

# Nowra East Public School

## Strive For Better Things!

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Newsletter Week 7 Term 4

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### *PBL Focus: Canteen Procedures*

- Line up behind the line
- Be polite to the canteen helpers
- Use manners "Please" and "Thank you"
- Sit and eat at the tables quietly.
- All food must be eaten at the canteen tables.

### *School Bus*

I have been advised that our school bus is scheduled for delivery today or tomorrow. Students and staff members are preparing to celebrate the arrival of our wonderful new resource.

### *Student Reports*

All teachers are currently writing the end of year student reports. These are scheduled to be issued to parents on **Friday 9 December**. In order for parents to have a clear understanding of the reports, I want clarify a number of point of confusion.

**N/A** – if a student receives this grade next to a curriculum area it means that the student has not completed that particular unit or topic of work. This may be for a variety of reasons but the most common is that students have been away for the work or are new to the school and did not attend any of the lessons.

**'C' is fantastic.** This is the grade we expect children to achieve. However, we all know that children learn at different rates and not all will achieve a 'C'. Those who have some difficulty may receive a 'D' or an 'E', while others who excel with their learning may receive a 'B' or an 'A'.

Regardless of the grade your child has received, it is most import that you acknowledge how hard they have tried and to keeping working hard. Improvement will come to those who keep trying.

Below is a brief summary of the Department of Education's descriptions for the A-E scale. If you require further explanation please contact your child's teacher.

### **A-E Scale**

**A or Outstanding:** The student has an **extensive** knowledge and understanding of the content and **can readily apply** this knowledge. In addition, the student has achieved a **very high** level of competence in the processes and skills and **can apply these** skills to **new** situations

**B or High:** The student has a **thorough** knowledge and understanding of the content and a **high** level of competence in the processes and skills. In addition, the student **is able to apply** this knowledge and these skills **to most** situations.

**C or Sound:** The student has a **sound** knowledge and understanding of **the main areas** of content and has achieved an **adequate** level of competence in the processes and skills.

**D or Basic:** The student has a **basic** knowledge and understanding of the content and has achieved a **limited** level of competence in the processes and skills

**E or Limited:** The student has an **elementary** knowledge and understanding in **few areas** of the content and has achieved **very limited** competence in some of the processes and skills

### *Code of Ethics*

The Department of Education's Code of Ethics states that all employees of the Department must show dignity and respect by avoiding behaviour which is, or might reasonably be perceived as, harassing, bullying or intimidating. They must maintain professional relationships with:

- students
- parents and carers
- colleagues, and
- business partners

Our school values of Safe, Learning, Respect and Responsibility have been chosen to help educate the students in appropriate behaviour expected while at school and in the wider community.

It is expected that parents who enter the school grounds should also model and respect these values and ethics.

I regret to inform you that there have been some unfortunate incidents where parents have been involved in abusive altercations with each other on school grounds. Parents and carers must be aware that poor behaviour by parents on school grounds or while speaking with teachers will not be tolerated. In extreme cases, I have the right to prevent parents from entering onto the school grounds under the Enclosed Lands Protection Act 1901.

Disputes between families and individuals must be left outside the school gates in order to protect our students from unwanted exposure to verbal abuse and inappropriate behaviour. I look forward to everyone maintaining the high standard of behaviour at Nowra East Public School and not tolerating bad parent behaviour in front of our kids.

Thank you for understanding this delicate matter.

Mr Collins  
Principal

| Weekly Awards K - 2 Week 7 |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Wallaroo                   | Nate, Alexis    |
| Wombat                     | Layla, Koby     |
| Emu                        | Monique, Koby   |
| Weekly Awards 3 - 6 Week 7 |                 |
| Bilby                      | Austin, Carlos  |
| Kangaroo                   | Merinda, Chris  |
| Dingo                      | Harmony, Dylan  |
| Bandicoot                  | Kiplan, Crystal |
| Possum                     | Kiara, Tyra     |
| Magpie                     | Kiana           |
| Kookaburra                 | Jason, Blake    |

| COMING EVENTS TERM 4 |                              |
|----------------------|------------------------------|
| Week 7               |                              |
| Thurs 24 November    | In2Uni Mentor Programme      |
| Thurs 24 November    | Kidzwish excursion           |
| Mon 21-25 November   | Swimming Scheme              |
| Week 8               |                              |
| Mon 28 November      | Garden Workshop              |
| Tues 29 November     | Year 6 Transition SHS        |
| Tues 29 November     | TAPSTAR K-2                  |
| Fri 2 December       | Dump Zone Presentation       |
| Week 9               |                              |
| Tues 6 December      | Figtree Farm DSU excursion   |
| Thurs 8 December     | Presentation Assembly 9:30   |
| Fri 9 December       | Preschool Christmas Party    |
| Week 10              |                              |
| Mon 12 December      | K-2 Picnic Day Stage 1       |
| Tues 13 December     | Jamberoo 8.30am -3pm Stage 3 |
| Tues 13 December     | Roxy Cinema Nowra Stage 2    |
| Thurs 15 December    | Year 6 Farewell              |
| Fri 16 December      | Last day of Term 4           |

## P&C NEWS

### School Banking

School Banking every Thursday 8:45am till 9am at the Canteen window. *School Banking will not be available Thursday 24 November.*

### Uniform Shop

Eftpos is back with a small fee of \$1.00 per transaction. Opening hours are Monday and Thursday morning 8.45am till 9.15am. Layby now to beat the new year rush with just 10% deposit.

School Shirts \$20.00

Skorts \$18.00

Logo Hat \$12.00

Library Bags are also available.

Due to a price increase the CARGO SHORTS have been modified to keep prices down.

### P&C Meeting

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am in the staff room. This will be a general meeting then our AGM. Everybody welcome to attend

### Book Club

Issue 8 is due back by 30 November, sorry no LATE ORDERS will be accepted.

# Star of the Week!

## Miss Jen!

**What is your role at Nowra East Public School?**

My role at NEPS is Norta Norta Tutoring meaning- "Life Long Learning". This is the Nyampa Language originating from Wilcannia.

**What do you enjoy most about your job?**

I enjoy working with the students at NEPS, seeing them learn something new every day and gain confidence in themselves to achieve goals. I also enjoy working with the staff at NEPS, who teach ME something new every day!!

**What has your favourite memory of 2016 been?**

My favourite memory this year has been the NAIDOC art exhibition in the hall, organised by Aunty Belinda and the Aboriginal Education Team. This event was very successful and it was great to see so many student achievements being celebrated.

**What are you looking forward to for the remainder of the term?**

This term I am looking forward to further promoting the idea of 'fun learning'. I would like to see the students I work with progress towards their literacy and numeracy goals.

**Who is your star student of the week and why?**

ALL students at NEPS are stars!!!

Thank you Miss Jen!

