

# Narwee Public School

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Term 4 – Week 8

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2012

## Principal's Report

Narwee Public School prides itself on having well-mannered and responsible students. From time to time, students forget themselves and forget to follow our rules and behave in a socially appropriate manner. These students soon realise that every action has a consequence. We all must take responsibility for our behaviour.

Our School Discipline and Welfare Policy is clear – bad language and poor behaviour will not be tolerated. I trust that this sends a strong message to all students and parents that we have high standards and our school policy and expectations will not be compromised.

If students fall below Bronze Level they cannot represent our school in events such as sport, dance, choir, drumming or attend special occasions such as our disco, farewell, picnic day and talent quest. Parents are asked to support our policies so as to teach children the importance of being a good citizen.

Last week I had to deal with a dispute in our car park between two families. This was unpleasant and unnecessary. I remind all families that we expect anyone entering the school premises to behave appropriately, however, if their behaviour is unacceptable they will be excluded from entering the school grounds. I have no reluctance to involve the police should it be necessary.

Our students and community safety is a priority. Parents should model appropriate behaviour at all times whether within our school or anywhere in the community.

**Please remember that parking within the school grounds is not permitted. Only parents who display a disabled sticker and require parking within the grounds are permitted to enter the school premises.**

Rene Demos – Principal

## School Security

**Please help keep our school safe**

If you see anything unusual happening in the school grounds please call School Security on:

**1300 880 021**

## Term Calendar

**Upcoming Events at Narwee Public School**  
**Please put these dates in your diary.**

### Term 4, Week 8

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November**      **Christmas Walk**

### Term 4, Week 9

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December**      **Reports to Parents**

### Term 4, Week 10

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**      **Presentation Day**  
**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**      **Honour Student Excursion**

### Term 4, Week 11

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December**      **Year 6 Farewell**  
**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**      **Picnic Day**  
**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**      **Talent Quest for Students**  
**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**      **Last Day for Students**

## 2013

### Term 1, Week 1

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January**      **Years 1 – 6 Start Back**  
**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January**      **Group 1 Kindergarten Start**  
**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February**      **Group 2 Kindergarten Start**

## Important Message

**The last day of school for all students will be**  
**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December.**

Classes will not operate on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December as all staff will be involved in Staff Development.



## Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at our last assembly.

Alissa (2/3S)	David (2/3S)
Sulia (2/3S)	Jayden (KV)
Shanzay (KV)	Lillian (3/4C)
Nguyen (3/4C)	Faith (3/4C)
Ellen (3/4C)	Onofre (3/4C)
Tyrell (1L)	Callum (1L)
Ky (4/5F)	Andrew (4/5F)
Ryan (1L)	Tracy (1/2M)
Ahmad (1/2M)	Ibrahim (1/2M)
Juanita (5/6B)	Tyrece (5/6B)
Ghadi (5/6B)	Liam (KP)
Layla (KP)	Lily (2C)
Tia (2C)	Lydawra (5/6R)
Tafara (5/6R)	Kauthar (5/6R)

## Notes Due Back

- **Year 6 Farewell** – note and payment due back by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November.
- **Library Honour Student** – permission note and money to be returned by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December.
- **School Picnic** – Special Needs and Medical Conditions form due back by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

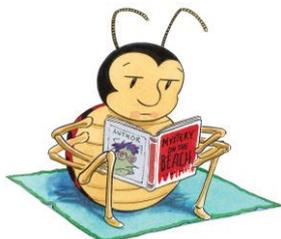
## K – 2 Home Readers

Could all parents please ensure that Home Readers are returned to school by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

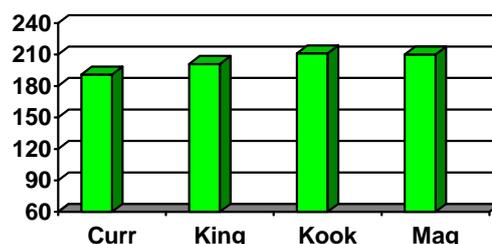
Thank you to all of our parents for your ongoing support shown towards our Home Reading Scheme this year.

We look forward to your continued co-operation and support for our reading scheme in 2013.

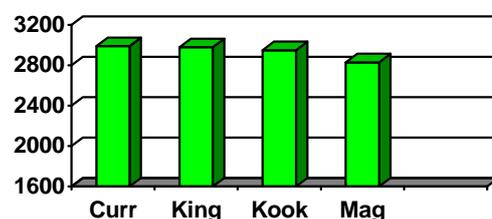
Ms Muffett



HOUSE POINTS



UNIFORM SPOT CHECK



## Generation One Creative Change School Competition

With the 'Hands across Australia' words still echoing around the school, the Creative Change Competition has come to an end, for this year anyway. And as the song suggests, we sure can come together to make a change.

Narwee Public School's entry finished in the top eight out of more than one hundred and twenty public schools around the country. What an extraordinary achievement and what amazing talent we have here at Narwee Public School.

To view last week's big announcement or the winning entries, see the following link:

<http://generationone.org.au>

Once again I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all the students, parents and teachers involved in either creating the final entry or spreading the word for the People's Choice Award.

Mr Vaccaro



## Chess Club Finals

Over the last couple of weeks, the Chess Club finalists for 2012 have been showcasing their talents for all to see on the outdoor chess board.

Congratulations to the following students:

**David** (2/3S) – 1<sup>st</sup>

**Annie** (5/6B) – 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Anson** (2/3S) – 3<sup>rd</sup>

The remaining finalists were **Hussein** (3/4C), **Joshua** (2/3S) and **Jacquie** (2/3S).

Thank you to all players who made this year a success and thanks to those students who came to watch and lend their support during the finals. Hope to see you all next year.

**Mr Vaccaro**



## PSSA Sport

Thank you to all students that participated in PSSA competitions this year.

Could you please return your washed PSSA shirt to your coach in a plastic bag labelled with your name so that we can return your \$5.00 shirt deposit.

Please ensure all outstanding sport money is paid to the front office by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

Refunds will be issued to all students who have returned their sports shirts on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

**Mrs Rizzov**

## School Bus Safety

- There is a 40km/h speed limit for traffic passing a school bus that is picking up or setting down school children.
- This speed limit is for all traffic travelling in the same direction as the bus, whether the bus is stationary or moving.
- The 40km/h speed limit must be obeyed when the rear 'wig-wag' lights on the bus flash.
- Flashing headlights on these buses also alert oncoming motorists that children are close by.
- A fine and loss of demerit points will apply for failing to observe the 40km/h speed limit for traffic passing a school bus when the 'wig-wag' lights are showing.
- If you park illegally in a bus zone there is a minimum fine of \$253.00 and the loss of 2 demerit points.

## School Holiday Tips

School holidays seem to increase the likelihood of your children quarrelling amongst themselves. Here are some steps you can take to help prevent quarrels:

- Protect the needs of each child – prevent older children's activities from being messed up by younger children and vice versa.
- Spend special time with each child on a regular basis.
- Allow each child to own something that they don't have to share.
- For younger children see that there are enough toys to play with so that they can play together without having to share.
- If you have three children, make sure that the same one is not left out every time.

For more information go to:  
[www.raisingchildren.net.au](http://www.raisingchildren.net.au)

## P&C News

Last week we held our Annual General Meeting and we were fortunate to have enough attendees to elect a new P&C committee for 2013.

Your new P&C committee are Cerise Packer (myself) as President, we are very lucky to have Mrs Solina Kaleti as Vice President, Mrs Brunetta Kami as our new Treasurer and Mr Peter Maylott as our Vice Treasurer. Mrs Tanya Awadallah has gracefully agreed to continue her role as Secretary from last year. We still have the Vice Secretary role available and anyone is welcome to put themselves forward. The committee is looking forward to a prosperous new year with events already planned for 2013.

We thank all who were able to attend the Annual General Meeting and look forward to seeing you all again in the new year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Peter Maylott who was our President for the past year. We look forward to your continued contribution in your role as Vice Treasurer. We would also like to thank past P&C committee members who took time out of their busy schedules to attend meetings and assist in raising money for our school.

Please feel free to approach any of the P&C committee members if you have anything you would like to discuss. The more parent participation we have the better chance we have in providing our children with more opportunity in the coming year.

Just to let you know – the P&C will be holding another one of our scrumptious cake stalls on Presentation Day, 11<sup>th</sup> December. We hope to celebrate the 'sharing and silly season' by having a festive theme.

Please watch our space in the coming newsletter for more information. As in previous cake stalls held – all contributions are welcome and if anyone would like to help on the day it would be great. We will also be running a raffle with some yummy prizes to be enjoyed over the holiday break. The raffle will be drawn in assembly on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

Once again, thank you for work done by our past committee members. Here's to a great new year to come full of opportunities.

**Cerise Packer – P&C President**

## Label Everything

Your child's belongings can get easily misplaced at school. Please label all of your child's belongings with their name. Don't forget books, pencil cases, clothing and school bags.



## Hockey Finals

**Juniors lost 2 – 1 to Peakhurst PS**  
**Seniors lost 4 – 0 to Hurstville South PS**  
**Seniors Drew 4 – 4 against Beverly Hills PS**

Last Friday our hockey team was fortunate to make the finals. This was attributed to our consistent effort though out the season.

The venue for our final was not at Evatt Park where we always play. This time we had the pleasure of playing on an Olympic grade hockey field at Kyeemagh.

**Juniors** – you put up a strong effort against Peakhurst PS senior team in a friendly game and despite the size difference you managed to keep them scoreless for quite some time. There was some great defence by **Natalie** (3/4C) and **Lillian** (3/4C) headed up with some strong attacking play by **Angelique** (4/5F) and **Youssief** (2/3S).

**Seniors** – in our first game we were able to adjust to the different playing conditions a little better than Hurstville South PS. We used the whole field and continued to keep the ball away from the middle and used the less occupied sidelines. Both teams remained scoreless up until halftime when Hurstville South were able to sneak in 2 quick goals. Unfortunately the opposition were too strong and continued the second half with their winning momentum. The end result was 4 – 0. Hurstville South PS went on to win the final.

In our second game we were determined to end with a win and started off very strong with a 1 – 0 lead. The opposition hit back straight away and surprised us with two quick goals. Beverly Hills were leading 2 – 1 at half time. Though true to our team's determination and courage we stuck to our game plan and managed to score 3 more goals. The end result was 4 – 4 which was a good way to end such a great season. Thank you to the junior girls who assisted the seniors by playing for them throughout the day. Once again Narwee's behaviour was exemplary and not only did other schools comment on our behaviour but so did the ground staff. Well done to both hockey teams. Thank you for a great season and I hope to see you again next year.

**Mr Lennon**

## Computer Safety Tips

**Keep computers out in the open!**

Your child might think twice about looking at inappropriate websites and won't be able to chat to their friends all night while you think they are doing their homework.

**For more information go to:**

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