Principal's Report

Welcome back to all of our beautiful children today.

NICS staff participated in a Staff Development Day on Monday 20th April. During the day we looked at the new Department of Education NSW Performance and Development Framework that is the requirement for all NSW Teaching Staff. If you wish to know more about this requirement for our staff please don’t hesitate to call me. I will be giving a brief overview at the NICS at the P & C meeting on Wednesday 22nd April 2015 at 7.00 p.m. This is also the P & C AGM.

A new Deputy Principal has been appointed to NICS. His name is Felix Bachmann and I have included a short message and photo that he has provided for us below.

I (Felix Bachmann) was born in Berlin, Germany and migrated to Australia with my parents in 1983 when I was 5 years old. My wife (Korin Bachmann) was born in Port Macquarie and our nearly 2 and a 1/2 old son was born in Nowra and is most excited about coming to live on an island, it’s all he has been talking about for two weeks, going on a plane and living on the island. I grew up in the eastern suburbs of Sydney and attended Wollongong University where I studied a degree in Physical & Health Education. On completion of this degree I spent 5 years as a teacher and HT mentor at Moree Secondary college before moving onto HT PDHPE and Deputy Principal at Vincentia High School in Jervis Bay. My family is extremely excited to be moving to Norfolk Island and working hard to improve the outcomes for all students at NICS. We are busy packing and preparing to move our lives, and keen sports fans looking forward to seeing you all in the water, surf and golf course. See you all on Monday the 25th of May.

Yours In Education
Felix Bachmann.

After Schools Sports Selection

Will not be on this week. Please watch this space next week

Homework Centre

Will commence next Tuesday 28th April

News from the Uniform Shop

The School Uniform Shop is open on Friday afternoons from 2.45pm to 3.30pm. For any urgent inquiries please phone Sam Quintal on 50354 or Karen Buffet on 55702. Please see more information in this week's newsletter regarding the Uniform Shop.

Canteen News

No special at the Canteen this week

KINDER TO YEAR 7 BRIM HATS

You may purchase your brim hats from the Uniform Shop or from the School Front office—$15

Bounty Ball Dancing Update

Bounty Ball dancing has started with great enthusiasm. However we do need 2 primary boys to partner Stage 3 girls.

Parents you need to start thinking about outfits. Ezibuy has just put out a catalogue with some lovely dresses. I have a catalogue on my desk or go online.

There will be no Bounty Ballroom Dancing this Thursday

Thanks Roz and Helen
Stage 2 Local Environment Excursions

In Term One Stage 2 studied aspects of our local environment. We focussed on built environments and the natural environment of rainforests.

In week 9 Stage 2 students explored the rainforest environment in the Norfolk Island Botanical Gardens. The students had a number of concepts to investigate including rainforest layers, Norfolk Island endemic species of plants and endangered plants. They enjoyed sketching their favourite plants. Included in the walking tour discussion was the endangered green parrot who unfortunately was nowhere to be seen. The information board on the viewing platform, however, was very informative.

In week 10 Stage 2 students travelled by bus to Kingston to identify aspects of the built environment from an historic perspective. The students sketched the main features such as the buildings and lighter boats in order to compare and contrast this environment to the rainforest environment.

Both excursions will be followed up with additional lessons and the production of artworks to display.

Di Tudball and Roz Tierney

Kinder to Yr6 Workbooks and Resources

Can payment please be made at the School Front Office as soon a possible ~ Thank you

Kinder to Year 2—Workbook and Resources  $20.00  Yr3 to Year 6—Workbooks only  $30