

First Day of Term 2 for students	Tuesday 30 th April
Photo Day	Wednesday 1 st May from 9.00am
Special Recess	Wednesday 1 st May 11.00am
ANZAC Day Ceremony at school	Thursday 2 nd May 10.30am
Walk Safely to School Day	Friday 10 th May
Mother's Day Stall	Friday 10 th May (after recess)
Gymnastics commences Week 3	Monday 13 th May
Musica Viva In school performance	Thursday 16 th May at 2.00pm
P & C Meeting (All welcome)	Wednesday 8 th May 7.00pm
Scripture	Every Thursday 11.30am
Music Lessons with Miss Rachael	Every Friday 9.00am – 11.00am

From the Principal

Welcome to the last newsletter for Term 1. We have fitted a lot of experiences in our first term and are looking forward to the year to come. It has been lovely to witness the growth in our students, both academically and socially.

We have completed our 3 Way Conferences, and we appreciate the strong engagement from our parent community. Our students love having this experience and the opportunity to share their successes at school and also to set their individual goals. Please complete the survey sent out through Seesaw on your thoughts on this process.

As we come to the end the term, we take the opportunity to review our attendance. Our school community received praise from the Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO) for the attendance data. We have 15 students currently sitting on 100% for attendance, which is great news.

ANZAC Day falls in the holidays, and our school has traditionally marched with the Maitland ANZAC March. This is an opportunity for any student who would like to take part, to meet the teachers on the morning of **Thursday 25th April** at the Maitland Fire Station and march as a group to the park. Families will need to be present for this event. Year 2 students will have the honour of carrying our banner. Details are provided in this newsletter and will be updated again on Audiri in the holidays.

We have completed our Tennis program with Coach Pat. In Term 2 we will be participating in Gymnastics with Gym Matrix. The permission note will be sent out early next term. This program will be running for 5 weeks.

All students return on **Tuesday 30th April.** We have quite a few events in the first three weeks of school so please keep yourself informed. I hope everyone has a lovely holiday break and we will see you all back ready for another great term of learning.

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 over the holidays, 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.

In relation to this, all staff members have been trained in the mandatory CPR, Anaphylaxis and Asthma training.

Communications

Our newsletter is sent out fortnightly on a Friday. It is also posted on our school website and our Audiri App. It will be posted on the Sentral Portal as well as all communication run through the Audiri will be phased out we will be using the Sentral Portal. We also use the whiteboard at the front of the school for reminders each week.

Absences, Late Arrivals and Early Pickups for School

If for some reason your child is late to school or needs to be picked up early, please call into the office and complete a pink slip (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 second day 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 in the office for an attendance exemption form. Also please inform your child's teacher as soon as you know this will be happening.

If your child is being picked up by someone other than yourself, please call the school to let us know the circumstances and name of the person who will be collecting your child.

Please be aware that it is mandatory for your child to attend school for the allocated time, at Nillo Infants School that is from 9.00am – 3.00pm. If your child is late to school, it is recorded and if this happens regularly, without a valid reason, it will be targeted by the Home School Liaison Officer when regular roll checks are completed.

3 Way Conferences

Thank you to all our parents for attending our 3 Way Conference meetings. These are valuable to education and the students like to be included in their paths to learning. Please take the time to complete the survey sent out on Seesaw, thank you.

Book Club

8 times a year we send out catalogues/order forms for the Scholastic book club. If you would like to order books for your children, you can only order and pay by credit card online using 'LOOP'. For credit card LOOP payments just follow the instructions on the order forms. The books will then be sent to the school. If you are ordering books as a present for your child and you want to keep it a secret, please let Mrs. Coffey know and she will give the books to you rather than send them home with your child.

Anzac Day March

Nillo Infants School takes part in the Maitland Anzac March each year. This will be during the second week of the holidays. We meet in the carpark near Maitland Fire Station. Students are to wear school uniform and hats. Our Year 2 students have the honour of carrying the banner as we march to the Cenotaph in Maitland Park. The Anzac service takes place at the park and students are collected from this location.

Information will be confirmed on the Skoolbag app as we are informed.

We will be having an Anzac Day service at school with a guest speaker Greg Northy in Term 2, This will be on **Thursday 2nd May 10.30am.** Families welcome to attend.

School Photos

We have our school photos next term, on **Wednesday 1st May from 9.00 am.** Payments for photos can be made online directly to MSP Photography but students need to bring their envelope from MSP on the day of photos, **Wednesday 1st May**. **You can place orders up to 7 days after the photo day.**

- Log on to <u>www.msp.com.au</u> and click ORDER ONLINE.
- Enter Shoot key and select the pack you wish to order.
- To order a pack for another student from the same family use the "Continue Shopping function" to enter the next Shoot key.

Children are to wear their school uniform, tunic or culottes, shorts or long pants. There is no particular requirement, as long as it is school uniform. Please have your child/ren here at **9.00am** as photos start first thing.

Walk Safely to School

We will be having our "Walk Safely to School Day" on Friday 10th May, this is a program to help educate children on the importance of road safety, children all over Australia are asked to walk to school with their parents/carers while learning to be safe, active, and healthy. If you can't walk all the way you can park a good distance from the school and walk the rest of the way. Children who are under the age of 10 must always hold an adult's hand when crossing the road, also a reminder for children to get out of cars on the sidewalk and not the roadside as we do have a very heavy traffic road. Our Year 2 students will be giving out tattoos to all children displaying road safety skills.



<u>Musica Viva</u>

We will be having a visit from Musica Viva on **Thursday 16th May**. A permission form will be sent out next term. The show is called "Colours of Home".

At Musica Viva Australia, we are proud to be one of Australia's largest and most trusted providers of music education in the country. We are passionate about providing opportunities for teachers and students to engage in creative learning through our Musica Viva Australia In Schools program, and we are inspired to deliver on our vision to enhance children's appreciation of music and boost their creativity.







ASSEMBLY AWARDS from 28.03.24

K WHITE	Elyse, Artie, Henry
1 RED	Hudson, Kaptarn, Max
2 GREEN	Christopher, Darcy, Jack J
PLAYGROUND AWARD	Daisy
RAINBOW AWARD	Audrey

ASSEMBLY AWARDS from 10.04.24

K WHITE	Eve, Tessa, Hugo	
1 RED	Alistair, Noah, Toby	
2 GREEN	Jack H, Millie R, Hudson T	
PLAYGROUND AWARD	Jack H	
RAINBOW AWARD	Hannah, Suli	
SUPER READER 25	Ally, Tessa, May, Jordy, Leroy, Paddy, Ted, Alistair, Eddie, Hannah, Noah, Toby, Audrey, Max, Flynn, Suli, Scout, Marnie, Christopher, Oliver, Chloe, Millie, Zarleea, Jack H, Eddie	
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Congratulations Students

Simultaneous Storytime

Simultaneous Storytime is an annual event for schools across Australia to promote more reading. Schools all over Australia will read the same book at the same time. This will be on **Wednesday 22nd May.** We have been invited to Maitland Library for the reading and some other activities. Parents are welcome to join us.

The book this year is "BowerbirdBlues."



Sport for Term 2

We will be having Gymnastics lessons with Jen from Gym Matrix in term 2. Our students always love these lessons. These lessons will commence **Monday 13th May**. There will be a permission and payment sent out early next term.

Mother's Day Stall`

Our Mother's Day Stall will be on **Friday 10th May.** The P&C will supply a range of gifts for the students to shop and choose from.

On the day of the stall the students will select their gifts and they will be packaged and sent home with them.

The cost is **\$10.00 per gift** (this includes a few small things they choose).

Students select their own gifts and pay for them all by themselves which is something they all love to do. Correct money on the day would be appreciated.

Please return Mother's Day notes to the office by **Friday 3rd May** for the P&C to purchase the fabulous gifts.

Please see the attached note

<u>P&C</u>

The next P&C meeting will be **Wednesday 8th May at 7pm** in the school library. We will continue to meet the second Wednesday of every month during school terms. This is an opportunity to find out what happens in our school and provides another forum for you to share your ideas on what would improve our school. Children are welcome at the meetings.

Special Recess

Our next Special Recess is on **Wednesday 1st May**. Students are given the opportunity to purchase multiple treats if enough is available. Special Recess items are **\$1.00 each**.

If you are supplying Special Recess items, you can drop them to the office in the morning at drop off time.

BOWLS | BBQ AREA | PARTIES | SPORTS BAR | FUNCTIONS | BISTRO | OUTDOOR DINING

FREE KIDS DISCO

Saturday 13 April 2024 3pm to 5pm

Kick off the school holidays with our free kids disco!! Great music and prizes up for grabs

Full Club facilities Bistro open 11.30am to 2.30pm All you can eat buffet available from 5.30pm

*Kids to be supervised at all times by a responsible adult





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Thank you, parents, for your understanding with the changes to Sentral. We will have more updates next term. I would like to wish all our families a wonderful holiday and look forward to seeing you all next term. Mrs Coffey



Mother's Day Stall Friday 10th May 2024

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On the day of the stall the children will select their gifts and they will be packaged to send home.

The cost is \$10.00 per gift (this will include a few small things they will choose).

The children pay when purchasing their gifts, so it is important to <u>send correct money</u> with each child on the day.

Please complete the form below and return to the office by Friday 3rd May 2024 for the P&C to purchase the fabulous gifts.

Note: Families who do not return the form on time will be allocated <u>ONE</u> present per child only.

Bonus: This year *Entertainment Book* have donated a 12-month digital subscription and each family who returns their note on time will get a ticket in the draw. The prize will be sent home with the lucky winner.

Mother's Day stall 2024 order form

Child's Name/Class:		
Number of Gifts:		
Special people gifts are being purchased for (e.g. Mum, Nan etc.)		
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No payment is required with this form.		