Principal’s Report

Holiday Time: School will break for two weeks of school holidays beginning this weekend. I hope you have a relaxing and enjoyable break. School will resume for students on Tuesday 15th July. Teachers will be involved in professional development on Monday 14th July at Blacksmiths Public School. Mrs Hird will be returning from Monday 4th August as she is taking leave for the first three weeks of next term. I will continue here at lovely Nords Wharf Public until she returns.

NAIDOC Day: We had a lovely NAIDOC Day on Tuesday with students involved in various Aboriginal themed activities and a NAIDOC assembly. The students learnt a lot about the Aboriginal culture and why NAIDOC Day is celebrated. They also did a fabulous ‘Wombat Wobble’!

CAPA ASSEMBLY: Our CAPA assembly is tomorrow at 12.30pm. We will see wonderful performances by the choirs, band and guitar groups as well as see some of the items made on NAIDOC Day. All parents are welcome to attend.

School Vision: As part of our school plan, we will be writing a ‘vision’ for Nords Wharf Public. This is important as we need to know what we want our school to look like in three – five years’ time. As part of developing our school vision, we would like you to share your thoughts and ideas on what we should do to be the ideal school. How can we ensure our students are learners of the 21st Century? What changes should we make to people, the environment, the learning? At our CAPA assembly, there will be a board for you to add your ideas. If you are not attending the CAPA assembly, please return the form at the bottom of this newsletter to me at school.

Semester One Reports: Students’ Semester One reports will be sent home tomorrow with student portfolios. If you would like to discuss any aspect of your child’s report, please contact your child’s teacher.

Jump Off Day: Our Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off Day is on the 31st July. This year, we are raising funds to go towards technology in the school library. Students have sponsorship cards and are working hard, practising their skipping each day.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with a Disability: Notes have been sent home to parents concerning this Federal Government project. It is important to note that students who receive extra support in the classroom for literacy or numeracy are also included in the data collection. Students who have anaphylaxis or asthma are also considered part of the data collection. Data Collection is protected by privacy laws and no child or school will be able to be identified through the collection. Parents who do not want their child’s data collected should return the form at the bottom of the letter by TOMORROW 27th June. If you would like more information on the data collection, visit the Australian Government department of Education website http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability

Disco: What a fabulous disco last night! Children had a wonderful time dancing and playing games organised by Mr Westcott. A big thank you to our P & C for running the canteen, to the Year 6 students who made loom bands to sell and to the staff for supervising the evening.

Swansea High NAIDOC Assembly: I had the pleasure today of attending the Swansea High NAIDOC assembly with Callum and Shaylee. The students presented a wooden stingray, which had been painted by our students with Aboriginal designs, to the school to be hung on the wall with animals painted by our other Galgabba schools. It will form part of a larger mural at the high school.

Deb Hall
Relieving Principal

Class News

Kindergarten

Kindergarten students have had a busy week! We made butter by pouring cream into containers and taking it in turns with a partner to shake it for about 20 minutes. We discovered that when we start, we can hear the cream moving inside. As we kept shaking, all the noise stopped. When we shook it for just a bit longer, the cream finally separated into butter and buttermilk and we could hear the noise inside the container again. We enjoyed eating the butter on Jatz biscuits.

Students explored the vegetable garden and harvested a lot of the fresh produce. Ms Hook cut it up and we
sampled cucumber, tomatoes, beans, mandarin, passionfruit and capsicum.

During our NAIDOC Week activities, Kindergarten painted wooden snakes and performed the song Inanay at the assembly. We would like to say a HUGE thank you to Aniekas's family! Her dad, Ben, cut out all of the wooden snakes for us and her Poppy came for a visit to tell us a traditional Aboriginal story.

We are looking forward to performing again at the Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) assembly on Friday and hope you can make it to watch! Please remember to return your child's Henny Penny Note and money by Friday. Have a happy and safe holiday. See you all next term!

Ms Hook

1/2

The 1/2 Star of the Week is Cooper! Congratulations to Isabelle, Aliyah, Dylan, Torhi, Alby, Brooklin, Daniel, Ben and Alyssa who achieved 100% in their spelling test last week.

What a final week of term! 1/2 celebrated NAIDOC Day on Tuesday with Aboriginal stories, songs and art, by decorating stones with dot paintings. Thank you to Mrs Battley who was able to come and help us. The students were very proud of their efforts and enjoyed sharing them with the rest of the school at the NAIDOC assembly in the afternoon.

As promised in the first week of the year when all students in the class reached 100 Dojo points we would have a class party. We had our party today and watched Finding Nemo which the class enjoyed. Although not too much, there was enough food and drink to go around and I was pleasantly surprised to see all the fruit disappear rather quickly. We also look forward to performing at the Creative Arts Assembly tomorrow.

We hope you enjoy reading your child’s report and sharing their portfolio work samples with them. Thank you for all your support this term, we hope you have a very enjoyable holiday break.

Mrs Halligan and Mr Derbyshire

3/4

There are still many plastic containers left behind in our class. If you are missing some, get your child to look through the tub that contains all the left-behind containers. There is a tub full of them.

During the holidays, please make sure your child continues their reading practice. I have also sent home the words that will be tested for the Stage Two Spelling Bee. After the holidays, all Year Three and Four children will be tested on these words, and the best will compete in the school spelling bee. The winner and runner-up of that contest will represent the school in the regional final.

Mr Westcott

4/5/6

4/5/6 have had a wonderful week. Year 6 students have been deciding on their science experiment for the science fair and we have all been learning our song for the CAPA assembly. Lots of students are now ready to receive awards after receiving 15 stamps in their books. I hope 4/5/6 students have a wonderful holiday and are ready for a fun filled Term 3!

Ms Hall

Canteen reminder: Mini beef and potato pies will be on sale from this Friday for $1.20. Please remember to include an extra 50 cents when ordering cheese on hot dogs etc.

P & C Committee

Happy Birthday To:

Harley B—27th June
Sunny S—27th June
Sari S—27th June
Kamea K—28th June

Canteen Roster:

Friday 27th June—Kris Green
Monday 14th July—SDD-CLOSED
Wednesday 17th July—Bec Green
Friday 19th July—Sidone Lambert

A big “THANK YOU’ to all the wonderful helpers in the Canteen.
UNIFORM SHOP

UNIFORM SHOP WILL BE CLOSED THIS FRIDAY 27TH JUNE

AS FROM TERM 3—THE UNIFORM SHOP WILL BE OPENING ON THURSDAYS 9.00 AM—9.30 AM

Old style Stubbies brand size 12 Sport Shorts—6 pairs only MUST GO $5.00 each.

Size 10 and 12 Polo Shirts and Caps have arrived.
Size 6 & 8 Polos have been ordered and won’t be in stock until the first week back in Term 3.

As this will be my last year with NWPS, I need someone to train in running the Uniform Shop—if anyone is interested please see me on Fridays.

The Position of Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator is still Open. Please see me if you are interested in this Position.

Thanks Kylie

My Vision for Nords Wharf Public School is:-