

Term 1 Week 9 Monday 24 March 2025

NEWSLETTER



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RESPECT

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Message from the Principal...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Week 9!

I would like to thank the 2024 P&C Executive and team for their dedication and hard work throughout the year. Their commitment has made a significant impact on our school community, and we are truly grateful for your efforts. I am also excited to welcome the 2025 P&C Executive following our recent AGM. I look forward to working together and continuing the great work that has been done to enhance opportunities for our students.

Last Wednesday the Wallamba Show Committee visited our school assembly to present us with our Scarecrow first place ribbon and prize. It was lovely to share this with the community.

On Tuesday, Mrs Ashby and I are attending an Explicit Teaching Conference on the Central Coast. Another local Principal and I were invited to attend with one of our teachers, representing our local network of schools. We will bring learning back, reflecting on our current learning journey and share with other schools in our network. This is an exciting opportunity to collaborate with other schools, in other networks, learning from each other.

This Friday is our cross country. Good luck to everyone participating, have fun!

Have a lovely week!

Lorelle O'Brien



Coming up at the best little school, anywhere:



Dates for your Calendar:

- **Mar 28: School photo envelopes due back**
- **Mar 28: Great Lakes Year 7 2026, Expression of Interest due**
- **Mar 28: Cross Country**
- **April 2: School Photos**
- **April 11: Anzac Day Assembly 9:15am**
- **April 11: Easter Hat Parade from 1:30pm**
- **April 11: Last day of term**



Assembly

Our next Assembly will be hosted by 5/6 Turtles this Wednesday, 26 March at 2:15pm. Don't forget to bring your blue merits into the front office to receive your Gold Award. Parents and families are welcome to attend.

Cross Country



The Cross Country will be held on the 28th of March (weather and grounds permitting) for all students from Kindergarten to Year 6. The event will start in the morning after roll call and run until lunchtime. The races will start with the youngest age groups.

Students run in the age group that they will turn this year. The distance of the race varies according to the age of the students. Five and six year old students will run a shortened course. Seven year olds will run 1 lap. Eight and nine year olds run in the same race, running 2 laps. Ten year olds run 2 laps. Students that are eleven and twelve years old both run 3 laps (in separate events). We will use the race time of these events to determine the results of the 1500m for the Athletics Carnival and determine the zone representative for 1500m. The results will become part of the competition for the Athletics Carnival later in Term 2. This prevents the need to run a very similar event in a close period of time. If you have any questions, please contact the office or speak to Mr Dawson.

Mr Dawson



School Photos

School photos will take place on **Wednesday 2 April 2025 (Week 10)**

School photo envelopes have been distributed to students last week. Please read the information on the school photo packs carefully. Photos can be paid for in cash, using the envelopes provided or online at 'The School Photographer' website.

*** Note that payment for photos can be placed in one sibling envelope; however, each student envelope must still be returned to the office. Please return each student envelope to the office by **Friday 28 March 2025 (Week 9)**, regardless of payment and order, as we utilise these on the day.

If you are interested in sibling photos, you can purchase these online or collect a sibling envelope from the front office.

Please contact the front office if you have any questions or would like support.

Three-Way Interviews



Notes have gone home with students today for three-way interviews to be held in weeks 10 and 11. Please remember to fill out the interview slip with three preferences and return as soon as possible. Teachers will then return the interview slip to confirm a date and time.



Year 7 2026

An email was sent to all year 6 students via School Bytes requesting Expressions of Interest for year 7 2026 to be lodged. Instructions on how to lodge this were included in the attached document. The portal is now open to lodge your Expression of Interest, and this must be completed by 28 March, 2025. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the front office.

Clarkey is hiding throughout the newsletter, how many Clarkey's can you find? (answer on the last page)



P&C Easter Raffle

The P&C are holding their annual Easter Raffle. Tubs have been placed in all classrooms, ready for Easter item donations.

We ask if Parents & Carers can please send their child to school with a donation of an Easter item (chocolate egg, soft toy, Easter craft or painting, lollies etc) for the raffle. The class who has the most donations will win a prize!

Tickets cost \$1 each or each book is worth \$10. Please ensure that tickets and money are returned to the office No later than Thursday April 10th 2025.

The winners will be drawn after the Easter Hat Parade on Friday the 11th April.

We thank you for your support and good luck!

NPS P&C Association.



Riddle of the week:
Mississippi has four S's and four I's. Can you spell that without using S or I?

Answer: T-H-A-T

WHEN ARE BOOK CLUB ORDERS DUE?

ORDERS ARE DUE ON This Friday! 28th March

SCHOLASTIC Book Club

PBL

Care: I can play safely in different weather conditions.

When it is sunny, there are many areas to spread out and play in. When it is wet, we can still play, but we need to be careful and mindful of all students in the same play areas.

We need to remember to follow the rules of each playground area



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If a teacher is present- you can use the hall cola for handball ○ K-2 on the fort ○ Library if it is open ○ Basketball at the bubbler end of the cola ○ Listen carefully to what the teachers are saying! Each wet weather day can be different. ○ Watch carefully for others- especially younger students | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Running in any of the play areas ○ Making your own rules to suit the game you want to play ○ Basketball at the fort end of the cola ○ Playing at hall cola unsupervised ○ Playing in the rain if a teacher has asked you to move |



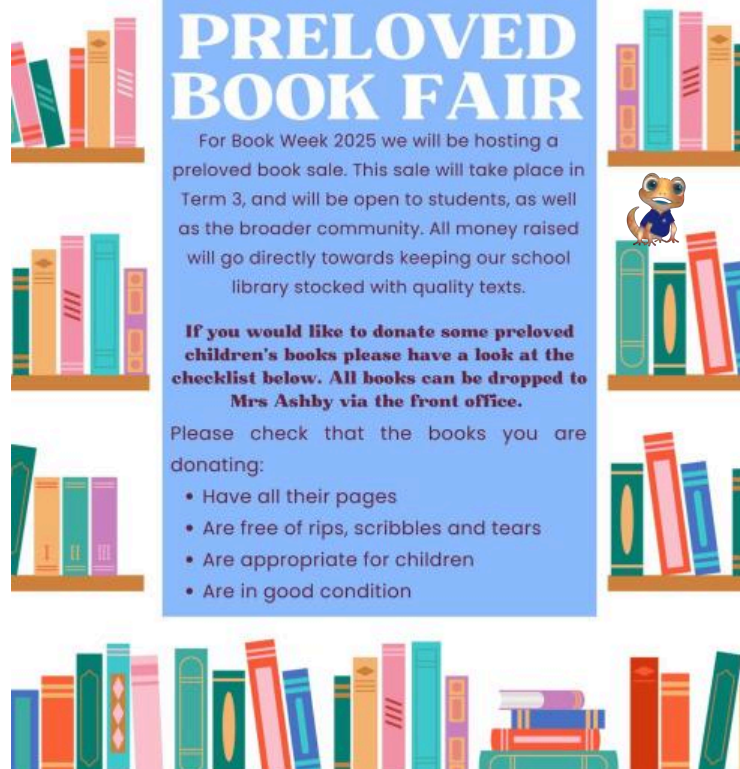
PRELOVED BOOK FAIR

For Book Week 2025 we will be hosting a preloved book sale. This sale will take place in Term 3, and will be open to students, as well as the broader community. All money raised will go directly towards keeping our school library stocked with quality texts.

If you would like to donate some preloved children's books please have a look at the checklist below. All books can be dropped to Mrs Ashby via the front office.

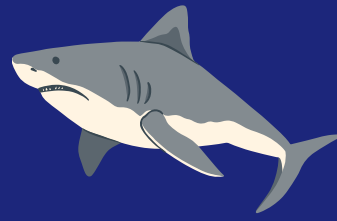
Please check that the books you are donating:

- Have all their pages
- Are free of rips, scribbles and tears
- Are appropriate for children
- Are in good condition



In the Classroom

2/3 Sharks



What a jam-packed, but amazing, start to the year for 2/3 Sharks!
We have been busy learning our routines and structures that will put us in good stead for the year. In reading groups we are learning how to be independent workers and we have even started working towards achieving our goals- woohoo!



Gold Awards



| Nabiac Public School MERIT AWARD SYSTEM | |
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| 6 blue merits = | |
| 12 blue merits = | |
| 18 blue merits = | |
| 24 blue merits = | |
| 30 blue merits = | |
| 36 blue merits = | |
| 42 blue merits = | |
| 48 blue merits = | |

Don't forget to hand your blue merits into the office to receive your gold award



Nabiac Public School's


2025 EASTER HAT PARADE

Parents, families and carers are invited to watch the parade. Feel free to join in by wearing an Easter hat, ready to parade.

FRIDAY 11th APRIL
1:30pm for a 1:45pm start
Under Brendan's Shelter
(Main Cola)

Students in Years K to 6, along with children from Nabiac Preschool & Nabiac Early Learning are invited to participate.





NABIAC PS is excited to be participating in the Premiers Reading Challenge for another year!

Students K-6 are all encouraged to get in and get involved! The challenge ends Friday 22 August!


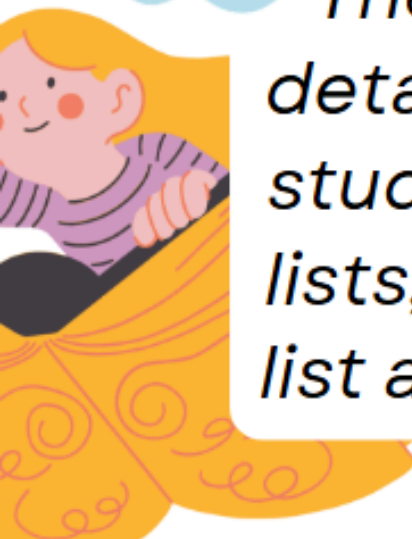
READING can be fun for EVERYONE



How to access at home:

Students can access the student experience at the below link

<https://online.education.nsw.gov.au/prc/studentExperience.html#/>



They use their DoE login details to enter. From here students can look up book lists, create their own wish list and also log books they read.

Canteen & P&C News



2025 P&C Committee

Last Monday the P&C held their AGM. The 2025 committee elected:

President: Scott Thompson

Vice President: Blake Bruce

Secretary: Rebecca Ashby

Treasurer : Stephanie Woolnough

Uniform Co-Ordinator: Sarah McIntyre-Mathers

Fundraising Co-Ordinators: Katie Hickman and Kasey Packer

Canteen Roster Term 1- 2025

| Week | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday Slushie Thursday | Friday Slushie Friday |
|------|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| 9 | 24/3 Michelle Rachel | 25/3 Lee Chris | 26/3 Michelle Marianne | 27/3 Scott Blake | 28/3 Cross Country Michelle Katie, Caitlin |
| 10 | 31/3 Scott Les | 1/4 Lee Jess | 2/4 Faye Leslee | 3/4 Michelle Gay | 4/4 Michelle Katie Shaz |
| 11 | 7/4 Michelle Rachel | 8/4 Lee Chris | 9/4 Michelle Marianne | 10/4 Scott Blake | 11/4 Michelle Katie Caitlin |



HOW TO ACCESS FREE AUDIO BOOKS ON BORROWBOX

Did you know that you can access free audio books using your Mid Coast Library card?

Audiobooks help children develop listening skills, comprehension, and vocabulary by exposing them to fluent reading and expressive storytelling. They also make reading accessible and enjoyable for all learners, including those who struggle with decoding text.

To get started download the Borrowbox app from the App Store or Google Play for your phone or tablet.



Then use your MidCoast library card number (the number under the barcode) and your password (your date of birth DD/MM/YY or DD/MM/YYYY). You may also need to select MidCoast Libraries as your branch.



STEWART HOUSE CHARITY DRIVE



Stewart House provides essential medical care, confidence-building activities, and a supportive environment where public school children in need can reset, thrive, and embrace a brighter future.

Envelopes must be returned to enter the draw!

Draw: Friday, 23 May 2025

Important:

Online payments ARE NOT an automatic entry into the draw.

Please return your envelope(s) to your school with a receipt number (if paying online) for entry in the draw.



SCAN TO PAY ONLINE

Find the Clarky's: there were 8 Clarky's hiding in the newsletter. Did you find them all?