



# NEWSLETTER

## NORTH HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

*"THE FUTURE IS OURS"*

19th November 2015  
Term 4 Week 7  
Issue No 37

### Uniform Shop

#### Hours:

Tuesday mornings  
8.45 – 9.15 am  
Thursday afternoons  
2.30 – 3.15 pm

### TERM DATES

Term 4 6 Oct – 16 Dec 2015  
  
Term 1 28 Jan – 8 Apr 2016  
Term 2 27 Apr – 1 Jul 2016  
Term 3 19 Jul – 23 Sep 2016  
Term 4 10 Oct – 16 Dec 2016

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### A Message from Mrs Regan

*To the families and community of North Haven Public School*

After 38 years of teaching – with 36 and a half of those being at North Haven Public School - I have made the decision to at last retire.

I will certainly be leaving with a lifetime of memories which encompass the growth and achievements of a wonderful school and it's community.

Arriving in mid 1979 as the fourth teacher with a school population of 89 I had no idea what a journey lay ahead.

It has been a privilege to share in the lives of so many families. Schools are vibrant and exciting places and none more than NHPS. We have certainly never let the grass grow under our feet as students, staff, P&C and families have embraced opportunities to enrich learning and readily celebrate achievements at all levels.

No doubt in the next few weeks there will be more to say and more to reminisce about when catching up with current and past families and staff but for now the announcement is simply Mrs Regan is retiring.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Well, Mrs Regan's news certainly took us by surprise and once we got over the shock our attentions turned to how we would be able to celebrate her wonderful career and enormous contribution to the education and lives of so many families in our community. Please join us on Friday 11th December following our Presentation Day Assemblies to reminisce, congratulate and acknowledge Mrs Regan's outstanding career as an educator, leader and mentor.

### General Rule Reminders

We have reviewed the general playground rules and are reminding students of them, particularly regarding safe movement into, around and out of the school.

Walking on the concrete areas and in Area A has been one of the focuses for this week. Students are escorted out to the playground by their teacher at the beginning of each break. Everyone sits and

eats. Canteen orders may be picked up from the canteen but only if they have been pre-ordered. Purchases from the canteen can only be made after dismissal from eating. All food and drink, including ice blocks, must be finished before play begins.

We are taking considerable time to remind and demonstrate these rules and procedures to all students during each break and as a whole-school focus at Monday morning assemblies. If students however are unable or unwilling to follow the rules, despite positive support, we are using time out, such as missed play time, to reinforce our expectations. As usual nearly all students are responding positively to our requests.

Kind regards,

**Christine Wild**  
Principal

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>23rd Nov-4th Dec</b>	10 Day Swimming Scheme
<b>26th November</b>	Snow Cone Day
<b>30th November</b>	Last day of school banking
<b>1st December</b>	Junior Band auditions commence P&C Meeting 6.00 pm
<b>8th December</b>	Kindergarten Excursion Creative Arts Gala Night 7.00 pm
<b>11th December</b>	Presentation Day
<b>15th December</b>	Stage 2 Fun Day K-2 Fun Day Band Cleaning Day Year 6 Graduation Dinner
<b>16th December</b>	Stage 3 Fun Day Last day of school year

### 10 Day Special Swimming School

The 10 day swimming scheme commences next Monday, 23rd November to Friday, 4th December. Permission notes and money need to be returned to school by TOMORROW Friday, 20th November.

Children in years 3 who cannot swim 25 metres competently and confidently are also invited to participate. Permission notes are available from the office.



### Library News

This week will be our last week for borrowing. We thank families for their assistance in returning all library books in the following weeks to ensure our stocktake is complete.

### Taco Meal Deal

The canteen is holding a Taco Meal Deal on Tuesday 1st December. The meal deal includes two tacos, a choice of drinks and a lucky dip treat for \$5.00. Order forms were sent home with students last week and should be returned to the canteen by Friday 27th November. Spare notes are available from the office.

### OUT OF UNIFORM & SNOW CONE DAY

**Thursday, 26th November**  
**Only \$1.00**

Thursday, 26th November will be an out of uniform and snow cone day to support Year 6 fundraising for their end of year gift for the school.



Snow cones will be \$1.00 with no charge to be out of uniform. Students will receive their snow cone at lunch time.

Students should still wear closed-in shoes, (no sandals or thongs) and no midriff tops.

### Junior Band 2016

A reminder that the Expression of Interest for Junior Band in 2016 is due back at school by TOMORROW 20th November.

### Information Night Invitation to Parents & Carers

**25th November at 6pm**  
**in the library**

The Headspace team will be presenting a session for parents and carers on the evening of 25th November commencing at 6pm in the library.

**Headspace** is the National Youth Mental Health Foundation providing early intervention mental health services to 12-25 year olds. The service is designed to make it easy as possible for a young person and their family to get the help they need for problems affecting their wellbeing. This covers four core areas: mental health, physical health, work and study support and alcohol and other drug services.

Parents of students at any age are invited to come along to this information evening. You may wish to seek information for the present time, you may want to be informed for possible future issues or you may have others you know that could benefit from support in these areas. No questions will be asked as to why you are attending, it is just a chance to get information and ideas from experts in this field.

In addition we have been offered the opportunity to have the "Headspace" team visit Year 6 during the day on 25th November to talk about aspects of change during times of transition. This, of course, is very appropriate as the students prepare for the move to high school.

If you have any queries about either of these presentations please feel free to contact Mrs Regan at school.



# ASSEMBLY AWARDS



	Student of the Week	Sharing Awards
KB	Lana Witcombe	Liam Brown
KF	Lekeisha Sargent	Benjamin Blanch
1D	Matilda Thoms	Sophie Hill
1M	Joshua Hoffman	Skye Ferguson
2H	Jakob Eggins	Riivah Steep
2M	Lucie Holt	Zoe Boland
3M	Alana Toogood	Nyan Rowan Koren Refalo
3S	Lexie Walker	Abigail Pearse Toby Verdon
4E	Bailey Geronimi	Montana Yates Briella Meyers
4/5B	Michael Nixon	Jye Barber Sari McKenzie
5D	Mason Hanington	Nicholas McLaren Ritchie Joshua Haldane
6R	Caidyn Sharman	Alicia Holliday
6T	Ali Thomas	Tim O'Brien Raymond Morris

	Infants Merit Awards	
KB	Lachlan Ward	Miley Hearne
KF	Felix King-Schmidt	Nathan Gardner
1D	Olive Hardman	Abbey Lenane
1M	Rusty Hogan	Ellie James
2H	Zak Houston	Samuel Alaban
2M	Saxon Ritter	Shayleigh Evans

	Work of the Week	
3M	Blake Taylor	Aironn Cabonilas
3S	Lewis Witcombe	Bailey Asbury
4E	Mia George	Seamus Roy
4/5B	Maddison Drewitt	Cordy Gamblin
5D	Trinity Kerry	Harrison Swift
6R	Ruby Stephenson	Brody Leask
6T	Jacob Grant	Jay Toogood

Good Sports Awards	
Julia Cable Ryan Moloney Danny Usher Clark	Blake Moon Michael Huf
Playground Citizenship Awards	
Charlotte Holt Ali Thomas	Lekeisha Sargent

**VALUE OF THE WEEK**  
**Respect**

## P&C Fundraiser Christmas Raffle

As in previous years the P&C will again be holding its' annual Christmas Raffle. A book of raffle tickets was sent home with students yesterday.

Prizes will include Christmas food hampers, hams, wine and a variety of gift packs.

Prizes will be drawn on Presentation Day - Friday, 11th December.

The P&C is seeking donations of non-perishable food items or other items to include in the hampers. Why not re-gift any unwanted presents – we will give them a good home! Donations may be sent to your child's classroom.

## PAYMENTS DUE NOW

- ❖ 10 Day Swimming Scheme – notes & deposit now overdue
- ❖ Term 4 Band Fees – now overdue
- ❖ Kindergarten Excursion – permission notes & payment due on Friday 4th December

## North Haven Public School Student Absence Note

My child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ was absent from school

on the following dates \_\_\_\_\_

for the following reason \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature : \_\_\_\_\_ Date : \_\_\_\_\_

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## TAFE Courses

TAFE Port Macquarie is offering pre-vocational pathway courses to support people in retraining or trying to get back into employment.

- Certificate II course (equivalent to Year 10) that provides basic computer and retail units plus reading, writing and spoken skills
- Tertiary Preparation Certificate (equivalent to Year 12) that provides an ATR and pathway to university.

Any queries contact Leonie Nilson at Port Macquarie TAFE on 6581 6224. An information flyer is also available from the school office.

## Port Macquarie Library

Primary school children are invited to a free concert at Port Macquarie Library on Saturday 5th December at 10.30 am. Local storytellers Moran & Roman are launching their CD The Koala Went Cooee with a free concert. Join in the fun with puppets, music, dancing and storytelling. For more information contact Virginia Cox, Children's Librarian at Port Macquarie Library.

## Hastings Autism Christmas Party

Hastings Autism (previously called HAARG) is a non-profit organisation run entirely by unpaid volunteers who are dedicated to helping people with an Autism Spectrum Disorder and their families in the local area. Hastings Autism aims to help people affected by autism through all stages of life.

Families affected by autism are invited to attend Hastings' Autism's annual Christmas party.



When	5pm – 7 pm Saturday 28th November
Venue	Wow Fun Park, Boundary Rd, Port Macquarie
Cost	\$5.00 per child 2 years and older
Includes	Party food, waterslides, trampolines and a big bag of lollies from Santa!

Bookings essential for catering at

[www.trybookings.com/163316](http://www.trybookings.com/163316)

The Christmas party flyer can be viewed at

[www.hastingsautism.org.au](http://www.hastingsautism.org.au)




*We invite parents of Year 6 students attending Camden Haven High School in 2016 to a*

## Parent Orientation Evening


**Thursday 3rd December 2015**  
**6pm-7.30pm in our MPC.**

This is a great opportunity to ask questions, receive information and tour of our up-to-date facilities.

We hope this evening will give you the confidence to support your child with a successful start to their secondary schooling.



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