

Narwee Public School

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Term 3 – Week 7

Wednesday 28th August 2013

Principal's Report

Congratulations to our SRC for holding a very successful Father's Day stall. The students have shown true leadership qualities and have been very proactive with their fundraising activities. The final amount raised will appear in next week's newsletter. We hope all the gifts are well received on Father's Day. A huge thank you also to Mr & Mrs Lennon who helped to plan and co-ordinate the event.

Last night a number of our students represented our school at the Combined Schools Music Festival. THEY WERE OUTSTANDING. Congratulations to our students, staff and parents who attended.

Rene Demos – Principal

Vacation Care

Why not spend your school holidays at Pole Depot's Vacation Care? There is one at Narwee Public School and the original service at Pole Depot, 23 St Georges Rd, Penshurst.

We are open every day from 7.00am to 6.00pm. There is also a School Holiday Program for 10 to 15 year olds, based at Pole Depot from 8.30am – 4.30pm.

For more information on all 3 programs and a booking form please contact Pole Depot on 9580 0688 or visit <http://www.poledepot.org/vacation-care.htm>

Bookings open Monday 2nd September

Kindergarten Enrolments

Kindergarten enrolments are now being accepted for all eligible children and siblings of those already enrolled at our school for 2014.

Children must turn 5 before **1st August 2014** to be able to enrol for next year. Please call at the front office if you need to collect an application form or alternatively you can download one from our school website.



Term Calendar

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

Term 3, Week 9

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| Monday 9 th September | School Camp Begins |
| Friday 13 th September | School Camp Returns |
| Friday 13 th September | Season 3 PSSA Begins |

Term 3, Week 10

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| Wednesday 18 th September | Parent Workshop |
| Wednesday 18 th September | P&C Meeting |
| Thursday 19 th September | Acknowledgement Day |
| Friday 20 th September | PSSA – Round 2 |
| Friday 20 th September | Last Day of Term |



Yeronga School Uniforms

Please be advised that Yeronga School Uniforms will be closed on the following dates due to stocktake and preparation for summer:

Saturday 31st August
Saturday 7th September

Payment Due Dates

- **Monkey Baa** permission note and payment due back by Friday 30th August.
- **Bankstown District Dance Festival Ticket Order** note and payment due back by Friday 30th August.
- **Book Club** order form and payment due back by Wednesday 4th September.
- **Learn to Swim** permission note and payment due back by Friday 6th September.
- **Introduction to the New National Curriculum** attendance slip due back by Friday 13th September.

IMPORTANT DATES

Awards

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

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| Anderson (5/6F) | Ethan (5/6F) |
| Jeralias (3L) | Georga (3L) |
| Ahmad (3L) | Savvas (5/6K) |
| Kalib (5/6K) | Jemuel (5/6K) |
| Angelique (5/6K) | Ky (5/6K) |
| Joanna (5/6K) | Crystal (4/5B) |
| Stavroula (4/5B) | Latif (4/5B) |
| Liam (1L) | Aaryan (1L) |
| Foteini (KP) | Benjamin (1/2C) |
| Keira-Mei (KP) | Stephanie (1/2C) |
| Toby (1/2C) | Keira (KV) |
| Aaron (KV) | Hailey (2/3S) |
| Kevin (2/3S) | Victoria (2/3S) |

Cyber Bullying

Many of our students are incredibly technologically literate – easily navigating the internet, using a variety of forms of social media and doing things that we as adults know little about. While these skills are extremely important for our 21st Century learners, we must also remind our students about being safe online.

The following seven key messages form the basis of an online safety strategy for kids:

1. Respect others
2. Think before you send
3. Treat online passwords like your house key
4. Block bullies
5. Don't reply to harassment
6. Save the evidence
7. Tell someone

Michael Grose talks about each one of these in more detail on his website:

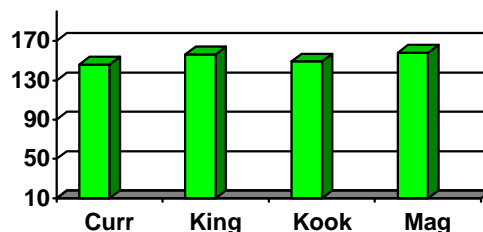
<http://www.parentingideas.com.au/parents/Bullying/Cyber-bullying>

While there is so much to learn from and enjoy on the internet, please remember to take the time to discuss with your family what they need to do to be safe cyber students.

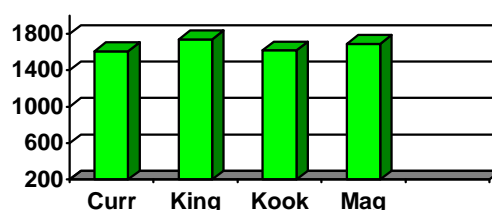
Mrs Koletti



HOUSE POINTS



UNIFORM SPOT CHECK



Monkey Baa Excursion

Just a reminder that permission notes and payment for the K-2 excursion to the Monkey Baa Theatre at Darling Harbour are due back this **Friday, 30th August**.

Children will be able to experience a live theatre performance of the book 'Emily Eye Finger'. As this is an important learning experience it is expected that all children will participate.

Children will need to be at school by **9.00am** and will return by **3.20pm**. They will need to wear full school uniform including their school hat.

Children are to bring their lunch, recess and at least two drinks in a small backpack. No glass bottles or cans of soft drink are allowed. Please do not send spending money with your child as we will not be visiting the shops.

Due to this excursion being pre-paid we are unable to offer a refund if your child is absent on the day.

Book Fair

Book Week was a huge success this year. It was great to see so many of our students dressed in 'space' themed outfits and participating enthusiastically in the activities.

The total sales from our Book Fair were \$3698.00. As a result, our library is able to purchase \$1102.00 worth of new books, which is very exciting.

Thank you to everyone that purchased books at the Book Fair and who were able to contribute so graciously to our library's new book collection.

Mrs Wells

Festivals

Congratulations to all the students in the Senior Choir, the Stage 3 Drumming Group and the Stars and Diamonds Dance Troupes who performed last night at Bankstown Sports Club as part of the Combined Schools Music Festival.

All children displayed their wonderful talents and enjoyed the excitement of the evening after many hours of rehearsal.

I would like to say a big thank you to all the parents who transported their children to the event and supported the evening.

All 3 Narwee Dance Troupes are now busy rehearsing for their next performance at the Bankstown District Dance Festival being held on **Tuesday 22nd October**.

Please keep this evening free so that all children can participate in this wonderful event. Yellow notes were handed out last week for ticket orders.

Bankstown Dance Festival Information

Please ensure ticket note and money are returned no later than **Friday 30th August**. Tickets are \$5.00 each. We must finalise ticket orders on this date to ensure we get the number of tickets required by the school.

Performance Details:

When: Tuesday 22nd October 2013
Time: 7.00pm – 9.15pm
Venue: Bankstown Sports Club
8 Greenfield Parade, Bankstown

No orders will be taken after this date and there will be no tickets available to purchase on the night of the performance.

All children 3 years and over will require a ticket as they must be seated and not held on parent's laps. Strollers will need to be left at the back of the auditorium due to safety issues.

Tickets are allocated by the festival organiser. Bankstown Sports Club has no role in ticketing for the festival.

Mrs Rizzov



Cricket Day

On Monday 26th August a representative from Cricket NSW spent the day at Narwee Public School teaching students a range of skills including catching, throwing and hitting.

Every class spent half an hour with a coach and had loads of fun. If you are interested in joining a cricket team please go to www.cricketnsw.com.au

Mr Cameron

PSSA Reports

Rugby League

Last Friday the Senior Rugby League team played Oatley West PS at Evatt Park. This game was to qualify for the Grand Final. Oatley West had successfully gone through the season undefeated. This was going to be a tough task but I knew our boys were up to it.

Despite some last minute cosmetic issues we started off really well and hit the lead with a great try early in the first few minutes. Throughout the game it was a tug-of-war as the scores continued to change until Oatley West remained in the lead for the remaining five minutes. Narwee unfortunately lost 28-18. Well done to all of the players who never gave up, encouraged each other and most importantly did their best. It was impossible to pick a player of the match as everyone did such a great job.

Thank you to **Mr Saisoaa** for supporting both teams throughout the season by running water and his words of wisdom and encouragement.

Mr Lennon

Debating Round 4

Last Wednesday a debate was held at Narwee Public School. The two schools involved were Padstow Park PS and Narwee PS.

The topic being debated was 'Children are selfish'. The Narwee PS debating team had the affirmative. Our debating team consisted of **Sally** (5/6K), **Jason** (5/6K), **Jackson** (5/6K) and **Mohammed** (5/6K). The chairperson was **Savvas** (5/6K) and the timekeeper was **Ky** (5/6K). Everyone did a fantastic job.

Both teams presented a well organised and interesting debate. The adjudicator was very impressed by both teams; however Padstow Park PS won the debate.

All students in Stage 2 & 3 proved to be an excellent audience during the debate.

Mrs Muffett

Beverly Hills IEC Visit

Last Tuesday 29 students from the Beverly Hills Intensive English Centre visited Narwee PS to work with students from 2C and 2S. Each Narwee student was paired up with a student from Beverly Hills and they spent 40 mins getting to know each other, asking questions and recording their answers.

The students from Beverly Hills IEC are spending the next 2 weeks writing stories with the central character based on the student they met from Narwee. In Week 8 they will be returning to read us their completed stories. We can't wait.

Mr Cameron

School Security

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

1300 880 021

Behaviour Levels Report

Last week the staff was again involved in the behaviour levelling process. As a result:

- 39% of students are on Gold Level
- 31% of students are on Silver Level
- 29% of students are on Bronze Level
- And less than 1% of students are on the unacceptable level of 4 or 5.

It is great to see so many of our students now on Gold Level. Students on this level have to attain a certain level of behaviour.

The criteria for Gold Level selection are set out below:

- Always strive to do your best
- Always follow school rules
- Respect everyone e.g. Principal, teachers, students, other school staff, helpers etc
- Make an effort to be involved in all organised school activities and events
- Show initiative
- Be Punctual – to class and to start work
- Be organised with classroom equipment e.g. pens, pencils, rulers etc
- Do homework to the best of your ability
- Wear full school uniform
- Always display a positive attitude

Congratulations to our wonderful Gold students. Many students on Silver and Bronze have the potential to also reach Gold so parents, please encourage your child to try hard to improve their behaviour.

It is hoped that by Week 9 the students below Bronze level can move themselves up. We want all our students to be on Bronze level and above. We know they can do it but it is up to them to make the right choices.

Please ask your child what level they are on and encourage good behaviour.

Please note that Acknowledgment Day this term will be in Week 10 on **Thursday 19th September**.

Mrs Berrett – Assistant Principal



Recent Activities at Narwee Public School

Cricket NSW Visit



Book Week Celebrations



Debating



Beverly Hills Intensive English Centre Visit

