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**ADDING 10 MINUTES A DAY TO A CHILD'S READING MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE OVER THE YEAR.**

A COMPARISON OF YEAR 5 CHILDREN

Reading Time	Words Over 1 Year
2 MINS	~100,000
12 MINS	~400,000
15 MINS	~800,000
20 MINS	~1,400,000

**DID YOU NOTICE?**  
 THE MORE MINUTES CHILDREN READ PER DAY, THE MORE FLUENT THEIR READING BECOMES.  
 FROM 5 MINUTES TO 15 MINUTES PER NIGHT THERE IS AROUND  
**A 200% INCREASE IN WORD EXPOSURE OVER ONE YEAR!**

RESEARCH SHOWS US THAT THE BENEFITS OF READING MORE IMPROVE PERFORMANCE IN:  
**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE, VOCABULARY, READING COMPREHENSION, VERBAL FLUENCY AND SPELLING.\*\***

**SCHOLASTIC** Let's Raise Readers!

**Keep a watch on our school these holidays**

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please remember to call the School Watch number — 13 17 88.

The School Watch Program is a partnership between the Department of Education, Training and Employment, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

If you do see something suspicious, please don't attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local Police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

Keep the number handy — 13 17 88 — and let's work together to help create a safer school community.

If you would like to know more about the School Watch Program, please call the Department's Emergency and Security Management



Every Day Counts



# The Nobby Link

confidence in a connected world

Term 4 Week 10  
 Thursday 11th December  
 2014

**End of Year Message**

We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and New Year. Enjoy the break and cherish the special times you get to spend with family and friends.

Thank you for your support of our wonderful school. We look forward to seeing you all in 2015.

**Resource Scheme**

The resource fee for next year will be \$90 per student. This can be paid to the office prior to commencement of Term 1 or by direct debit:

Commonwealth Bank  
 BSB: 064 -459  
 A/C: 1023 4289

Thanks again to Sam and Robyn Little at Rudds Pub for their generous donation to the school to help subsidise every student's resource fee. We appreciate their ongoing support!

Please ensure that all Resource Scheme forms are returned to the office and payment made by 30th January 2015.

**Office hours- January**

Our office will be open on Tuesday and Wednesday, 19th and 20th January. It will also be open on the afternoon of Friday 23rd January.

**Shared Lunch and Free Dress Day**

We will be having a shared lunch tomorrow, at 12:30pm, to celebrate the end of a fantastic year. All families are asked to provide a plate to share for the lunch. We will also have a belated sausage sizzle. Please come along and join us for this celebration.

Students are able to wear Free Dress (at no cost).

**Nobby Markets**

Our Nobby Markets stall has proved very successful over the past 3 months. The Project Club raised approximately \$400 for charity and our P&C sold many tickets in their end of year raffle. I would like to thank everyone for their help and support over the three Saturdays.

**Nobby Carols In The Park**

Our budding Christmas Carols choir sang at last week's Nobby Christmas carols. Although wet, a great night was had by all.

**Student Project Club (SPC)**

The Project Club are again giving to charity and to those in need. We have adopted a family in Toowoomba, and will this week drop off their Christmas hamper. The SPC will also finalise their order for some new sports flags this week.

**Attendance**

Our attendance this year is 91.8%. Our goal was 95%, which we almost reached in semester 1 (94.5%). Semester 2 has not been quite as good, with 89.2%. Congratulations to the following students, who met the 95% goal.

Jack Green, Tom Green, Kurtis Mossetter, Jak Kiepe, Darcy Noller, Ruby Noller, Connor Bauer, Frankie Barwick, Cameron Knecht, Audrey Barwick, Tyson Schafer, Scarlet Barwick and Nate Armstrong.

Calendar		
Term 4, 2014		
Week 10	Friday 12th December	Shared Lunch and Free Dress Day
Week 10	Friday 12th December	Last Day of Term 4
Term 1, 2015		
Week 1	Monday 26th January	Australia Day Public Holiday
Week 1	Tuesday 27th January	School Resumes
Week 2	Tuesday 3rd February	Parent Information Afternoon
Week 3	Friday 13th February	CD Swimming Carnival
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**P&C Christmas Raffle**

Thankyou to everyone who supported this year's Christmas raffle, whether you helped sell tickets, or purchased tickets.

Congratulations to our winners:

- Tash Youngberry 1st, \$400 Coles voucher
- Amy Muller, 2nd, \$250 Big W voucher
- Emma Muller, 3rd, \$100 Cinema voucher



### Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all of the students for their participation and cheering at today's Interhouse Swimming Carnival. We had nearly completed all of the events when the storm threat forced any early finish. CUNNINGHAM were victorious again, having now taken out all three interhouse carnivals this year. Thanks to the parents who were able to come and cheer and help out with the running of the carnival.



### Presentation Night



'Everything is AWESOME...everything is cool when you're part of a team!' And what a great team we have here at Nobby! Thank-you to all our wonderful family and community members for making our presentation night such a wonderful success. Raising your money boxes and supporting the senior class fete, raised \$133 to go towards our Christmas Adopt-A-Family. Thank-you! Congratulations to all the students for their brilliant artworks and awesome dancing and singing —what talented students we have! And congratulations to the recipients of our academic and sporting achievement awards—very well earned! Finally, a huge thank-you to the P&C for the delicious sausage sizzle.

