

Narwee Public School

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Term 2 – Week 3

Wednesday 15th May 2013

Principal's Report

Last week some parents attended a very successful workshop about NAPLAN. There are a number of workshops I am planning and the next one begins on Tuesday 28th May.

A FREE Parenting workshop running over a 4 week period at Riverwood Community Centre is being offered to any of our interested parents/carers. Please read the information contained in this newsletter for all relevant details. I encourage you to attend these workshops as they will be very informative.

Teachers are currently writing reports. Reports are written to provide parents/carers with clear, concise and honest statements which reflect a child's progress including their strengths and weaknesses.

Later this term you will receive an invitation to have a parent/teacher interview. I highly recommend you take the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher for further discussions.

Rene Demos – Principal

Payments Due Back

- **SWS Dance Festival** permission note and money due back by Friday 17th May 2013.
- **Book Club** due back by Friday 17th May 2013.
- **District Cross Country** permission note and payment due back by Friday 17th May.
- **School Camp** second payment due back by Friday 28th June 2013.
- **School Camp** third payment due back by Friday 26th July.
- **School Camp** final payment due back by Friday 23rd August

Term Calendar

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

Term 2, Week 3

Thursday 16 th May	NAPLAN
Friday 17 th May	PSSA Semis & Finals

Term 2, Week 4

Tuesday 21 st May	UNSW Computer Skills
Thursday 23 rd May	District Cross Country

Term 2, Week 6

Tuesday 4 th June	Family Day
Wednesday 5 th June	UNSW Science
Friday 7 th June	Season 2 PSSA Begins

Term 2, Week 7

Monday 10 th June	Public Holiday
Friday 14 th June	PSSA – Round 2

Term 2, Week 8

Monday 17 th June	UNSW Writing
Tuesday 18 th June	UNSW Spelling
Wednesday 19 th June	P&C Meeting 9.30am
Friday 21 st June	Reports Sent Home
Friday 21 st June	PSSA Round 3

School Security

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

1300 880 021

Awards

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

Daniel (5/6K)	Caprice (KV)
Sefesi (KV)	Angelique (KV)
Adam (3/4R)	Kaitlin (2C)
Benjamin (1/2C)	Natasha (3L)
Tracy (2/3S)	Jason (4/5B)
Emma (4/5B)	Chace (1/2C)
Pauline (1/2C)	Tiari (4/5B)
Lande (KP)	Mohammed (KP)
Tia (2/3S)	William (2/3S)
Sadek (5/6F)	Thomas (3/4R)
Livai (5/6K)	Matea (3L)
Ayah (3L)	Kayla (2C)
Alcheyah (3/4R)	Ky (5/6K)

Peer Support

This week in Peer Support children will have an opportunity to discuss their personal qualities and strengths.

The children will identify their qualities and acknowledge how they contribute to their achievements. Through activities children recognise they used their strengths to achieve success and can be encouraged to approach further activities optimistically.

Ask your child to describe their own qualities and strengths so you can recognise and acknowledge these.

Mrs Canellis

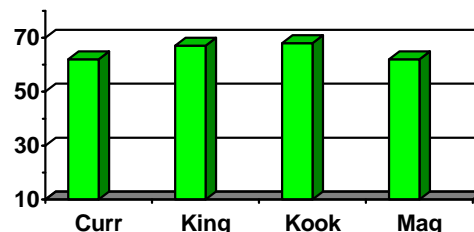
Kindergarten Enrolments

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

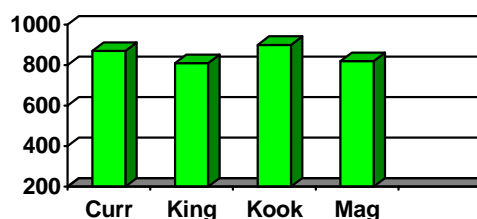
Children must turn 5 before 1st August 2014 to be able to enrol for next year. Please call at the front office if you need to collect an application form or alternatively you can download one from our school website.



HOUSE POINTS



UNIFORM SPOT CHECK



Information for Year 4 Students

Selection Procedures for Year 5 Opportunity Class Placement in 2014

Parents seeking Opportunity Class Placement for Year 5 entry in 2014 are required to submit an application by **Friday 17th May 2013**.

Parents are able to apply for up to two schools of their choice. It is important that appropriate decisions are made when choosing a school. Important things to consider are whether the school chosen is within reasonable travelling distance and the time taken and mode of transport to get your child to a school with an opportunity class.

Parents of students currently enrolled in a NSW public school with access to the internet, a printer and their own email address should apply for Opportunity Class Placement online.

Apply online

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

Upcoming Dates

Friday 17th May

Closing date for OC Placement applications 2014

Wednesday 24th July

Opportunity Class Placement Test

Please contact Mrs Berrett if any additional information is required.

Triple P Parenting Seminar

For parents/carers with children 0-12 years old
The Power of Positive Parenting

Want to learn the skills of positive parenting?

Want to learn how to encourage your child positively?

Want to learn how to provide a positive learning environment?

Want to learn how to use assertive discipline?

Want to learn how to set realistic expectations?

Want to learn how to take care of yourself as a parent/carer?

Come along to the FREE Triple P Seminar.

Where:

Riverwood Community Centre
151 Belmore Rd North, Riverwood 2210

When:

28th May, 4th June, 11th June & 18th June 2013

Time:

10.00am to 12.00pm

Free transport and child care is available including morning tea.

Booking is essential by contacting the Family Support Service directly on **9533 0100**. Bus pick up time from Narwee Public School is 9.30am.

Cross Country

Congratulations to all the children who competed in last week's Annual Cross Country Carnival.

Tired legs and red faces were a result of the effort that the students had exerted to complete the course. Many were proud of themselves for placing better than last year.

The staff, members of Hang 40, spectators and favourable weather all contributed to make the carnival a success. Many thanks to everyone.

The first 4 place-getters in each event will represent Narwee Public School at the District Cross Country being held at Gannons Park on **Thursday 23rd May**.

Mrs Rizzov

Holiday Club

Narwee Baptist Church Holiday Club
Monday 1st July to Friday 5th July
9.30am – 1.00pm

Narwee Baptist Church will be holding a holiday club in the July school holidays.

There are 250 places available and pre-registration is essential. All registrations must be finalised by **Monday 17th June** after which dates there will be no refunds. No registrations will be accepted without payment.

Cost: \$40.00 per child (maximum \$90.00 per family)

The holiday club is for children from Kindergarten to Year 6. There will be games, craft, bible stories, activities and jumping castles.

Registration forms can be downloaded from:

www.narweebaptist.org.au

For further enquiries please contact **Robyn Garlick** on **9534 2699**.

Fire Station Open Day

Kids could have their dreams come true and get to climb up on the big red fire truck. There will be activities, show bags and a chance for kids and their parents to meet their local fire fighting heroes on your local station's Open Day.

Find out more at:

www.fire.nsw.gov.au

P&C News

We hope you all enjoyed a Happy Mother's Day – hopefully spent being totally spoilt.

It is a big week for our P&C this week. We had our P&C meeting this morning and there is a Regional P&C meeting tomorrow. If anyone would like more information on the Regional meeting, please contact Cerise Packer.

We also have our fundraising Sausage Sizzle this Sunday at Woolworths Wolli Creek raising money for the school camp this year. Any parents wanting to get involved can speak to Solina Kaleti or leave your contact details at the office and we will get in touch with you.

Tanya Awadallah – Secretary

PSSA Sports Report

The Junior Newcombe Ball team played Peakhurst South PS on Friday. Narwee won the match.

It was a fantastic effort by all team members and overall an enormous improvement throughout the season with our catching and throwing skills. Congratulations to **Sean** (2/3S) for being our best player on the day.

The Senior Newcombe Ball also team played Peakhurst South PS on Friday. We had a draw.

All players concentrated and did their best to play fairly and competitively. Well done senior players for a huge improvement in your effort and skills throughout the season.

Congratulations to **Kalib** (5/6K) for a fantastic game and for being nominated as player of the match by your team.

Mrs Canellis

Walk Safely to School Day

Walk Safely to School Day is an annual event when all primary school children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school.

It is a community event seeking to promote road safety, public transport and the environment.

Walk Safely to School Day will be held throughout Australia on **Friday 24th May 2013**.

The objectives of Walk Safely to School are:

- To encourage parents and carers to walk to school with primary school aged children and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour.
- To promote the health benefits of walking and help create regular walking habits at an early age.
- To ensure that children up to 10 years old hold an adults hand when crossing the road.
- To help children develop the vital road crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians.
- To reduce the car dependency habits that are being created at an early age and which will be difficult to change as children become adults.
- To promote the use of public transport.
- To reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles.
- To reduce the level of traffic congestion.

If you need to drive to school, try leaving the car further down the road and walking the remainder of the way.

All students who walk to school on **Friday 24th May** will receive a raffle ticket when they arrive at school.

Mrs Pentecost



Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to the families that have already paid their School Voluntary Contribution fee for 2013. Attached to this newsletter is another form for families who have yet to pay.

Money raised in previous years has been used to subsidise the following benefits: school camp, dance uniforms, PSSA sports uniforms, various school resources, books and excursion.

The school welcomes your contribution as it will significantly improve the equipment and material made available to all of the children at the school.

Camp Payments

Just a reminder that the first camp payment of \$75.00 was due last Friday. If you have not made this payment could you please ensure this is paid by **Friday 17th May**.

The next camp payment is due on **Friday 28th June**. Alternatively you can pay the whole amount of \$300.00.

If you are unsure of how much money you still have outstanding please see the front office.

Mrs Berrett

Family Day

Parents and carers are invited to come and celebrate

FAMILY DAY

On Tuesday 4th June 2013.

Narwee Public School's students will be showcasing their talents at our Annual Family Day.

Performances begin at 9.45am in the school hall and conclude at approximately 11.20am.

From 11.20am – 12.00pm we will be having lunch. Please join in with the staff and students of Narwee. A sausage sizzle from the canteen will be available on the day.

We look forward to seeing you there.

