Dear Parents,

I would like to congratulate Emma Teale and Nikkita Weldon who travelled to Dubbo last Thursday to participate in Possible and Probable Netball. Both girls enjoyed the day, playing in many games with girls from a variety of schools.

Currently the DEC are revising school participation in Mid Term Break. In the past parents have been asked to indicate their level of support at the end of each year for the year following. Whilst many of you did this at the end of 2013, I would appreciate your assistance by completing the tear off survey at the end of this newsletter and returning it to the front office by Thursday. Whilst we did have some feedback provided last week, greater is needed before a decision can be made. NO ASSUMPTIONS WILL BE MADE. If you don’t reply, application will be made based on replies received.

Many schools in our area have been participating in Mid Term Break for 10 years or more. Nyngan Public School commenced Mid Term Break in 2010. Students participate in an additional 12.5 minutes of school per day in order to have a 4 day weekend in the middle of the term. Although children are absent from school 8 days per year they are not missing any school time as this is made up with the additional daily component.

Whilst some parents have indicated finding child care on these days has been difficult others have indicated that they have been able to take advantage of the time to visit friends, relatives, doctors or dentists.

Please take the time to complete the survey, adding your thoughts for or against Mid Term Break. Your input is valued and will be used when making submission.

Thank you to parents who have expressed an interest in their children (Year 5/6) attending the Sydney excursion. We have also had interest from parents wishing to attend. Please note expressions close THIS THURSDAY, June 5th, 2014.

I look forward to seeing many families at the final AECG Meeting for Term 2. This meeting will be held at Nyngan Public School at 4pm TOMORROW.

Kylee Pearce,
Principal

Nyngan Public School APP – Miss Galvin has spent a considerable amount of time throughout 2014, coordinating an app which aims to provide information to parents in a timely manner. Great news! Our school now has a mobile phone app. This is a little application that sits on your phone and gives you instant access to our school information when you click on it, 24/7. The app gives parents and community the ability to instantly access school newsletters, send in sick notes when your child(ren) is/are away, and be notified of upcoming events! We will be sharing many of the other features with you over the coming weeks. To download the app go to either the Apple App Store or Android Google Play Market and search for Nyngan Public School. Once you have found it press install or download.

Staff Car park - Parents are asked not to drop off or pick up students in the staff car park, as this is an out of bounds area for students. Please drop off and pick up in Dandaloo Street as this the safe area for students.

Book Club – This is a reminder that all Book Club orders must be brought into the downstairs office by Thursday the 5th of June, 2014.

Cross Country – Congratulations to our team of students who participated in Cross Country at Hermidale last Thursday. Greater detail will be available in next weeks newsletter.
Attendance – Regular school attendance will help your child to succeed in later life. Attending school every day makes learning easier for your child and helps build and maintain friendships with other children.

If your child misses learning the basic skills in the early years of primary or high school, they may develop problems in later years.

- 1 day off a week = 10 days a term (2 weeks gone!)
- 1 day off a week over the period of a year = most of term 1 – gone!
- If this pattern starts in Kindergarten and continues through to Year 6 almost 1 and a half years of learning is gone!!
- If this pattern continues through high school students will miss nearly 3 years of learning.
- If students miss days of learning they reduce the chance of achieving to their academic potential.

Missing levels in your child's education!!!!

Signing in and out - Visitors to the school are asked to sign in and out at the administration office. This is for the safety of both children and visitors.

Important Dates

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(PLEASE CIRCLE)

- Family visits
- Medical appointments
- Other – (Please note)

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Signature: __________________ Date: ____________

I _______________ DO NOT support Nyngan Public School in their application for Mid Term Break. I have used previous Mid Term Break opportunities for:

(PLEASE CIRCLE)

- Family visits
- Medical appointments
- Other – (Please note)

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BUT do not support because (please provide detail)

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Signature: __________________ Date: ____________