



Nebo State School Newsletter



Week 10, Term 2, 2020

From the Principal

Week 10 has arrived. Things do not seem to be slowing down (in fact it feels like they are speeding up).

First, some general messages.

Until gatherings of 100 or more people are allowed, we will not be having assembly. We will keep you up to date with this as Term 3 progresses.

The Winchester Camp, usually in Term 3, has been cancelled this year due to COVID-19. I, as of yet, have not attended the camp but the staff, and students, who have attended previously, have assured me it is amazing so you could imagine my disappointment with it being cancelled.

School photos will be taken next term. However, at the moment, they will not be the usual photos. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the students will have individual photos taken and these will be collated onto a single page. We understand your disappointment with this, and have spoken with the photo company about changing this but, at this point, they are required to comply with current laws.

I have attached a copy of what the class photos will look like this year so you are aware of what you will be purchasing (if you choose to).

With the weather jumping from humid to freezing, please ensure that your child brings a jumper or jacket to school.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Every semester, parents are given the opportunity to discuss their child's learning with teachers. These interviews were originally planned for Week 10 of Term 1, but due to COVID-19 they were required to be postponed.

These interviews will now be offered in Week 2 of Term 3. The interviews will take 10 minutes, and cover a variety of topics including English (and Literacy) progress, Maths (and numeracy) progress, behavioral and social outcomes. Parents of students in years 5 & 6 will also discuss transitioning to high school.

If you would like an interview, or your child's

Next term, there will be more events the school is putting on. More information will be provided closer to the dates but the student council have begun to organize the Colour Explosion, Pajama Day and the McHappy Day.

Enrolments for 2021 are also now open. If you, or someone you know, have a child who will be enrolling in the school in 2021, please call the school or come in and speak with Sue or myself at the office.

Please stay safe over the school holidays. We love every single one of our amazing students and want them all to return safe and happy in term 3.

Anthony

In response to the wonderfully kind words from Mr Reader's last newsletter, the Staff at Nebo State School would like to thank Mr Reader for his leadership over the last three terms.

Leaders lead from the front and that is exactly what Mr Reader has done. He has supported each and everyone of us through this difficult time, both personally and professionally. Mr Reader doesn't ask for anything that he isn't already doing himself.

All the wonderful things he said about us, could only be achieved with his leadership.

So on behalf of all staff and students thank-you for being an amazing principal. Bring on Term 3.

teacher has requested one on the report card, please speak to Sue (or email admin@neboss.eq.edu.au).

Available Times:

- Tuesday 21st July (7:30am, 7:45am, 8:00am, 8:15am, 2:45pm, 3:00pm, 3:15pm, 3:30pm)

- Wednesday 22nd July (7:30am, 7:45am, 8:00am, 8:15am, 2:45pm, 3:00pm, 3:15pm, 3:30pm)

- Thursday 23rd July (7:30am, 7:45am, 8:00am, 8:15am, 2:45pm, 3:00pm, 3:15pm, 3:30pm)

24th June, 2020

Important Dates

Report Card Sent Home 25th June

Under 8s Celebration 26th June

Tuckshop 26th June

Last Day of Term 2 26th June

First Day of Term 3 13th July

Pajama Day 17th July

School Photos 22nd July

Please remember

- Assembly is on every Monday
- Students need a hat and closed in shoes in order to play outside.
- If your child will not be at school, please call.

Student Information Update Forms

Earlier this term, the school sent home student update forms. If you have not already, please return these as soon as possible.

These forms are vital for the school's operations. At times, we have needed to contact families and have been unable to due to having incorrect (or outdated) information.

If you, or your child, has misplaced the form, please speak with Sue who will be able to provide another.

Please make this a priority.

School Opinion Survey

Over the last two weeks, you will have seen some year 5 and 6 students walking around with ipads. The students have been offering parents the opportunity to complete the annual School Opinion Survey.

The survey is predominately in regards to the Department of Education's, and Nebo State School specifically, response to the COVID-19 challenges.

If you have not had the opportunity to complete the survey, please come in and speak to Sue, or email principal@neboss.eq.edu.au and we will be able to assist.

Students in year 5 and 6 have had the opportunity to complete their own survey,

which asks similar questions to the parent survey. Likewise, staff have also completed their survey.

The results of the survey will be provided to the school early in Term 3. I will provide this information to the school community when it is made available.

We will also use this information as we continue to make plans and improvements for the school.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to myself or your child's teacher.

School Annual Report

The Department of Education's Annual Report plays an important role in fulfilling the department's commitment to accountability and transparency. The Annual Report provides comprehensive information about the department's organisational culture, people management, corporate governance processes and future directions.

Queensland schools meet the reporting obligations required by both the Queensland and the Australian Governments by publishing this

information. The department has extensive datasets of student and school performance data survey results, administrative collections, research studies and evaluation reports.

Each year, every Queensland school is required to publish a school annual report for the previous calendar year on the school's website by 30 June.

Nebo State School's School Annual Report has now been published on our website. If you wish to read the report, please go to www.neboss.eq.edu.au and

click on the Forms and Reports tab. Under this tab there are additional resources, that will continue to be updated throughout the year.

If you are unable to access the report, please email principal@neboss.eq.edu.au and I will send you a copy.

From the P&C President

Are you wondering what the funds we raise go to? Well it's simple really, all funds raised go towards us helping the school with supplies like text books, help with school camps and we are also helping with the installation of a new playground for our grade 3-6 children - plus any extra things that pop up and we have the option to help the teachers & students out.

We are slowly getting up with the times and now have a dedicated Facebook page & email address. Our plan is to be

able to keep everyone up to date with everything we have going on and coming up! We have a very busy year ahead again and would love to have as many hands help out for the many different things we have going on. So please like our page and complete a membership form that has been sent home on the last few newsletters.

Facebook - Nebo P&C

Email - nebosspc@outlook.com
Our executives for 2020 are

President - Cherry Paine
Vice President - Louise Kliese
Secretary - Renee Terry
Treasurer - Kate Hardwick
Tuckshop Conveynor - Julie O'Loughlin

Please also remember our Pie Drive. If you have any questions, please ask.

Thanks, Cherry Paine, President

Tuckshop

Orders for tuckshop are to be in by 3:00 Thursday afternoon. The tuckshop will be open at 2:30 on Thursday for final orders if you wish to make one. Red Food Day is Friday of this week.

From Kindy/Prep

Wow, finally we have reached week 10 of Term 2. It has certainly been an interesting time, however our little people have continuously surprised us with their resilience and brilliance. The Preps have concluded their English unit by creating their own cereal boxes. Kindy children have become even more independent this term and are persisting with writing their names. I hope everyone has a great

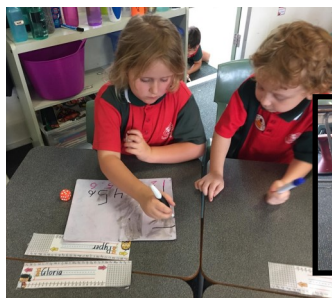
holiday and comes back ready to rock and roll for Term 3.



From One/Two

Over the past two weeks, we have wrapped up our time unit and started investigating chance and shape. The students have experienced chance using spinners, dice and coins. We have also designed and presented our very own cereals to persuade our peers to try our cereals. Later this week we will be attempting to make cereal (something the students wanted to do). This week there has also been a large focus on sight

words and handwriting.



From Three/Four

We made it! What a term it has been, we have worked incredibly hard over the term and the 3/4's continue to surprise me everyday. In English we are focusing on the basics getting ready for term 3. In maths 3/4s are working on probability and will continue our time unit next term. Bring on term 3!



From Five/Six

With the term coming to a close, the learning seems to be speeding up. Our two key focuses during English have been comprehension and paragraph writing.

For comprehension, students have been reading texts and answering questions based on their understanding. We have focused on identifying key words in the question and finding them in the text. We

have also been practicing understanding the text as a whole, rather than a collection of unrelated sentences. This ensures that the students build a deeper understanding of the whole text.

This also connects directly with our paragraph writing, where we write, adding additional but related information as the paragraph continues.

In Maths, we have been using our every

increasing recall of number facts and times tables to complete addition, subtraction and multiplication equations up to 100 000s. The speed and accuracy in which the students are completing these is every increasing.

