

Nulkaba News

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From the Principals Desk

DISCO

This week is our Christmas Disco organised by the P&C. All Kindergarten children for 2013 have been invited to the K-2 section so this will be a great chance for them to be involved in a fun social event. A note was sent home early this week with all the details. Please come along and support both the school and the P&C.

MUSIC

Last Thursday evening I had the pleasure of watching the concert provided by our musical students who are supported by the Conservatorium. What a wonderful event it was and I am told by parents and staff that attended last year that the students have made wonderful progress. I was very impressed and think that with the expansion of our band next year these students will have many more opportunities to show off their amazing skills. A big thank you to all the instructors who come to Nulkaba to support our students, the parents who also support this program and to Ms O'Hearn and Mrs Harman who make it happen.

END OF YEAR

Nulkaba is a hive of activity as we work towards having all reports completed, presentation day organised, year 6 farewell, year 6 t-shirts and class structures for 2013. This week Year 5 girls and boys presented their speeches to the whole school in their endeavours to be a school leader for 2013. A very daunting task and one they have handled with great distinction. Well done. So that our classes can be as accurate as possible can you please let your child's class teacher or the office know if you are not going to be attending Nulkaba next year.

DEMOUNTABLE

I am sure you will have noticed our new building which arrived last week. This week they are finishing the installation so that it will be ready for occupancy early next week. It has been completely refurbished and will be a great new classroom. The second classroom will look the same and will be delivered in March 2013.

BEHAVIOUR

I have been very impressed by the standard of behaviour I have seen at Nulkaba - the children work hard to follow our core values of Respect, Responsibility and Excellence. Sometimes at the end of the year behaviour can slip a little, this will not be acceptable especially with the number of end of year activities. Can you please support us by reminding your child of their responsibilities.

SHADE COVER

A big thank you to the P&C for organising the shade cover for our play equipment. It will now be able to be used during the warmer weather.

Narelle Hunt

NULKABA CANTEEN PIZZA DAY LUNCH

7th DECEMBER

Order forms available at the back
of the newsletter or at the office



"What's on" the Calendar?

Thurs 29th Nov
Fri 7th Dec
Tues 11th Dec

Thurs 13th Dec

Fri 14th Dec
Mon 17th Dec

Wed 19th Dec
2013

Mon 28th Jan
Tues 29th Jan
Wed 30th Jan

Thurs 31st Jan
Fri 1st Feb

School Disco
Pizza Day Canteen
Presentation Day (K-6)
P & C Xmas Dinner (630pm Railway Hotel)
Please RSVP to the office if attending
Year 6 Farewell (Potters 6pm)
**Parent information re Change to
Centrelink Payments 9-10 till
10:00 in the school hall**
Thank you morning tea
K-1 Hunter Valley Zoo Excursion

Last day of Term for Students

Australia Day Holiday
Staff Development Day
First Day Back For Students
Best Start 2013 Kindergarten
Best Start 2013 Kindergarten
Kindergarten First Day



Education &
Communities

Calling all Library Books!

All library items need to be returned by this **Friday November 30th**!

Time to bring those library books in to make sure that your name goes in the special draw for some fabulous prizes! Thanks to some of our magazine subscriptions, Mrs Morris has a couple of terrific prizes to give away. **BUT** to be in the running, your library books have to all be accounted for - by either returning them to the library or, in the case of those who were sent a letter about overdue books, by returning that letter.



Just take a look!

We have a ROXX Collection – Trixx



Stadium, Display Case, Power Paxx and Deluxx Reflectorzz packs.



Then we have an insulated cooler bag with a difference! It's the Bag You Can Mute! Enough room for 6 softdrink cans and its own built in radio!



How good are these!!! WOW!! Just be sure to return all your library books to have your name go in the draw.

AND..... Mrs Morris has a few other lovely prizes up her sleeve as the saying goes – just in case one of these great giveaways does not quite suit – we're prepared for any situation! The big draw happens next Tuesday! Good luck everyone!

RATS READER RECALL

Time to make sure that any RATS Readers are returned to class teachers or to Mrs Morris.

As with any school resource, regular checks are needed to maintain the condition of items

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Time to check on our RATS Readers!

Please send them in ASAP so that class sets can be checked for needed repairs and replacements.

Letters on their way.....

Letters will be sent out next week regarding any unreturned Library items, even if not overdue. It is extremely important that all items are returned as the annual Library stocktake period gets underway. This is the most important time of the year for the checking of all library items for repairs or disposal of old items to make room for new ones.

Should you receive a letter, please send in the titles noted, or please complete the letter as needed and return the letter after it is signed by a parent or caregiver.

Student show case

4B have been learning about similes, metaphors, onomatopoeia and personification. We have created some poems about what we have learnt in class. Below are 2 poems created by students in 4B.

The Purple Demon

Some say it's evil, some say it's nice.
I saw the demon once or twice. It lives in
a land where no one knows.
But I know the place for where to go. It
lives in a land that's red and dry.
There's no entertainment so don't call
PSY. It has fur that's the colour of grape.
Don't go near it or it'll go ape. It's as big
as a giant. It should go on a diet.
It has a head like a football, as big as a
stall. If you hear a hiss, don't give it a
kiss.
Splash! It threw me in the water. I
thought it was man slaughter. This should
be illegal.
Bang! I shot out a squeal. As it grabbed
me, I did a wee.
Here's my warning as I said, don't go near
it or it'll rip off your head
Because it ate Curley Hurley and also Mrs
Burley.

By Liam O (4B)



The Demon

The demon growled as the floor cracked
and the dog barked as the cat hissed.
The man yelled as the woman screeched.
I did not make a noise, no not me as the
demon walked straight passed me.
The demon yelled, I swallowed my tongue.
Something said you're almost dead.

Drip drop my Nan in gone, caflopp and my
Pop!

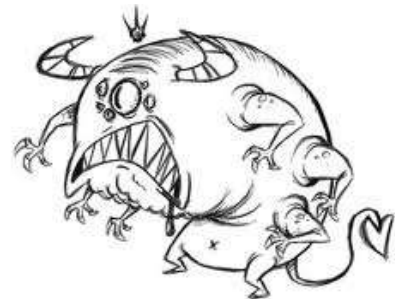
I stared at the dog as the cat hissed and
looked at something.

As the dog barked I did not make a noise
as the demon had found me.

I yelled like a baby and screamed like a
girl.

I... was...gone and it smelt foul.

By Jack S (4B)





P & C CHRISTMAS DINNER
*Railway Hotel
 Vincent St Cessnock
 Tuesday - 11th December 2012
 6.30pm
 ALL WELCOME*
*If you are interested in attending please
 leave names at the office
 By 7th December 2012*



REMINDERS **PAYMENTS DUE**

K-1 HUNTER VALLEY ZOO EXCURSION
\$10.00 DUE 10/12/12

YEAR 6 SHIRT 2013
\$15.00—DEPOSIT DUE NOW
\$30.00—FULL PAYMENT DUE END OF TERM



ANNUAL PRESENTATION DAY CEREMONY

DATE: Tuesday 11th December

VENUE: Nulkaba School Hall

TIME: 9:30am K-2 Awards

SHORT INTERMISSION

10:20am Y3-6 awards

PARENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED IF THEIR CHILD IS RECEIVING AN AWARD

THANK YOU TO PARENTS MORNING TEA **&** **SCHOOL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ASSEMBLY**

DATE: FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER

TIME: 9:30AM

A HIGHLIGHT OF THIS ASSEMBLY IS THE PRESENTATION OF MEDALLIONS

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

THURSDAY 13TH DECEMBER

MORE INFORMATION WILL BE SENT HOME CLOSER TO EVENT



We have for sale our library's much loved TV. This unit is well looked after. For more information please see Mrs Morris. If you are interested come and make us an offer.

THE TV MUST GO BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR



NULKABA NIBBLES**CANTEEN ROSTER****Week B**

Monday 3rd December to Friday 7th December 2012

Day	Date	Names
Monday	3rd December	D Palazzi J Vivian S Boyd
Tuesday	4th December	A Smith K Laybutt
Wednesday	5th December	R Meyers N Galvin
Thursday	6th December	HELP NEEDED
Friday	7th December	K Coen R Alexander M Scarborough L Newberry

Week C

Monday 10th December to Friday 14th December 2012

Day	Date	Names
Monday	10th December	J Slatter K Wadwell
Tuesday	11th December	L O'Brien T Richardson T Nightingale
Wednesday	12th December	R Marchant K Edwards D James
Thursday	13th December	W Jenness R Stevens
Friday	14th December	R Stirrat V Schrieber G Ellis

Week D

Monday 17th December to Friday 21st December 2012

Day	Date	Names
Monday	17th December	HELP NEEDED
Tuesday	18th December	R Beckett T Broadbent C Webb
Wednesday	19th December	J Chisholm T Price R Farrell
Thursday	20th December	Staff Development Day
Friday	21st December	Staff Development Day

IF YOU CAN HELP TO FILL OUR CURRENT VACANCIES
PLEASE CONTACT

LINDA ON**0457 514 786**

Support your school by volunteering in the canteen once per month

Changes to Parenting Payments from January 2013



Important Information Session

From 1 January 2013, you will no longer be eligible for Parenting Payments if your youngest child is over:

- Six years of age (for Parenting Payment - Partnered)
- Eight years of age (for Parenting Payment - Single).

To continue receiving income support, you will be required to complete 30 hours per fortnight of paid work or training.

Jobfind is here to help ease the transition with our range of no-cost employment and training services, access to day care, and more.

Find out more at our information session:

THURSDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2012

9:10am-10:10am

NULKABA PUBLIC SCHOOL HALL

1300 360 562

Cessnock, Dungog, Kurri Kurri, Maitland

www.jobfindcentre.com.au

Jobfind
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The last Term of school is always a busy time with lots of notes being sent home for a number of end of year activities. Could you please check your children's bag each day for notes and also check our website and facebook.

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Samaritans

SAMARITANS CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Every year the students, parents and staff have been wonderful supporters of the Samaritans annual Christmas Appeal. This year instead of having collection boxes in each classroom there will be boxes in the foyer of the staffroom for the children to place their donations of non-perishable foods and new toys. A representative from the Samaritans will come to the school to collect our donations and thank the children for their continuing generosity. Please find below suggestions of items the students may like to donate. Thank you for your support.

A small donation of food or cash this Christmas can make a massive difference...

Samaritans is always in need of non-perishable food reserves and they need your help to restock the shelves, especially at Christmas Time.

Christmas Suggestions	Non-perishable Food Suggestions	Toiletries / Cleaning
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Puddings Ban Buns Tin Ham Lollies Shortbread Fruit Cake Chocolates Mince Pies Serviettes Long-life Custard 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cereal Long-life milk Pasta Pasta sauce Rice Tinned meals Soup (packet and tin) Baked beans Spaghetti Tee Coffee Children's lunchbox snacks Tinned fruit Tinned vegetables Spreads (jam, vegemite) Tinned tuna/salmon Pet food 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nappies Baby wipes Toilet paper Toothpaste Toothbrush Soap Deodorant Shampoo/conditioner Shaving gear Toiletry bags Moisturiser Hand towel/washer Washing powder Bathroom or Kitchen cleaning products

FREE FREE FREE FREE

Carols in the Park

The Mayor, Councillor Bob Pynsent on behalf of Cessnock City Council invites you to an evening of traditional Christmas Carols in Cessnock.

Our talented local performers include soloists, groups and choirs.

Santa Claus will make a special visit

Thursday 6 December 2012
7.30 - 9.30pm
Cessnock TAFE grounds

Bring your picnic blanket, hamper and seats (please leave your alcohol and glass at home)

Come and enjoy the spirit of Christmas

For further information please contact Pauline Ross on 4993 4210.

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St. Joseph's Parish Cessnock
2013 Sacramental Programme

ENROLMENT FOR RECONCILIATION

Children who are in Year 3 (or older) are warmly welcomed to take this important step in their faith journey. If you feel that your child is ready to participate in this programme please note that the Enrolment Meeting will be held in St. Joseph's Church at 7pm on **WEDNESDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2013**

Details required are: **Child's Name/Age/Contact Number/Parish of Baptism**

WEDNESDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2013 ENROLMENT MEETING Parents only
SATURDAY 9th FEBRUARY 2013 COMMITMENT MASS (6pm)

Meeting dates to be advised.



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Wollombi Public School P&C presents

"DUMA"

- Saturday December 1st 2012
Gates open 5:30pm
Music and selected shorts 6:00pm
Feature starts 7:30pm
- Open air pop up cinema so BYOB (beanbag, blanket and pillows).
- Tickets now selling through Wollombi and Laguna stores and Wollombi School office.
All tickets \$10
Family (2 adults + 2 children) \$35
Children under 5 Free
- Face painting and jumping castle for the "littles".
- Food, popcorn and drinks available
- In the grounds of Wollombi Public School. Enter gate on Wollombi Road
- So come and enjoy this great family evening (Alcohol free event)



This tender tale revolves around a headstrong young Afrikaner boy named Xan (Alexander Michaelson), who, whilst driving home with his father (Campbell Scott), happens upon an orphaned cheetah cub, which they name Duma - Swahili for cheetah. They take the animal home knowing that one day Xan must return Duma to the wild. When the day arrives sooner than expected a new adventure begins.

Together the two friends battle treacherous terrain, scorching heat, wild animals and inner fears, as Xan's odyssey becomes a journey of self-discovery. Along the way they are aided by Rip (Eamon Walker), a mysterious drifter on a journey of his own.

This is a story of the unique bond between a young boy and his beloved animal friend. We are taken on a journey travelling through hundreds of miles of harsh African desert and wild jungle terrain.



DUMA is a rich experience that families can enjoy together. It is the kind of adventure that is a genuine thrill for kids of all ages. It is filled with so much beauty and "edge of your seat" suspense.

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'Come and try' Bowls



Introductory clinics for boys and girls aged 6 to 14 years

- Introductory bowls coaching from accredited coaches
- Opportunity to find out about how to join your local club

Who's it for?

- Boys and girls aged between 6-14 who are interested in bowls or who want to try a fun and challenging new sport
- The clinic will utilise modified games and equipment and be coordinated by a Bowls Australia Community Development Officer
- Aimed at beginners, the 'Come and Try' clinic will also cater for current players in the age group

Date	Venue/Time	Cost	Program number
Mon 14 January 2013	East Cessnock Bowling Club (9:30am-11:30am)	\$5.00	61453
Wed 16 January 2013	Toronto Workers Bowling Club (4pm-5pm)	\$5.00	61543

How to enrol

By phone: Call 13 13 62 and have your credit card details ready (Visa, Mastercard)

By fax: Complete the enrolment form, include your credit card details and fax to (02) 4329 4287

By mail: Complete the enrolment form, include either your credit card details, a cheque or a money order, and mail to:
Sport and Recreation
State Government Office
117 Bull Street, Newcastle NSW 2302

For more information

Phone: 4329 4332 or visit www.slr.nsw.gov.au





Nulkaba School Canteen

Volunteer Details

I would like to be a **CANTEEN REGULAR VOLUNTEER** once every 4 weeks on:

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Possible Days:

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

If possible I'd like to be rostered on with: _____

AND / OR

I'd be happy to be contacted as a **CANTEEN CASUAL VOLUNTEER** on:

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Possible Days:

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Name: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Student's Name: _____



NULKABA CANTEEN PIZZA DAY LUNCH **FRIDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2012**



1 x SLICE OF PIZZA

PLUS

FLAVOURED PLAYWATER

\$5.00

OR

2 x SLICES OF PIZZA

PLUS

FLAVOURED PLAYWATER

\$7.00

PLEASE TICK YOUR CHOICE FOR PIZZA

☐ **CHEESE & BACON**

☐ **HAM & PINEAPPLE**

PLEASE PROVIDE A LUNCH BAG FOR THE PIZZA SLICE THANKYOU
ORDERS TO BE RETURNED TO CANTEEN

NAME _____

CLASS _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____