

# NARRANDERA PUBLIC SCHOOL INFORMER

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Term 3, Week 8

Tuesday, September 7, 2010.

## From the Principal's desk....

This week at school is an extremely fun but busy time for everyone with **excursions and visits** from the Life Education Program and Wiradjuri Echoes and Professional Learning for staff members.

Last week our much awaited **Connected Classroom** was installed in 6L classroom. Mr Lyne, Mrs Kerr and I spent a most productive 2 days, today and yesterday, being trained in the use of these technologies which involve the **interactive whiteboard and video conferencing** facilities. What an amazing and exciting learning tool for our students! On Friday we hope to see many parents, friends and community members at school for either or both of the following activities:

9.15am (about a 9:30 start by the time the children have their class rolls marked)

A **whole school assembly** including certificate presentations and entertainment.

2.00pm

A special performance led by Wiradjuri Echoes as a wonderful finish to their 3-day visit to NPS.

**Wiradjuri Echoes** will be at our school Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week working with children and staff members. They will educate about, and entertain us with, Aboriginal dance, art and story telling. If you missed this group at the John O'Brien festival then don't miss the opportunity to see them on Friday!

A meeting will also be held at 2.30pm on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> September in the Culture Centre to discuss the next steps in our special **'Our Story' project**. Everyone is most welcome to join the Aboriginal Education team representatives from NPS and NHS to help coordinate this project. Please contact me for any further information about this long-term project.

Your **next P&C meeting** will be held Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> September in the Schools as Community Centre starting at 7pm. Everyone is MOST welcome to attend.

Your **next AECG meeting** will be Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> October at Narrandera East School at 1.30pm.

Please pop these dates and times in your diary and try and come along to these meetings.

Thanks to Miss Bonham for putting our wonderful school display together for the local show. The children have done some exceptional work in their country of study this year.

Enjoy your week.

Susan Ruffles



## Calendar of Events

Date	Event/s
September 12	Golf & Volleyball Day
September 13	Tabloid Sports P & C Meeting – 7pm – SaCC Room
September 7-13	Life Education Van
September 15	School Photos
September 16	Gold Hat Excursion
September 20-24	Senior Excursion to Borambola
September 24	Last Day Term 3
<b>Term 4</b>	
October 11	Term 4 Commences for Staff & Students

## 4C News

Last week's merit winners were Jack Harrison, Toby Warren and Annie James. The winner of the raffle was Jack Harrison. Congratulations to all of these children.

Our maths this week is Fractions and Decimals and our times tables focus is 9,s. Our focus in the Positive Behaviour System this week is 'Be Respectful'. The children are reminded to look at the person speaking. Many of the children have completed their 'business' designs and will now be producing their advertising leaflet for their businesses.

A reminder that the life education van is in the school this week. 4C will be going on Thursday, so get your notes in as soon as possible please.

Kerryn Cassidy - 4C Class Teacher.

## 4L News

Welcome to another addition of 4L News. Since our last report we have been busily working on our new HSIE and Science Units, which are based around looking at how shops work. Students are now preparing their floor plans for a shop they would like to own. In English, students are working on writing their own exposition at the moment. Expositions are aimed at trying to convince people to feel a certain way or do a certain thing, so it would be great if you could look at ads on TV and in the paper and discuss with your child how they try to make you feel.

### Narrandera Gourmet Meats

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Our recent PBS focus has been on 'Being Respectful', with a number of students receiving You Beauts for being polite and looking and listening at the person who is speaking.

Merit Card recipients over the past few weeks have been:

- Week 5 – Zoe Baldwin, Zac Jeans and Braden Lyons
- Week 6 – Shania Hayllar, Corben Lyons and Ashley Reavley
- Week 7 – Lakesha Charles, Andrew Miller and Drew Patrikis.

Congratulations and well done to these people.

All Brazil Projects have been marked and returned to students. Please make sure you sit down with your child and read through the marks and comments I have written for each project. There was a lot of effort and time put into them, which I really appreciate. Thank you!

Paul Lucas – 4L Class Teacher.

**Positive Behaviour System – Be Respectful**

Be respectful by looking at the person speaking to you.

**Jump Rope for Heart**

Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> of August, saw the running of the Jump Rope for Heart. Students in 1C, 1D, 2B, 3B, 4C, 4L and 6L were treated to 45 minutes of skipping skills. The day consisted of 4 stations that involved using the skipping skills they had been practising over the first half of the term. All the teachers were very impressed by the vast improvement made by the students. The stations were then followed by a 'Freestyle Session', where students were given 30 seconds to showcase their skills.

A big thankyou goes to those students who raised money for the Heart Foundation, which was the main idea for the day. Those students who raised money will receive a merit and credit for their efforts. They are Toby Warren, Elka Odgers, EmilyRoffe, William Roffe, Letisha Davies, Audrey Simpson, Abigail Pettigrew, Baillee French, Trinity McDuff, Mariah Beauchamp and Cheyenne Beauchamp.

Thank you and congratulations to all students involved in the day.

Paul Lucas – Co-ordinator.

**Kids Club - Friday, 10/9**

**4.30pm to 6pm**

**Kinder to Year 6**

**\$2 - Games, Craft, Singing Stories, Afternoon tea**

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**Trent Barrett Shield**

Wet and rainy conditions greeted our Trent Barrett Shield teams on Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> of August. It was a big effort for the students to run around in shorts and shirts on the day but, to their credit, they gave their all during every match. The boys were unable to register a win in their two games but did very well considering there were a lot of boys who have never played rugby league before. The girls were soundly beaten in their first game by the highly fancied Hay Public team. They then went on to record a fantastic draw and narrow loss in their final two games. Thank you to Mr Gawne for coaching both the sides leading up to the day and to Mr Stewart James for coaching them on the day. Thank you also to Mr Ed Spencer and Mr Greg Irons for helping out with transport on the day and to the students themselves; their effort and behaviour on the day was exceptional.

Paul Lucas – Co-ordinator.

**Regional Athletics**

14 students headed off to Albury early on the morning of Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> of September to represent Leeton-Narrandera PSSA at the Regional Athletics Carnival. Mrs Cronk reported that, despite being a long day (12 hours between leaving and returning for some), all students "competed with a lot of heart". Everyone put in their best effort despite competing against opponents



from some much larger schools. Well done to all students who competed on the day. Thank you to all parents who volunteered to transport



students to and from the carnival on the day; I know the students really appreciated it. Also, a big thank you to the parents who ensured their children were at school on time to depart – I'm glad it wasn't me trying to get them out of bed at 5:30 in the morning!

Paul Lucas – Co-ordinator.

**DON'T FORGET**

**Golf & Volleyball Day - Sunday, September 12**

**10 hole Ambrose - Volleyball**

**Lunch included in cost**

**More information to follow shortly - All funds raised will go to our P & C and Student Parliament**



**Canteen News**

Helpers for this week:

Wednesday 8/9/10 HELP PLEASE  
 Mary Ann Riddell  
 Ashleigh O'Hare &  
 Georgia Gleeson  
 Thursday 9/9/10  
 Friday 10/9/10 Joan Winnell  
 Tom Conserdyne

The canteen is open every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for recess and lunch, as well as every second Monday.

This week we are once again participating in the Sydney Markets "Fresh" promotion. This means that for every "Fresh" product the students buy, they will receive a sticker. When the students collect four stickers, they return them to the canteen to receive a small prize, and their entry form will go into major state wide prize draw. This promotion will run for two weeks, so weeks 8 and 9. The canteen will sell food that will fit in with the "Fresh" promotion.

Wednesday for recess we will have "Fresh" fruit pizza's, Thursday for recess we will stick with the "Fresh" spud'n'gravy cups. Also available will be apples, mandarins and banana custard cups. This promotion teaches students the advantages of eating "Fresh" food on a regular basis.

See you in the canteen.

Denese Conserdyne - Canteen Supervisor.



**Junior Cricket 2010/11**

(Circle the date on your Calendar)  
 Registration evening for all junior cricketers on  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2010 (6:00pm-8:00pm)**  
 at Henry Mathieson Oval  
 with regular competition & fun nights starting  
 Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2010

**Boys AND Girls (Ages 5-16)**

**WHO**

Milo Cricket = Ages 5-8 (or starting kindergarten in 2011)

Junior Cricket = Ages 8-16

Come along and have some fun in a safe and relaxed environment with other kids from the town. You don't need to be able to play cricket, just come along, enjoy yourself, learn some new skills, and maybe even meet some new friends.



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**Learner Driver Workshop**

**A free workshop for parents and supervisors of learner drivers will be held by the RTA in conjunction with Narrandera Shire Council, on Wednesday 8 September 2010 at 6pm.**

The two hour course, **Helping Learner Drivers Become Safer Drivers**, will offer parents and supervisors hands-on advice on how to provide the most effective driving practice for learner drivers.

Parents and supervisors of novice drivers have a crucial role to play in making our roads safer, and that is why the RTA has developed a course to better support them.

The course will cover topics such as:

- \* new laws for learner and P-Plate drivers.
- \* how to use the new Learner Driver Log Book
- \* how to plan on-road driving sessions.

Parents and supervisors who have attended this course found it boosted their confidence, helped them better plan driving sessions and allowed them to share experiences with other parents and supervisors.

Bookings for Helping Learner Drivers Become Safer Drivers course are essential and can be made by calling Paul Morsanuto from Narrandera Shire Council on 69 59 5589.

**Riverina Basketball Knockout**



2010 Boys Basketball Team  
 Jared Cassimatis, Harley Peary, Wyatt Gilbert,  
 Jayden Mohr, Tyla Rose, Liam Brown,  
 Jacob Pettigrew, Cooper Irons



2010 Girls Basketball Team  
 Chloe Warren, Natalia Lyons, Emily Roffe,  
 Molly Heald, Mrs Kerr, Emily Matthews, Rachael Sibraa,  
 Kiara Bloomfield, Tia Pynor-Greedy

