

SAFE RESPECTFUL LEARNERS

TERM 3 2018

Dear family and friends of Niland School

I have been overwhelmed with the achievements of our students during term three. Our senior students have finished their TAFE courses and have done exceptionally well. Our PSC students have represented our school with pride performed well each week. Each student is improving everyday and we could not be more proud!

The whole school enjoyed an excursion to the city aboard Tribal Warrior Cruises. We learnt about the Aboriginal heritage of Sydney harbour, it was an absolutely fabulous day that we all enjoyed.

By now I am sure you are all aware that I have accepted a position at Wentworth Falls Public School which I will start in term 1, 2019. I am not yet aware of who the incoming principal will be but rest assured I will let you know all relevant information as it comes to light.

A major milestone has been reached by our School Administration Manager, Mrs Spedding, who has reached 20 years in public education. Congratulations Wendy!

As the holidays are fast approaching I would like to remind you all to update the office with any change of details such as new phone numbers, change of address or updated health care plan. Also if you have not had a Review meeting please contact Ms Kennedy in the front office.

Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday, I am looking forward to seeing you all in Term Four.

Yours in partnership

Renee Culgan

A word from the Assistant Principals

Term Three has been an eventful and exciting time with many outstanding things to celebrate. A major focus throughout the term has been on improving attendance across the school. It has been great to see students attending more often and also students who are achieving 100% attendance. We were very impressed with the number of students who participated in the mid term excursion to Flip Out Penrith for achieving 80% attendance. There are also many students working towards the end of term excursion for those who achieve 90% attendance.

We are looking forward to expanding the lunchtime Computing and Minecraft group to include the Library as a reading and board game space in term 4. Students who participate are always waiting excitedly at the door when the breaktime bell rings and they would rather not leave when the bell rings to go back to class.

Looking forward to more exciting events and the learning that goes along with them in term 4.

Mr Prasad and Mr Finch

Tribal Warrior Cruise on our beautiful harbour



PSC

This term students from Niland have been playing a new sport called NFL or American Gridiron. Students have been learning new rules for this game and have picked it up pretty easily. We have been very competitive and winning lots of games. Well done to all the boys who come to PSC.



NILAND WORK TRAINING PROGRAM

Jessica is loving her time at Coles. She has now moved on to the Bakery where she helps with baking bread and cookies. Well done Jess!!

We have received Progress Reports from TAFE updating us on the students First Semester's progress. The Principal, staff and the parent/carer community are very proud of the way the students present themselves in these transition-to-work programs. Students success in the workplace reflects the hard work of the students, staff and community in preparing them for their future.

The Niland Work Crew who attend Thorndale are working through the 10 week program with a great attitude and commitment. Once finished they will move on to the next program. Congratulations Aaron, Conradd & Junior.

Thankyou to all staff who support these students whilst at Work Training.

Mrs Kennedy

Room One

This term the boys in Class One have stepped up their learning and have continued to meet the bar. We have been learning about the Solar System, with each student completing a published report and art project on a planet. Also in Science, the boys have been looking at the Food Chain and are now able to explain the Producer and Consumer process and will soon start exploring Threatened Australian Species. We are now in a good morning routine, setting up our success learning for activities, sharing in Morning Check In and are completing our individualised spelling activities independently.

Some of the boys may be budding chefs, enthusiastically participating whilst displaying great leadership skills and safe behaviours during our weekly cooking sessions. During term 3, the students of Class One have really pushed themselves in their learning. Students have worked on: complex texts, retelling events and character analyses, Pearl Harbour from an American perspective and Algebra. Students worked very hard to successfully achieve many learning outcomes and have enjoyed seeing their work displayed and respected around the room.

We are looking forward to working together during term 4 and achieving further learning outcomes.

Miss Windon and Ms Thelan



Room Two

This term students in room two have been cooking and learning lots of new recipes.

Meals that we have cooked are Butter Chicken and Rice. Steak sandwiches, Sheperd's Pie and Meat Loaf.



Medals and Trophies

Gold Medal

Travis Bourke

Silver Medal

Nicholas Dalo

Bronze Trophy

Alex Georgievski



It's fantastic to see so many students achieve their levels and receive the gifts they are working so hard for.

Keep up the great work!

Niland Music Program

We are thrilled to have the talented musician,

Mr Adam Presser, teaching Music every Tuesday at Niland.



Adam has also kindly donated a number of musical instruments to the school.

The students are enjoying his classes and are enthusiastic about this opportunity to learn.

Mrs Hancock

Library News

Our Library is looking fantastic! We are in the process of ordering new books. Our older books have been taken off the shelves and are now in the classrooms. We have donated books to the Rooby Red Reading Program which is a local program encouraging children to read at home by providing free books to the community.

The Library will be open on Thursdays for anyone wishing to borrow or just come in for some quiet time.

Classes also come into the Library once a week as part of their Literacy Programs. Mrs Kennedy



Room Five

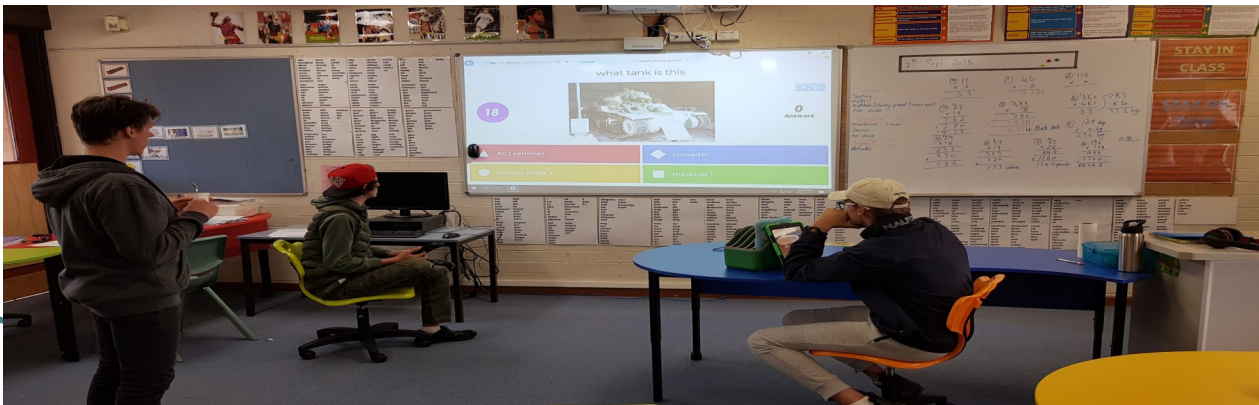
What an amazing and progressive term this has been for the students of room 5! All student have made excellent improvements in their literacy and numeracy and a majority of students have engaged in work placement and/or a external course at TAFE NSW.

This term students in room 5 have being focusing on the real life application of multiplication and what it looks like in complex word problems. They have also been trying to develop their creative writing skills, with some stories that paint an amazing picture with words.

Students of room 5 has also seen the introduction of Mrs Hancock into their class on a Monday and Tuesday, t which they have been able to handle with maturity and have demonstrated the capacity to be resilient in the face of change.

Finally I would like to congratulate all the students in room 5 and wish them a safe and happy holidays.

Can't wait for term 4 so we can continue this high level of progress!



Room Ten

Another term has passed at Niland School.

It has been a tough semester for some of our students because of their personal situations at home. However, to their credit, they have been striving towards their goals nonetheless.

We welcome back Tye and Brennan after a long break from Niland. Brennan is looking forward to starting his work experience program next term. Blake is doing well and trying hard to stay on task. He is looking forward to staying until lunch time.

I am pleased to say we are working together as a team and learning to accept each other as unique individuals. Bradley, Hunter, Matthew and Daniel are also trying their level best! A big thank you to Mrs C Brown for her great support to make everything successful.



Room Eight

Term 3 promises to be busy as usual. Travis received a level 51 certificate during morning assembly. In addition, Jayden received a level 37 Certificate and Tyler received a level 38 certificate. Congratulations to them all!

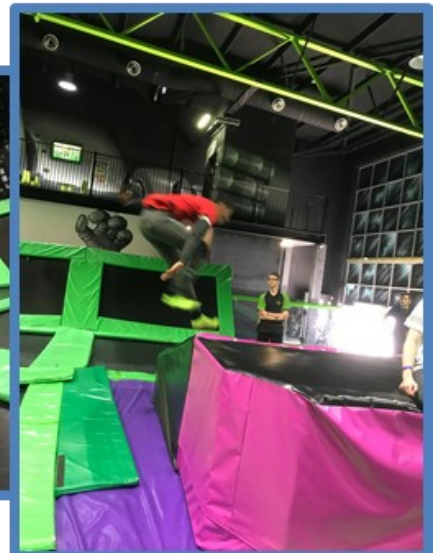
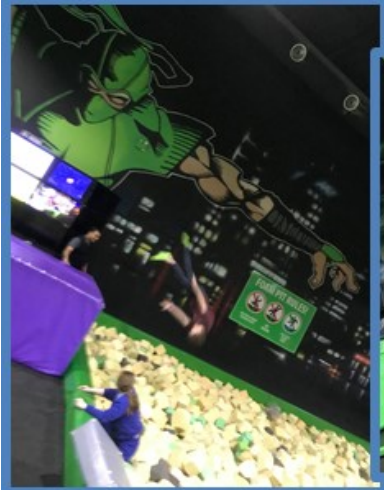
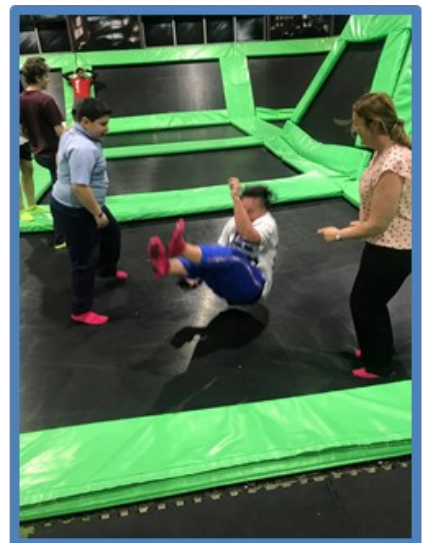
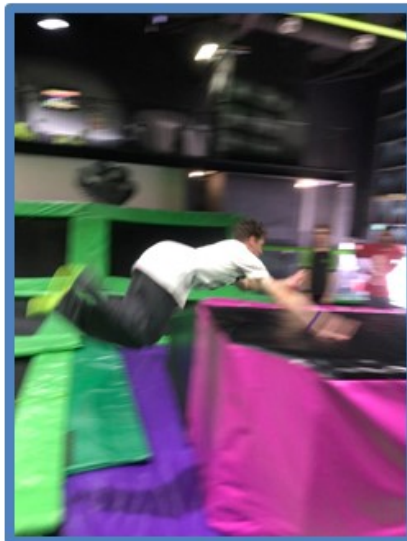
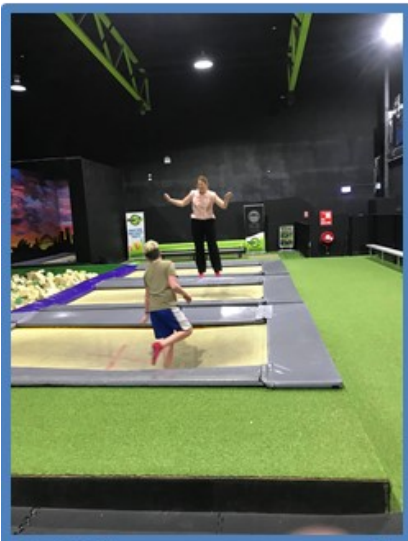
Room 8 has completed weekly Study Units related to Science, Mathematics, Cooking, Aboriginal Education and Social Skills, along with regular Literacy and Numeracy lessons. These Study Units help our students develop their generation of ideas, and eagerness to experiment. Students in Room 8 develop their capabilities through these Study Units, experiencing and gaining broad transferable skills such as; problem-solving, project management, and communication and allowing them to ponder about current developments and changes in the society. It also encourages them to look at the world through a different perspective and learn, problem solve and understand things in a more complete way.

Mr N Karunaratne and Mrs S Sonter



TERM 3 ATTENDANCE EXCURSION

This term Niland School has continued to reward students with great attendance and those students whose attendance is improving with excursions to Flip Out. These excursions continue to motivate students to attend school and during our week 5 trip we had a record high attendance at our Flip Out trip...!! Congratulations Students it was great to spend the time with you all celebrating your attendance achievements. Looking forward to seeing you all at the next one!





Minecraft is in full swing at Niland School (swinging a virtual pickaxe that is). During our lunchtime Minecraft group, students work cooperatively to build their own virtual worlds. They negotiate the rules of play and how they will ensure that their world is a safe and respectful place. They also decide on a theme for their world and plan out how the world will look. Some of these include

Jai's Hunger Games world - Where students talk about how they can recreate the story in a virtual world



Aaron's coding world - Where students can use Code Connection to automate their building projects

Mr Brown's survival world - Everything you want to use you have to gather or make. Creative mode is far too easy for this group.

Mr Finch's Hogwarts world - a recreation of Hogwarts for students to explore and retell stories from the Harry Potter series.





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DATES TO REMEMBER

Swimming Carnival— Thursday 1st Nov

School Photos - Tuesday 27th Nov

Attendance Excursion - 15th Nov & 13th Dec

Y7 Vaccination Program -Thursday 29th Nov

All students return Term 4– Monday 15th October

Last Day Term 4 - 19th Dec