

# Narwee Public School

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Term 4 – Week 1

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2013

## Principal's Report

Welcome back, and a very special welcome to our new students and their families who began yesterday.

We were very pleased to receive a \$2200.00 grant from the Premier's Office yesterday which was kindly organised and presented to us by Mr Mark Coure, the local member for Oatley. This money will go towards assisting us pay for the new water tank which was installed last term for our community garden.

During the vacation, four of our students – **Isabel** (5/6F), **Jelai** (5/6K), **William** (5/6K) and **Ethan** (5/6F) attended the Indonesian Festival at Darling Harbour. These students represented our school by performing with a large group of people who all played the Angklung which is a musical instrument made of two bamboo tubes attached to a bamboo frame. A big thank you to those students, their families and staff who attended.

Parents if you are interested in being trained to be on future Selection Panels to employ staff at our school please note:

Selection Panel Training procedures for School Teachers and Parents is being held at McCallums Hill Public School, McCallum St, Roselands on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October from 3.30pm – 4.45pm.

**Please let me know by this Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> October if you wish to attend.**

**Rene Demos – Principal**

## School Security

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

**1300 880 021**

## Payment Due Dates

- Bankstown East Hills Dance Festival Rehearsal** permission note and payment due back by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

## Term Calendar

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

### Term 4, Week 1

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October PSSA – Round 3**

### Term 4, Week 2

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October Kinder Orientation**  
**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October PSSA – Round 4**



### Term 4, Week 3

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October Swim School Commences**  
**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October Bankstown Dance Festival**  
**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October P&C Meeting – 7.00pm**  
**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October PSSA – Round 5**

### Term 4, Week 4

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November Swim School Finishes**  
**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November PSSA – Round 6**

### Term 4, Week 5

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November School Photos**  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November PSSA – Round 7**

### Term 4, Week 6

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November PSSA – Round 8**

### Term 4, Week 7

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November Writer's Festival**  
**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November P&C AGM – 7.00pm**  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November Last Day of Scripture**  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November PSSA – Round 9**

## Your Child's Health

### A reminder to parents to notify the school about your child's health

We welcome information from parents about your child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child's health care needs change or if a new health condition develops.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma, diabetes and other health related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents/carers. Please provide this in writing. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child's health and well-being.

A new medical form has been attached to this week's newsletter that we ask to be filled in for all students regardless of whether they have a medical condition or not so that we can have accurate information for all our students. These new forms will help us collect your child's important medical information and will mean we will be able to better manage the daily and emergency needs of all students at our school.

**If your child does not have a medical condition we ask that you still complete the top of the form with your current doctor's details so that we can ensure these are up to date. This includes your child's Medicare number, doctor's name, address and phone number.**

Some students with medical conditions have already been issued this new form. If you already returned this to the school you do not need to fill a new form in again.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts.

We appreciate your support as we start collecting this important information. If you have any questions about the new form please do not hesitate to see Mrs Dewsnap in the front office.

## Planning for 2014

To assist us in planning for 2014 could you please notify the front office if your child will not be returning to Narwee Public School next year.

**This does not include Year 6 students going to high school next year.**

## Medical Insurance

Just a reminder to parents that there is no personal injury insurance cover provided by the NSW Department of Education and Communities for students in relation to school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school activity.

Parents and caregivers are advised to assess the level and extend of their child's involvement in the sport program offered by the school, school sport zone, region and state school sport associations when deciding whether additional insurance cover, above that covered by Medicare is required.

Personal accident insurance cover is available through normal retail insurance outlets. The NSW Supplementary Sporting Injury Benefits Scheme, funded by the NSW Government, provides limited cover for serious injury resulting in the permanent loss of a prescribed faculty or the use of some prescribed part of the body.

**Further information can be obtained from:**

[www.sportinginjuries.com.au](http://www.sportinginjuries.com.au)

## Public Speaking

On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September, seven students from Narwee Public School travelled to Condell Park Public School to take part in the Bankstown / East Hills District Public Speaking Competition – Heat 4.

**Layla** (1L), **Jemar** (2/3S) and **Daniel** (1/2C) presented prepared speeches.

**Sidney** (3/4R), **Jacquie** (3/4R), **Patrick** (5/6F) and **Jackson** (5/6K) all presented a prepared speech as well as an impromptu speech.

All the students received a Participation Certificate and presented a high quality of public speaking skills at this competition.

**Mrs Muffett & Miss Filippis**

## 2014 School Terms

To assist in planning your holidays for next year, please find listed the school terms for next year.

Term 1 – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April

Term 2 – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Term 3 – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4 – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December



## PSSA Sport

### Hockey

On the last Friday of Term 3 we played our very first games of Hockey together at Evatt Park. We were playing against Lugarno PS who are always a formidable opponent.

**Juniors** – while the juniors lost 4-0, it was a win on many levels. For most players, it was their first match ever (great decision guys!) and they gave it their best shot. Many were overcoming nerves and were still learning the rules and positions. Congratulations to **Seamus** (3L) who seemed to be absolutely everywhere on the field at all times and to **Andrew** (3L) who could be heard trying to help other new players on the field. In these circumstances, it was hard to select a player of the week; however **Claudia** (3/4R) impressed me with her willingness to throw herself into the game with courage and determination.

**Seniors** – this was a long, hard fought out game between two closely matched teams. Eventually, persistence paid off and our team scored the only goal of the match for a 1-0 win. Congratulations to **Mohammed** (5/6K) for scoring the first Narwee goal of the season (the first of many more I am sure!). Well done to **Patrick** (5/6F) who sent some flying passes along the sidelines finding lone, unmarked players. Player of the match went to **Isabel** (5/6F) who repeatedly shot out of nowhere to steal loose passes by Lugarno.

I look forward to a fabulous season of the greatest sport of them all!

**Mrs Koletti**

### Girls Touch Football

Narwee PS vs Peakhurst PS

Juniors won 7-0

Seniors won 11-0

**Juniors** – what an excellent way to start the season. Your attack was fast and your defence was tight. Tries were scored by **Grace** (3/4R), **Eunice** (3/4R) and **Elle** (3/4R). Player of the match went to **Grace** (3/4R).

**Seniors** – wow what can I say - great game girls! You showed some excellent teamwork and positive talk throughout the game. Tries were scored by **Faith** (4/5B), **Fatima** (5/6F), **Angelique** (5/6K) and **Anne-Marie** (5/6F). Player of the match went to **Faith** (5/6F) for great running with the ball. Good luck this week girls.

**Important Reminder** – please make sure you all bring a water bottle (preferably frozen) each week as the weather can be very hot at this time of the year and Touch Football is a fast game.

**Mr Forman**

## PSSA Sport

### Basketball

The first game of the season and the team was off to a roaring start. The boys were full of energy and excitement. We played Beverly Hills Public School at our school.

Both the junior and senior teams won. The junior score was 16-8 and the senior score was 12-6. Congratulations to all the boys for a great first game. Although we were successors in this round we have a lot to work on in defence and making sure that we are not fouling our opposing team.

Junior player of the match went to **Omar** (3L) who despite his injury continued to play to the best of his ability. Senior player of the match went to **Mark** (4/5B) who displayed excellent defending and attacking skills.

**Mrs Lennon**

## K – 2 Spelling Bee

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen to represent their stage in the Infants Spelling Bee which was held on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September:

Kindergarten

**Aliska** (KP) and **Ricqi** (KV)

Year 1

**Alex** (1/2C) and **Stefanie** (1/2C)

Year 2

**Aliyah** (2C) and **Dhanisha** (2C)

All students did a fantastic job and had a lot of fun competing against each other and showed us what G-R-E-A-T spellers they are.

Congratulations to **Ricqi** (KV), **Alex** (1/2C) and **Aliyah** (2C) who were our overall winners for their respective stage.

**Mr Lennon**



## Chicken Pox

We have had two confirmed cases of Chicken Pox in the school.

### What is Chicken Pox and what are the symptoms?

Chicken pox is a highly contagious viral illness. It is spread by droplets produced by coughing and sneezing. Symptoms include:

- Slight fever
- Runny nose
- A rash that begins as raised pink spots that blister and scab

If your child or any member of your family has the above symptoms, please contact your family doctor. This is extremely important for pregnant women and newborns.

Your doctor can advise whether Chickenpox is likely and arrange for treatment if needed. Untreated, a person with Chickenpox can spread it to other people from the time of first symptoms at two days before the rash appears and stays infectious until all blisters form scabs, generally this takes seven days. Most children do not need any treatment for Chickenpox. Calomine Lotion can be put on the spots to help relieve the itching.

To help prevent the infection spreading, children who have been diagnosed with Chickenpox should not attend school or childcare for at least 7 days after the first spots appear and as long as all of the spots have scabbed over.

Vaccination is the most important way of reducing Chickenpox in our community. Immunisation is available for children over 12 months and it is recommended for people over 12 years of age who are not immune.

## UNSW Competitions

6 students from Narwee Public school achieved outstanding results when they participated in the UNSW Mathematics Competition.

Those students whose achievements were outstanding were rewarded with Certificates of Credit and Distinction.

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded these certificates:

**Distinction**  
**Patrick (5/6F)**  
**Jason (5/6K)**

**Credit**  
**Anderson (5/6F)**

All other students who took part received a Participation Certificate.



Jackson and Mr Couré



Isabel, Jelai, William & Ethan at the Indonesian Festival

## Dance Festival

**Bankstown East Hills Dance Festival**  
**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2013**

Rehearsal permission notes have been sent home this week with all members of our Dance Troupes that will be performing at the Bankstown East Hills Dance Festival.

The rehearsal will take place on **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** at Bankstown Sports Club. We will leave school at approximately 12.30pm and will return by 3.20pm.

The Dance Festival will take place on the same evening from approximately 7.00pm-9.00pm.

**All students performing will need to arrive by 6.30pm.**

We would like to remind parents that it will be their responsibility to transport their child to and from the venue for the night performance.

**Please mark this date on your calendar.**

**Mrs Rizzov**