Principal's Report

Week 4 was another great week of learning at Norfolk Island Central School. Year 12 major projects for IT Timber were due last Thursday 16th August, and the students and staff would like to thank Brent Jones and Graham Bull for their time, expertise and patience when assisting James and Mason to complete their projects. For those of you who are not aware, we will not be asking Mr Howell for any “tips” in the near future as he cannot spare any. We are expecting to hear any day the exact date the examiner will arrive on Island to mark these works.

The Textiles major projects are due today, and the students have been putting the finishing touches on their projects before they will be packaged up and sent away for HSC marking. Trial HSC exams begin on Wednesday with English. We wish our Yr12 students well and hope their marks reflect both their effort and capabilities.

The new kiln has completed its first round of firing. A long awaited ceramics project, finished almost two years ago, was among the first pieces to be done. A very big thank you to our P&C for assisting with the purchase of the kiln and to the Commonwealth for the provision of the funding to build the space.

Our students represented their houses with pride on Wednesday, completing the gruelling cross country course with a smile. The high school students due to the high tide in Emily Bay, really had to put in to get across the sand, using most of their stored energy to get through. Year 12 finished their final NICS carnival with strong leadership and care for their fellow students, encouraging and supporting them every step of the way. Thank you Mrs Pulsford for your organisation and to the community for their support. Congratulations to Norfolk house on the win; a clean sweep for you this year.

The school has implemented a literacy support program across K-7. Identification of students who may be experiencing difficulties in Kindergarten has occurred and they are receiving support in building skills in sound and letter recognition. In Years 2-4, if students have reading difficulties, we have a program called MultiLit which is delivered to students individually by both our expert SLSOs and our LaST. Then for students in Years 3-7, there is a small group reading program called Macquilit which again is delivered by our SLSOs. This ensures we have several intervention levels to assist students with any difficulties in these areas.

It’s ‘Book Week’ and we have lots of activities occurring across the week, including a treasure hunt during library classes. Students are encouraged to dress up and be part of the parade on Wednesday. The parade will occur in front of the Library steps at 9:15am, weather permitting. Families are invited to join us. Also during the week, K-2 will be travelling all over the Island for story time in a variety of locations.

Lost Property

There is a lot of lost property: jumpers, hats, drink bottles, lunch boxes and the list goes on; outside the Front Office. Please feel free to come and have a look.

Regards
Sally Thompson
Acting Principal

2018 Cross Country Report

The Annual Cross Country Carnival was held last Wednesday 15th August 2018 at Kingston Oval. The conditions this year were a little windy, but it was still a great temperature for the students to run their events. In keeping with tradition, the Open students ran first to set the tone for the afternoon.

All students who attended the carnival participated with great house spirit, and they all ran to the best of their abilities. The Super K’s were so super excited and were eager to get onto the course and run. Their little legs ran as fast as they could and it was heart-warming to watch them run with such enthusiasm.

This year we saw three records broken which was fantastic to witness. In the Junior Boys, Brandon Borg ran an unbelievable race to beat Jacob Millett’s record with a record time of 8.08 min. The Junior Girls' race saw Alyssa Miller being a force to reckon with this year, as she beat Ella Rogers’ record by 20 sec to run a time of 9.25 min. The last record was achieved by Sophie Pulsford in the Sub-Junior Girls category. She only just beat the record by 8 seconds with a time of 4.32 min. Congratulations to all students who attended and participated in the compulsory carnival, as it is such a unique and picturesque place to run a cross country course.

The Great House Race is a wonderful way to finish the carnival. This involves the fastest runners from each house and from each year group. The Super K’s started by running a short course around the oval and then passed the baton on to the Year 1 runner in their house. The three courses in the event get progressively longer the older the students are. Nepean got off to a great start in both the boys and girls teams; however, this was short lived with both Norfolk and Philip catching up quickly. There were many changes of leaders during the eight leg relay in both the boys and girls, however, Norfolk was successful in both events, with Nepean second
And Philip third. Well done to all students who were lucky enough to participate in this fun event.
I would like to thank all the families who came along to support their children during the event and to add to the house spirit that is so strong in the community. I would also like to thank the Police for their road closure escort, St. Johns Ambulance volunteers for being on stand-by, Don Reynolds for providing the sound system, Aaron Graham for the electricity, 2 drips for supplying water for the students, KAVHA for allowing us to run in such an amazing venue, the Administrator's Office for allowing students to run on the grounds, Regional Council Works Depot, Scott Greenwood for providing the Kingfisher Bus for students and spectators, and last of all, the staff at Norfolk Island Central School who always go above and beyond to ensure that all students are safe, having fun and encouraged along the course to reach their full potential.

The results for 2018 are listed below:
Cross Country records broken were:
Junior Boys – Brandon Borg (8.08min)
Junior Girls – Alyssa Miller (9.25min)
Sub-Junior Girls – Sophie Pulsford (4.32min)
Age Champions
Super K’s Boy – Zac Randall
Super K’s Girl – Astrid Susilovic
Year 1 Boy – Archie Pulsford
Year 1 Girl – Daniella Randall
Year 2 Boy – Toby Christian
Year 2 Girl – Charlie Umlauft
Sub-Junior Boy – George Peay
Sub-Junior Girl – Sophie Pulsford
Junior Boy – Brandon Borg
Junior Girl – Alyssa Miller
Intermediate Boy – Jesse Schmitz
Intermediate Girl – Tahlia Evans
Senior Boy – Jonny Sheridan
Senior Girl – Carolynn Morgan
Open Boy – Bernard (BB) Morgan
Open Girl – Charlie Carr

House Points Final Score
1st Norfolk 3752 points
2nd Philip 3648 points
3rd Nepean with 3269 points
Norfolk House Captains are Hannah Bigg and James Bigg (senior)
Vice captains are Karla Finch and Eamonn Kennerley (senior)
Zoe Cribb and Oliver South (junior captains)
Siena Menghetti and Jett Pettet (junior vice Captains)
Congratulations to Norfolk House on clinching the trifecta for all three carnivals this year. It was wonderful to see such close competition, and to see the winning house come down to the results of the Great House Race made for a fantastic finish to the carnival. There seems to be dominance by different houses each year with Philip winning all three carnivals in 2017 and Norfolk winning all three carnivals in 2018. Does that mean it will be Nepean to win all three carnivals in 2019 ????

Thank you to all the staff, students and parents/caregivers for making all the carnivals such a wonderful community event that help create the strong history at Norfolk Island Central School. I look forward to doing it all again in 2019.

Cross Country Ribbons
All the Cross Country Ribbons will be given out in Week 7 which will be Tuesday 4th September 2018. All parents and caregivers are welcome and encouraged to attend to celebrate the student’s achievements at the Cross Country.

Primary Sport
Year 3-6 will be commencing their selected sports this Friday 24th August. All students have been given a note which is to be returned ASAP. There are spare notes at the office. Any problems please contact me at the school.

Yours in Sport,
Melissa Pulsford
Secondary
Sports Organiser
Dear Year 10 Parent or Carer,

The Validation of Assessment for Learning & Individual Development (VALID) test for Year 10 students will be held between Monday 3 September and Friday 14 September 2018. The test takes approximately 70 minutes. The VALID Science 10 test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer. VALID Science 10 contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations. This is a diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 5 outcomes and essential content in the NSW Science Years K-10 Syllabus. Students will be tested on their:

Knowledge and understanding of science
understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation
ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas.

Students also complete a survey about their opinions, attitudes and values about science and technology. Since students complete VALID Science & Technology 10 on a computer, each student needs to bring headphones or earbuds that plug into a school computer. Earbuds for an iPod or portable player are suitable. If your child has a disability that needs special consideration or has been educated in English for less than one year, please contact your child's school to discuss special provisions or possible exemption from the test. Results of the test will be available during Term 4 2018. Information about each student is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that the right to privacy of all students is maintained. A personal report for each student will be sent to parents/carers to describe the science knowledge and skills demonstrated by the student in the test. There will also be information about how your child's results compare with overall performance of all students in the test.

The principal of your child's school is able to provide you with more details about the VALID program if you require additional information.

Yours sincerely

Jenny Donovan
Executive Director, Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation
Department of Education

LIBRARY NEWS

Book Week at NICS will be run throughout Week 5 Term 3. This will involve various activities for K-6 throughout the week to celebrate, including, but not limited to, a dress up parade. The dress up parade will occur on Wednesday 22nd August from 9:15am outside the library. The theme for 2018 is “Find Your Treasure”.

There will be no School Banking until tomorrow, Tuesday 21st of August
Kinder to Year 2

Kindergarten Information Session
Tomorrow, Tuesday 21st August, Mrs Hayes will be running a Kindergarten Information Session in her room about home reading at 5.30pm. She hopes to see you then!

Book Week
The Book Parade will be happening this Wednesday morning for all students Kinder through to Year 6, for Book Week, followed by open classrooms until recess for Education week. We hope you can come along to watch and have a look at what your child has been doing this year. The theme for Book week this year is ‘Find your treasure’.

SRC School Disco — The theme is Pirates.
Just a reminder that this Thursday 23rd August, the SRC will be holding a K-6 Disco.
K-2 are invited from 4.30pm to 6pm
Yr 3-6 from 6pm to 7.30pm
The cost is $7.00, which includes entry fee, a sausage sandwich and a drink. If your student would like more than one sausage please indicate when filling out their note. There will also be snacks to purchase. Notes and money need to be returned to the office if your child wishes to attend. Come along and have lots of fun.

Wetls on Wheels
Wetls on Wheels is a community program run by CareNorfolk which provides meals for our elderly on Norfolk. They are looking for students in the school to design their new ‘Wetls on Wheels’ logo.

The logo needs to contain the words ‘Wetls on Wheels’ and to focus on healthy food, a car driving around (delivering) the use of local produce, people/community being involved (the volunteering aspect).

CareNorfolk are offering a generous cash prize. More details at the next assembly.
# Kindergarten—Year 12 Consumable Fees 2018

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Payment may be made online through POP (parent online payments) through our school website:

http://www.norfolkisland-schools.nsw.edu.au

or by cash or cheque

If you are using the online payments, you will need to enter a LANDLINE number.

If you do not have a landline phone please feel free to use the school’s landline number which is 23000.