What’s happening in …

Our classroom

In English this fortnight we have been exploring poetry. We have written a word bank of Tier 2 words that support our theme ‘Living in the Boyne Valley’ and we have written a Haiku and a Cinquain which we will share on our Facebook page.

In maths we are still working on real life word problems and for the next two weeks will challenge ourselves to do a problem a day.

Art

The Mosaic Workshop was a huge success with every child completing an individual mosaic and helping to create an artwork that depicts the hoop pines, the river, the gold rush and the original housing on a concrete picnic table.

Reading

Please be on the look out for your child’s reading graph tomorrow. Our school reading average was 87 words per minute – now we are reading a huge 127 words per minute. This is an increase of 2 full years in 13 weeks! Go Nagoorin!
**Dates to Remember**

- 3 Dec  NKIEEC Camp Meeting
- 3 Dec  CWA Pen Presentation
- 5 Dec  Report Cards
- 8 Dec  Parent Teacher Meetings
- 8-10th All families
- 10 Dec  Family Christmas BBQ and Graduation 6.30 start – all welcome
- 11 Dec  Games Day – all welcome
- 12 Dec  Wet Day – all students

**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.

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**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 tdbil4@eq.edu.au. If you would prefer a paper copy please inform the Office.

**Office hours - 8.30am-3.30pm**

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**Principal’s Piece**

*Every day is a learning day!*

*We have had a couple of very exciting weeks since the holidays. The students have participated in a hugely successful Halloween Disco. The parents were amazing with the setting up, the decorations, the maze and the food. Thank you again to the P&C! I’m continually in awe of how well this wonderful group of people get in and get something done!*

Our next big event was the Behaviour Audit. The report is back and we have done exceptionally well. The auditor commented on our strong focus of establishing a disciplined and supportive environment, our well resourced school and the clear expectations that we have for our students at Nagoorin State School. She said that ‘overall the student behaviour is of a high standard’ and that ‘parents and staff members are very supportive.’ Yet again, well done Nagoorin community.

The students have participated a unit called “The Great Outdoors”, where in groups they were to build a structure that could house the whole team and withstand wind and rain. I was very impressed with their team work and organisation considering they were given 4 plastic bags, a ball of string and a roll of sticky tape to complete this task.
Nagoorin Classroom Campout!

Last Friday all the students from Nagoorin SS slept over in the classroom. We had a game of TBall until dinner time where Mrs Kirk made us hotdogs, party pies and sausage rolls. Then we went out and played Glow in the Dark Stuck in the Mud with whistle glow sticks and battery run way lights. We went back to the classroom after that and learnt how to do the YMCA, Time Warp and our favourite, Hey Mr DJ dances. Mrs Kirk then made popcorn for us while we watched a movie. At half time we had hot Milo and a biscuit and Teagan fell asleep. The next morning Clay work us all up at 5 am so we packed up the room and went down to the kitchen for homemade pancakes with syrup, Nutella or strawberry jam with another hot Milo! Credance proclaimed it was the best camp ever!!!!

ATTENDANCE

Graduation of our wonderful Year 6 & 7’s
10 December 5.30 pm
BBQ – salads, steak burgers and sausage burgers!
Presentation of the school trophies and Graduation Certificates.
Santa is arriving!!!  Come along with a present to sneak into the Santa bag. $20 limit.
All welcome!

Permanent Cleaner’s Position
2 hrs a day at Nagoorin SS
Please send expression of interest to kkirk23@eq.edu.au for an application kit.
Position becomes available 27 February 2015.
Final applications due 12 December.
Interviews to be held early February.

P & C NEWS
Next Meeting
AGM 18 February 2015

Uniforms
New uniforms have arrived and can be purchased from the school before and after school.
Please remember that uniform sales are by cash or cheque only. If you are unable to visit the school fill out an order form and leave it at the office and we will fill the order and send what you need home with your child.

BEHAVIOUR - No Bullying at OUR School!
Mosaic Workshop

Last Monday and Tuesday Nagoorin Stars participated in a mosaic workshop led by Rodger and Glenda Ostwald. The children helped design a mosaic to go on the top of a concrete picnic table. They then were shown how to organise colours into tubs and lay out the tiles in colour groups. Children then ‘buttered’ each time with adhesive and glued the tiles one at a time to the table. This was an all day activity. The students also created their own mosaic to take home at the end of the year. The next day we grouted and cleaned up the table. A huge shout out to Shayne and Helen Mossman for coming to the school to move the table from the hoop pines to the eating area and a big thank you to Rodger and Glenda Ostwald for their patience and time to help us complete this task. Also a big thank you to Monto Home Design for the donation of the tiles.

Mosaic Workshop

Nagoorin Stars

| Safe, Respectful, Responsible - Student of the Week | Pru & Bree Week 6  
|                                                     | Credance Week 7  
|                                                     | Britney Week 8  |
| Safe, Respectful, Responsible - Good News Letters | Toby, Ella, Pru, Bree  |
| Responsible - Reading                              | Teagan, Tom, Riley, Brant  |
| Responsible - Homework                             | All students  |
| Responsible - Writing                              | Brit, Toby, Ebony  |
| Respectful                                         | Ella, Pru, Ava, Clay  |
| Safe                                               | Credance, Bree, Sienna  |
| Peer nomination                                    |  |
| Cool Coin Winner                                   | Tie with 8 coins each Pru & Credance  |
| Birthday Shout Outs                                | Riley and Ella  |

100th Centenary News

- Next meeting 18 February 15
- Watch for the Facebook page
- All enquiries to Kathy McLachlan
  nagoorin.ss.centenary@gmail.com

Curriculum Matters

Music

A reminder that music has changed.
Week 9 & 10 Music as usual – it will be great to see Mrs Petersen back to teach us music.

PE

We have one more PE lesson this year kids. The orienteering and dance unit was awesome. Thank you Mrs Hopf!

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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Birthday Shout Outs!

Riley and Ella
Great excitement! Nagoorin SS Kids are going to the North Keppel Island Environmental Educational Centre for their camp in 2015!

Camp meeting Wednesday 3 December 2014
All interested parties welcome!

Nagoorin State School is serving afternoon tea at the Country Music Camp Out. Please check your child’s homework folder for the form. Can you help 1 – 3 pm? Can you bake pikelets, scones or a slice to help?