Principal’s Message

Dear Families
We have nearly finished term 2 and I am looking forward to the whole school assembly next Thursday at 8.45 in the hall. Students will be showing off what they have been learning this term. Please join us as all the students love an audience. It only takes an hour and there are plenty of seats.

The NT Education Act is being reviewed. The draft Education Bill 2015 has been released. Copies of the Bill and feedback forms are available on the DoE website http://www.education.nt.gov.au/. Any responses need to be sent by 7/8/15. I am happy to talk about the proposed changes so please call me.

The new special school in the Palmerston area is being designed and it will be built over the next 18 months for opening in January 2017. On page 6 there is information about a meeting next week to talk about the school. Please attend this meeting if you are interested otherwise you can talk to me. It is an exciting design with the first stage being for preschool and primary school students who meet special school criteria.

It is with sadness we farewell staff at the end of this term. Marie Hayek is moving into School Support Services as Education Advisor Hearing. This is an area of expertise for Marie and the whole of the NT will benefit from her skills and experience. The preschool will miss Marie but we are lucky to have Helen Tate returning from leave to again lead the preschool. Lauren Waters is moving back to Victoria due to her partner’s work transfer. Lauren’s expertise in literacy and numeracy will be missed. Lauren has had a profound impact on our teaching practice—we have learnt so much! Sharon Walker has returned to Newcastle to care for family and herself. We have been the beneficiaries of Sharon’s passion for children and their education. Sharon shared some very hard times with her families and became part of their story as each student’s life was celebrated. We wish Sharon speedy good health. Kim Crick and Karen Mills have decided to retire! We are envious! Both women have contributed so much to our school over the many years they have worked at Nemarluk School. Kim used her gardening expertise to develop our school grounds and raise funds for the school. Many children learnt how to pull up weeds and plant seedlings! Karen had a gift for working alongside children to help them learn new skills, knowing when to push, praise and celebrate. Good luck for the future Karen and Kim.

THANKYOU—WE WILL MISS YOU ALL.
Lorraine Hodgson, Principal - 0477 362 855
On Friday 29 May the whole school joined together for this year’s Athletics Carnival. It was great to watch everyone compete and display such fine sportsmanship skills. Everyone had a great day and a big thank you goes out to Total Recreation and SEDA for running such a great day.
On Wednesday 3 June, 70 Nemarluk students took the bus ride out to Freds Pass for the 2015 adventure race. Every student did Nemarluk proud trying all events and working in teams to collect puzzle pieces. At the end of the event every team had built their puzzle. Everyone enjoyed a Barbeque lunch after all their hard
This term Ludmilla 2 joined the food revolution with Jamie Oliver. They watched Jamie on a video link. He made a “Squishy sandwich”. By working together and following instructions we ended up with a yummy lunch that was also super healthy.

This is a picture of the squishy sandwich that Jamie Oliver made on the video link we joined up on.

Washing the vegetables before using them.

Felix and Spencer cutting up ingredients. I hope we didn’t get hair in it.

Charleze stirring the mixture to go in our rolls.

Leo cutting flat leaf parsley. Felix was able to use rice crackers to make his gluten free sandwich.
The new Palmerston Special School is being built in Bellamack and aims to cater for significant enrolment growth for students with special needs in the Palmerston and Rural Area.

The school will be built in two stages, with the first stage expected to be complete by late 2016 and fully operational by early 2017.

An information session for parents and community groups will be held at the Rosebery Middle School Library, Belyuen Rd, Rosebery at 5.30pm on Thursday 18 June 2015, to provide information about the new school and construction project.

All interested parties are welcome to attend.

For further information contact:
Leanne Taylor, Senior Director Planning and Infrastructure
Telephone: 8901 4933 Email: leanne.taylor@nt.gov.au

Wulagi 1 and 2 did Nemarluk proud at Wulagi’s whole school assembly. They were chosen to look after Leo the Rabbit for consistent attentive listening. Well done to all for being role models to all of Wulagi School
Whole School Positive Behaviour Support—WSPBS

The Nemarluk Gold Award and trophy is given to the student who earns the most number of tokens each fortnight for following the three school rules:

- I am a Learner, I am safe, I am respectful

The top 10 students who have claimed tokens for showing these behaviours for this fortnight are:

1. Alexander
2. Samuel H
3. Ethan M
4. Kristine C
5. Nakeya F
6. Michael L
7. Kiera B
8. Thomas H
9. Narvia S
10. Ethan L

Congratulations to all of you and well done!

Nemarluk Gold Award

Awarded to

Alexander Abbott

Who received award nominations in all three categories:

- I am a learner
- I am safe
- I am respectful

Congratulations Alex!
You are a respected Nemarluk student.

NT Public School Community members

are invited to the COGSO Education Act discussion forum

School fees for Public schools
Behavioural Management in schools
Lowering the age when children must start school

All welcome

Saturday 13 June
Rydges Airport Hotel (Loong Fong restaurant side)
2 PM to 4 PM
RSVP: enquiries@ntcogso.org.au or 8999 3255

COGSO
strong schools • strong communities
We are already in week 6 of the term and have a grand total of $79.25.

Please keep sending in your spare change as we would like to keep up with last year and raise at least $100.00 per term to help Biniam.

Palmerston Hobby Ceramics

School Holiday Classes

Monday 2.30-5pm Beginners
Wednesday 10-2pm Structured Lesson
Thursday 4-5pm All ages and Experience
Saturday 11-2pm Open to all levels
Booking is Essential.....

Phone: 0402 500 603

Volunteers Wanted

Do you have a few hours to spare every week?
Would you like to make a difference in your community?
Would you like to help others?

Become a St Vincent de Paul Society Volunteer!

We are looking for volunteers to help out in Palmerston area to do the following:
- Retail Assistants
- Clothing / Bric-a-brac Sorters
- Emergency Relief Interviewers
- Conference Members

Volunteer Information Evening:
12th June at 6pm.
Palmerston Vinnies Op Shop
(3 Rolayt St, Palmerston)
For further information: Volunteer Coordinator
0400 981 202 or volunteer.mt@vvdont.org.au

Social Groups in the Holidays

Social Groups are being offered to families during the June and July school holiday break for ages 5-6 and ages 6-7, ages 7-8.

If you aren’t already a client of Stepping Stones, your child can still join the groups! You will have some questionnaires, and an intake assessment to complete prior to ensure your child is matched into the right group (based on sensory needs, social skill level, communication ability).

Groups:
Consist of no more than 8 children. All children take home show bags at the end of the week, morning tea provided. Therapy summaries (Not a Report) with photos, information and recommendations are also provided for each child.

Fees:
$25 per week HALF DAY
$75 per week FULL DAY