

NARRANDERA PUBLIC SCHOOL INFORMER

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Term 4, Week 7

Tuesday, November 20, 2012.

From the Principal's desk.....

If you are reading this newsletter anytime between Tuesday, 20th November and Sunday, 25th November you might like to spare our dance group a thought as they will be working very long hours during their exciting 'Schools Spectacular' experience! Joanne, Gillian, the children and some parents left this morning (20.11.12) on Country Link and headed to Sydney. By the time they return on Sunday they will know all about what is involved in performing at this level of entertainment. The public school's 'School Spectacular' involves over 3,600 public school students and their teachers. It has been a truly magnificent effort by Joanne, Gillian and the children leading up to this event and will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience for most. I can't wait to see the show on Friday night! This annual event will be broadcast on ABCTV and when we know the details of when, we will let you all know. Go NPS!!!

The next meeting of the Narrandera Aboriginal Education & Consultative Group (AECG) will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 27, in the AEO room at NPS. The school's 2013 School Improvement Plan will be tabled and, hopefully, we may have some up-dates on future funding issues in schools. We do hope to see you at this meeting. Also, don't forget about the Narrandera Indigenous Awards evening to be held on Wednesday, November 28, at 6.30pm, in our school hall. We will welcome students, their family members, special guests and staff from other local public schools to NPS. Please contact Jean, Richard, Simone or Billie-Jo if you have any questions about this event.

The school has been advised that Mr David Tallon will begin as a permanent class teacher at NPS in 2013. David and his young family will come and visit us before the end of the year and say hi to us. We look forward to welcoming David to our school.

Beginning today, 20.11.12, Mrs Hayley Curry is on leave leading up to the birth of her baby. Mr Nat Davis will be teaching Year 4 for the remainder of this year. Hayley will still be assisting with our choir and be involved in other end-of-year activities. We welcomed Mr Davis to NPS at the start of this term and we know he will enjoy working alongside Year 4 and Mr Lucas for the remainder of the term.

Our staff and their roles for 2013 are just about finalised. I will be able to let you all know our plans for class teachers and learning support staff in the coming weeks.

The structure of classes will be as follows:

Two (2) Kindergarten classes; Year 1; Year 2; Year 3; Year 4; Year 4/5; Year 5; and Year 6. Each class will be supported by at least 3 adults in what we will refer to as 'class learning teams'.

If parents would like to contact me to talk about 2013 class placement for children, please do so anytime from Monday, 26th November onwards. I am still accepting enrolments in some classes so please also let any other families, considering enrolling at NPS in 2013, know this. We need to do our best to ensure that no child misses out on a place at NPS.

Thank you to all families who have returned notes and money for our Swimming School. This is a most important swimming and water safety program for all children and it is expected that all children will participate unless they have a medical certificate that excludes them or, in individual circumstances, I exclude them.

We have so much to look forward to in the final 4 weeks of school! Please keep checking our school calendar so you don't miss out on anything.

Have a great week everyone.

Susan Ruffles

NARRANDERA DENTAL CLINIC

The School Dental Clinic is available for all children aged from 0 - 18 years of age. We encourage all parents to make an appointment for your child to have a full dental check. Treatment at our clinic is **FREE** to all children who have a Medicare card. To make an appointment please telephone our call centre on

1800 450 046

We hope to see you soon!!!

Sue & Cleo.

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Calendar of Events

Date	Event/s
November 20-23	School Spectacular in Sydney
November 22	4/5 Fisheries Visit
November 23	School Assembly – 10.30am
November 28	Proud & Deadly Awards – 6.30pm
November 28-30	Year 4 Camp
November 29	Transition BBQ – 12.30pm Student Leader Elections
November 30	Scripture Nativity Event
December 3	P & C Christmas Dinner – Charlie's on East – 7pm
December 4	ThinkUKnow Online Safety & Security
December 3-14	Swimming School
December 6	Transition ends
December 6	Book Character Dress-Up Parade
December 11	Presentation Day
December 13	Year 6 Graduation/Farewell
December 19	Noahs Ark visit School End for 2012 for Students
December 21	School End for 2012 for Staff
2013	
January 29	School resumes for STAFF
January 30	School resumes for YEARS 1 - 6
January 31	KINDERGARTEN students commence



**NETBALL
SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC**

When: January 22, 2013.

Where: Leeton Netball Association -
Palm Avenue, Leeton

Time: 3pm to 6pm

For: Children aged 5 - 12 years old

Cost: \$40

Bring: Healthy snacks, drink bottle,
sunscreen and a hat.

For more information contact:

Nicole Bowles on 9951 5099

TRANSITION INVITATION

Dear Parents and Carers,

You are invited to join Transition children for an end of Transition program BBQ lunch and Information Session at the school on Thursday 29th November at 12.30pm.

You may like to bring a picnic rug or chair to sit on. Younger brothers and sisters are welcome.

Children will be picked up from homes as normal by the bus. If your child won't be travelling on the bus please ring and let the school know.

Thank you,

Ms Julie Neville, Mrs Gina Galluzzo, Mrs Joanne Stamos and Mr Paul Lucas

P & C Christmas Raffle

First Prize: Family Season Ticket – Lake Talbot
Swimming Pool.

2nd Prize: Salt & Pepper Mills & Cook Book

3rd Prize: Christmas Cook Book

Tickets - \$1 each

Can all books please be returned to the Front Office
by Friday, December 7.

Drawn Tuesday, December 11 at Presentation Day.

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DATES TO REMEMBER FOR TRANSITION

Thursday 29th November - There will be a BBQ at school at 12.30pm for Transition children and families. An information session for parents of children starting Kindergarten at Narrandera Public next year will be held while the BBQ is on.

Thursday 6th December - LAST DAY OF TRANSITION.

Tuesday 11th December - Narrandera Public School Presentation Day at 12 pm at the CRC church. Transition children will all receive an award. Children will need to come with their families.

The school needs a copy of your child's immunisation forms and also a copy of their birth certificate before they begin kindergarten next year. If you would like a copy of the request for a birth certificate form, please let us know.

If you have already given these forms to the school, thank you.

Thanks - Julie Neville and Gina Galluzzo.

Class News - 1/2H

This week we have had more wonderful projects brought into the classroom. Well done to Kayleigh on her Pterodactyl poster and Rebekah for her delicious butterfly cakes!

In class we have been conducting surveys on the types of transport we have been on/in. The students thought it was a real laugh that Mrs Heather was the only one not to have ever been on a scooter!



Charmaine Heather - 1/2H Class Teacher.

Narrandera Business Group Christmas Street Party Thursday, November 29

The Narrandera Business Group has organised a Christmas main street party. This event will be held on Thursday, 29th November from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The Lions train will operate, shops will be open and Father Christmas will arrive via this transportation. Performers will perform on every corner of East Street, including performers from Narrandera Public School. The organisers will allocate our school a space to hold our performances from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Our school choir, KROP dance group and School Spectacular dance group will perform. We will send more details home for children involved at a later date. If there are any students, adults or groups that would like to be involved and perform in the NPS area could you please let Sue, Joanne or Alana know at the school **by FRIDAY, 23rd NOVEMBER.**

Once we know who will be performing on the night we can work out a timetable for the hour we have been allocated.

We hope to hear from people keen to join us and perform at this community event.

Swimming School

Thank you to everyone who has returned their swimming notes on time. If you haven't sent in your child's note and money please do so ASAP. Final numbers are needed so planning of groups and instructors can get underway. If you have misplaced your note you can get a replacement from the school website <http://www.narrandera-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/> click on the "Current Notes" tab or from the School Office.

Toni Kerr

Teacher/Technology Coordinator.

ThinkUKnow - Online Safety and Security for Parents, Teachers and Carers.

Tuesday 4th Dec

6pm - 7.30pm in the school library

A presentation on how parents can keep youth safe online.

Presented by Microsoft, Australian Federal Police and ninemsn.

Trainers will show real life case studies and videos.

The presentation is for **adults only** and is not intended for children.

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Book Character Dress-up parade

To celebrate this year's 'National Year of Reading' students are invited to **dress up as a character** from a book for a 'Book Character Parade' on **Thursday 6th December**. Prizes will be awarded on the day for best dressed.



P & C Christmas Dinner

Monday, December 3 - 7pm

Charlies on East - \$10 Secret Santa

RSVP to Debbie Wickes - 6959 4409

Parliament Special Lunch

A big thank you to all the students who returned their note and money for our yummy special rice and chicken nibbles today.

Parliament raised \$375.00.

A big thank you to Jason Lee for donating the rice and also to the staff members who cooked for it.

Year 5/6 Teachers.

**BOOK CLUB DUE BACK TO SCHOOL BY
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27**