

Nulkaba News

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Dear Parents and Carers

What a whirlwind it has been, these last two weeks, catching on all that has happened and getting ready for a big end of the year. A big thank you to all the staff who kept the school running smoothly. An extra big thank you to Mrs Burley who did a fantastic job as Relieving Principal in my absence. This also included moving Stage 2 and liaising with builders and the Department.

School Ball

Once again the P&C and in particular the School Ball Committee did an amazing job in organising the annual Ball. It was a lot of fun and there were some amazing raffle prizes as well as excellent items to bid on. Our numbers were a little bit down on previous years so try and remember to put it in your diary and try and attend next year.

Swimming School

This began this week and in typical swim school time the weather changed. Swim School is on every day for the two weeks unless the pool is closed. The children enjoy it anyway and the teachers have commented that their skills are improving every day.

Grandparents Day

We had a wonderful day for our Grandparents Morning. It was wonderful to see so many Grandparents here to spend time with their grandchildren and to watch our performances. Thanks to our Choirs and Aerobics Teams for performing. This will be an annual event. Please let us know if there is something you would like us to add to this day.

Working Bee

While I was away the first of a few scheduled working bee days was held. Thank you to all the parents and staff who worked on the day. Without your support we would not be able to achieve what we do.

P&C Meeting

Our next meeting is on 10th November. Please come along and join this wonderful group. We would love to see you there.

Finances

As we are approaching the end of the year we have to complete our Annual Financial Rollover. This means we need all payments to be paid prior to the last week in November. Please if you have any outstanding invoices can you make arrangements to have them paid as soon as possible.

Calendar

Our School Calendar is kept up to date on our website and it shows all the Function dates for the end of the Year. We also place a snippet in these newsletters.

Disco

We had a very successful Year 6 Disco last week. The money earned goes towards the Year gift to the school. Thanks to all the children who attended and the parents who brought them back to school in the poor weather and also to the Staff who attended and supported on the night. Lots of fun was had by all.

School Leaders

Over the next few weeks our Year 5 students will be preparing their speeches so they can stand for a School Leadership position. We look at School Captains, Vice-Captains and prefects first and once this has been decided we look at our House Captains. This is a very exciting and anxious time for our students. They will be informed very quickly after they deliver their speeches to the school if they are in the Leadership group with actual positions announced on Presentation Day. I wish them all good luck.

Narelle Hunt
Principal
Nulkaba Public School



Coming Events

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	2 Nov	3 Nov	4 Nov	5 Nov	6 Nov
Week 5	Swim School	Swim School	Swim School; Kinder Orientation	Swim School	Swim School; Sat 7 Nov: Aerobics - Spring Challenge
	9 Nov	10 Nov	11 Nov	12 Nov	13 Nov
Week 6	Australian Youth Choir Visit	MVHS Jump Start Session 1; P&C Meeting 6:30pm	2016 Leader's Speeches to Stage 3		
	16 Nov	17 Nov	18 Nov	19 Nov	20 Nov
Week 7	Stage 3 Surf Day 5/6M and 5/6J	Stage 3 Surf Day 5/6P and 5/6S			

For more information please visit our website: <http://www.nulkaba-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/calendar>

Breaking News

Aleah O, whose beautiful "Red Poppies" Art Work was selected for Operation Art, has also had this art work selected by Frank Potter, the Executive Director, to be used as his E-Christmas Card. This is an exciting achievement and a great honour. Well done Aleah.

Canteen Roster

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	2 Nov	3 Nov	4 Nov	5 Nov	6 Nov
Week 5	L. Eather S. Gough D. O'Brien	A. Grant K. Watson V. Williams	K. Hicks Y. Pallett	A. Burke K. Saunders A. Trowbridge	M. Harrington L. Hirst
	9 Nov	10 Nov	11 Nov	12 Nov	13 Nov
Week 6	M. Pagan	S. Parker P. Twentyman	P. Goldstraw D. Harris	S. Harrison A. Niven	D. Belcher P. Burtan M. Knight
	16 Nov	17 Nov	18 Nov	19 Nov	20 Nov
Week 7	J. Kylie L. Williams	R. Beckett T. Broadbent C. Webb	S. Clark R. Procter	C. Gilmour L. Williams	J. Borghero M. Wills

Week 5 = Roster B

Week 6 = Roster C

Week 7 = Roster D

If you can help to fill our current vacancies please contact

Phone Linda on 0457 514 786

Support your school by volunteering in the canteen once per month

Kinder Orientation a Huge Success in 2015!

Last Wednesday saw the last of our six Kindergarten Orientations for 2015. We finished with the 'Teddy Bears Picnic'. 2015 has been one of our most successful orientation programs with attendance. We had around 50 students each week, which was fantastic. With such enthusiasm the teachers are feeling very exciting about the children and families coming. Special mention must go to Miss O'Hearn who led and organised the Orientation program for the children. Also to the Kindergarten teachers, Mrs March and Miss Catherine for their support during the program. Without the team the program would not be as successful. Thank you also to Kirby and Nulkaba Preschool for their support. It is great to build on the relationship between the preschool and the school. This will allow the students to feel more confident when they arrive. Thank you to all families that got involved. Kindergarten letters will be sent over the next month or so. See you all in 2016.



Class KO

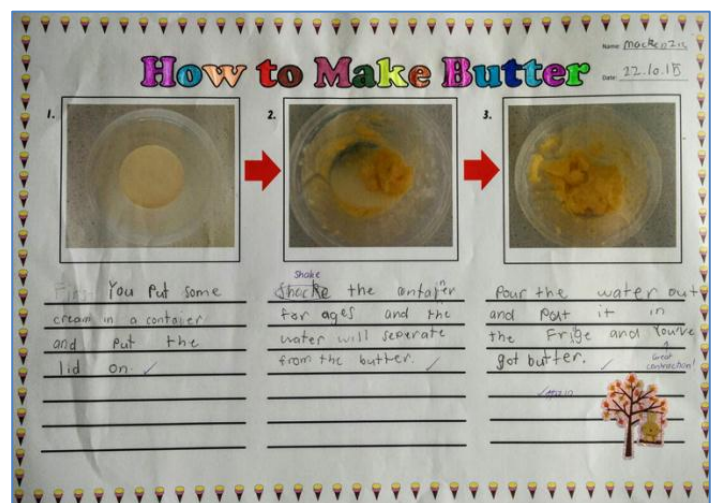
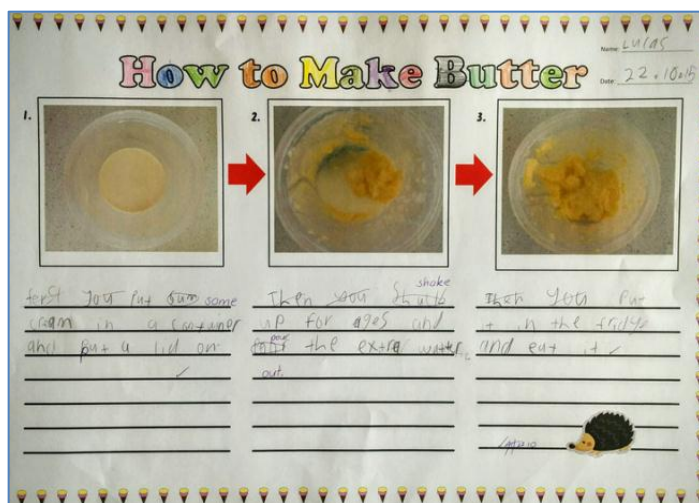
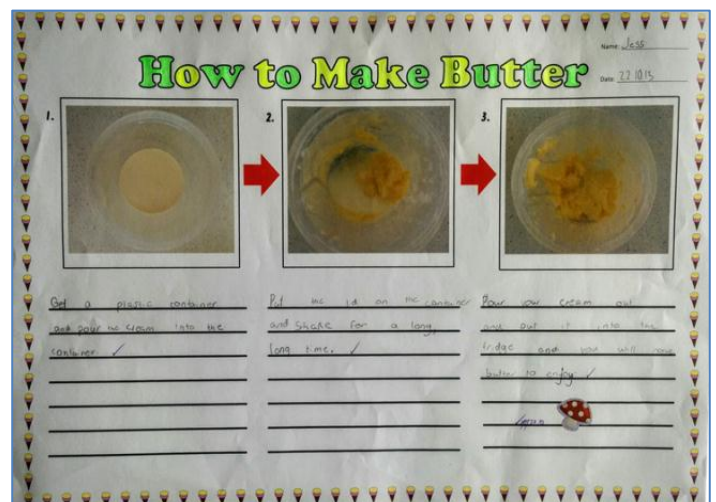
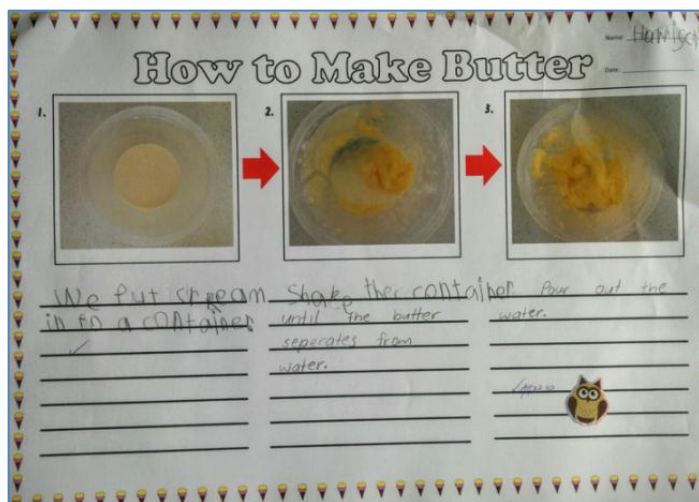
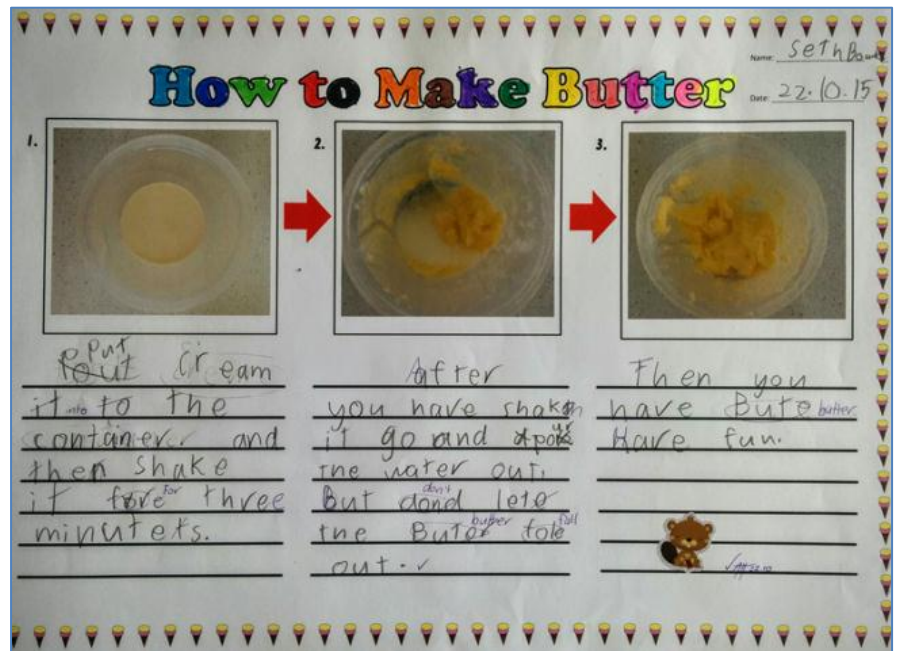
KO have been learning about the Life Cycle of the Butterfly. They have made life cycles to display in the classroom and are writing explanations in Guided Writing.



Class 1/2M

Shake It Up!

We have had a great start to term in 1/2M! In our 'Udderly Cheese' Unit of work, we have been learning all about dairy products and experimenting with how they are made. Recently we made butter by shaking cream (until it felt like our arms were about to fall off). Afterwards 1/2M wrote some fantastic procedures, recording what we did.



5/6S – Buddy Reading with KH

Wow! It's Term 4 and 5/6S have begun yet another very busy term, with excitement and enthusiasm. It's hard to believe that in just a few short weeks, our Year 6's will be off to high school.

In Semester 2, each Thursday afternoon, we have been providing positive role models to our buddy class KH. During this time, Kindergarten read their selected books and in return we read to them. 5/6S have enjoyed this opportunity to build friendships and help their buddies build confidence in their reading.

With all the hard work we've put in this year, we look forward to all the great opportunities still ahead for Stage 3; including surf day, Year 6 farewell, and party day.



Equestrian

This was a huge event with over 400 riders and 500+ horses competing over the 4 days in 6 disciplines, very well run by a volunteer committee, hosted at AELEC (Equestrian Centre) at Tamworth. All of our classes were very tightly contested with numbers in each class ranging from 25 to over 50.

Final results for the Nulkaba Public School team are as follows:

Lucy S riding Falcon Park Brindabella (Bella)

- 1st X rails A2 Show Jumping
- Champion X Rails Show Jumping
- 8th 35cm AM7 Show Jumping
- 10th 35cm A2 Show Jumping
- 4th 1.2 Prelim Dressage
- 4th 2.1 Novice Dressage

Natalie S riding Dudley

- 4th Pair of Riders
- 6th 35cm AM7 Show Jumping
- 9th 35cm A2 Show Jumping
- 9th 45cm AM7 Show Jumping
- (10th overall 35cm Show Jumping)
- 6th Prep A Dressage
- 8th Prep 1 Dressage



Nulkaba School Canteen



Canteen Roster 2016

We rely on volunteers to keep the canteen open every day and without these wonderful people (parents and grandparents) who give up their time to help out, our canteen can't keep going.

Our Canteen Coordinator, Linda Balazic, is currently preparing the canteen roster for 2016.

If you can help in the canteen regularly (most of our volunteers commit their time for one day every 4 weeks) or casually, please fill out the attached form or give Linda a call on 0457 514 786.

In particular, we are in need of volunteers who are available on a Friday.

The canteen relies on the goodwill and input of all of our volunteers and we would really appreciate your help (and your kids will love it)!

Flexischools Online Ordering

The Flexischools system is NOW available for all recess and lunch canteen orders.

Flexischools allows parents and staff to place canteen orders any time via your computer, phone or tablet (you can even add the Flexischools website as a homepage on your mobile or tablet, which will work just like an app! See directions on the Flexischools website, www.flexischools.com.au, under the FAQs section).

Why Use Online Ordering?

- The payment is managed online so less paper bags, cash and envelopes are sent via your child to school.
- Online orders are much faster and easier for our canteen volunteers to process.
- Online canteen orders are more accurate giving parents peace of mind that their child's canteen order and payment is received and processed correctly.
- At this stage the NPS canteen will be absorbing the \$0.25 online order fee – this means there is no cost to submit your canteen order online.

So it makes everyone's life a little easier!

How do I start?

Getting online is easy and it only takes a few minutes to register.

1. Simply go to www.flexischools.com.au and click "**Register Now**".
2. Add your student, their school and class to get started.
3. Top-Up your account via Visa and/or Mastercard (29c fee), PayPal (35c fee) or direct deposit (free).
4. Make an order by selecting from the menu range.
5. Make payment for the order listed in your order pad.
6. Review Orders by logging back in to your Flexischools account.

Once registered you can start placing orders immediately and you can set recurring orders, view transaction history or cancel orders via your Flexischools login.

Please note that online ordering closes at 10.30am each day.

If your child already has a cloth canteen lunch bag then please make sure they place it in the lunchbox outside the canteen each morning when they've placed an online canteen order.

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Volunteer Details

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

Possible Day: ☐ 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:

Possible Day: ☐ Mon ☐ Tue ☐ Wed ☐ Thu ☐ Fri

Name: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Student's Name: _____



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to pack a creative lunch box!

Don't feel like you have to send the same old vegemite sandwich every day. Here are some of our best tips for making lunch boxes interesting for you, and your kids!



- **Make fresh spring rolls** – they're great for dinner and can be used as leftovers, too! See eatittobeatit.com.au for a free recipe
- **Cut vegies into thin sticks** – send with a small container of hummus
- **Make a fruit salad** – dice whatever fruit you have into small pieces
- **Make a roast vegie sandwich** – leftover roast vegies are delicious on fresh bread
- **Add fruit to yoghurt** – split a large tub of reduced-fat yoghurt into small containers, and add pieces of fruit for a sweet twist.

For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
 or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit



Cessnock Community Women's Shed

Members of Branxton Greta Community Men's Shed

Bringing Women Together



If you would like to make new friends
or get involved in a community project
Come along to
Cessnock Community Women's Shed

**Every Wednesday at 10.30 am
At the CYCOS building**

49D Aberdare Road, Cessnock

**On the second Wednesday of each
month our meeting will be held in
the D.I.Y area at Bunnings Cessnock**



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