Message from the Principal...

Dear families, students and staff,

The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey
I am delighted that this term, our school, like many others in the state, will participate in a Department of Education and Communities initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.


The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide our school with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online, with students from Years 4 to 6 and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 9 March and 2 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you do not want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by Monday 9 March. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.

Have a great week.
Karen Cavanagh
Principal

Assembly
Assembly this week will be held on Friday at 2.15 in the Hall. 4B will be running the assembly and performing an item. All welcome.

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P&C AGM
Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th March at 6:30pm in the School Library. Our AGM will be held first, followed by the general meeting. All positions will be declared vacant at the AGM. Nomination forms are available at the office. To be a member of the P&C (which allows you to vote) you must be financial before the next meeting. Cost to be a member is $1. You may leave your name and money at the office if you wish to join.

PSSA Zone Swimming

Our school was represented by 21 students at the zone PSSA swimming carnival last Wednesday. Supported by their parents and Miss Brace they all put in fantastic effort, even achieving a lot of personal best times. Nabiac placed well in the heats throughout the day. Satine Morris placed an overall 1st against all the 11 years girls breaststroke, narrowly missing out on regionals with her time. A huge congratulations to all the swimmers, you should be very proud of your achievements.

Miss K. Brace
School Banking
School banking will cease due to the closure of the local Holiday Coast Credit Union branch. The last day for depositing through school will be 4 March.

Uniform Shop
Until further notice the Uniform shop will be closed, as it is run by a volunteer who is not available for the rest of term. Orders with the correct money, may be placed through the front office.

GENERAL PERMISSION NOTE TO USE THE TOWN OVAL & TOWN FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR OF 2015

Nabiac Public School uses the town oval, tennis/netball court, local park and library during the year for a number of school activities such as Athletics Carnival, Cross Country, Walkathon, P.E, sport, school excursions and general use for exercise purposes.

It was decided we would issue the one note at the beginning of each year to cover the use of the town oval and town facilities for all of the above purposes and other activities which arise where the oval and town facilities will be used.

Please sign and return the permission and medical slip to the office or your child’s class teacher.

Please note this permission note does not include use of the community pool, a separate note will

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Aussies of the Month

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Aussies of the Month for March:

Laticia Edwards 5/6D  For consistently working hard and always using manners.
Grace Earley 2/3B For always being a helpful, hardworking and friendly classmate.

P&C Easter Egg Raffle

Large tubs have been placed in all the classrooms ready to be filled with donations of Easter Eggs for our annual Easter Raffle held at the Easter Egg Parade. If you have any baskets to put prizes in that would also be appreciated. Raffle tickets will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Each year, in the interest of promoting reading, the children from Nabiac School are encouraged to participate in the Premier’s Reading Challenge. This involves reading from a selection of quality literature that has been selected specifically. For a list of the books eligible for this challenge please consult the website [https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html](https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html).

Each time a book from the list is read we would like a parent/guardian or the child themselves to fill out the form that has been sent home. The children in Infants can also be read these books by a parent. The books that the infants teachers read from the Premier’s Reading List will count towards a child’s overall book count. 5 books per card can be books that are not on the Reading List but should be of a suitable level of difficulty for your child’s age.

When a child completes their first card, they will have passed the challenge and will get a certificate at the end of the year in acknowledgement of this.

If they complete a second card they will get a blue merit award at Assembly.
If they manage to do three cards they will receive a book voucher, kindly donated by the P and C, which can be spent at the Book Fair in Term 3.

The Challenge will end in August. There are lots of books in our School Library that are on the Premier’s Reading List. Books for K-2 Children are marked with a Yellow Sticker. Books for children in Years 3 and 4 have either a green or blue sticker. Books for Years 5 and 6 are marked with a red sticker. There is also a number on these stickers that needs to be recorded on the student’s sheet. The local libraries also have many of the titles on the reading list too.

For any further questions about the Reading Challenge please see Mr Dawson or your child’s class teacher.

Canteen News
The Canteen will operate Tuesdays to Fridays and will only be closed on Mondays. If any new parents would like to volunteer please pop into the office and leave your details and someone will contact you.

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T Sultana, N Frieden |
| **Thursday 5.3**  
D Scutts, M Clarke | **Thursday 12.3**  
D Scutts, C Heffernan |
| **Friday 6.3**  
C Atkinson, D Scutts, T Dell | **Friday 13.3**  
C Atkinson, D Scutts, J Eason |

Wallamba and District Agricultural and Horticultural Ass Inc

103rd Annual Show

Nabiac Showground

Saturday 7th March 2015

Check out our website for more details

:www.nabiac.com/show