



Noranda Primary School February 6 2025

Term 1 Week 1- 6 February 2025

Principal's Report

Dear Families

Welcome to 2025 at Noranda Primary School. We have had an excellent start for our students and staff this week with students keenly arriving after their long holiday break yesterday. I am looking forward to a fabulous 2025.

Classes 2025

Please see below our teaching staff for the start of the 2025 school year.

Room 2 Year 6 – Miss Bateson and Mrs Gordon

Room 1 Year 5/6 – Mr McInerheney

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| Room 4 | Year 5 – Mr Butler |
| Room 6 | Year 4/5 – Mr Haast |
| Room 5 | Year 3/4 – Ms Sampson |
| Room 7 | Year 3 – Mrs Glover |
| Room 8 | Year 3 – Mrs Sallie |
| Room 11 | Year 2 – Ms Al Shanti and Mrs McGuire |
| Room 12 | Year 2 – Miss Vowles and Mrs Musca |
| Room 9 | Year 1 – Mrs Freese |
| Room 10 | Year 1 – Mrs Doherty |
| Room 13 | Pre Primary – Mrs Nesbitt |
| Room 14 | Pre Primary – Miss McKercher |
| Room 15 | Kindy A – Mrs Nuttall |
| Room 15 | Kindy B – Mrs Cohen |
| Phys Ed | Mr O’Callaghan |
| Science | Ms Sofi |
| Languages | Mrs He |
| Music | Mr Kershaw |
| ECE | Mrs Parrella |

This year we emailed class placements to parents for the first time, as well as displayed class lists on the side of the library. As I shared last year, we did this to ensure it was more convenient for working/busy parents and to protect the safety of students so that parents were not taking photos and sharing the identities of our students. I am seeking your feedback about this process for our consideration for future years. Please send me an email Kristy.harrison@education.wa.edu.au or pop in and share your thoughts.

Parent Information Night

This will be happening next Wednesday, February 12th. This year we are adopting and adapting to feedback we have received previously. This year each class teacher will facilitate 3 repetitive sessions to better allow for parents with multiple students to attend for each child. The meeting times will be:

5.00 – 5.25

5.30 – 5.55

6.00 – 6.25

6.30 – close

Room 1 and 2 will do class meetings in the first two timeslots and the final timeslot will be a session for only Year 6s in regard to their upcoming camp. Our specialist teachers will also be available collectively in the Science room.

It is also important to note that there is **no supervision provided for students** during the meetings, so please find alternative arrangements where possible.

School Development Days

Our school staff have participated in a healthy mix of professional learning, operational planning and hands on practice over the School Development Days.

On Monday, we had two external professional learning experiences. In the morning we had Justine from North East Metropolitan Language Development Centre (LDC) who built on our learning from 2024 in the space of oral language leading to writing and reading. Following this, we engaged in a trauma informed practices session with staff from the Students Engagement team at SSEN. This is the first of three sessions we have scheduled for 2025.

On Tuesday, we began with an overview session I facilitated on our key priorities for the year, linking into our core business of English, Maths and student engagement. We then worked through our organisational structures including leadership and operational roles and responsibilities within the school. Miss Fullarton led us through our Students At Educational Risk Policy (SAER) and many operational items. Mrs Di Felice led us through whole school assessment scheduling and an overview of the English area. Miss Vowles shared our approach to instructional coaching and Mrs Johnson ensured staff were all aware of financial processes within the school. Whilst teaching staff then had the afternoon in their classrooms, Mrs Johnson and our Education Assistants were meeting reflective of their roles and requirements.

Faction Carnival and Interschool Sports

This year we will be having our Faction Carnival at the start of Term 2 rather than our traditional Term 3 carnival. We have made this decision based on consecutive years of rained out carnivals and unavailability of interschool locations. We have realigned our interschool schools network and this will include a smaller number of schools than previous years. Our

interschool network will be three schools within the Morley Schools Network, being us, Camboon and Highgate primary schools. Important Dates are:

Factional carnival – Term 2 Week 1 – Friday 2nd May

Interschool Jumps and throws (at Noranda PS) – Term 2 Week 2 – Friday 9th May

Interschool Athletics carnival (at Highgate PS) – Term 2 Week 3 – Friday 16th May

Interschool Cross Country (at Camboon PS) – Term 2 Week 9 – Friday 27th June

Student Uniforms and Hats

Please ensure your children are wearing the correct school uniform of Noranda polo shirt and black shorts or skorts. Please ensure shorts are mid thigh or longer and are not skin tight. Students are required to wear bucket or broad brimmed hats at recess, lunch and when outside for physical education lessons or activities. Please refer to the Uniform guide and ordering process on the school website for further information.

Enjoy your week and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Kristy Harrison

Principal

Calendar of Events

Week 2

Monday February 10

- Lawns mowed

Wednesday February 12

- Kindy B attend
- Open Night 5-6.30pm

Week 3

Wednesday February 19

- Kindy A attend
- Student Leadership Excursion

Dates for 2025

Term 1, 2025 - 5 February to 11 April

Term 2, 2025 - 28 April to 4 July

Term 3, 2025 - 22 July to 26 September

Term 4, 2025 - 14 October to 18 December

School Development Day - Friday 30 May, Monday 21 July and Monday 13 October, Friday 19 December

Public Holidays - Labour Day 3 March and WA Day 2 June

Student Sign In / Sign Out

Please be advised that students must be signed in and/or out at the office using passtab for the following reasons

- Arriving at school after 8.50am
- Collecting student/s to attend appointments during the hours of 8.50am to 3.00pm
- Collecting student/s early to leave school before 3pm

Spelling Mastery

The Spelling Mastery program will commence for students in Years 3 to 6 shortly. This program provides detailed and highly structured teaching of spelling skills. The level at which each child is participating is directly linked to their individual level of ability and identified spelling needs.

In order to participate fully in this program each student requires a workbook. There is a cost of \$32.95 for the workbook.

If you have not already done so it would be appreciated if this amount could be paid as soon as possible. If you are experiencing difficulty in making this payment please contact the school on the below number so suitable arrangements can be made.

Should you choose to pay this amount electronically please state the student's surname- Spelling in the reference area. A receipt will be issued on request.

School bank account details:

BSB: 016-363

Account: 4386-23907

Lunch Orders

Morley SHS canteen will provide lunches for Noranda PS again this year. Orders can be placed through the quickcliq.com.au app, please follow the directions.

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