From the Principal

Dear parents and caregivers,

This week is very special as it is dedicated to the invaluable work that volunteers do each day in schools, hospitals, hostels, libraries... so many place all over the country.

At Nairne School we have an incredible band of people who really do keep our school going and our children learning. Our LAP programme supports many students every week, the canteen raises approximately $12,000 a year, classrooms are full of mums and dads listening to reading every morning, our working bees, parent workshops, SAPSASA events, Book Fairs, our Sustainability Market, Governing Council, the School Soccer Club, Pedal Prix and fundraising events all require volunteers.

We are very thankful to everyone who uses the virtue of kindness and generosity and who supports us to support children. What would we do without our volunteers?

With many thanks

Leesa

Nairne Schools Parking Update

As we head towards the winter months and more children are driven to school, please be aware that you may need to leave for school a few minutes earlier as roads around our school become more congested. Even though you may be caught up in a busy school carpark or waiting in a line of cars to get to a drop off point or out to a main road, could all drivers and passengers please maintain the virtues of patience and consideration for others. The actions drivers take in showing responsible practices will help shape how Nairne children - the “drivers of the future” - may behave on the road.

Please remember that the safety of all children and families is the most important aspect during these pick up and drop off times so let’s all remain calm, show respect for each other and drive courteously at all times.

Derek
Dear Parents/Caregivers,

One of our families has been deeply affected by the recent earthquakes in Nepal. To support this family we are going to be holding a fundraiser during weeks 4 and 5 of this term (18th-29th of May).

During these weeks we are asking families to make a donation to help rebuild the village. For every dollar that is donated we will give you some cardboard in the shape of a brick to stick on an outline of the Himalayas. Families write their name on the brick and then stick it to the outline. We hope to fill the whole outline with bricks.

Donations over $5 can receive a receipt which is tax deductible from front office.

Students will be selling the cardboard bricks near the pool shelter each morning before school during weeks 4 and 5.

The family that is affected will be visiting their home town of Bhothang in the near future and will take the money and use it to help rebuild the village.

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Student Emergency Clothing Donations

We are running very short on emergency clothing (in school colours or school uniforms) for students and would appreciate donations of all sizes and types of clothing. We are in especial need of jumpers and trousers (as these are the most in demand during the colder months) and specifically sizes 8-10.

Thanks!

Absenses SMS Number

Please be aware that our new SMS number - 0427025088 - only registers SMS when they are responses to SMS sent from us.

To report an absense before receiving an SMS, please contact the Front Office on 08 8388 6116.

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Nairne School COME OUT EXHIBITION

To celebrate Come Out, in the last two weeks of May we are having an Arts and Crafts Exhibition to display all the wonderful skills that our students explore at home. This year’s theme is “Building Bridges” and our exhibition will bring together home and school life.

Display Categories include:

- Visual Arts: Painting, drawing, collage etc
- Paper / Card: 3D Construction or greeting card
- Something made from wood or metal
- Something made from textiles
- Model or Sculpture: plasticine, clay, lego etc
- Decorate cupcakes or biscuits
- Something made from recycled goods

We will have competitions for the best photograph of a bridge - one for adults and one for students. There will also be a competition for families for the best model of a famous bridge using any construction medium.

Students, parents and families can enter as many exhibits as they like. All display items need to be brought to school on Wed 27th and Thursday 28th May, clearly marked with your name (and for students, age and class number).

Enjoy making and creating! We look forward to seeing your skills and talents at our exhibition.

Terrell Altmann - Come Out Ambassador
May is ‘Animal Month’

May is ‘animal month’ in the library. Feel free to come in and visit to see what is happening each week.

We have already had several pets visiting us including ‘Ruby’ the guinea pig, who belongs to James from Room 15, ‘Peter Rabbit’, who was a class pet in Kay Wilkinson’s class last year, and ‘George’ the toy lion who belongs to Sally. We have also been reading animal stories and non-fiction books about animals. It would be great if all students could include at least one animal book in their Reading Challenge.

Next week we will be running a photo competition where students will try to match the staff member to their pet. Can you guess which teacher owns this dog?

Library Lessons:

During class library sessions this term senior students will be learning how to create bibliographies for their ERPs (Educational Research Projects). Middle primary students will learn how to use our online encyclopedias to help them with their research and students in Junior Primary classes will be comparing fiction and non-fiction books and focussing on the features of non-fiction texts.

Lunchtime Library Monitors:

Congratulations to our newly appointed lunchtime library monitors- McKenzee, Chelsea, Thani, Nelly, Jordan, Abigail, Makayla, India, Josie, Ashleigh and Gabby. These students work one lunch time each week helping with borrowing and returning books, shelving, tidying and packing up. Their job also involves reading to younger students.

They have been doing a great job and we really appreciate their help.

Only four months to go!

Please remind students to keep reading and to remember to fill in their record sheet after completing each book. Spare forms are available from class teachers.

Jenny, Jen and Sally

Nairne Parent Network
Nairne School Staffroom
2-3pm
Thursday in Weeks 4 and 8 of each term
(unless other times are negotiated)

Nairne School is committed to working in partnership with families.
Everyone is welcome (including younger children) to attend any meeting.
For more information please contact Belinda
Counsellor’s Corner
From Student Counsellor Belinda Trowbridge

Attendance Matters

At Nairne School we believe that on time and regular attendance is important in supporting students to achieve their best. Each term we look at overall attendance and lateness of every student and ask that teachers have follow up chats with parents/caregivers. We understand that illness and family situations arise and ask that families keep in contact with the class teacher. Our aim is to work in partnership with families around attendance.

Did you know...?

- Missing one day a week of school from reception to year 10 means missing two years and one term of schooling.
- There is a direct correlation between attendance and achievement.
- Frequent absences make it difficult for teachers who have to continually re-teach information and skills.
- Being half an hour late to school each day from reception to year 10 equals missing one year and one-and-a-half terms of schooling.
- Patterns of attendance/absence are set up in the early years of schooling.
- Being absent five days a term from reception to year 10 adds up to more than one year of missed schooling.
- Students who are frequently absent from school are over-represented in the juvenile justice system.
- Girls are absent more often than boys.
- Poor attendance makes it difficult for students to form positive relationships with their peers.
- Students who are frequently absent from school are more likely to end up homeless.
- Indigenous students are absent twice as much as non-indigenous students.
- Girls who are frequently absent from school are over-represented in the statistics for teenage pregnancies.
- Research shows that students who are often absent from school are likely to earn less than their peers as adults.

Student Voice

Nairne New Student Party

On Thursday 30 April the L2LT group had a disco to welcome the new students to Nairne Primary School. We had about 100 new kids start at our school this year.

We played limbo, musical statues and the Macarena. All the kids had fun dancing. There were lots of smiling faces.

Our group had lots of fun planning the party. We enjoyed joining in and meeting the new students. We also learned that hosting a party is very hard!

Term 2 Lunchtime Activities

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Student Voice

Student Voice Communication Boards

The Learning to Be (L2B) student voice group has created Student Voice Communication Boards to let the school community know what each group is up to. They are on the windows of the DeKhang room - why not come and have a closer look!

Nairne School Student Voice Overview Term 1 2015

L2B
- Attended Grip leadership conference.
- Led the other groups by having weekly meetings, learning how to run meetings and take minutes.
- Began developing communication boards for the groups.
- Supported the Easter raffle by selling tickets before school and at recess time.
- Ran end of term assembly.

L2LS
- Met with Sally to work out how the group can be involved with hands on environmental projects around the school.
- Created lizard lounges in butterfly garden.

L2LT
- Organised activities for Harmony Day such as handprint poster and cake stall to raise money for purchasing books in the library.
- Organised theme for end of term casual day and focused money raised to go to Dalimberg our World Vision child.
- Developed ideas for running a new student party to welcome new students to Nairne School. To be run in term 2.

L2K
- Students applied to become a member of the group by writing an application.
- Worked on developing a student newspaper.
- Promoted and ran a short story writing competition. Winners to be announced at an assembly.

Term 2
- Complete communication boards.
- Create a book about Nairne for visitors.
- Run a lunchtime forum for kids.
- Survey students at school.

Term 2
- Work with Sally to create insect hotels in the garden.
- Create new compost bins and get composting system operating in each class again.
- Work with L2LS governing council group on developing nature play areas at Nairne School.
- Attend Junior Youth Environmental Forum.

Term 2
- Run new student party.
- Promote casual day to raise money for Moon Bears.

Term 2
- Complete kids newsletter.
- Promote writing competitions.
- Organise an excursion to the Advertiser newspaper.
Join our intrepid reporters as they inform us about what’s going on in Room 23 and hear from our science reporter about one of the reasons old people forget things!

Pyjama Science with Max V

Shrink your own chip packet

Be very careful, this experiment really needs an adult, it involves a hot oven and hot plastic. Make sure the room has lots of openings, so all the toxic gas gets blown away as fast as possible.

You need:
- Empty bag of chips.
- Two baking trays.
- Two sheets of baking paper (bigger than the chip bag).
- Oven mitts.
- Oven.

What to do:
1. Heat your oven to 180 degrees.
2. Make sure your bag is clean.
3. On a baking tray, lay your chip bag flat between two sheets of baking paper. To get a long flat shrinkie place an oven tray on top. If you want a more scrunched look, do not place the tray on top.
4. Place the baking tray in the oven for about 10 minutes. Have an adult check it every 2 minutes.
5. Have an adult take the trays out and let it cool.
6. Slowly peel the baking paper apart to reveal your new chip bag shrinkie.

Why is it so?
The plastic in the chip packet is made up of long polymer molecules that have been stretched so they are almost straight. When the plastic is heated by the oven, the molecules that make up the plastic are energized so they start to vibrate faster and wriggle. The molecules end up wriggly, making the plastic film thicker and shorter, and thus your chip packet shrinkie.

The website I looked at said we should use a chip bag with shiny aluminium inside (www.madaboutscience.com.au) – but this did not work for us. I had to use a bag with no shiny aluminium at all. Have an adult drill a hole in the corner to make into a funky key chain.

By Max Vogel

Room 23 Class Report

We are the Room 23 reporters and it’s our job to write an article for each newsletter.

In the last few weeks we have been learning about the First Fleet. We have learnt that if you tried to escape you got a punishment which is called the “cat o’ nine tails”. It was a whip with nine big knots on thick string.

For our story writing some of us have done interviews, reports, letters, recounts and narratives. The year threes have to do naplan and some of us are going to the tech shed.

By Sienna and Matthew
Class Reporters for Room 23

Dear parents / caregivers,

This year we are pulling out all of the stops to try and raise as much money as possible to extend our “nature play” areas in the yard and also keep up our IT focus.

With this in mind we made a decision this year to try a different approach with our Entertainment Books. This year have sent out a book to each family to give people the opportunity to have a closer look at all the offers available, then they can decide to either keep the book, or return it to school.

A note went home at the end of Term 1 to that effect, giving families the opportunity to return a slip to “opt-out” if they wished. We have however had feedback from some families that they have not seen the initial note or did not read it carefully. We take this very seriously and want to make sure that no one misses out and that no families are sent Entertainment Books against their will. Another note has been sent home outlining these options. Entertainment Books will be sent home (via youngest child) on FRIDAY 15th MAY.

Kind regards,
Leesa Shepherd

Nairne School
Preschool - Year 7
The Nairne School boys soccer team played in the first round of the SAPSASA Soccer knockout competition against Cornerstone College on Wednesday 6th May.

We faced a well-structured and very strong opposition team. Within the first few minutes we went two goals down, but this only spurred the boys on to try harder and in fact take a deserved 4-3 lead into half time. The goals dried up in the second half and it was Cornerstone who was the only team to find the back of the net. This meant that the score was 4-4 after full time and being a knockout competition, there had to be a winner.

Extra time commenced and both teams produced some great chances. However some excellent defending from both sides meant that the scores were still level at the end of the first half of extra time. Deep into the second half it was still level and the players began thinking about the possibility of a penalty shootout. However, Cornerstone had a counter attack with only a few minutes remaining and scored the winning goal.

It was an absolutely fantastic game of soccer and the result very easily could have gone either way. I am very proud of the effort of the Nairne boys as they showed real determination and perseverance throughout the game.

Thanks to the parents who helped support the team on the day and also assisted with transporting kids to and from the venue.

Mr Peter Barone

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School Dental Service

All babies, children and young people under 18 years are welcome to attend the School Dental Service. Dental care is FREE for most children.

To locate your local School Dental Clinic, or for more information about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule, please visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au

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NetSetGo

NetSetGo is an introductory program for netball aimed at Children aged from 5 to 10 run by the Nairne Districts Netball Club.

NetSetGo incorporates skill activities, minor games and modified matches in a fun and safe environment.

Starts: Wednesday 27th May for 8 weeks (not inc school holidays)

Time: 4.15pm -5pm

Location: Nairne Sporting Complex

Cost: $50 All children will receive a gift for participating.

Email: nairnenetball@gmail.com

Website: www.nairnedistricts.sa.netball.com.au
## Available Now! The Nairne School Community Business & Services Directory

The Community Business & Services Directory is an initiative of the Nairne School Governing council aimed at connecting families, staff and supporters of our school in a practical and mutually beneficial way. The directory is available via the School website, is included in new student packs and promoted through the Nairne School Facebook page.

### School of Languages

Is your child interested in learning another language?

For more information contact Anne Reuter School of Languages on 8301 4800 www.schooloflanguages.sa.edu.au

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### External Services for Students and Families

- **Singing Lessons**
  - Katya teaches singing on Wednesdays at Nairne School.
  - Individual or paired, half hour lessons.
  - Phone 0409282835

- **Guitar Lessons**
  - $26 per half hour lesson.
  - Enquire at the front desk for an application form.
  - Guy Phillips Ph: 0402 255 859 or guy.hap@hotmail.com

- **Violin and Cello Tuition**
  - Heidi Thickins Tuition.
  - Phone 0433 413 996 or hthickins@yahoo.com

- **Chloe’s Family Day Care**
  - Located in Dawesley. Vacancies on Wed, Thurs, Fri for children from 6 weeks old to school age.
  - Phone 0438 880342

- **Kids Taekwondo**
  - Resilience, Confidence, Discipline, Self Respect.
  - Kids can start at the age of 5 Mt Barker Training Centre, Town Hall, Gawler St, Mt Barker Mondays & Wednesdays. Beginners 6pm.
  - Phone 0412 909 500 or 0417 802 186
  - www.worldtaekwodo.com.au

- **Supportive Holistic Counselling for children & women**
  - Jill Hardy
  - Specialising in Sandplay Therapy, Process Work
  - 0431 686 039 or withgratitude@live.com