Niangala P&C
Thank you to those that were able to attend the AGM meeting on 3 March. The executives for 2016 are
President: Graham Galvin    Vice President: Julianne Galvin
Secretary: Maree Atkins       Treasurer: Pam Miller
The students and staff thank the parents and community members for the support that they give Niangala Public School.

Internet Filtering at home - protect your children
An open Internet is unsafe for children and parenting in this digital age is difficult. K9 Web Protection is a free Internet filter and parental control software for your home Windows or Mac computer.
This company is the same company used by the Department of Education to filter internet access for students at schools.

Snugglepot and Cuddlepie at the Capitol Theatre, Tamworth
August 12th, 6pm
This exquisite new stage adaptation will spark the imagination and sense of adventure in 5-10 year olds as they experience the timeless charm of Snugglepot & Cuddlepie.

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English

Year K-2 at Niangala have been thinking imaginatively and creatively through reading Australian animals texts related to the key concept of characterisation. The Learning Intention is to enable students to view, understand, interpret, question, create and analyse children’s literature.

The students recreated the story of Blossom Possum using a story map, they will then perform and record their stories using the iPads.

The older students have been writing persuasive texts. The Learning Intention is to plan, draft and publish persuasive texts containing key information and supporting details while demonstrating increasing control over text structures and language features. Persuasive texts include:

- Title—a short statement about the topic.
- Overview—a brief statement of the writer’s view of the main topics.
- Reasons—The points supporting the writer’s view (for or against the topic).
- Conclusions—summing it up.

Jayden Galvin wrote a text in favour of saving animals from extinction:

*Animals are in danger due to poaching, killing and clearing. We need to save the animals so kids can see animals in real life instead of on television. If the animals become extinct it might destroy the balance of the food chain. The Australian Government could make some laws about poaching animals to protect them.*

Farm Safety

Pete Harris from the Department of Education’s Road Safety Program recently visited Niangala Public School to discuss farm safety. Following a fun game of elephants, trees and toilet seats the children discussed the farm environment and different vehicles used on farms. They talked about how to be a safe passenger, and how to be safe around vehicles such as tractors, quads, utes and ATVs.

Sport and PE

Niangala students are continuing with morning activity circuits and Fundamental Movement Skills. The students are currently concentrating on the side gallop.

**Side gallop**

- Weight on the balls of the feet
- Hips and shoulders point forwards, head stable

Positive Behaviour for Learning

Mrs Cathy Archer recently visited Niangala to talk with the students about responsibility. In all settings **being responsible** includes:

- Being in the right place at the right time
- Accepting responsibility and consequences for your actions
- Walking on the concrete
- Following teacher directions