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Term 3 Week 9 - 18th September 2019

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From the Principal's Desk

South Korea Link Up!

Our school will be participating in our first video conferencing link with a school in South Korea on Friday morning. Our students will present information about Australia and our culture each time we link up, and we will learn about South Korea and their culture. This week we will present information about our school and Armidale.



Art Trail - Friday

We have been invited to attend the 2019 Art Trail at Martin's Gully Public School on Friday morning. We will travel by car after our South Korea video conference and will return before our lunch orders are ready. Thank you to Sarah for helping with transport.

Assembly Friday

Our next, assembly will be held this Friday 20th September. This will be the last assembly for Term 3. **Please note we will start our assembly at 2.20pm.** We will be presenting awards for students, along with Principal Awards for those students who have achieved five ribbons, and even a Kelly's Plains School Trophy for a student who has achieved ten ribbons. Everyone is most welcome to come along.

NAPLAN Pre-Testing

Our school participated in a NAPLAN online trial yesterday. Our school will be participating in the online version in 2020 so our school was required to conduct some tests on our systems and infrastructure. **Please note this was NOT a real NAPLAN test.** It was simply an example of what the NAPLAN online system may look like to make sure the school's system has the capacity to run the tests online. All schools who complete NAPLAN online, conduct the same tests.

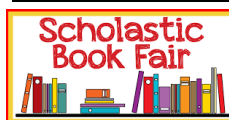


China Principals Conference

Back in term 1, I won a trip to China to attend the International Principals Conference. I honestly

didn't think I had any chance of attending such an event, let alone win a trip to attend! This will be held in week 2 of next term. I have organised for Mrs Emma McCathie, who has recently worked in our school, to take Upper Division during my absence. I will also make sure there is continuity of programs and learning for students in Upper Division.

Book Fair and Book Week



We will be holding our Book Fair during week 2 of next term where we will have scholastic books for sale from Wednesday 23rd October to Friday 25th October. Profits from the sale of the books go back into our school for us to purchase new resources for our library. Please keep these dates handy. We will also be holding our Book Week Parade the week after on Friday 1st November.

Cricket Workshops

I have organised for Cricket NSW to come to our school to conduct cricket skill workshops for our students. These will occur every Tuesday afternoon from 1.50pm for four weeks starting in Week 2.

No School Development Day Next Term

Just a reminder that there is no school development day on the first day back next term. Students and staff return to school on Monday 14th October.

Thank you and Happy Holidays

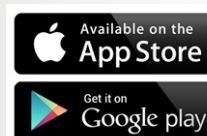
As this is the last newsletter for term 3, I would like to thank you all for your support and commitment to our great school. I look forward to working with you again after the holidays in what promises to be a very busy end to the school year. I hope you all have a well earned break and we will see you all next term.

Happy Holidays!

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School Holiday Workshops - Oct 2019

Spring Art School Holiday Workshop

Children can expect to paint, glue, draw and have fun using different mediums while exploring the theme of Spring.

The class will be set up in stations with children moving to a new art activity at each station.

Ages 5 - 12 years. Minimum 8 to run
Max. 12 children - **BOOK NOW!**

Date: Friday 11th October 2019

Time: 10:30am - 12pm

Venue: Packsaddle Studio, NERAM

COST: \$28 Friends of NERAM, \$32 General



BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
<https://www.trybooking.com/BFNZY>
Bookings Close 4pm, 8th October 2019

Festival of the Rhino School Holiday Activities

Date: Friday, 4th October 2019,
Thursday, 10th October 2019
Two Sessions!

Time: 10:30am - 11:30am

Venue: NERAM

COST: Gold Coin Donation



BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: www.trybooking.com/BFLRG

Kids will get to spend time creating a glass art background for our sculpture, Rhino, in the big foyer window, and then get to create their own 3D paper Arty Rhino using art materials supplied.

These creations can be entered into our Festival of the Rhino Kids Art Competition. Further information to be announced on our website soon.

Ages 5 - 12 years, max. 10 kids per session!

A parent or guardian **MUST** accompany their child - Younger children will need assistance.

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 18th: Gymnastics 1.45-2.45pm
Friday 20th: South Korea Link Up
Art Trail at Martin's Gully PS
Assembly 2.20pm
Wednesday 25th: Gymnastics 1.45-2.45pm
Friday 27th: Last day of Term 3

OCTOBER

Monday 14th: School students return
Wednesday 23rd to Friday 25th: **BOOK FAIR**

NOVEMBER

Friday 1st: Book Week Parade and Grandparents Day



Good luck Miss Aylwood!

