

Narwee Public School

61 – 65 Broad Arrow Rd, Narwee, 2209
T: 9153 9756 F: 9153 8729
E: narwee-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au



Term 2 – Week 1

Wednesday 30th April 2014

Principal's Report

Welcome back to another exciting term.

During the vacation work was undertaken in the school to replace damaged gutters and downpipes.

As the cooler months approach, please be reminded that often we find children arrive at school late on cold or rainy mornings due to them sleeping in.

Children must arrive at school every day ready for lessons which start at 9.20am. Also parents/carers must pick up their children at the end of school on time at 3.20pm.

Good routines are an important lifelong skill which carries us through both personal and work life.

I would like to welcome Mrs Belinda Hennessy to our staff. Mrs Hennessy will be working in the office every Monday and Tuesday.

Rene Demos – Principal

Cross Country

Please see the attached note regarding this year's Cross Country Carnival which will commence at 10:50am with the 8/9yr races and conclude at approximately 12:30pm.

Notes & Payments Due

- **Cross Country Sausage Sizzle** order and payment due back by **Wednesday 30th April**
- **Food Revolution Day** permission note only due back by **Wednesday 7th May**
- **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 2 Week 1

Thursday 1st May	School Cross Country
Friday 2nd May	PSSA Round 9

Term 2 Week 2

Friday 9th May	PSSA Semi Finals & Finals
----------------------------------	--------------------------------------

Term 2 Week 3

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

Term 2 Week 4

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

Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to the families that have already paid their School Voluntary Contribution fee for 2014. 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.



K-2 Easter Hat Parade

It was wonderful to see all the colourful hats that were on display at the Easter Hat Parade at the end of last term.

We would like to say a big thank you to the parents, carers, community members and friends of Narwee Public School who came and celebrated the special occasion.

A special thank you also goes to the members of the 'Hang 40' community group who were given the tricky task of having to judge the wonderful hats created by the talented students at our school.

Congratulations to the following Easter Hat Parade winners:

Most Unique Hat

KL – Mohammad
 KP – Jireh
 KV – Lachlan
 1C – Stephanie
 1E - Kleo
 2L – Faten
 2S – Jaya

Most Colourful Hat

KL – Sammy
 KP – Ryda-May
 KV – Jairome
 1C – Keira
 1E – Dean
 2L – Chace
 2S – Layla

Easter Egg Colouring Competition

Kindergarten – Dominic (KP)
 Year 1 – Christian (1E)
 Year 2 – Faten (2L)

Mrs Muffett

Mother's Day Stall

Please find attached to this newsletter a price list for our Mother's Day Stall to assist in helping your child make a choice about which gift to purchase.

Our Mother's Day Stall will take place on **Monday 5th May** (Week 2, Term 2).

Mr & Mrs Lennon



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.

Disco 2014

On Thursday the 10th of April the SRC organised the school disco. It was a great night, and everybody had fun. All the SRC members helped served the food, select the songs and assisted with the photo booth.

There were some interesting dance moves and entertaining dance-offs between stage groups. We raised \$1,590.00. Thank you to Mrs Dewsnap for keeping our money safe throughout the night and donating prizes for the lucky door prize.

A big thanks to Mrs Thomson for donating all of the other prizes and to Mr and Mrs Lennon for donating the food and glow sticks and to all the teachers who helped make it a success. This was the best disco ever!

Aivy (5/6K)



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

Medical Insurance

Parents please note there is no personal injury insurance cover provided by the NSW Department of Education and Training 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 extent 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 provided by Medicare, is required.

Personal accident insurance cover is available through normal retail 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

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.

Chess Club

The Chess Club at Narwee Public School will commence this term. 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



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.



Road Safety

For the safety of all school children please do not stop or park your car on or near any pedestrian crossing and ensure you observe all safety and no stopping signs.

A child's perception, judgement and awareness of potentially dangerous situations is generally not sufficiently developed to properly cope with the road environment until they are at least 10 years of age. Children need adults to set a good example and to supervise them closely in and around traffic including roundabouts, traffic lights and car parks.

Remember that watching children is never enough. Keep your children safe by holding their hands as you cross any road.

Please remind your child that crossing the road should always be done with care. Important things they should remember are:

- Always cross the road at a pedestrian crossing
- Always look right, then left and right again before crossing the road to check there are no cars coming

For more information visit:

www.kidsafensw.org

Envelopes

Just a reminder that when paying for an excursion, book club etc it is important to send your child's permission note and money in a sealed envelope. It is becoming more frequent that children are losing money on their way to school because it has not been in an envelope or the envelope has a hole in it and the money has fallen out.

Envelopes can be purchased at supermarkets for a minimal cost and are to be supplied by parents. The school does not issue envelopes for student's payments to be placed in. Please ensure the correct amount of money is included as the office may not have change.

Celebrate Attendance

It is important for parents to make attending school a priority.

Allowing children days off for birthdays, to look after younger children, to go shopping, to keep you company or because they were tired from a late night not only sends the wrong message to your child, it is against the law.

Children who get used to having days off school for these kinds of reasons develop an attitude that their attendance at school is not very important. This can become a big issue as a child gets older.

Teach your children that being on time is important. Children that are often late to school miss the part of the school day when teacher explains new activities. The beginning of the day is also when many students are freshest and can concentrate better.

Students that are late on a regular basis may become the target for comment by other students and often as a result isolate themselves from their peers.

Take Your Holidays When We Do

Parents and teachers become concerned when students fall behind in their studies because of long absences.

Families who plan to travel are encouraged to travel during school holidays. Parents are reminded that they must seek permission from the Principal to take a student out of school during term time.

If you are planning to take your child out of school during term time, please see the front office as an Exemption Form will need to be completed for your child which must be approved by the Principal.

Parents planning to travel may apply for 15 extra days approved leave.

Term Dates for 2014

Term 2: Monday 28th April to Friday 27th June

Term 3: Monday 14th July to Friday 19th September

Term 4: Tuesday 7th October to Friday 19th December

What Did You Do At School Today?

If your child answers this question by saying 'nothing' try asking a different question: "What words did you learn today?", "Who did you play with at lunchtime?" or "What did you enjoy most about school today?"

P & C News

Hope you all enjoyed the holidays. We are ready to start another busy term for the P & C with a pie drive and cookie dough drive for the winter months. Many thanks for your support of our Easter raffle, we raised over \$1,500. Our special thanks go to the following students and teacher for selling over \$100.00 worth of tickets: **Jireh (KP), Xavier (5/6K), Petrelia (KP) and Mrs Thomson.**

At our last P & C we had to vote in a new President, Solina Kaleti, as Cerise Packer has returned to work following the birth of her baby, Cleo. We thank Cerise for all her hard work as President and wish her all the best as she now has to juggle work and family.

The following are prizes and names of our Easter raffle winners:

1. Black Mini iPad : Jireh (KP)
2. Roosters Package : Diane Sluga
3. Penrith World Series Jersey 2014 with Roselands Bakers Delight voucher : Xavier/Nicky (5/6K)
4. Movie Voucher : Lilly-Maree (KV)
5. Jackies Beauty & Rockdale Just Cuts Hair Salon Voucher : Mel Thomson
6. Woolies Voucher : Eunice (4/5B)
7. Silky Smooth Laser & Jackie Beauty Voucher : Xavier/Emma (5/6K)
8. Rockdale Mattress Pillows/Bakers Delight Vouchers : Crystal (4/5B)
9. Jackies Beauty & Rockdale Just Cuts Hair Salon Voucher : Eunice (4/5B)
10. Jackies Beauty Package, with a Bakers Delight Voucher : Jireh (KP)
11. Coconut Gift Basket and Roselands Bakers Delight Voucher : Jireh (KP)

Thank you to all who helped out and donated to our P&C first fundraiser of 2014.

Judi White on behalf of Solina Kaleti (President)

Kindergarten News

The Kindergarten students will begin homework next week (Week 2, Term 2).

More information will be included with the homework sheet that will go home with all Kindergarten students next Monday.

If you have any questions about your child's homework please do not hesitate to see their class teacher.

Mrs Muffett & Kindergarten Teachers

