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'Communicating with our Caring Community'

Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> February 2017

### DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	EVENT
2 February	Kindergarten start
6 February	CANTEEN CLOSED
8 February	CANTEEN CLOSED
8 February	P&C Meeting – 7.00 pm in staffroom All welcome
9 February	Text Book Sale Day – see article
13 February	CANTEEN CLOSED
13 February	Parent Teacher Meetings – Early Stage One & Stage One
14 February	Parent Teacher Meetings – Stage Two & Stage Three
15 February	CANTEEN CLOSED
1 March	Swimming Carnival
7 March	Grandparents Day
8 March	P&C Annual General Meeting (AGM)

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Community Members,

I am thrilled to have the opportunity to lead Ourimbah Public School. I was constantly told, over the Christmas break, what a wonderful school it is, what fabulous kids and families I'd have, how dedicated the staff is and how beautiful the grounds are.

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know a little bit about me. I've been a principal in a number of schools ranging from a very small one teacher school on the North Coast to Walgett with 100% Aboriginal

student enrolments to Broken Hill, which is as far from here as you can get. As I explained to the children yesterday, I didn't have bush turkeys in my playground - I had emus! I have moved from desert to rainforest.

My teaching passions are English, Aboriginal education and leadership development. My private passions are reading (fantasy, medieval literature and a good thriller), my grandchildren and travelling.

I follow St George in the NRL and have just spent two weeks watching the tennis.

I am looking forward to meeting as many of you as possible, learning everyone's name and becoming part of this wonderful school.

Have a great week!

Glynis Lugnan  
Principal

**Car Park:** Please note that the staff car park is for the use of Department of Education staff and is out of bounds for children (safety concerns). Parents are asked to park in the RSL car park and walk their children into the school playground. This includes children who attend the OOSH. Before and after school are busy times with staff arriving and leaving and there are a limited number of parking spaces - the congestion grows if parents are taking up staff spots. I seek your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

### TEXTBOOK SALE DAY – Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> February

Please note our Text Book Sale Day will be held next Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> February. All students in K-6 will need to

purchase a Targeting Handwriting text book at a cost of \$15.00. Notes with full information, including payment options, have been sent home today.

### **PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS**

Parent Teacher Meetings will take place on Monday and Tuesday nights of Week 4. Please see below for current dates and times, **but also check next week's newsletter in case of any changes and for specific class times.**

Early Stage One and Stage One Parent Teacher Meetings will take place on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> February.

#### **Kindergarten (K)**

5.30 pm – 6.00 pm: (in the library)

#### **Stage One (Yrs 1 & 2)**

6.10 pm – 6.40 pm: (in the library)

Stage Two and Stage Three Parent Teacher Meetings will take place on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> February.

#### **Stage Two (Yrs 3 & 4)**

5.30 pm – 6.00 pm: (in the classroom)

#### **Stage Three (Yrs 5 & 6)**

6.10 pm – 6.40 pm: (in the classroom)

We would love to see you all there. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet the teacher, to find out about teaching and learning in your child's class and to show your children that you are genuinely interested in their education and their school.

This is not an evening for the students, it is for parents and teachers. It would be very much appreciated if you could please make alternative arrangements for your children while you attend the Parent Teacher Meeting.

### **PHOTO DAY**

Please note that photo day for 2017 will be held later in the term on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April.

### **SPORT NEWS**

#### **2017 SPORT DAYS**

Kindergarten sport day – yet to be determined (see next week's newsletter)

Yr 1 & Yr 2 sport day - **Wednesdays**

Yrs 3 - 6 sport day - **Fridays**

### **ELECTION OF SPORTS OFFICIALS 2017**

The students in Years 3 to 6 will meet in house groups during the coming weeks to elect their Sports Leaders for 2017. Year 6 students are eligible to stand for the positions of Vice Captain and Captain, both boys and girls for their respective sports house. A short presentation ceremony will be held soon during a school

recess assembly for the successful leaders. Guardians of each leader will be contacted with the date and time for the presentation prior to the event.

Gary Edwards

### **BOOK CLUB – DUE BY THURSDAY, 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

Welcome to all of our new students and parents.

The first issue of Book Club for 2017 will be sent home next week and will be due back at school by Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> February.

If you wish to place an order for Book Club, please be sure to fill in the order forms correctly, with your child's name and class and then send with payment to class teacher or the front office. Orders can be paid for by cash or cheque or by ordering online with your credit card.

**Issue 1 of Book Club for 2017 will be due back at school by Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> February.**

### **NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION**

The school newsletter is distributed to the youngest child in the family on a fortnightly basis and will come home on Wednesdays on odd weeks of the term. Today's newsletter (Week 2) will be an additional one, with another newsletter to follow next week in Week 3.

The newsletter is also accessible on our school website, along with other valuable information and a calendar of events which is updated regularly. The website address is [www.ourimbah-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.ourimbah-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

### **UPDATE INFORMATION FOR CLASS TEACHERS**

Could the parents of any students who have special medical requirements or dietary needs please send a note to your child's 2017 class teacher to keep them updated on your child's condition and needs. We endeavour to pass all information on file to the new class teacher, however a note from the parent is recommended. Please inform the office of any changes as well.

**Also**, if there are any updated or new custody forms or family issues, please provide copies to the front office as soon as possible.

### **CHANGE OF HOME ARRANGEMENTS**

If your child's going home arrangements need to be changed, please ensure this is put in writing to your child's class teacher. Verbal messages to children can create confusion and this can cause them distress.

If you do have to change arrangements by phone during the day, please give plenty of time for the message to be received by the class teacher.

### **LATE ARRIVAL**

If your child arrives after the school bell has gone a late arrival note is required. Please bring your child to the office for this note.

### **EARLY DEPARTURE**

A note to your child's teacher stating time of departure and reason is required. The office staff will organise for your child to come to the office **after you arrive** to pick them up, so please allow time for them to walk down from their classrooms.

### **FIRST AID ROOM**

Please be aware that due to the rainforest environment of our school, we have cases of mosquito and ant bites amongst our students. In the case of insect bites we would normally administer a spray of Stingoes. We also use Savlon cream and bandaids when a student has a graze. **Please advise the class teacher and office if your child cannot have these administered.**

### **SIGNING ON**

When visiting or volunteering at school it is essential that you sign on in the book in the office foyer, indicating your arrival and departure times. This information is vital if an emergency procedure is required. Whilst on site you are required to wear a 'Visitors Badge'. If you have not volunteered previously, a 'Working with Children' form needs to be completed at the office.

### **AFTERNOON WET WEATHER DISMISSAL**

Parents are requested to wait at the gates under the covered waiting area in the afternoon for your children, even during wet weather. Waiting near the hall causes congestion and confusion during the dismissal of bus lines. Please send your child every day with wet weather gear to wear. Only children in Years 3-6 may bring umbrellas.

### **MONEY COLLECTION**

All money for excursions, performances, text books, photos, etc is to be sent in an envelope **to your child's teacher** with their name, class, payment description and amount enclosed marked clearly on the front.

If money is left at the office there can be a delay in your child's teacher being aware that you have paid for an excursion. The exception to this is for Book Club orders. The orders and money for Book Club can be left at the office or sent to the classroom.

Our Parent Online Payment System (POP) can be used to pay for the majority of excursions, performances and voluntary contributions etc. Detailed instructions for using POP are available on our OPS webpage under the 'Notes' tab or can be collected from the front office. Alternatively, payment can be made via the office.

### **ADMINISTERING PRESCRIBED MEDICATION**

If your child requires medication at school, please fill in a Medical Consent form at the office. This form must be completed prior to any medication being administered by our staff. Please note that **only prescribed**

**medications can be administered.** A note to the class teacher is also necessary to inform them of medications and the time to be given.

### **WELCOME BACK STUDENT BANKERS**

**School banking for 2017 recommences next Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> February.** For all new parents, if you would like your child to participate in the School Banking Program, your child will need a Youthsaver account from the Commonwealth Bank. You can visit any branch to open one, please take your child's birth certificate and identification for yourself. An introduction package will come home with Kindergarten students shortly.

The banking day will be Thursdays and bank books will be returned on the following Monday. Please make sure deposit books have your child's name and class clearly marked on the front.

School banking information packs are available at the office. New accounts for all other students can be opened at any Commonwealth Bank Branch.

### **OUR POSITIVE REWARD SYSTEM**

The Magpie Reward system is based on recognition for good behaviour and effort over a single term. At the end of each term those students achieving 10 'Magpies' will be eligible to participate in the 'Magpie Term Reward.' This may vary from term to term, from an ice block, daytime disco or even a day out etc. The teachers have many exciting ideas for these rewards and no doubt the children will too!

Each student will be eligible to take part in the term reward activity if they have received 10 class 'Magpie Awards' that term. The following term everyone starts anew. All terms will be of equal importance. Each student will have a 'Magpie Reward Card' which will be kept by the classroom teacher. The card will indicate the progression from 1 to 10 awards. The 'Magpie Reward Card' will go home at the end of each term as a record and memento.

The school will continue with the K – 6 House Points Shield and various other in-class reward systems. The 'Playground Award' will expand from positive playground behaviour to include behaviour and effort when working outside of the regular classroom eg library, sport, art, etc. This is known as the 'Citizenship Award' with a canteen voucher going to the lucky draw winners each week.

The Communication Card will once again be used in 2017 as it has proved to be a valuable form of communication between the class teacher and parents. As part of the ongoing review of the school's positive rewards 'Magpie System' it was decided that the Kindergarten students would be better prepared for this

system following two terms of schooling and therefore will receive their communication card in term 3.

## UNIFORM SHOP

### Operating Hours – Mondays & Thursdays

The opening hours for the uniform shop are as follows:

**Mondays 8.30 am - 9.30 am**

**Thursdays 2.30 pm - 3.00 pm**

Online ordering via [flexischools.com.au](http://flexischools.com.au) and eftpos are available in the Uniform Shop. Order forms are also available from the office with an option to make arrangements for collecting/paying at the canteen or from the uniform shop.

## CANTEEN NEWS

Welcome back to a new school year. It's exciting to be looking ahead to a great year in the Blue Gum Canteen.

Our canteen has a Facebook page (Ourimbah P.S. Canteen) that is regularly updated to share details of life in the canteen.

Our canteen is open **Tuesday, Thursday and Friday**. We serve light snacks before school, Crunch n Sip, recess and lunch. It is a very busy hub in the school where children come to socialise and relax. Lunch and recess orders can be placed via [flexischools.com.au](http://flexischools.com.au) and must be placed before 9 am.

It takes 6 volunteers per week to be able to run the canteen successfully, so we really need your help. If you would like to come and help in the canteen in 2017, please call the school or email me at [ourimbahcanteen@gmail.com](mailto:ourimbahcanteen@gmail.com). It would be wonderful to meet you.

Elise Blomfield  
Canteen Supervisor

## P&C NEWS

Our first P&C Meeting for the year will be held next Wednesday, 8 February at 7 pm in the staffroom. This is a great opportunity for parents and carers to come along and contribute to and hear about what's in store for our students in 2017 and meet our new Principal, Mrs Lugnan. At this meeting we will also be making a presentation to Mr Formby, who is retiring after 23 years of dedicated teaching at our school. We hope to see you there. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Please see following for the meeting agenda.



### WELCOME TO OURIMBAH PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION 2016

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GENERAL MEETING DATE: Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017  
TIME: 7.00pm VENUE: Staff Room

#### AGENDA

(10 minutes reading time prior to commencement of business)

1. Welcome and Apologies
2. Acknowledgement of Country
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting
4. Business Arising
  1. Code of Conduct
  2. Action List
  3. Wish List
  4. Grandparents Day
  5. Easter Raffle
  6. Anzac Day March
5. Correspondence
6. Reports
  1. Treasurer
  2. President
  3. Uniform Shop
  4. Fundraising
  5. Class Coordinator
  6. R.A.P
  7. Social Convenor
  8. Nitbustlers
  9. CC Council of P&C Rep
  10. Principal
7. General Business
  1. Tony Formby retirement presentation
  2. Member Forms

#### 8. Date of Next Meeting & Close

AGM 8th March 2016 followed by General Meeting.

If you have any topic that is school related and you would like to be brought up at the next P&C Meeting please email the P&C Executive: email: [ourimbahpandc@gmail.com](mailto:ourimbahpandc@gmail.com)

President – Andrew Collins  
Treasurer – Kylie Brooks, Melanie Wenzel (Assistant Treasurer)  
Vice Presidents – Lorelei Barkley & Victoria Keegan  
Secretary – Vacant (Correspondence), Michelle Nicholson (Minutes)

## COMMUNITY NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS



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**Bryan (Level 1 coach, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dan)**  
02 4973 4831













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Warren 0430 215 295

**REGISTRATIONS**  
Friday, 17 February 5 – 6pm  
Friday, 24 February 5 – 6pm  
Ourimbah Rugby Park  
10 Chittaway Road Ourimbah  
Or via our website  
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STARTS IN WEEK 2**

**After School Soccer**  
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**Monday afternoons**  
Starts Monday 6th Feb 2017

**Where: School Oval Time: 4:30-5:30pm**  
Programs are open to ALL children within the area and not just specific to students of Niagara Park Public School.  
We run 3 different age groups being:  
Intro to Micro (5-6 y/o)  
Micro (6-8 y/o)  
Micro Plus (8-12 y/o)  
**CALL 0438 207 103 now to enrol**

## NIAGARA PARK OURIMBAH DOCKERS

2017 Season Kicks off Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

AFL is for boys and girls of all age, Auskick through to Opens. Played on Sunday mornings, generally all your local teams play at the same ground each week, which makes it fun and easy for kids and parents.

Be one of the first ten to register online as a new player in 2017, in U9s, U11s or U12s and receive a \$20 rebate!

### Registration Dates

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February from 10am - 2pm @ Lisarow Plaza

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March from 10am - 2pm @ Lisarow Plaza

### REGISTER NOW

Registration online costs vary; please check online for more information.

\$100.00 for registration (includes a training shirt), and \$80 for siblings

Visit [play.afl](http://play.afl) – Search 'Niagara Park Ourimbah Dockers' or enter your postcode

For more information contact Paul:

[npdockers@gmail.com](mailto:npdockers@gmail.com) or phone 0408 412 888



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Monday  
3:00 PM 5-9Yrs Jazz Technique  
3:30 PM 5-9Yrs Jazz Concert  
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## Class Equipment List for 2017

Parents are kindly asked to provide the following equipment at the start of our 2017 school year.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>KINDERGARTEN</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* 1 A4 plastic envelope</li> <li>* 1 library bag</li> <li>* 4 glue sticks</li> <li>* 1 lunch box</li> <li>* 1 paint shirt</li> <li>* School hat</li> <li>1 box of tissues</li> <li>1 liquid hand soap</li> <li>1 roll of paper towel</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>YEARS 1 &amp; 2</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* 1 Home Reading folder – velcro type</li> <li>* 1 homework book - A4 size (96 pages)</li> <li>* Coloured pencils</li> <li>* 1 pkt twister crayons</li> <li>* Textas (optional)</li> <li>* 2 glue sticks</li> <li>* 1 eraser</li> <li>* 1 library bag</li> <li>* 1 lunch box</li> <li>* 1 paint shirt/smock</li> <li>* School hat</li> <li>* 1 pencil case</li> <li>1 box of tissues</li> <li>1 roll of paper towel</li> <li>1 liquid hand soap</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>YEARS 3 &amp; 4</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* 1 glue stick per term</li> <li>* Good quality pencils – coloured</li> <li>* Good quality pencils - 2 lead pencils (HB)</li> <li>* Highlighters - optional</li> <li>* 1 eraser</li> <li>* 1 sharpener</li> <li>* 1 <u>small</u> pencil case</li> <li>* 1 library bag</li> <li>* 1 lunch box</li> <li>* School hat</li> <li>1 box of tissues</li> <li>1 liquid hand soap</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>YEARS 5 &amp; 6</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Pens- blue, black and red</li> <li>* Pencils - coloured</li> <li>* Pencils - lead (HB &amp; a 2B)</li> <li>* 1 <u>small</u> pencil case</li> <li>* 1 homework book - A4 size(at least 96 page)</li> <li>* 1 glue stick per term</li> <li>* 1 eraser</li> <li>* 1 senior ruler (with millimetres)- solid plastic or wooden (not flexible plastic or metal)</li> <li>* 1 scissors</li> <li>* Highlighters</li> <li>* 1 lunch box</li> <li>* School hat</li> <li>1 box of tissues</li> <li>1 library bag</li> </ul>

\*\*\*\* Please make sure items with an \* are labelled with your child's name.

Please provide a daily serving of fruit/vegetables for our Crunch and Sip time. Kindergarten students need one serve that can be eaten in 5 minutes.