

NILLO INFANTS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 Week 9 Date: 15th September 2022

Sport Carnival	Friday 16 th September
School Library	Wednesday 21st September
Healthy Harold	Wednesday 21 st September
Music Lessons with Miss Butcher	Every Friday morning
1 Red 3 Way Conferences	Monday 19 th September
2 Green 3 Way Conferences	Wednesday 21 st September
K White 3 Way Conferences	Thursday 13 th October
Last day of Term 3	Friday 23 rd September
First day of Term 4 for students and staff	Monday 10 th October
SPRING FAIR (save the date)	Saturday 22 nd October 4.00pm – 7.00pm

Australians will be given a public holiday on Thursday 22nd September to mourn the death of Queen Elizabeth.

Nillo Infants will be non-operational. We will not be opening on this day.

From the Principal

Welcome to the last newsletter of Term 3. We have a few events coming up that were previously on hold. One of these is our Sports Carnival. Our students are very excited about this event, and we look forward to seeing you all there. Don't forget, students are dropped off at Marcellin Park ready for the carnival to commence at **10.00am** and also collected from the park at **2.00pm**. We have a number of students that we have made other arrangements for. If the carnival has to be cancelled, announcements will be made through Skoolbag and SeeSaw.

We have welcomed our Kinder 2023 students for their first transition. It was a lovely visit with a very settled group. We look forward to your return next term. Information will be sent out regarding Year 2 transition plans as soon as these are confirmed.

From the beginning of Term 4, there will be a renewed focus on Student Attendance. One of the changes that will be actioned is that if your child is absent without an explanation or notification, you will receive a phone call on that day. Previously, this would occur after the second day of unexplained absence. Please remember you can let us know if your child is absent by a phone call or through the Skoolbag app. For the late arrivals each morning, you are required to complete the pink slip as we have always had in place but if the reason is, for example, "slept in" that is considered to be explained but also recorded as an unjustified absence. Our Attendance policy on our website will be updated to reflect this at the beginning of Term 4.

We are currently in the process for interviewing applicants for a new position in our school that we will be sharing with Bolwarra Public School. The title of the position is Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction (AP C and I). The successful applicant will be responsible for ensuring literacy and numeracy knowledge and skills are embedded in curriculum and assessment, teaching practices are enhanced and also providing high quality support and guidance to enhance teacher growth and

development. We will have the successful applicant in our school one day per week and Bolwarra PS will have 4 days. I am confident that this is a great opportunity to support the sharing of knowledge and skills between our schools and support our students as they transition to Year 3.

We have our 3 Way Conferences planned for Week 10. I find these meetings invaluable for sharing information with parents in the successes their child has experienced but then in also determining the shared goals that will be worked towards. Our students very much appreciate your commitment I and participation in these. Thank you.

Finally, I would like to thank our P&C once again for their incredible support in improving the environment for students and staff at Nillo Infants. P&C are funding the renovation to our washshed. This will see a total revamp and removal of the wooden structures to open it up. There will be new sinks and taps as we do not use bubblers anymore. We are also most fortunate to have the installation planned of a chilled water station so drink bottles can be filled with cold water as required. This comes at a cost of \$27000.00. The P&C have also agreed to cover the cost of renovating the staffroom. When we had our internet upgrade we lost the use of the storeroom in the Administration area that held our stationery supplies. We have planned suitable storage and renovation of the staffroom to accommodate this. This is also a considerable expense and could not be done without our P&C. I can't wait to see these projects completed. Please also have a look at the photo of what was once the red seat in our school grounds. Another project funded by the P&C.

Year 2 will be running the Jars Stall at the Spring Fair. We are hoping for donations of jars filled with treats that can be used for the stall. If you are after examples, there will be some in the foyer next week. Thank you for your consideration.

Vicki Sellens Principal

Student Health

It is essential that the school is kept informed of any health issues your child may have. If there have been any changes in the health of your child, please call in at the office and update the medical information. This includes the annual review your child should have for their asthma plan or anaphylaxis, if they have one.

Parent Contact Details

If you have had a change in any of your contact information (Mobile, Address) please see Mrs Coffey in the office. Please make sure your details are correct for the safety of your child/ren.

Pick Up

If you need to arrange someone other than yourself to collect your child from school, please call the school to let us know the name of the person.

Absences, late arrivals and early pick ups for School

If you are late to school or need to pick up your child early, please call into the office and complete a pink form (partial absence slip).

Likewise, if your child is not well or away from school for any reason, please call the school on **49335323** to let us know the circumstances. If we haven't heard by the afternoon of absence a phone call will be made to parents.

If your child will be absent for over 10 school days, please see Mrs. Coffey. Also please inform your child's teacher as soon as you know this will be happening.

Covid changes

The isolation period for positive COVID-19 cases was reduced to 5 days effective from Friday 9th September with the following caveats:

- Complete 5 days of self-isolation from the date they tested positive
- Be symptom free before returning to school, if symptoms remain after 5 days remain in self-isolation for 7 days from the day they tested positive following NSW guidelines
- Complete a RAT and return a negative result before returning to school

All staff, students and visitors who test positive to COVID-19 should continue to follow the NSW Health advice in addition to the relevant Department of Education advice.

There are no changes to NSW Health requirements for household and close contacts. Any staff member, student or visitor who is identified as a household or close contact should follow the NSW Health advice.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS Congratulations to all students

K WHITE	Amelia, Zarleea, Van	
1 RED	Alexi, Ella, Jett	
2 GREEN	Lily, Mae, Toby	
PLAYGROUND AWARD	Matthew	
You Can Do It AWARD	Kinder Millie 1Red Tate 2 Green Matthew	
READER 100	Toby	
READER 125	Lea, Toby	
READER 150	Lea, Christopher, Alexi	
READER 175	Lea, Amarlia, Tate, Winton, Hugo, Bill	
READER 200	Lea, Chloe, Marnie, Oliver, James	

Gymnastics

Our students have had so much fun doing their Gymnastics lessons. They have been learning to balance and lots of other skills.









New seating





Gardening with Pete

The students had some fun gardening with Pete on Monday.







OOSHcare

OOSHcare offers centre-based care for children aged 5-12 years for before and after school during school terms. Its purpose is to create a safe and caring environment where children can freely participate in a variety of activities that are stimulating and enjoyable. If you would like to book your child/ren into OOSHcare please see one of our friendly staff or call OOSHcare on **0400244272** or see Mrs Coffey.

3 Way Conferences

At the end of Term 1 and Term 3 we hold 3 Way Conferences for all students. You have the opportunity to make an appointment with your child's teacher and a meeting is held with you, your child and their teacher. At the Term 1 meeting, educational goals for each student are agreed upon. At the meeting in Term 3 these goals are reviewed and updated. Students find this a most valuable experience as they take responsibility for their learning.

Please note the change in date for K White due to the announcement of the public holiday this term.

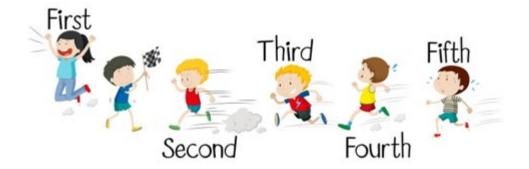
The interview days are as follows:

- 2 Green Wednesday 21st September
- 1 Red Monday 19th September
- K White Thursday 13th October

Sports Carnival

We are very excited about our sports carnival with Stanford Merthyr Infants School. We will be holding the sports at Marcellin Park at Lorn. Parents and family members are most welcome to join us for this great day. Start time is 10.00am – 2.00pm

There will be lots of races and fun activities during the day. We will be having a lunch menu for our students and their families.



P & C

The P & C have some information on the Spring Fair. Please see the attached note containing lots of information and also has Pre-paid passes and raffle tickets. We are also calling for volunteers to help with a variety of ways to help.

Please get behind our little school and help us raise money and get the things we need for our school. All proceeds from the Spring Fair go directly to the school.