What’s happening in …

Our classroom
11 excited student’s from the
Mrs McLachlan and I have been developing an EXPLICIT unit on the local area to begin the celebration of our 100th year. The students at Nagoorin have begun learning about Nagoorin’s past and its place in the Boyne Valley. With only …

Nagoorin State School turns 100

Time until Saturday, 17 October 2015 (Brisbane time)

31
WEEKS

3
DAYS

10
HOURS

46
MINUTES

52
SECONDS

.... there is a lot to learn about before our celebration.

A big thank you to Eunie Payne, our guest speaker, who came along to talk to us about life as a young school girl at Nagoorin State School. We learnt about the cane, slates, ink wells and riding to school on ponies.
**Principal’s Piece**

*Every day is a learning day!*

**Our school attendance target is above 96%**

**Exemptions from Compulsory Schooling and Compulsory Participation**

- It is the Principal’s responsibility to ensure their school has a process to monitor student attendance.
- If children are away from school for more than 3 days without a suitable reason, the family should be contacted by an Officer of the School to find out why the student is not at school and when they will be returning to school.
- Every contact with families relating to the attendance of their children at school should be recorded on OneSchool, even if the phone rang out or you left a voice mail message.
- If children are away from school for more than 2 school weeks (10 consecutive days) the family should apply for an exemption from Compulsory Schoolings.
  - This should be applied for and approved by the Principal before the child is taken from the school.
  - All records relating to the application and approval should be stored in OneSchool.
  - Once an exemption is approved it can be recorded in the daily roll with a Z code.
  - The school does not have to provide school work for children with an exemption.
- This is an auditable process.
- **Parent Information – for newsletter**
  - *It is important that your children attend school every day. Taking a day off because the fish are biting, or you want to go shopping on your birthday, is not an acceptable reason to miss a day of school.*
  - If your child is sick you should contact the school as soon as possible with an estimation of how long your child will be away from school.
  - If your family has to travel away for family or cultural reasons, and expect to be away for more than 10 days you will have to apply for an exemption from Compulsory Schooling. Exemptions should be applied for and approved by the Principal of your child’s school BEFORE you travel away.
  - It is not acceptable to take your children out of school for holidays. Families should plan their holidays to coincide with school holidays. You can find more information about exemptions: [http://education.qld.gov.au/studentservices/inclusive/exemptions/index.html](http://education.qld.gov.au/studentservices/inclusive/exemptions/index.html)

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**Cross Country**

Our school cross country is set for Thursday, 2nd April (second last day of term).

- It will be hosted at Ubobo, and it may include the Discovery Centre (behind the school). It will be the same course as the Port Curtis Cross Country, which is also being hosted and convened at Ubobo.
- Morning tea will be served 9am – 12am, and Ubobo’s P&C will have food and drink available for purchase.
- All students/staff are invited. Points will be recorded so participation is vital.
- Distances: 9 & 10 Year olds – 2km, 11 & 12 year olds – 3km. Our 10, 11, and 12 year olds are running for a spot in our combined team to compete at the Port Curtis level. For our 9 year olds, it’s practice at the 2km length. It’ll be a 1km looped course. There will be separate course for our 5 – 8 year olds which will be something like 500 metres.
- Parents/staff/community members are more than welcome to run also.
- I will send our medical/permission slips and transport arrangements at a later date.
- Thank you to Jason Manttan for this early information.
Nagoorin’s Gardening Club

The students of Nagoorin State School are excitedly exploring the creation of a vegetable patch and herb garden. Mrs Bath has kindly offered to help the students with this project and when the rain stops we will begin our meetings and start to dig!

If anyone would like to donate established seedlings after we get back from camp we would be grateful.

We are also looking for different varieties of red geraniums if anyone has some cuttings that they would like to strike for us. Particularly the hanging varieties.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance Rate: 98.9%

Plaque for the Rose Garden

A huge thank you to Betty and Peter for finding just the right rock to put into our rose garden to put a commemorative plaque on.

The 100th Anniversary is getting closer and it is great to see the school looking so lush and the gardens blossoming under the loving hands of Betty!

Leadership Parade

Congratulations Ella on becoming our student leader for Nagoorin 2015!

Pink Stumps Day

19 March is our Pink Stumps Day

9 am – 12.30 pm

Meet outside the front gate at 9 am to have our team photo taken.

We have been asked to supply cakes and slices to sell on the day.

There will be a BBQ after the drills and skills and ALL proceeds from the day will go the McGrath Foundation.

To assist with the fund raising your child can purchase a pink cap for $5.

Can everyone please get dressed up in Pink! Gold Coin donation. 😊 I’m looking forward to Nagoorin’s effort!
Library
We have now carpeted the new library and have set up the music room ready for our lessons this week. A huge thank you to Monto Home Design for the donation of the carpet and to Shayne Mossman to delivering it to us!

Playgroup
We have good enrolments to start our playgroup off in Week 3. Thank you to Helen Mossman for creating a wonderful space and developing a fantastic program for our little Boyne Valley Bush Kids. Thank you also to Marmor SS for sharing their program with us.

Nagoorin Stars

| Safe, Respectful, Responsible - Student of the Week | Bree – for showing persistence in maths to complete her work on time. |
| Safe, Respectful, Responsible - Good News Letters | Clayton – for learning to tie his shoelaces in 2 days! |
| Responsible - Homework | ALL STUDENTS! |
| Peer nomination | Ebony from Teagan |
| Birthday Shout Outs! | Bree, Mrs Mossman, Mrs McLachlan |

Mrs Kirk and Chester could go no where!!!! Cyclone Marcia!

A big thank you to the parents who arrived to help with the clean up! Today Barr Builders arrived to make a massive pile of fallen timber at the front of our school.

Reading Results
Nagoorin SS ~ a MULTILIT School

Congratulations on your reading results Nagoorin! An average improvement of 1 year 6 months in only 19 weeks! You guys make me proud!
Great excitement! Nagoorin State School kids had a whale of a time at North Keppel Environmental Education Centre. We snorkelled, outrigged, kayaked, went bush walking, swam and played on the beach. We can’t wait until 2015 when we will do it all over
Boyne Valley Bush Kids Playgroup
Nagoorin State School
Every Wednesday
9 am to 11 am
All welcome
Full educational program—infants to 5 year olds