Our classroom in term 4

In English this fortnight we have been focussing on improving sentence structure with the use of conjunctions. We have continued to extend our vocabulary and your children should be starting to talk about playing Family Feud using synonyms at school. I have asked that homework sentences don’t include direct speech until I have an opportunity to explicitly teach how to correctly use speech marks.

For the next two weeks in maths we are continuing place value and exploring time, shape, symmetry and angles in the next 2 weeks, with the Year 6 & 7’s doing extension work on algebra. Please find attached the ACARA Standards (Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting) that we are covering this term – that I failed to attach to the last newsletter.

Mrs Mossman will be receiving MULTILIT training and using our Greater Results Guarantee funding. She is now working with students on the MULTILIT Word Attack, Sight Word program and a Reading Fluency program. If you’d like more information please come in for a chat or see www.multilit.com

Reading

We have begun explicit reading lessons. Each week we will explicitly explore a different strategy that your child can practise using when reading. This week’s lesson is on predicting. Predicting helps readers activate their prior knowledge about a topic, so they begin to combine what they know with the new material in the text. Predictions are based on clues in the text such as pictures, illustrations, subtitles and plot.

On a daily basis the students do rotational guided reading, levelled comprehension, cloze activities and explicit vocabulary lessons. They will be encouraged to actively practising the reading strategy taught that week.

The use of PM levels and WARP’s will be used to monitor progress. Your child’s WARP graph, to date, is attached to this newsletter. It is early days but it is now a good time to talk to your child about setting goals and finding that extra to actively listen to nightly oral reading.
### Dates to Remember

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### Unexplained Absences

#### PROCEDURE FOR STUDENT ABSENCES
If your student is away for any reason there are several ways of notifying the school.
- Send a note with your child
- Phone on 07 4974 1198
- Email on admin@nagoorinss.eq.edu.au

We appreciate and thank-you for your cooperation.

#### Contact Details
We would like to remind all parents if you have moved or changed your contact details please update your information by calling the office on 49741198. We appreciate and thank you for your cooperation.

#### Newsletter Distribution
The newsletter is published every second Monday and is sent via email. If you have not given the school office your email please do so by calling the office or emailing tdo614@eq.edu.au. If you would prefer a paper copy please inform the Office.

### Principal’s Piece

**Every day is a learning day!**

**SWPBS lesson – Eating Time**

This week students will be revising our lunch time eating procedure.

- Students must sit in their designated eating area to eat their lunch
- Ensure any sports equipment is not used during eating time
- They keep rubbish with them (either put it in their lunch box or keep it beside them)
- Students put their hands up to ask permission to go to the toilet or get a drink.
- When it is play time students are required to put their hand up, stop talking and remain seated.
- The adult supervising will direct students to put their rubbish in the bin and put their lunch box in the line
- When the area is tidy, they will be given permission to go to play.

**Remember Every day is a positive learning day!**

*Because our school is so small every day off your child has dramatically effects our data.*

*Please rethink ANY time off that you can avoid!*

Congratulations to our newly badged school leaders. On Friday the 10 October they received their senior shirts and are now wearing them with pride.

This week we held a special morning tea for our very, very valued staff – Mrs Kathy McLachlan, Mrs Tammy Doblo, Mrs Helen Mossman, Mrs Liz Warwick and Ms Chelsea Darling. To these wonderful ladies it was a morning to say thank you for their unconditional support over the past weeks. Nagoorin State School is going from strength to strength because of this amazing network of ladies who believe in this school. I’d like to thank Danni and Andy Fowler for the amazing scones, jam and cream...I snuck the last 2 home for my afternoon tea.

And again to my 14 wonderful learners – this week we worked hard. Did Rapid Recalls, talked about WALTs and WILFs and raised the bar yet again. Well done Team Nagoorin – you’ve nailed yet another goal!

Another terrific learning week!

Kayci Kirk
Homework

Thank you to those amazing students who earned an icy cup on Friday afternoon for the completion of homework by following our bookwork policy at Nagoorin State School.

Homework is a vital part of our school day. It gives students a chance to practise skills that they are learning at school, share learnings with parents, friends and extended family and develop persistence and ‘stickability’ skills that they will need in the ‘world of work’.

Remember if you have any concerns about your child’s homework I’m only an email or phone call away.

ATTENDANCE

2014 Attendance Rate
93.2%

2014 Absences
17.04%
4.01%
2.3%
71.65%

Halloween Disco 31 October
Will be held in the Nagoorin Hall.
$2 sausage sizzle starting at 6.30 pm.
Glow in the dark items will be available to purchase.
Please bring a plate of Halloween Treats for the kids to party on with.
Prizes for best dressed
Lucky door prizes and games.
Gold coin entry
See you there!

Have you got your costume ready???
**Grandparents Day**

Grandparents Day is a chance for grandchildren, children and the community to thank grandparents for their love and support.

In 2014, Queenslanders will celebrate Grandparents Day on Sunday 26 October.

Grandparents Day recognises the significant contribution that grandparents make to their families and communities. The day is celebrated annually in Queensland on the last Sunday in October.

Did you know?

* In 2009-10 there were 16,000 Australian families in which grandparents were the guardians or main carers of their grandchildren.1
* In 2011 around 937,000 Australian children received child care from a grandparent on a regular basis. This represented over a quarter of all children (26%) aged 0-12 years who regularly attended some type of child care.

**Make your grandparent’s day!**

**2015 Prep Enrolments**

Enrolment packs for Prep in 2015 are now available from the school office. Children need to be born between 1 July 2009 and 30 June 2010 to be eligible for Prep in 2015. Prep interviews will be happening early this term, so please book a time if you haven’t already made one. If you know of any families who have Prep aged children who would like to have a tour of our beautiful school please pass on our contact details.

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**Nagoorin Stars of the Week**

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Nagoorin’s Wide World of Sport

Monday and Wednesday sport lessons will continue. Over the last week we have practised bat and ball skills and long jump. I was impressed with our student’s enthusiasm and how individual students encouraged each other as they all ‘had a go’. Way to go Nagoorin Stars! Very respectful!

Softball

Thank you again to Mrs Hopf for giving up her valuable weekends to train our budding softball players. Please make sure that you are on time to these training sessions and have a hat, water bottle and correct footwear. On another note – it was with delight that I realised that I worked with Mrs Hopf’s mother in my first year of teaching back in Gayndah. Such a small world.

Children’s Week 2014

On the 24 of October we are going to celebrate Children’s Week with a free dress day. Remember to be sunsafe – shoulders covered, broad brimmed hat. Students will also be required to wear sensible running shoes.

Movement of vehicles in the school grounds

Please be aware there is to be no parking or vehicle movement in the school grounds between the hours of 8.30 am and 3.30 pm. Nagoorin State School is a safe, responsible and respectful school. Thank you for your cooperation in regards to this matter. Please help keep our students safe.

Community News

Dateclaimer
Sunday 16 November 2014
Boyne Valley Historical Cottage
“Step Back in Time”
Open Day
10:00 am to 3:00 pm
UBOBO

We have a stall booked to collect contact details for past students, teachers etc. for the Centenary next year. We will also be fundraising by taking orders for lamingtons to be delivered at a later date and will have a 100s board operating. Please feel free to come along and help.