P&F Meeting
- 11<sup>th</sup> NAPLAN Years 3, 5, 7, 9 Illawarra Career's Market Preliminary reports out to students
  - **K-6 Peasant Prince Stage Show**
- NAPLAN Years 3, 5, 7, 9 **Duke of Edinburgh - Silver Practice walk**
- **Duke of Edinburgh** Stage 3 GRIP Leadership Conference - Wollongong Uni K-6 Assembly (Stage 2)

## Community monicle

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And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. Ezekiel 36:26



## More quiet than usual but still plenty of fun!

With all the Secondary students away at Port Hacking Youth Works for the 2016 Secondary Camp and Year 5/6 away on their Mogo excursion the school playground at lunchtime has been notably more quiet than usual.

Stay tuned for full reports on the Secondary camp and Mogo excursion in the coming weeks.







The first week of the new term has been very exciting. I had the privilege of visiting both the Secondary Camp at Port Hacking and the Stage 3 overnight excursion to Mogo. The overriding feedback from staff was how wonderful our students are to take away. This is so encouraging to hear and highlights to me yet again the special nature of our School community.

Meanwhile, back at School, there were all sorts of things happening in and around the K-4 classrooms. At one stage on Friday I even witnessed Mrs Longfield chasing after the Kinder children!

With this week's Chronicle is a letter updating the fundraising progress for our School bus. Please read carefully and consider what support you may be able to offer. Thank you.

As we continue to explore our theme this term we will focus on what it means to be transformed by God's grace. Transformed lives begin with the gospel message of Christ, for in it is the power of God. It is the gospel that brings us salvation. In the Bible transformation means "change or renewal from a life that no longer conforms to the ways of the world to one that pleases God."

(Romans 12:2).



## **Important Notices**

#### **School Photo Day**

School Photo Day is next Thursday 5 May. All students are to wear their FULL WINTER uniform on this day. Girls can wear pants or dresses as per the School uniform policy.

#### **Mother's Day Stall Reminder**

Just a reminder to complete the <u>online</u> <u>order form</u> for the Mother's Day Stall to avoid disappointment. Plants must be pre-ordered by tomorrow. Everything else can be purchased on the day or pre-ordered.

#### **K-6 Cross Country**

K-6 Cross Country is tomorrow. Please see page 3 for further important information.

#### **P&F Committee Meeting**

Following the Parent Reading Workshop our P&F Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 10 May from 7.30 - 8.30pm.

# Changes to Chronicle

This term we are changing the way we do Chronicle.

As from next Monday 9 May families will receive a brief email newsletter version of Chronicle which will consist of the calendar, a Principal's report and any other information that is relevant for the week.

This will also be added to our Web page and 'skoolbagged'

On Tuesday in AM and K – 6 roll call classes, staff will go through Chronicle with students, pointing out the important information.

Our desire is that between home and school, students will know what is happening during the week.

On the first Monday of each month, Chronicle will include photos and report of events that have already taken place, as well as other reports from teachers etc.

This will also be emailed, put on our Web page, 'skoolbaged' and a hard copy sent home with the eldest in the family.

#### **Uniform Changeover**

Reminder from next Monday 9 May, all students are required to wear their FULL WINTER uniform.

#### **Photo Consent Form**

A photo consent form was sent home today. Can you please ensure these are filled out and returned by Wednesday 4 May. There will be a professional photographer at school on Thursday 5 May to take photos for promotional use. If you object to your child participating in these photos please ensure you have returned the form.



#### **Praise God:**

- for the miracle regarding Mrs Thompson's cancer. Praise God that she needs no further treatment
- for the safety of staff and students at our two camps.
   Praise God that everyone had a wonderful time and were a great example for our School
- for the message the guest speaker (Andy Stevenson) spoke to the students at Secondary Camp. Pray that the seed has been planted and we can assist God as He waters

#### Pray for:

- the K-6 Cross Country tomorrow
- the My School, My Responsibility event, that students will be encouraged to share the Gospel in their own schools.
- the new families who have recently joined our School as they settle in
- our mums, that they have an enjoyable Mother's Day
- our Board, specifically as they interview applicants for the position of Principal this Saturday

#### **Pray and thank God for:**

 families and students in Yr 5 and Year 11 and for Mrs Parsons, Mrs Perry and Mr Petts



## **K-6 Cross Country tomorrow**

The Primary Cross Country will be held tomorrow Tuesday 3 May.

All students are to wear their sports uniform. They may wear a t-shirt in their house colours for the event but should wear it under their uniform to come to school. Please do not allow your child to run in track pants - they are more useful before and/or after the race.

Black Hawks = green

Sea Kings = purple

Marshalling of students begins at 8:30am and races begin at 8:45am.

Those parents and students assisting with recording, timekeeping and checkpoints please report to Mr. Terlich at 8:20am on the southern oval.

All children are to line up outside their classrooms when the bell goes.

It would be wise for all children to bring a juice popper and some fruit and vegetables to consume following their race as well as their water bottle. It would also be prudent for them to bring a spare pair of shoes and socks to change into after their race.

Please note all children must return to their house seating areas following their event.

Spectators, upon arriving at NCS, you are asked to proceed to the southern oval.



## 2016 Price List >>>

#### **Parent Helpers**

Fri 6 May

Lisa Donovan Marianne Cohen

Mon 9 May Jane Pearce

#### **Secondary helpers**

Wed 4 May

Olivia Clifton

Velisha-Mae Bramble

Fri 6 May

Lucinda O'Dowd Elizabeth Curline

Mon 9 May

Josh Davey Bryan Lee

#### **Monday special**

Nachos - Small \$3, Large \$4.50

#### Friday Special - 6 May

Thai Chicken Rice Paper Rolls \$4.50

#### Volunteers needed!

If you can help in the Canteen please add your name to the online roster. You can access the online volunteers roster using your parent login at <a href="https://www.school24.net.au">www.school24.net.au</a>. Alternatively call Lisa Merison on 0402 810 730.

#### Order online >>>

To create an online account you will need the NCS School Registration ID: 25335963.

## NAPLAN 10-12 May

Please be aware that NAPLAN tests will be conducted next week for Year 3, 5, 7 and 9.

If your child is in one of these years please make sure they are at school on time and have had plenty of sleep.

The schedule of tests is as follows

Wed 10 May - Language Conventions

Writing

Thurs 11 May - Reading

Fri 12 May - Numeracy

## SECET My School My Responsibility (MSMR) 2016

NCS will be hosting the annual MSMR event this Friday 6 May. This was a huge event last year, with over 130 students from high schools around the region getting together under the SECET banner to be encouraged to proclaim the good news of Jesus at their schools.

We anticipate many more students again this year!

As part of hosting the event NCS students will be helping out with setup, welcoming, registration and packup.

Parents of NCS are invited to contribute as well - SECET will be organising food on the day and donations of slices, biscuits etc, would



be welcome by bringing them to the Church Hall on the day.

## K-2 Parent Workshop – Reading with Your Children

Do you want to know more about helping your child with their reading?

Are you asking yourself "What is this Get Reading Right program my child is talking about?"

If this is the case, then you will want to attend the Parent Reading Workshop coming up next week!

Date: Tuesday 10 May (Week 3)

Time: 6.30 - 7.30 pm Place: NCS Library

**TOPICS:** 

Get Reading Right – what is this synthetic phonics program used at NCS in K-2? How does it work?

Home reading – Why do we have a Home Reading Program? Why are the readers too easy for my child? How can I help my child with their home reading?

Difficulties with reading – what can I do to help my child who finds reading difficult? What is the School doing to help my child?

Please contact the School to let us know that you are coming, by emailing:

yvonheff@ncs.nsw.edu.au or phoning the School Office on 44 221199.

RSVP date: Friday 6th May, 2016.We look forward to seeing you there!

## Do you need after school care?

Camp Australia provides out of school hours care at NCS everyday from 2:50pm - 6pm.



For more information about the program, fees and to register your child please visit <a href="www.campaustralia.com.au">www.campaustralia.com.au</a>

## Community NEWS



## New Orleans Second-Line Workshop For Kids

When: Saturday 7 May 2016

1pm - 2pm

Where: Berry Pavilion,

Showgrounds, Corner of Victoria St and Albany St

Cost: \$15 per participant

What to bring: Instrument if easily portable, New Orleans Style dress ups (pork pie hats or

flat caps, braces, ties, handkerchiefs)

Booking: <u>www.</u> berryjazz.com.au

Info: 02 9036 6292



# **Upcoming Events**



#### Mother's Day Stall

#### Friday 6 May

The P&F will be running a Mother's Day Stall this Friday. There are a number of great gifts to choose from for your loved ones. Buy on the day or <u>order online</u> to avoid disappointment. Plants must be preordered by tomorrow 3 May.

## NCS Thanksgiving Night Wednesday 7 December

Just a reminder that our Thanksgiving Awards Night will be held on Wednesday 7 December. Please keep this date free.



Uniform Shop Hours
Tuesday 8.15am – 9am
Thursday 2.30pm - 3pm

## Stay up to date

Don't forget to like us on Facebook.
Also download our Skoolbag app. Both are great communication tools we use to keep you informed.





#### Office Hours:

8am - 4pm

#### **School Hours:**

7 - 12 8.25am - 2.50pm K - 6 8.35am - 2.50pm

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