

Narwee Public School

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Term 1 – Week 11

Wednesday 9th April 2014

Principal's Report

The last week of Term 1 has been very busy. On Monday some of our Year 2 students visited the Bupa Nursing Home to wish some of our elderly community members a Happy Easter. Unfortunately due to the rain we had to limit the number of students as they were driven to the nursing home by staff and parents. They delivered Easter eggs and sang Easter songs which were well received by the residents and carers.

Today K – 2 had their annual Easter Hat Parade which was a colourful and imaginative display of personalised Easter hats. More than 60 pre-schoolers attended and participated in the parade.

Tomorrow we are holding Acknowledgement Day to reward all the students on Bronze Level or above. Well done to all those hardworking and well behaved students. Tomorrow night we will also be holding our annual Disco in the school hall. I am sure that all who attend will have a great time.

On Friday we are holding a tribute service for ANZAC Day. Parents are welcome to attend. As always our school has many exciting days.

May I wish you all a relaxed and enjoyable break. I look forward to the students return on **Tuesday 29th April**.

Rene Demos – Principal

Notes & Payments Due

- **Cross Country Sausage Sizzle** order and payment due back by **Wednesday 30th April**
- **Stewart House** donation envelopes due back by **Friday 9th May**
- **1st Camp Payment of \$75.00** and permission note due by **Friday 9th May**.
- **2nd Camp Payment of \$75.00** due by **Friday 20th June**
- **3rd Camp Payment of \$75.00** due by **Friday 25th July**.
- **Final Camp payment of \$75.00** due by **Friday 22nd August**.



School Calendar

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

Term 1 Week 11

Thursday 10 th April	Acknowledgement Day
Thursday 10 th April	School Disco
Friday 11 th April	ANZAC Day Service
Friday 11 th April	PSSA Round 8
Friday 11 th April	Last Day of Term 1



Term 2 Week 1

Tuesday 29 th April	First Day of Term 2
Thursday 1 st May	School Cross Country
Friday 2 nd May	PSSA Round 9

Term 2 Week 2

Friday 9 th May	PSSA Semi Finals & Finals
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Term 2 Week 3

Tuesday 13 th May	NAPLAN
Wednesday 14 th May	NAPLAN
Thursday 15 th May	NAPLAN
Friday 16 th May	Jamie Oliver Food Revolution – Stage 3

Term 2 Week 4

Tuesday 20 th May	ICAS Computer Skills
Wednesday 21 st May	P&C Meeting
Thursday 22 nd May	District Cross Country

Awards

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

Chloe (KL)	Yanny (KL)
Jackson (1E)	Kleo (1E)
Marli (KV)	Jairome (KV)
Dominic (KP)	Tiger (KP)
Daniel (2L)	Benjamin (2L)
Reegae (1C)	Trishna (1C)
Jaya (2S)	Liam (2S)
Giovanni (2S)	

School Security

Please help keep our school safe

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

1300 880 021

Fruit Break Class Winners

This week the fruit break award goes to **4R** with a winning percentage of 70%. Congratulations also to **1C** who were the winning Infants class with a winning percentage of 100%.

School Disco

Just a reminder that our Disco is being held tomorrow night, **Thursday 10th April** in the school hall. Times for the disco are:

Infants Disco (Kinder to Yr 2) - 4.15pm – 5.45pm

Primary Disco (Yrs 3 – 6) - 6.00pm – 8.00pm

No tickets will be sold on the night.

The disco is for Narwee students only. For supervision and safety we cannot permit parents and siblings to stay. Students will be supervised by staff at all times and will not be permitted to leave the hall.

Only those students on Bronze Level or above may attend the disco.

The SRC will be running the canteen on the night. Please see the price list attached to this week's newsletter.

We ask that all students arrive close to the beginning of the disco and insist for safety reasons that parents drop off and pick up their child/children at the hall door on time.

Mr & Mrs Lennon



ANZAC Service

Parents and carers are invited to attend our ANZAC Day Ceremony being held on **Friday 11th April** commencing at **9.30am** in the school hall.

Together we can remember and honour the ANZACS and all the soldiers who have been to war. There will be poetry, singing, memorabilia and video footage.



Mr Forman

House Winners

Congratulations to **Kingfisher**, our House Point Winners for Term 1.

We would also like to congratulate **Maggie** who were the Uniform Spot Check Winners for this term. All students in Maggie will receive a Merit Certificate for their wonderful effort of making sure they are in school uniform each day.

Mrs Rizzov

Term 2 Reminder

Just a reminder to all parents/carers that Monday 28th April is a Staff Development Day.

All students return to school on Tuesday 29th April.

PSSA Sport

Due to the wet weather, PSSA was called off last week. Good luck to all teams this Friday.

Please ensure your child pays their \$6.00 sport levy at the office each Friday morning before they go to class. Failure to pay the levy may see your child not being able to attend sport.

Easter Hat Parade Celebrations

It has been a busy and creative time in all the Infants classes. The students and teachers have been busy decorating and making colourful and unique hats.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who sent in great decorations and hats for their child to decorate so they could participate in today's Easter Hat Parade.

Thank you also to all the generous families who donated chocolate eggs that were greatly appreciated by the residents of Bupa Nursing Home at Roselands.

We would like to say a big thank you to the buddies who happily helped the Kindergarten students create such brilliant Easter Hats.

Mrs Muffett



Yr 6 T-Shirts

Early in Term 2 we will be ordering Polo Shirts for Year 6 to purchase as a memento and also to wear at specified times during the year.

The Polo Shirts will have a design that has been chosen by the students, printed on the back of the shirt with the names of all our Year 6 students.

If you wish to purchase a shirt, a note will be attached to the first newsletter of Term 2. T-shirts will cost \$30.00. This can be paid in full or a \$10.00 deposit can be paid no later than **Friday 20th May**. If you send a deposit, the remaining money must be paid by **Friday 6th June**.

Mrs Koletti

Nursing Home Visit

On Monday 7th April, some of our Year 2 students visited the Bupa Nursing Home at Roselands to sing Easter songs and deliver the chocolate eggs that were kindly donated by our generous families.

This visit was greatly appreciated by the residents and staff of the nursing home.

Mrs Muffett

School News

From time to time issues or disagreements may occur between students. It is the responsibility of the school staff to deal with these matters.

I would ask all parents/carers to bring these matters to the attention of a staff member or myself rather than approaching students and discussing matters directly with them.

Mrs Demos

Lost Property

Your child's belongings can easily get misplaced at school.

Please label all of your child's belongings with their name. If your child misplaces an item at school please ask them to check with their class teacher as all labelled items are returned to the appropriate class.

Kindergarten Enrolments

Kindergarten enrolments are now being accepted for all eligible siblings of those already enrolled at our school for 2015.

Children must turn 5 before 1st August 2015 to be able to enrol for next year. Please call at the front office if you need to collect an enrolment form or alternatively you can download one from our school website.



Peer Buddy Reading Program

Every Wednesday, students from 1E and 5/6F participate in a Peer Buddy Reading Program together.

The students from both classes spend ten minutes together, reading different stories. The older students are buddies with the younger students.

All the students involved are keen to read together.

Mr Cameron – 1E Class Teacher



Chess Club

The Chess Club at Narwee Public School will commence in Term 2. In response to interest so far, the club is set to be a huge success once again.

The students will meet once a week and be given the opportunity to either learn or improve their understanding of the rules. They will then hone their skills while playing against one another twice, one of which will be scored.

Mr Vaccaro



Child Restraint Laws

A reminder that the law requires children up to the age of seven years to be placed in approved child restraints when travelling in a motor vehicle.

Children under the age of seven are not permitted to travel in the front seat unless all rear seats are occupied by younger children.

For more information and locations of approved restraint fitting services go to:

www.rms.nsw.gov.au

Contact Details

There are times when children become ill at school and we are unable to contact parents to let them know due to incorrect contact details.

If you have moved or changed phone numbers please let the office know so that we can keep your records up to date.

School Holidays

Want to do something more exciting than watching TV or playing on the internet these holidays?

Why not try:

- Getting involved in a local or backyard sport with friends
- Drawing & painting
- Playing board games
- Start learning a musical instrument
- Help in the garden – maybe your child could have part of the garden as their own
- Help to organise a family get together

Take charge of your holidays in advance by making lists of things to do and setting aside some time each day for them – nothing creates stress like last minute shopping and preparation. When entertaining children, one activity each day will keep them excited.

For more information go to:

www.health.nsw.gov.au

Switch Off and Save

Electricity generation is the single main contributor to greenhouse gas emissions in Australia. We can reduce our power use at home and at school in the following ways:

- Turn off your computer, monitor and printer outside of working hours or while at school
- Turn off lights and air conditioners when you leave your office or school at the end of the day
- Sign up to a Green power supplier
- Plant trees that absorb carbon dioxide. Plant water-wise local natives

Holiday Camps

It's not too late to book your child into a NSW Sport and Rec holiday camp. There are also family camps available year-round, for an active, family-friendly (and pocket friendly) getaway.

Find out more at:

<http://bit.ly/1hWxTra>

Managing Screen Time

Helping kids find the right balance between activities, homework and screen-time is a challenge that only gets harder as they grow older. 'Commonsense Media' has lots of useful resources to help – from movie and game ratings to articles like this one on setting screen-time limits that are realistic enough that your children will actually follow them.

Read the article here:

[Http://bit.ly/1pB1fmk](http://bit.ly/1pB1fmk)

Books to Boost Brains

Literacy skills often progress suddenly in leaps and bounds. The secret is to keep kids of all ages reading over the weekends and school holidays. Even 20 minutes a night can make a huge difference to their reading, comprehension and general knowledge. It's also a great way to settle their minds down before sleep (for adults too!). If your child hasn't found a book that grabs their imagination, why not try them on a series book from the Premier's Reading Challenge list? Here are some suggestions for all ages, including young adults:

<http://bit.ly/1dLSGC0>

Social Media News

Kik, Vine, Instagram – Are they safe?

It's no contest – kids discover and understand new social media long before we adults do. If your child is thinking about creating a new social media account – or complains that "everyone else is doing it", you can get the facts at a glance from School A to Z's technology glossary.

You will also find information about age restrictions and things to watch out for. To find out more go to:

<http://bit.ly/188OerY>

Permission Notes

All notes sent home with our students are uploaded onto the school website each Wednesday. If you have lost or misplaced any notes they can be downloaded from our website at:

www.narweeps.com.au