

# Narwee Public School

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Term 2 – Week 7

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2013

## Principal's Report

As the school term approaches to a close I wish to congratulate and thank our students, staff and community for a great start to our year.

There have been so many memorable occasions we have enjoyed and it is a great pleasure working in a school with rich and inviting programs that develop creative and engaged students who will become our future leaders.

A quick reminder that we still have our Technology parent workshop that is being held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June (see note attached to this newsletter) as well as Parent/Teacher interviews that are taking place in Week 9 for all classes.

The last day of Term is **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June** and students return for the start of Term 3 on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July**.

**Rene Demos – Principal**

## City to Surf

Terri Speranza, who is a board member of the Lupus Association is taking part in the Annual City to Surf this year in honour of our much loved 2012 school captain Liongi Havili who sadly passed away last year.

Terri has a hero page for this year's City to Surf. With two months to go her target is to raise \$15,000.00.

Below is a link to Terri's page for our school community members and friends to look at and donate to this worthy cause if they would like.

<https://city2surf2013.everydayhero.com/au/terri-speranza>

## School Security

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 2, Week 7

<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Rotary Performing Arts Festival Night Concert</b>
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>PSSA – Round 2</b>

### Term 2, Week 8

<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>UNSW Writing</b>
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>UNSW Spelling</b>
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>GWS Giants Training Day</b>
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>3S &amp; 3L Hyde Park Barracks Excursion</b>
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Technology Workshop</b>
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>P&amp;C Meeting - 10.30am</b>
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>3/4R &amp; 4B Hyde Park Barracks Excursion</b>
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>Reports Sent Home</b>
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>PSSA Round 3</b>

### Term 2, Week 9

<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Early Stage 1 &amp; Stage 1 Parent/Teacher Interviews</b>
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Stage 2 Parent/Teacher Interviews</b>
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Stage 3 Parent/Teacher Interviews</b>
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Acknowledgement Day</b>
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>PSSA – Round 4</b>
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Last Day of Term</b>



## Peer Support

This week the focus is on step 2 of the model, Plan. In Peer Support children learn the need to develop a range of coping strategies and be creative in drawing on these when planning responses.

Responses include persevering, seeing the positive side to situations and engaging in activities they enjoy as a distraction for a short time.

Encourage your child to talk with you about strategies they could use as difficulties arise.

**Mrs Canellis**

## SRC Gold Day

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June, Narwee Public School experienced its very own Gold Rush. What a golden day it was. The students dressed in yellow and came to school to support a very worthy cause.

Thank you to all the students who supported the SRC's Gold Day fundraiser by either wearing yellow or gold, participating in the guessing competition or purchasing a spider.

Once again true to our motto 'Deeds Not Words' Narwee Public School raised \$570.00 to go towards the Sydney Children's Hospital – some much needed funds that will help with purchasing lifesaving equipment.

Remember to discuss with your SRC members any ideas that you have for improvements to our school resources and playground activities.

**Mr & Mrs Lennon**

## PSSA News

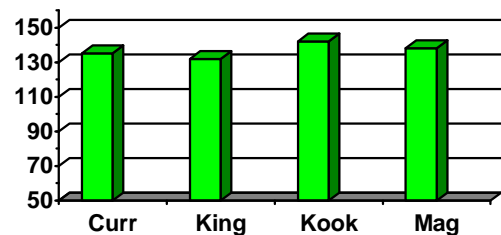
The Georges River District PSSA, in conjunction with the bus companies that provide transport for our students, is requesting that parents who attend Netball matches at Olds Park throughout Season 2 of PSSA sport please park in the designated off-street car parks near the library or bowling club.

Although the on-street parking on Forest Road is very convenient, it creates safety concerns for children boarding buses and the buses trying to stop to pick up children without disrupting the traffic flow. It also slows down the process of departing Olds Park which has the adverse effect of the next pickup being delayed and students and teachers getting back to school late.

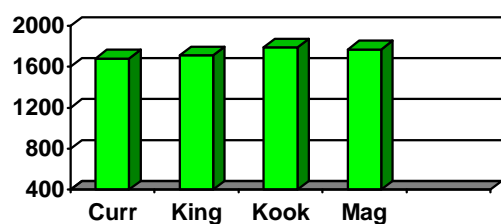
I am sure the safety of all students is a far higher priority than accessing the most convenient parking spot.

**Andrew Marshall**  
President – Georges River District PSSA

HOUSE POINTS



UNIFORM SPOT CHECK



## Payment Due Dates

- **Technology Workshop Attendance Slip** due back by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2013.
- **Parent/Teacher Interview Note** due back by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2013.
- **AFL Training Day Note** due back by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2013.
- **Stage 2 Hyde Park Barracks Museum Excursion Permission Note and Payment** due back by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2013.
- **Book Club** order form and payment due back by Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2013.
- **Athletics Carnival Note and Payment** due back by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2013.
- **School Camp** second payment due back by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2013.
- **Year 6 T-shirt** remainder of payment due back by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2013
- **School Camp** third payment due back by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July.
- **School Camp** final payment due back by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August



## Behaviour Levels

Last week our staff was involved in the behaviour levelling process.

It is fantastic to report that 24 students are now on Gold Level, 101 students are on Silver Level and 145 are on Bronze Level. The majority of our students (99.6%) are behaving well or very well.

The goal is for students to try to attain Gold Level and never display behaviours that will have them demoted to a level below Bronze.

While only a few students are presently below Bronze Level some are only just hovering there and have been issued with verbal and written warnings.

### Some tips for students are:

- Stop and think before acting
- Be honest – don't tell lies
- Be considerate and think about and care for others
- Be responsible – your action, your consequences
- Be friendly
- Be polite
- Speak nicely – don't ever swear
- Follow instructions
- Don't give 'attitude'
- Try your hardest
- Don't be hurtful

We want all students to remain on Bronze Level or above. We know they can do it but it's up to them to make the right choices.

Please ask your child what level they are on and encourage them to strive for Gold.

**Mrs Berrett – Assistant Principal**

## Winter Dangers

### Avoid danger when using heaters this winter

The Children's Hospital at Westmead recommends these top tips to help your child avoid burns, falls and electrocution:

- Make sure your heater meets Australian standards
- Use a guard
- Keep your heater on a level floor surface
- Ensure your heater isn't blocking any exits or high traffic areas
- Do not dry clothing items by placing them over an electric heater
- Ensure you install and maintain at least one smoke detector on each floor of your home

## Rotary Music Festival

The Junior Choir and our School Band will be performing tonight at Marana Hall – Hurstville Civic Centre as part of the Rotary Performing Arts Festival.

Students involved need to be at Marana Hall by 6.30pm. Please ensure your child has a warm jacket.

Choir students and band members are asked to wear their **full school uniform** with their black school shoes.

**The performance should conclude around 9.00pm. Please ensure that your child gets their name marked off the roll by a teacher before leaving the venue.**

All students are to stay until the end of the festival unless a note has been provided by a parent/carer requesting to take their child/children home after the performance.

**It is the responsibility of parents/carers to transport their child/children to and from the venue for the night performance.**

**Mr Vaccaro**

## PSSA Sport

### Netball

Last Friday Narwee Public School played Hannans Road Public School at Olds Park.

The junior team won 3-2. This was the first time some of the players had ever played Netball. Well done juniors. Player of the match went to **Qualin** (3/4R) whose defending skills were impeccable.

The seniors were defeated 18-3. The team had a lot of fun playing and learning the rules. We just need to work on marking our opposing players and familiarising ourselves with the positions on the court. Player of the match went to **Georgia** (5/6F) for a great first ever game of Netball. Thank you Miss Shelton for your expertise in training and umpiring.

**Mrs Lennon**

## Camp Payment

The next camp payment of \$75.00 is due before Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June. Please ensure your child's payment is received by this date.

Behaviour of children may impact on the inclusion in camp. Only students on Bronze Level or above will be able to participate in the camp.

**Mrs Berrett – Assistant Principal**

## Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher interviews are being held in Week 9 of this term. A note was attached to last week's newsletter detailing your child's class date and times that interviews are available.

Parent/Teacher interviews are an important way to share information in order to assist your child to achieve the best possible outcomes.

If you wish to have an interview with your child's class teacher please complete the interview note and return it no later than **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June** so that suitable arrangements can be made. Each interview will last for 10 minutes.

### To make the most of the occasion:

- Spend some time with your child before the parent/teacher interview discussing their strengths/weaknesses and any problems they feel they have at school
- Make a list of questions to ask the teacher about your child's work, how they get along with classmates and their general attitude to school
- Ask questions, especially if you don't understand something
- Try to take away from the interview some positive steps that you, your child and class teacher can take to help your child succeed
- Please be mindful that interviews are limited to 10 minutes

## Education Week Open Day

**Keep this date free**

Narwee Public School will be celebrating  
Education Week Open Day on

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2013**

Students will be showcasing their talents on the day. Performances will commence at approximately 9.45am in the school hall followed by classroom visits.



We hope you will be able to attend.

## P&C News

Thank you to those who purchased new or second-hand uniforms on Family Day. We will be opening the doors to the 'uniform room' once a month so your next opportunity to come and buy our wares will be the first Thursday in Term 3.

If anyone would like to have a look before next term please contact me on 0411 883 021. Our stock of new and second-hand uniforms is limited. If anyone has any used uniform pieces that they wish to donate please either contact me on the given number or drop them off at the school office.

The next P&C meeting will be on the **19<sup>th</sup> June** commencing at 10.30am. We really want to see you and hear what you have to say in regards to our school. If this is your first time to attend a meeting a gold coin donation is required in order to give you voting rights. The committee and I look forward to seeing our regular attendants and of course all new faces are welcome.

Pie Drive, Pie Drive, Pie Drive – can't say these two words enough. Orders need to be in by **18<sup>th</sup> June** and your forms and money need to be handed to the canteen. We need your support – this is our last fundraising activity for Term 2 and the more money we raise the more we can do to support the school.

As Mrs Demos rightly pointed out on Family Day – our school provides our children with a lot of extra activities that we as parents/carers do not have to pay for. Mrs Demos has to constantly look for ways to bring money into the school from different sources via grants and other ways in order to give our children these experiences. The P&C have dedicated this term's fundraising monies towards subsidising the Year 4, 5 & 6 school camp. This fundraising activity helps us continue to subsidise each child attending by contributing \$50.00 towards the camp fees. I remember my own school camp in primary school and it was a milestone in my life so it is important that our children get these opportunities so please support our Pie Drive. I also can't stress how nice these pies are – great to put in the freezer and pull out on a cold winters night.

**Cerise Packer – P&C President**

## Hang 40 Challenges

The Hang 40 Community Group challenge last week was a 'Skip Off'.

Below are listed the best results:

**Jaafar** (1/2C) – Best Boy

**Faith** (4/5B) – Best Girl

**Shyanne** (1/2C) – Most Persistent

**Pauline** (1/2C) – Most Persistent