



# NULKABA NEWS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

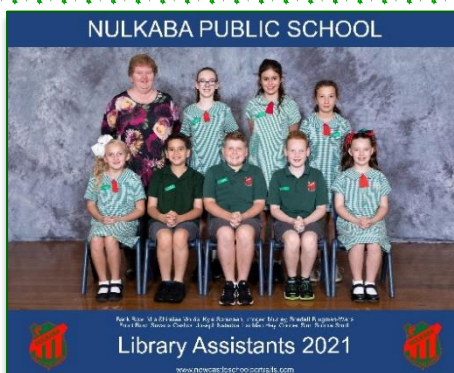
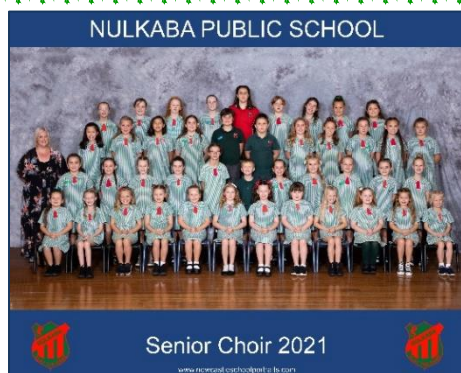
We have had a busy few weeks including as many activities as possible to finish out what has been a rather unusual year. We have been able to celebrate the achievements of many of our students, recognise the graduation of our Year 6 students, Life Education, Sphero and a wonderful Party Day. Thank you to our families for supporting all events and respecting the unusual and at times challenging restrictions that we are navigating.



On Tuesday night we had our P&C Christmas Dinner. It was lovely to get together and to acknowledge the work of the P&C and look toward 2022. The school recognised the contribution of Lynda Hirst. She has been a highly motivated P&C member who has helped the school with a multitude of projects. Thank you again Lynda, we appreciate all that you have done for our school.

This week we have been able to celebrate in our class groups and prepare for Santa. Whilst it has been a fun-filled week it also brings the ever looming end of year. At the end of the year, we say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 cohort. We wish all students all the very best in High School and look forward to their visits in the future.





We also have a number of teachers who are taking on new positions in different schools or a change in role at school. We will be saying good luck to Mrs Carr. Mrs Carr has been our Kindergarten Assistant Principal for the last few years, and she has been successful in gaining a promotion at Edgeworth Public School. We will desperately miss her beautiful smile and enthusiasm for life and education. We also thank Mrs Carr for making the start of Nulkaba so wonderful for many of our students.



Also heading to Edgeworth is Mrs Walker. Again, a huge loss for Nulkaba, but a move that will be beneficial to Mrs Walker's family. Mrs Walker has been instrumental in the changes that we have made in Spelling, and we thank Mrs Walker for all of the wonderful work she has done at our school.



Another teacher also making the move closer to home is Mrs Page. Mrs Page has been at Nulkaba for a number of years and will be missed again for her positivity and fun. I have been so lucky to work with Mrs Page for most of our teaching career and I feel so happy for her family.



With all of this change 2022 will see many new faces at Nulkaba. We are excited for the change and the new ideas that will come.

Again, I would like to wish all of our families a safe and fun-filled Christmas and holiday break. Students return on Tuesday, 1 February 2022 and we look forward to seeing all of our beautiful students then.

Mrs Zoneff

Jaclyn Zoneff  
Relieving Principal  
Nulkaba Public School



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## School Library News

### 2021 @ the Library

2021 proved to be a rather odd year for the Library, as it was for the rest of the school. The lengthy lockdown disrupted several events planned for late Term 3 and early Term 4. However, we were able to hold some events after they were adapted to work within the Covid regulations.

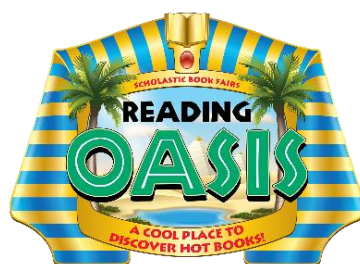
Book Week fell right in the middle of lockdown, shelving the plans for the traditional Book Week Parade, as well as the range of student competitions that Mrs Morris usually runs. Luckily, several classes had already been reading and sharing many of the stories for the Book of the Year awards before lockdown. Classes had completed various craft activities relevant to the stories shared and those craft items were able to be put on display in the Library as the photos show -







Something else that was finally put in place this year, was the installation of the Library OPAC computer – this is a dedicated computer that can be used to search the Library collection at any time. 2021 also saw extra signage installed, making it easier to locate specific areas in the library. Having an OPAC computer puts our school library on a par with public libraries who all have this as a feature of the library.



After some consideration, it was decided to move ahead with the annual Book Fair. Unfortunately, restrictions remained in place, so we were unable to welcome parents to the Fair. However, this year's fair proved to be quite the success story – thanks to the many generous orders placed in addition to students being able to make purchases, the 2021 Fair was the second most successful Fair that

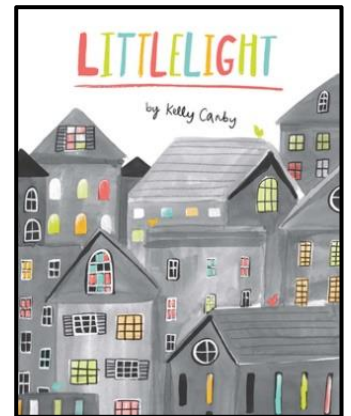
the school has held. Just over \$6300.00 in sales was made for this year – so thank you so much to families who dug a bit deeper this year.







In 2019, the very talented Tony Appleby from Books to Life brought his wonderful stage show as part of Book Week activities. Last year, and again this year, we were looking forward to seeing Tony's 2020 and 2021 shows but again restrictions and lockdowns prevented the staging of the live show. Instead, we were able to view and participate in the virtual incursion of Littlelight by Kelly Canby. This was a very funny, creative and interactive version of the story and both students and teachers thoroughly enjoyed the show. With luck, we will welcome Tony in 2022 for Book Week.



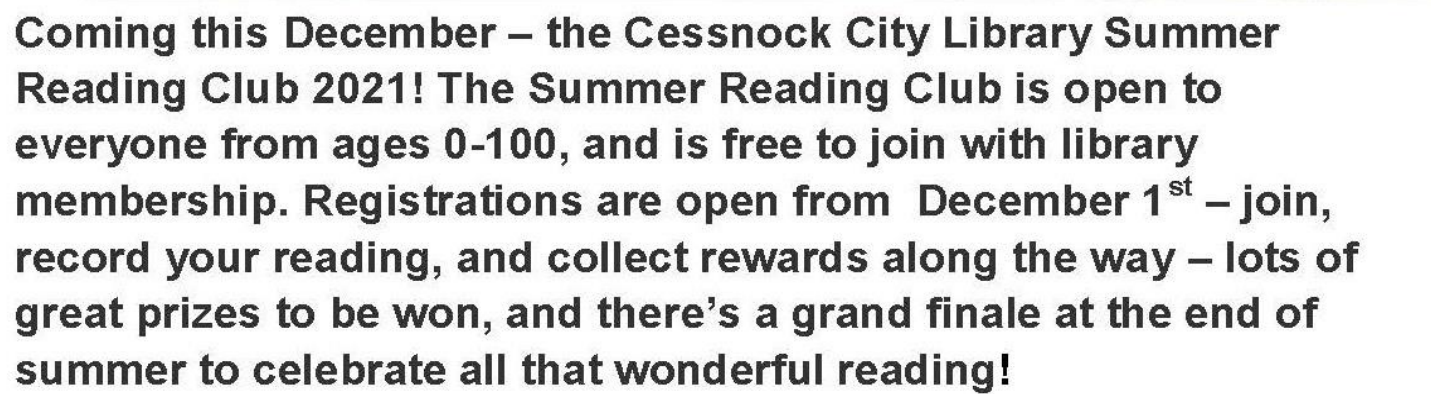
Even with the long lockdown, the Library has been a busy place in 2022. Lots of new material has been purchased this year, and many older books in our Library found new homes with students and parents. It is a fact that even the most loved stories and books will have to find a new home away from the Library eventually, as to keep every single Library item is like never tidying out the wardrobe – the space available becomes very cramped, things get forgotten and some things are not a good fit anymore. Then of course, space needs to be made for new things – if only the Library had flexible walls that we could push out! Obviously, the number of processed loans was down this year but even with the several weeks where students were not able to

borrow, the number of loans processed still measures in the thousands for the year – quite a good result with the year we have had.

Lastly, as our year comes to an end, a vote of thanks needs to go to the Library Assistant team. This group of Year 5 and 6 students have been very valuable in the running of the library and have certainly made life easier in the operations of the Library. Well done team!

Enjoy the holidays everyone – read lots as Mrs Morris will be looking forward to hearing about lots of new stories that we can share – Happy Reading!





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