



From the Principal's Desk

Dear parents and care givers

Welcome Back

Welcome back to fabulous Term 4. As always, we have lots of exciting events to look forward to throughout the term and we know it will all go very fast. It is nice to see Mrs Hayes, Mrs Flint, Ms Wiese and Mrs Purslowe back from their Long Service Leave breaks. Thank you to Mrs French, Mrs Beard and our wonderful relief staff for supporting our school during our staff's time away. Also congratulations to Mrs Edmonds who has been selected to work some of her week in Quairading this term as the Manager of Corporate Services. You will see Mrs Woods and Mrs Beard in the office while Mrs Edmonds is away and we thank them very much for helping us.

School Improvements

Hopefully everyone has noticed the newly painted walls under the stairs in the fern garden area. We have also recently had the veranda ceiling replaced and have a plan to continue these improvements over the new few school years. Excitingly, our school has also been selected for upgrades to our student and staff toilets in early 2019.

Lap-a-thon

This year's Lap-a-thon will take place on Friday 27 October. Sponsorship forms have gone home today with the newsletter. These forms need to come back to school on or before next Friday so that your number of laps can be added to the form by your class teacher and then you can collect your sponsorship. Remember please only ask for sponsorship from family, friends and people you know. Door knocking is not a safe way to gain sponsorship.

Clothing and hats

As the weather warms and we see students removing their jumpers and even track pants during the day it is really important to have clothing clearly labelled. It is also imperative that children come to school with hats for any outdoor activity. School bucket hats with the reversible faction colour are available for purchase from the school office.

Year 6

Some exciting changes have been made to the class structure for Year 6. Students are getting used to the transitions of high school by following individual timetables and moving between classrooms with responsibility. Year 6 students will also attend Northam SHS in Weeks 4-7 for transition activities.

Amanda Jones-Rowbottom

Principal

REMINDER

**Mon 22 Oct –Thurs 25 Oct-
Book Fair**

**Wednesday 24 Oct –
P&C Meeting**

Friday 26 Oct - Lapathon

BREAKFAST CAFE

Mon – Fri

8.10am-8.30am

FACTION FRIDAYS

Early Close

Thursdays 2.30pm

Honour Certificates

Room A	Lilith Preston	Chaise Donegan
Room B	Charlotte Elliott	
Room 1	Ashleigh Bekkers	Felicity Elliott
Room 2	Shaylah Hart	Ethan Humes
	Brax Sheppard	
Room 3	Madison Hansen	Tristen Barr
Room 4	Chelsea Mitchell	Noah Oliver
Room 5	Xavier Sibley	Liam Smith
Room 6	Liam Carroll	William Couzens
Room 7	Gregory Clarkson	Mantel Rossiter
Room 8	Luke Stain	Kiara Mitchell
Room 10	Alexander Appleton	Olive Hayden
Room 11	Maci Psaila	Gypsy Hitches
Room 13		
Science	Room 7	
Phys Ed	Room 1	
Music	Room 4 / 13 – Year 6's	
Italian	Room 8	
Tidy Bag Award		Room 11 Year 3
Dustpan Award		Room 6



Coles Sports for School Vouchers

At the end of term 3, NPS received our sports equipment order from Coles. This has been able to provide all our classes from year 1 to 6 a Sports Kit, with their own equipment for use at recess and lunch. It has also provided extra equipment for our physical education department. We would like to acknowledge and thank our school community for collecting the vouchers earlier in the year.



WAAPA Summer School 2018/2019

This Summer WAAPA at ECU, Mt Lawley is offering an exciting performing arts program for students from Years 1 to 12. The Summer School includes classes in RAP, Acting, Dance, Drama, Screen Performance, Music Theatre and of course, how to perform Shakespeare. For information about the fantastic courses on offer please visit WAAPA Summer School or contact Gabrielle Metcalf at g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au

Science News



In Term 4 we are doing the Earth and Space strand in science. Topics across the school include Water, Night and Day, Earth's place in Space, Earthquake Explorers and Weather. Last week all students got to be up close and personal with our silkworms.

YEAR 6 Transition to High School

This term has been an exciting start for our year 6s, as they have been given their own time table and split between three teachers. Students walk to and from classes on their own and have been able to work cooperatively across the whole year group in HASS, art and library skills and research.



WACA Cricket incursion term 4



Last Tuesday, Northam Primary was pleased to welcome Melinda Lucas and her team from the WACA. The incursion provided our year 3 and 6 students an opportunity to learn cricket skills and drills from the WACA coaches. At the end of the session many of our students were also able to win some prizes! Northam Primary would like to thank Melinda and her team for their hard work.

P&C News

This coming **Wednesday 24 October**. There is a **P&C meeting in the boardroom at 7pm**. Everyone welcome.

Next **Friday 26 October is the Lapathon**, our major fundraising event. All money raised goes back into your school. We will have an added bonus for the students this year, possibly something to do with firefighters. All students will receive a free icy pole at the end of the lapathon as well. We wish to thank Coles and Woolworths Northam for the donation of icy poles. Students can be sponsored per lap or a sponsorship amount for taking part. Sponsorship forms will be sent home with students, or a copy will be on the P&C facebook page.



Canteen News

Week 4 only – the canteen will have changed hours of operation.

OPEN **Monday 29 October** – specials – hamburger, sausage sizzle
 Tuesday 30 October – specials – chicken burgers, hot chicken rolls, sushi
 Wednesday 31 October - specials – pies, sausage rolls, pizzas
CLOSED **Thursday 1 November** and **Friday 2 November**.

SUSHI is available in ½ serves for \$3.00. Please write on your lunch order if sushi is to be cut into pieces. Also write on lunch order if soy sauce is not wanted.

Term Calendar

Term 4			
Week 3	Monday 22 nd – Thurs 25 th Oct	Scholastic Book Fair	In Library
	Wednesday 24 th October	P&C Meeting	Commences 7pm
	Friday 26 th October	Lapathon	Commences 1.45pm
Week 4	Canteen Open Canteen Closed Friday 2 nd November	Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Thursday & Friday Assembly	Presented by Room 3 Commences 9.00am
Week 6	Friday 16 th November	Assembly	Presented by Room 4 Commences 9.00am
Week 7	Wednesday 21 st November	P&C AGM	Commences 7pm
Week 8	Monday 26 Nov-Friday 30 Nov	Interm Swimming	Rooms A, B, 2, 5 & 7
	Tuesday 27 th November	School Council Meeting	3.15pm Library
	Friday 30 th November	Year 4-6 Cricket Carnival	
Week 9	Monday 3 Dec – Fri 7 Dec	Interm Swimming	Rooms A, B, 2, 5 & 7
	Tuesday 4 th December	School Presentation Evening	P -6
	Wednesday 5 th December	Kindy Presentation	
Week 10	Monday 10 th December	Year 6 Leavers Presentation	
	Thursday 13 th December	Last Day term	

Scholastic Book Fair

Once again the P&C will be holding our annual Scholastic book fair in the library. Starting Monday 22nd of October to Thursday 25th October.

The fair gives both students and parents an opportunity to purchase some fabulous books as well as posters and stationery. It is also a wonderful chance to help earn resources for the school. For those who have never participated in a book fair, here's a quick rundown of how it operates:-

On Monday each class will visit the book fair with their teacher at a set time. Each child is given a wish list to write the titles of any of the books they are interested in buying. Students take their wish list home for parents to look at. If parents want to purchase any of the books on their child's list, they can either send the money to school with their child on Tuesday to Thursday so that their child can purchase the books before school, recess, lunch or after school. Alternatively parents are welcome to come to the book fair during the purchasing times and purchase the book themselves.

Scholastic provides the school with an EFTPOS machine so parents who wish to pay this way can. If any book sells out of stock before your child purchases a copy, we can order them a copy during the book fair.

TIMETABLE FOR BOOK FAIR

Monday 22 Oct : Look through – NO Sales allowed

Tuesday 23rd & Wednesday 24th - 8.30am to 9.30am, 10.45am to 11.00am,
1.20pm to 1.45pm, 3.00pm to 4.00pm

Thursday 25th – 8.30am to 10am.

