

# Narwee Public School

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Term 4 – Week 5

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014

## Principal's Report

Today we welcomed our 2015 Kindergarten children and their families. It was a very successful morning and our guests had an opportunity to hear about our programs, meet staff, visit classrooms and see why our school has such a good reputation.

Congratulations to all the buddies who cared for and supported the new Kindergarten children on their first experience of BIG SCHOOL. Thank you also must go to the parents who provided morning tea for our guests.

### Important Dates to Remember

Don't forget to put **26<sup>th</sup> November** in your diary for our annual Christmas Walk. Please note that this year it is on a **Wednesday**.

Just a reminder that reports will be sent home with students on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December**. Reports are an important document and should be kept in a safe place for future reference.

**The last day of school for students is Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December.**

**Rene Demos - Principal**

## 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**

## Notes & Payments Due

Please ensure all payments are made by the following closing dates

- **Dragon Tag Gala Day** permission note and money due back by **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November**
- **Christmas Walk** permission note due back by **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November**
- **Clenton Park Xmas Visit** permission note due back by **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November**
- **Christmas Walk Sausage Sizzle** note and money due back by **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November**
- **Year 6 Farewell** permission note and money due back by **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

## School Calendar

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

### Term 4 Week 5

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November PSSA Round 7**

### Term 4 Week 6

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November Chess Tournament**  
**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November Dragon Tag Gala Day**  
**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November PSSA Round 8**

### Term 4 Week 7

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November P&C AGM – 7.00pm**  
**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November Corroboree Festival**  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November PSSA – Round 9**

### Term 4 Week 8

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November Christmas Walk**  
**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November Helpers Morning Tea**  
**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November PSSA Semis & Finals**  
**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November Last Day of Scripture**

### Term 4 Week 9

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December Year 6 Fund Day**  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December High School Orientation**  
**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December Reports Sent Home**

### Term 4 Week 10

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December Presentation Day**



## Awards

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

Mohammad (5/6K)	Xavier (5/6K)
Joel (5/6K)	Tyrell (3/4D)
Ali (3/4D)	Marxus (2S)
Trent (2S)	Hiba (4R)
Ibrahim (4R)	Paige (4R)
Mei (1E)	Angus (KP)
Christian (KP)	Ayah (1E)
James (1E)	Imogen (1C)
Foteini (1C)	Kayla (3/4L)
Jordan (3/4L)	Thurston (2L)
Jaya (2S)	Keira (1C)
Eunice (4/5B)	Zahra (2L)
Ivan (2L)	Angelique (5/6K)
Zoe (5/6K)	Garry (5/6K)
Nyah (KV)	Holly (KV)
Sammy (KL)	Ali (KL)
Elana (5/6F)	Claudia (5/6F)

## Infants Times Table Champions

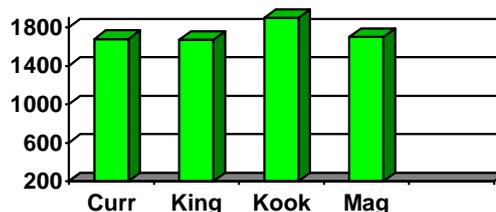
KL – Sammy	KP – Zahraa
KV – Jay	1C – Magenta
1E – James	2L – Thurston
2S – Elijah	

## Fruit Break Winners

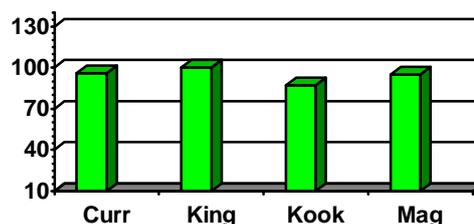
Infants – 1C	Primary – 4/5B
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UNIFORM SPOT CHECK



HOUSE POINTS



## Planning for 2015

To assist us in planning for 2015 could you please notify the front office if your child will not be returning to Narwee Public School next year.

**This does not include Year 6 students going to high school next year**

## Contact Details

It is important that all parent/carer contact details are kept up to date in the event that the school needs to get in touch with you if your child becomes unwell at school.

If you need to update any of your contact details please see the front office.

## Chess Club

The Narwee Chess Club is coming close to the end of another year with students to begin playing off for the finals in our school competition.

As with previous years, this time of the year also provides another opportunity for the finalists to be exposed to inter-school competitions. The Sutherland District One-Day Chess Teams Tournament organised by the 'NSW Junior Chess League' is taking place on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2014** at Miranda Public School.

In preparation for the tournament, students will familiarise themselves with the basic rules of chess and competitive play which are similar to those of our school competition. Students will be placed in teams of three, so we are hoping to form two competitive teams this year. We wish our teams well.

**Mr Vaccaro**

## Giving Tree

As part of Narwee Public School's Christmas Walk that is taking place on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November**, the boys and girls will be presenting toys that will be donated to needy families in the Christmas Season.

All gifts need to be handed to your child's teacher by **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November** (Week 7). There will be a prize for the class who has the greatest participation.

**Mr & Mrs Lennon**

## Christmas Walk

All students are busy learning songs for our Annual Christmas Walk that is being held on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November**.

Permission notes for the walk are due back no later than **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November**. We look forward to seeing all of the Narwee students joining in this wonderful event.

**Mr & Mrs Lennon**

## Online Safety Forum

Every day, young people are faced with a number of online safety risks, which can include inappropriate content, cyber bullying, spam and scams.

David Coleman MP will be hosting the Banks Online Safety Forum to inform parents and carers about the risks faced by young people online and to provide help in creating a safer online experience.

Details for the Banks Online Safety Forum can be found below:

When: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2014

Where: Georges River College Oatley Senior Campus

Address: Oatley Ave, Oatley

Time: 3.30pm – 5.00pm

Please RVSP to Sinclair Prowse on 9771 3400 or [sinclair.prowse@aph.gov.au](mailto:sinclair.prowse@aph.gov.au)

Also attending will be Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Communications, the Hon Paul Fletcher to speak about the ways in which parents can be better informed about online safety.

## Year 6 Fund Day

On **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December**, Year 6 will be holding their Annual Fundraising Day. Activities will be held between lunch and recess.

Children will be able to participate in many fun activities. There will be lots of prizes and loads of fun for everyone. A flyer will be attached to next week's newsletter with more information.



## PSSA Report

### Hockey

It was an exciting week this week, but more memorable than the hockey was the heat! Well done to all students for being prepared with a water bottle....or three!

We played Peakhurst West last week. The juniors won 5-0 and the seniors lost 3-0. The juniors had a fantastic game despite being hot and bothered. They were great sports and when asked, they backed off and gave the other team the chance to have a go. I was extremely proud of them for understanding the true meaning of sportsmanship.

The seniors were unlucky, and were probably the better team on the field. They had so many near miss goals it was amazing. Our senior team learned the value of a push over a big hit and **Sarah** (5/6F) demonstrated how to steal a ball from a much bigger player while they were wasting time with a big swing! Next week guys, next week!

Players of the week were **Emma** (5/6F) for the seniors and **Andrew** (4R) for the juniors.

**Mrs Koletti**

### Oz Tag

#### Narwee Vs Beverly Hills

**Juniors drew 4-4 Seniors won 10-1**

Juniors – what a close and exciting game! It was great to see that you never gave up and almost won with a draw, now that's the Narwee spirit! A special mention goes to **Catherine** (4R) for her great running and excellent tries and to **Paige** (4R) for her defence. The Player of the Match went to **Mariam** (4R) for her great try.

Seniors – a super effort girls, well done! If you had scored 1 more try you would have got to wet me with the water bomb like promised, but bad luck, it needed to be by 10. I am impressed with how you are taking the strategies on board and are really passing the ball around. A special mention goes to **Grace** (4/5B) at fullback and to **Qualin** (5/6F) for her runs up the middle. Player of the Match went to **Anne-Marie** (5/6K) for her brilliant tries.

**Mr Forman**

### Tee Ball / Softball

Last Friday the Junior Girls Tee Ball and Senior Girls Softball teams played Peakhurst Public School. The girls Tee Ball game was a fantastic game with the girls unfortunately being beaten 14-12 by a very good team. Some brilliant fielding from **Chanell** (3/4D), **Tracy** (3/4D) and **Maysaa** (3/4D) kept the game very close.

In the Girls Softball there were some excellent plays with the girls unlucky to lose 9-4. The junior Player of the Match was **Jessica** (3/4D) for some excellent batting and the senior Player of the Match was **Fatima** (4R) for improvement in her fielding.

**Mr Correy**

## Selective High School Placement 2016

Selective High Schools are NOT your regular high schools. They are schools that cater for highly achieving academically gifted students. Students can apply for placement in these Selective High Schools.

Applications are open from **14<sup>th</sup> October** and the application website closes on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November**. All students that apply for a Selective High School must sit a rigorous placement test which is on **12<sup>th</sup> March 2015**.

There have been some changes this year which include:

- All applications are made ONLINE
- Late applications will not be accepted
- Parents can only choose three schools (not four)

If you would like your child to apply, please contact Mrs Koletti or Mrs Canellis for an Information Booklet.

Please note – we anticipate that the Department will distribute applications for regular High Schools early next year.

**Mrs Koletti**

## P&C News

The P&C represent all the parents and families at Narwee Public School. Please come along to our Annual General Meeting which is being held on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.00pm in the school library and have a say in how you want to be represented.

At this meeting all executive positions are declared vacant and a new committee is elected. Attached to this week's newsletter is a sheet explaining the role of the P&C and the job descriptions of office bearers. Please consider taking on a position. The P&C can only function if we have a complete committee.

**All nomination forms must be returned to the front office by Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November**

To everyone that helped out this year, not just with their time or with donations but by ordering a pie or buying a raffle ticket we would like to say a big THANK YOU!

**Tanya Awadallah – P&C Secretary**

## Important Message

**The last day of school for all students will be  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December.**

Classes will not operate on **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>** and **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December** as all staff will be involved in Staff Development.

## Narwee Count Us In

Last Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October at precisely 12.30pm, Narwee Public School along with over half a million voices across Australia joined together to sing the same song in celebration of Music Education in schools.

'Paint You A Song' was part of Australia's biggest school initiative called Music Count Us In. The catchy song was written by five talented musicians and song writers elected from High Schools Australia wide in collaboration with John Foreman, TV Music Producer and Creative Director as well as Harry James Angus from The Cat Empire.

'Paint You A Song' was a favourite amongst the students at Narwee Public School who could often be heard humming the tune in the playground as they played.

After watching a live video feed from The Great Hall at Parliament House, John Foreman and Olympic Diver Matt Mitchum along with 850 students counted us all in and then Narwee School Band led the students of Narwee Public School with a rousing version of the song.

The students then participated in a school musical quiz resembling ABC's Spicks and Specks. The message of the day was simple – 'music is a vital part of education' and with a strong drumming, dance, choir and band program at Narwee Public School, I think we have it covered.

**Mrs Weedon – Music Teacher**

## Leaders Election

Tomorrow we are holding our Leadership election to determine who will be our Prefect body for 2015. Students from Year 3-5 will have the opportunity to choose 4 boys and 4 girls to represent our school next year.

Please take a few minutes to discuss the importance of voting wisely, of thinking carefully about who would make a good leader and voting on ability not friendship or popularity.

Remember, good leaders:

- Follow ALL school rules
- Wear full school uniform
- Help others and are caring
- Are trustworthy at all times
- Solve problems without being told to
- Respect other students, teachers and families
- Are reliable and organised
- Can lead special events confidently
- Are proud of our school

**Mrs Koletti**



**BECOME A  
STUDENT LEADER!**

