This year’s Senior Room Camp was based at Stanley River Environmental Education Centre. Everyone in Years 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7 were able to attend, and Mr Youngberry, Mrs Terri and Chappy Matt came too. These are some of my memories of the 2012 Nobby State School Camp.

Best daytime activity: Raft building
Best night time activity: Orienteering to find time capsules
Worst memory: Getting in trouble for tipping the canoe
Most scary memory: Confronting black “rabbit like” creatures in the dark between the dining hall and the dorms
Most funny memory: Thomas being hit in the face with a sloppy sponge, fired by Mrs Terri
Best food: All of it! (bacon, eggs, hash-browns, camp oven stew, lasagne, sausages & mash, hotpot, sticky date pudding, apple crumble, fruit salad... Marion the German chef was fantastic)
Most tiring activity: Paddling 15km in a canoe
Most challenging activity: Knot tying for raft building & catapult construction
Most interesting feature of the campsites: Ancient aboriginal meeting place
Most luxurious memory: Leather seats & televisions on the bus
Best thing I brought home: Clay bowl (but Mum thinks all my clothes)

At Nobby we are really lucky we get to go on bush, beach and urban camps. But for me bush camps are THE BEST!

By Sam Green

On Tuesday the 16th we went on school camp. When we got there we got to meet the cook. Her cooking was awesome. We also met Kate, Steve and Theresa. On the first day we did compass work. At night we got in groups and went to find a time capsule. A time capsule is a box with old things from the past. I mean like from the past. We are talking dinosaur years. Anyway back to the story. On the second day we had breakfast. For breakfast we had fruit salad cereal and bacon and eggs. Then we went canoeing. At night we got to play sing star. Mrs Terri, Chappie Matt and Mr Youngberry had a go. Mrs Terri won and so did Mr Youngberry. Some people got chocolates because we got high scores. The third day we got taught how to throw a boomerang and a spear and make clay things. That night we got to play a game called Zulu in the dark it was fun. The last day we had to pack, say good bye and jump on the bus and went home. I had a great time. I would love to go again next year.

By Kendell Wilkins

Nobby State School Camp

Warm Welcome
I would like to welcome the Noller family to Nobby SS. Ruby and Darcy have settled nicely into the Junior Room with Mrs Morwood. Please say g’day to parents Tim & Wendy when you see them around the school.

Congrats to the P&C for successful funding application
Our school has recently received a large sum of money to upgrade our facilities. It was agreed at the P&C & staff meetings that we would put this money towards a new and improved outdoor play area. Interested parents and staff members are invited to help plan this new area on Monday afternoon at 3:30pm (next Monday 29th October).

School Concert
By the end of week 3 all parts for our school concert should be finalised. Please let Mrs Morwood know if your child will not be available for the school concert cast as soon as possible.

The concert is being held in conjunction with our Presentation Night on Tuesday 11th December.

Clifton SHS in 2013?
The Clifton SHS Open Day and Showcase is on tomorrow. If your child is attending CSHS in 2013 and hasn’t as yet returned enrolment forms, can you please attempt to get these filled out to take them along with you.

Shared Schools Car Raffle
Thank you to everyone who has supported this raffle so far. If we sell every ticket, our school will have raised $1250!!! Please return any sold books of tickets by tomorrow.

MONEY CANNOT BE LEFT IN THE COLLECTION BOXES IN THE OFFICE. MONEY MUST GO TO A STAFF MEMBER IN THE OFFICE!!

Ball Games Carnival
The Emu Creek Ball Games will be held on Friday 2nd November. We have arranged for a bus to go over and back on the day. This is available to all students at a cost of $3 per student. Seats are limited so please send permission forms back quickly.

Resource Scheme vs. Booklists
The P&C have again agreed that the resource scheme is the way to go when it comes to supplying booklists for students. This means that instead of having to fill a booklist, parents need only fill out the required form and pay the fee. Books, stationary and all required resources will then be supplied to students on day 1 in 2013.

This year, Sam & Robyn Little have generously donated money to subsidise every child’s booklist by $10. Your fee will therefore be $70 per student. Thanks Sam & Robyn!!!!

The Nobby Link
From the Principal’s Desk
Congratulations to our Rose and Iris colouring competition winners - Prep - Graham, Highly commended; Year 2 - Tom, 1st; Scarlet - 2nd; Ethan M - Highly Commended; Year 5 - Kendell - 2nd.

We were successful in gaining a second placing for our window display in the Country week competition (at the take away shop). A special thank you must go to Rose, Wendy and Belinda for putting the window together, and also Ms Jacqui here at school for her floral work with the children. Of course the children are to be highly credited for the work they do each and every time for these events - to make them memorable and of a high standard.

Welcome to Ruby (Year 2) and Darcy (Prep) and their parents Wendy and Tim Noller to Nobby School.

Our Spring Fun Day on Friday was not only successful, but a fabulous way to complete our season fun days for the year and ‘camp’ week. A special thank you to the many Mums, Dad and Aunt who made our activities so successful. The art works are very special and the outside activities were enjoyed hugely. We will continue the ‘Spring’ theme in our work with poetry, stories, more art work and special activities around the well known book ‘The Very Hungry Caterpillar’.

In Maths we are working on - doubles and near doubles; shapes - 2D and 3D; measuring - weight, volume and length.

In English spelling and reading strategies are important. Most children will add a special reading strategy strip to their homework folder. Look at this for hints on how to help your little people. Ask them what it’s about or come and see me about how it can be used.

Are you leaving??
Each year, Education Queensland collects our projected enrolment numbers to commence the task of calculating the staffing for the coming year.

It is vital that we provide accurate numbers to reduce the likelihood of classes having to be restricted soon after the new school year begins. Given that the school is close to having enough students to have a third class, it is very important to ‘get the numbers right’ so that if this does occur, we can start the year with the third teacher from Day 1.

To ensure we make the staffing prediction as accurate as possible, we need to know who will, and who won’t, be attending Nobby SS in 2013. If you have plans to leave the school, please let us know in one of three ways.

1. Phone the office on 4696 3233
2. Email the school at admin@nobbyss.eq.edu.au
3. Send a note to the office

Thanks
Tim

I would appreciate feedback on how well you think our school is going. This is important as I am currently undertaking a review of the last 4 years and planning for the future. Your thoughts and opinions are very important for the planning.

Please send those TRAFFIC LIGHT surveys back ASAP!!

More available in the office if you need another copy. Thanks

Active After School Communities
We will be swimming for AASC this term. There are still a few spots available on Tuesday afternoons. AASC will begin at 3:00pm and run until 4:00pm. Please ensure that you are here to pick up children at 4:00pm.

Swimmers require all ‘normal’ swimming gear; togs, towel, swim shirts and swimming caps. Goggles are optional, but highly recommended.

For safety reasons, we ask that all siblings remain outside the pool complex while swimming is taking place.

Sun safety in our school
Sun safety is important for our school because our students are here during peak times for ultraviolet radiation (UVR), which is 10 am to 3 pm.

Cancer Council Queensland says childhood sun exposure contributes significantly to a person’s risk of developing skin cancer in their lifetime, so our school encourages sun safe behaviours.

Wearing wide brim hats, sun protective clothing, sunscreen and keeping in the shade as much as possible are good habits to get into and we encourage parents and staff to set a good example for our students.

Parents and guardians can check out Cancer Council Queensland’s website (http://www.cancerqld.org.au/page/prevention/skin_cancer) for more information on being SunSmart.