

Leslie

Jack Callanan
Lilly Grogan
Hannah Nicholson
Alexander Bauer
Emma Sheridan
Shelby Breeze
Jak Kiepe
Cameron Knecht
Nathaniel Armstrong
Cameron Mengel
Libby Sheridan
Sam Sheridan
Amber Walker
Connor Bauer
Darcy Noller
Tyson Schafer
Bree Wilson
Kyle Grogan
Ruby Noller
Darcy Gorkow
Jasmine Wilson
Kurtis Mossetter
Taliha Stallan

Cunningham

Dev Bhathal
Brigitte Elburg
Bridget Hopper
Ava Youngberry
Frankie Barwick
Audrey Barwick
Katelyn Field
Kyra McCulkin
Jacob Torcetti
Georgia Hopkins
Graham Hopper
Ethan McCulkin
Rolf Burchell-Butcher
Jess Field
Scarlet Barwick
Tom Green
Denzel McCulkin
Jack Burchell-Butcher
Boyd McDonald
Hannah Torcetti



Playgroup

Our first playgroup of the year will be on Thursday 19th February at 11:30am. It will then continue to run at the same time each week of the school term. To help cover costs (primarily teacher costs), we will require \$2 for each little person attending per session.

As this day coincides with the Lorin Nicholson concert, our playgroup members are also more than welcome to attend the concert.



The Nobby Link

confidence in a connected world

Term 1 Week 1
Friday 30th January
2015

Welcome

A very warm welcome is extended to all returning families and new families this year. This year we have 12 students beginning their Nobby journey; Jack, Brigitte, Lilly, Bridget, Hannah, Alexander, Emma and Ava in Prep, Shelby in year 1, Katie in year 2, Jess in year 4 and Taliha in year 6.

We are all looking forward to a very exciting and productive year.

Bus Duty

To better utilise staff time, playground duty will finish at 3:20pm each afternoon. Students who catch the bus will then go back to the classroom or office with the staff member on duty so they may continue with classroom preparations.

This means that all students, *with the exception of children who catch the bus*, need to be collected from school by 3:20pm each day.

Resource Scheme

The resource fee for 2015 is \$90 per student. This needs to be paid to the school by the end of this week, unless prior arrangements have been made with Tim. Payment can be made via cash, cheque or direct deposit.

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 the ongoing support!

Office hours

Mrs Deena Joppich will this year be in the office every day except for Friday, from 8:30-3:00pm.

2015 Calendar

Our calendar of events is developing quickly. Please check out the app or the website for dates and details.

Early Term 1 events

- Tuesday 3rd Feb—Parent Information Afternoon
- Friday 13th February—CD swimming carnival
- Friday 13th and Sat 14th February—Clifton Show
- Monday 16th and Wednesday 18th February—Justin Coulson
- Tuesday 17th February—P&C AGM and first general meeting
- Thursday 19th February—Lorin Nicholson concert
- Friday 20th February—Meet & Greet

Clifton Show

The show dates for this year are Friday and Saturday 13 and 14 February. We will have a few things happening here at school relating to the show between now and then. We will also require older children for the Battle of the Brains Competition.

Sporting Houses

We have included with today's newsletter a list detailing the house that each student represents.

Teacher changes

A big change this year is the staffing inside the classrooms. With our increased funding through the independent public school status, we have been able to increase our total teacher time, meaning we now have almost 3 full time teachers. This will improve teacher/student ratios, while also ensuring that our teachers are working smarter (don't worry—they'll also work hard!)

Ice Blocks

Every Friday the Project Club sell 'Home Ice Cream' ice blocks for \$1.00 each. Please send \$1.00 with your child each Friday if you are happy for them to have an ice block.

Calendar

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Week 2	Tuesday 3rd February	Parent Information Afternoon
Week 2	Friday 6th February	Tuckshop
Week 3	Friday 13th February	CD Swimming Carnival
Week 3	Friday 13th & Saturday 14th February	Clifton Show
Week 4	Monday 16th & Wednesday 18th February	Justin Coulson Workshops
Week 4	Thursday 19th February	Lorin Nicholson Performance
Week 4	Friday 20th February	Tuckshop
Week 4	Friday 20th February	Meet and Greet

Attachments

- Battle of the Brains permission form
- Meet & Greet pizza order form
- Tuckshop Menu
- P&C Volunteers Register Form

<i>Classroom Teachers 2015</i>	<i>Monday– Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
<i>Junior classroom</i>	Mrs Kerry Morwood	Mrs Jill Field
<i>Senior classroom</i>	Mrs Jill Field	Mr Tim Youngberry

Teacher aides

- Mrs Jacqui Love Junior classroom (Monday– Friday)
- Mrs Terri Henningsen Senior classroom, Multilit reading intervention (Monday– Friday)
- Mrs Belinda Naumann Students with a disability
- Miss Maggie Stevens Students with a disability
- Mrs Heather Hills Junior room literacy

Administration

- Mrs Deena Joppich Monday– Thursday

Groundsperson/pool maintenance

- Mr Derrick McCulkin

Cleaner

- Mrs Margaret Ferguson Monday– Friday (am and pm)

Advisory Visiting Teacher

- Mrs Lois Sanders Working with students with a disability (Tuesday and Friday)

Principal

- Mr Tim Youngberry As well as teaching in the Senior classroom on Fridays, Mr Youngberry will be working with students during the morning literacy session each day (9-11am). Mr Youngberry will also teach Geography in the Senior classroom and Technology and HPE (theory not practical) to the Junior classroom). As well as this, Mr Youngberry will collect, analyse and maintain student data.



Tuckshop

Tuckshop will be held every second Friday beginning next Friday, 6th February. We need two parent helpers each Tuckshop Friday from approximately 10:30am-1:30pm (with about an hour break in between morning tea and lunch.) If you are able to help with tuckshop, please let us know.

Library

Library will be held every Thursday. Please encourage your child to borrow and read library books. We spend a lot of time, and money, ensuring that the books in our library are constantly updated, so there is always plenty to read!

Younger siblings are also very welcome to borrow books.

Students will only be able to borrow if they bring their library bag and return their library books each week.



Attendance

Our attendance for the 2014 year was 91.9%. Our goal was 95%- or 190 days at school and no more than 10 days absent (in a whole year).

If you think about it, that is a lot of missed learning. Missing days of school is not only difficult for the teacher, but also can be extremely challenging for the child.

Please ensure that your child is only having days away from school for illness. Holidays, shopping, birthday bonus days and visiting friends are not appropriate reasons for having days off.

Please don't make the life of your child's teacher more difficult by asking if your child can have a day/week off for a holiday. That places pressure on the teacher to maintain the relationship (wanting to say yes). Although difficult, teachers have been instructed to say, "sorry, but unfortunately that is not an appropriate reason for an absence." Asking will only place undue pressure and awkwardness on both the parent and the teacher.

On a positive note, 50% of last year's students achieved the goal of 95% attendance, which is extremely pleasing.

Does attendance really matter?

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem much but.....

If your child misses....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...	Which means the best your child might perform is ...
1 day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years	Equal to finishing in grade 11
1 day per week	40 Days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years	Equal to finishing in grade 10
2 days per week	80 Days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years	Equal to finishing in grade 7
3 days per week	120 Days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years	Equal to finishing at grade 4