

Narwee Public School

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Term 1 – Week 5

Wednesday 26th February 2014

Principal's Report

Last Friday afternoon many of you would have noticed we had an ambulance in the school.

I would like to put all your minds at rest that everybody was safe and well. But I would like to use this situation to draw your attention to some important information which should be a regular conversation topic with students.

Allergies to food products are a growing issue and we have a number of children who suffer from severe reactions to different foods.

One of the common products causing concern is peanuts and nut products. Whilst it is too difficult to totally avoid these products we encourage our students not to share their food so as to avoid possible problems.

All my staff has been trained in managing children who may have an anaphylactic reaction to a food product. On Friday afternoon this was tested when one of our students who are known to have a reaction from eating peanut products became ill.

Staff immediately responded and what could have been a terrible situation was averted. As a precautionary measure we always call an ambulance. The ambulance officers congratulated staff response times and the following of policy and procedures in place to manage anaphylaxis.

I too commend and congratulate all staff involved and the child who immediately told the teacher that he was feeling unwell.

Please remind your child that they should not share food.

Rene Demos – Principal

Notes Due Back

- **Home Reader Note** (K-2) due back by **Friday 28th February**.
- **UNSW Competition** note and payment due back by **Friday 7th March**.
- **Harmony Day Sausage Sizzle** note and payment due back by **Friday 14th March**.

Term Calendar

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

Term 1 Week 5

Thursday 27 th February	District Swimming
Friday 28 th February	Clean Up Day
Friday 28 th February	PSSA Round 2

Term 1 Week 6

Friday 7 th March	PSSA Round 3
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Term 1 Week 7

Friday 14 th March	PSSA Round 4
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Term 1 Week 8

Tuesday 18 th March	Harmony Day
Wednesday 19 th March	P&C Meeting
Thursday 20 th March	Purple Day
Friday 21 st March	PSSA Round 5

Term 1 Week 9

Tuesday 25 th March	Australian Reptile Show
Friday 28 th March	PSSA Round 6

Term 1 Week 10

Friday 4 th April	PSSA Round 7
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School Security

Please help keep our school safe

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.

Basayr (KL)	Mohammad (KL)
Aimee (3/4L)	Matea (4/5B)
Onofre (4/5B)	Adam (4/5B)
Zac (3/4L)	Sean (3/4D)
Jessica (3/4D)	Genna (1C)
Keira (1C)	Imogen (1C)
Giselle (4R)	Shareef (4R)
Andrew (4R)	Youssief (5/6F)
Qualin (5/6F)	Alcheyah (5/6F)
Hanna (2S)	Himal (2S)
Jaya (2S)	Haidar (2S)
Christian (KV)	Nyah (KV)
Skye (KP)	Christian (KP)
Danny (KL)	Amy (KL)
Nancy (1E)	Christian (1E)

Community Helpers

Reading

As you are aware, reading skills are essential across all Key Learning Areas and form an important part of class programs.

Teachers are asking for volunteers to support specifically targeted students with reading practice sessions.

As these programs are based on student needs, it is possible that you may not be working with students from your own child's class. Any support would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact the office if you can assist.

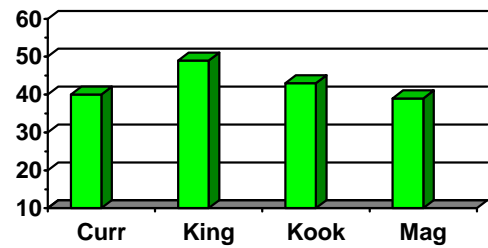
Clean Up Day

This **Friday, 28th February**, Narwee Public School will be taking part in Clean Up Day. Classes will be provided with bags supplied by 'Clean Up Australia' and will be allocated certain areas of the school grounds to clean. Gloves will also be provided for the students.

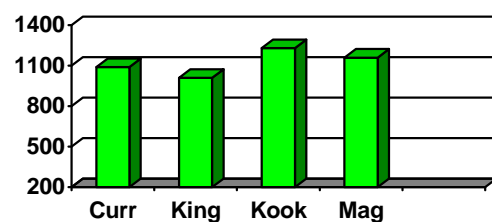
Mr Vaccaro



HOUSE POINTS



UNIFORM SPOT CHECK



District Swimming Carnival

The District Swimming carnival is being held tomorrow at Roselands Pool.

Travel to the pool will be by private car being driven by Mrs Rizzov and parents. Students must be at school by 8.15am in order to arrive at the pool by 8.40am.

Due to time restrictions we are unable to wait for students that arrive late.

All students attending will need to bring their towel, sunscreen, costumes, goggles, lunch and recess along with at least 2 drinks. The pool canteen will also be operating.

All students are to wear their sports uniform including their school hat.

Parents are welcome to attend. A \$2.40 entry fee will be charged for spectators.

Good luck to all our competitors.

Fruit Break Class Winners

Congratulations to 4/5B who were the winning Primary class and 1E who were the winning Infants class with the most students participating in fruit break last week.



Purple Day

Liongi Havili was a school captain of this school, but sadly, she passed away in 2012 because of a disease called Lupus.

At Narwee Public School we have Purple Day to remember Liongi and raise funds and build awareness of other people suffering from Lupus.

On Purple Day you dress up in mufti but you must wear purple. It will be on 20th March. The reason why it is Purple Day is because purple was Liongi's favourite colour. I can't wait for this day!

Please see the note attached to this week's newsletter

Georgia – School Captain

Bike Helmets

When riding a bicycle you are required by law to wear an approved bicycle helmet securely fitted and fastened.

There are no exemptions from wearing an approved bicycle helmet in New South Wales.

Research studies identify that helmets reduce head injury by 60% and brain injuries by 58% in the event of an accident. A helmet which is not correctly fitted and fastened **does not** provide enough protection in a crash.

All students from Narwee Public School who ride a bike or scooter to school must wear a helmet and have a bike licence. A Bike Licence can be obtained by filling in the form that was attached to last week's newsletter and returning it to your child's class teacher.

Students riding to school are asked to walk their bikes across the crossing. For safety reasons bikes are not to be ridden within the school grounds. Bikes must be walked into the school and placed safely onto the bikes racks provided.

- Bike helmets should fit comfortably and securely when the straps are fastened.
- The straps should not be twisted and/or cover the ears. When done up correctly, the straps should provide a snug fit over the ears and under the chin.
- Choose a bright coloured helmet so other road users can see you.
- Helmets should be replaced if they have been dropped onto a hard surface or involved in a crash or severe fall, you see any cracks in the foam or if the straps look worn or frayed.
- Bikes must be fitted with a working horn or bell to help sound a warning to other cyclists or pedestrians.
- Bikes must be fitted with at least one working brake.

PSSA Report

Newcombe Ball

Juniors won 2 – 1 Seniors lost 1 – 2

Both the senior and junior games were very exciting and close for the first match of the season.

The juniors improved their skills greatly during the game and the scores were very close. Narwee won 2 - 1. Player of the day was **Andrew** (3/4L) for excellent movement around the court.

The seniors lost the first game, came back in the second game and gave all the spectators a nail-biting finish after saving 5 match points in the third game, but unfortunately losing after a long rally. Player of the day was **Joseph** (5/6K) for great leadership.

Mrs Rizzov

Girls' Basketball

Last Friday our Girls' Basketball team played Lugarno Public School. Both teams were defeated. The juniors lost 20 – 0 and the seniors lost 26 – 6.

Congratulations to both **Paige** (4R) and **Giselle** (4R) in the junior team who tried so hard to get our school on the scoreboard. Well done to **Sulia** (4/5B) and **Faith** (5/6K) in the senior team who were catching the rebounds.

The girls all played really well as a team and their sportsmanship was second to none. Congratulations Narwee for holding your heads high and despite playing a fast paced game, you all tried your hardest and made our school proud with your positive attitude, care and consideration for your team mates.

Player of the match went to **Angelique** (5/6K) for maintaining a positive attitude throughout the game. Next week's game will be played at Peakhurst West Public School.

Mrs Lennon

Oz Tag

Juniors won 8 – 7 Seniors lost 6 – 4

Juniors – this week was a real challenge boys, so well done on winning a close and exciting game. You all played as a team and there was a real strong positive atmosphere. **Shareef** (4R) scored some great tries from dummy half and **Joshua** (4/5B) was excellent as marker. Player of the match went to **Joshua** (4/5B). Best of luck next week boys.

Seniors – another close and exciting game to start off the season. I was happy with how you all played and there were moments when your defence was solid. When attacking, remember to stand deeper, run on to the ball and support each other. Player of the match went to **Sajad** (5/6K). Best of luck next week boys.

Mr Forman

Stage 3 News

Last week Year 6 students received an invitation to join us in the hall at 2.20pm on **Thursday 6th March** for a talk on how to accurately fill out the High School Expression of Interest forms.

These forms will be included in the 'Moving into Year 7 in a Government Primary School' package which will be distributed at this information session.

If you are a Year 5 family interested in attending, feel free to join us to prepare for next year.

Please remember, the state-wide process only gives you until 21st March to return these forms.

Mrs Koletti – Assistant Principal

Online Safety Tips

Webcam Safety

If your child is asking you to buy a webcam, it is worth asking what it will be used for and where it will be used.

Think carefully about who your child will be talking to and what they may be able to see through the webcam. You may choose to place the computer where you can easily see your child using it. Here are some questions to ask yourself before purchasing a webcam:

1. Do you know when the webcam will be used?
2. Will you know who your child will be talking to?
3. Can you disconnect the webcam or securely turn it off?
4. Can you control access to the camera through a password?

Online Etiquette

Encourage your child to be a good digital citizen. Life online works better when people maintain good online manners and treat each other as they would like to be treated. Talk about this with your child and it may lead to a decline in bullying behaviour and disagreements children have.

Stranger Danger

Ensure your child never organises to meet up with any strangers that they may have met online.

Remind your child to be wary of opening emails from strangers too. They could contain spam (online junk mail), a virus (that could harm your computer) or be from a stranger.



Sydney Swans Visit



On Monday we were lucky to have two Sydney Swans Football team players visit our school to talk to the students about the importance of eating the right food and staying healthy.

The students were an enthusiastic audience asking many questions of the two players. There was a quiz at the end of the talk with 5 lucky students receiving prizes such as footballs and pencil cases.

We would like to thank the Sydney Swans players for taking the time out of their busy schedule to come and spend time at our school. We wish them the best of luck for the 2014 season.



Contact Details

Please ensure contact details are kept up to date in the event that we need to contact you throughout the day if your child becomes ill at school.

New contact details forms were sent home with all students. Please ensure this is completed and returned to your child's class teacher.

