



Upcoming Events

Term 4 starts

Monday

14th

October

**Pupil Free
Day**

**Friday 18th
October**

**Front Office
hours during
School**

Holidays

Closed

30th Sep — 11th Oct

Nightcliff Middle School

Newsletter

Principal's Report

Term 3 Week 10 2019

It has been a busy term for staff and students at Nightcliff Middle School. They have been involved in the Tournament of Minds, the BEAT festival, interschool sports, year level camps and the swimming carnival. I am sure next term will be just as busy.

It is a timely reminder as the weather warms up that we all need to slip, slop, slap. What is equally as important is that the students drink water throughout the day. There has been an increase of students arriving at the front office complaining of headaches and this can be reduced by ensuring they drink an adequate amount of water. It also helps them with their concentration in class.

The staff will be involved in a professional development day on Friday 18th October. They will be learning about brain development, trauma informed practice and implementing those strategies into our classroom practice. Students are not required at school on this day.

The reception area will be undergoing renovations during the two week holiday break. While we are hoping that this will be completed by the time school returns this may not be the case. My apologies for any inconvenience that this may cause early next term.

It is important that the students make the most of the break to recharge their batteries for the last term of the year of the year which is only nine weeks long. I know it will be over very quickly and before long we will be attending the presentation assembly.

Kind Regards

Marty Isaksen
Principal



Year 7

CSI: Year 7 students are busy wearing their detective hats and solving crimes in Science. Students are investigating fingerprints, hair, fabric, blood (fake), mysterious powders, foot-prints, handwriting, chromatography and tool marks. They are making use of microscopes to help take a closer look at the evidence.

Daniel Eakins



Year 9 Dukes

Students from Nightcliff Middle School formed a guard of honour to welcome the Prince Edward, the Earl of Sussex, as he attended a ceremony to celebrate 60 years of the Duke of Edinburgh Award in the Northern Territory. Nightcliff Middle School currently has over 80 students participating in the Duke of Edinburgh program.



Duke students went to the Mataranka Homestead to complete the Adventurous Journey component of their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award. Students completed a swimming assessment enabling them to swim at Mataranka Hot Springs and Bitter Springs. To prepare for the camp, the students planned their meals, did their own shopping, packed up the trailer and set up their campsites when we arrived. Students practiced skills, such as team work and resilience. A great time was had by all.



Year 8 & 9

Students from 8.5 started the day by joining Ms Kuhl's year 9 class for a presentation from Damien . He spoke to us about so many fascinating things, but mostly about how he and his family track and hunt turtles and other marine animals using materials and knowledge passed down through generations of his family. The kids were absolutely glued to him the whole time and it was great for the kids to see the things we have learnt about in class brought to life. Thanks to Damien and Ms Kuhl for organising this fantastic experience.

In the afternoon, 8.5 students went to Nightcliff foreshore to do some mapping and orientation activities as part of our Geography study. The students loved being in the outdoors in this beautiful part of the world. It was wonderful to see them applying their class work to real-life, practical scenarios.

Patrick Fleming





Hello, I'm Senior Constable Linda Farrand.

I'm part of the school's student Wellbeing team at Nightcliff Middle School.

I have an office within the school and am here most days. My aim is to work with students to build strength and resilience, to help keep themselves safe and make good choices. I can deliver classroom lessons, as well, as offer one on one

If you wish to contact me about my role, email me at

CommunityandYouthEngagement.PFES@pfes.nt.gov.au

Please note this is a generic email address, any reports of crime or offences still need to be reported via 000 (emergency situations) or 131 444

Students Absent from School

If your child is going to be away from school we ask that parents notify the school for the time they will be absent.

Please call 89837677, text message to 0410 856 534
or email : admin.nightms@ntschoools.net

Medical certificate for absences from school of three days or more

Updates to the Attendance and Participation policy, and the Attendance Recording and Reporting guidelines, have been made to clarify that schools must advise parents they need to provide a medical certificate, where their child is absent from school for a period exceeding three days.

The Attendance and Participation policy and guidelines are available on the [Department of Education policies website](#). For more information on enrolment and attendance, contact:

8944 9273 or sat.det@nt.gov.au

