

# NARRANDERA PUBLIC SCHOOL INFORMER

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Term 4, Week 9

Tuesday, December 1, 2015

### *From the Principal . . . . .*

#### **Presentation Day**

Our Annual Presentation Day will be held next Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> December, starting at 10:30am. The awards handed out on the day will be very similar to previous years. This is a time when we formally recognise the achievements of our students and all the hard work they have put into their studies this year. Please feel welcome to attend and celebrate student success with us.

#### **Year 3 Sleep Over**

Our Year 3 teachers have organised a Sleep Over for their students. This will take place, this Thursday night, 3<sup>rd</sup> December, followed by an excursion to the Narrandera Fisheries on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> December. Students have been given the information, so please have a read and return the note and money as soon as possible. The idea of this activity is to give them a small taste and experience for the Year 4 camp next year.

#### **School Swimming**

Our School Swimming program will continue this week, finishing this Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> December. I hope the students have enjoyed the experience and have gained further skills. I would like to thank the staff for the time and effort that goes into making this program a success, also to Mrs Kerr for organising such a smooth running and worthwhile activity.

#### **Student Reports**

Reports will be sent home next Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> December. If you would like an interview with your teacher to discuss your child's progress, please make an appointment. This is a time when you can have any questions or concerns regarding your child's education answered. Even though there are no structured interviews scheduled for Semester 2 reports, please feel welcome to make an appointment if you feel it necessary.

#### **Narrandera High School Orientation – Year 6**

Narrandera High School orientation days will be held tomorrow, Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Information from the High School has been forwarded to each family regarding this matter. If you haven't received any correspondence, please contact the High School as they may not have your enrolment form. This is an opportunity where our Year 6 students visit the High School to meet the staff and get information on the running of the school. Please encourage your child to attend both days as they are vital for a smoother running 2016.

#### **Year 5 Speeches**

Our Year 5 speeches will be held tomorrow, commencing at 10:00am. This is an opportunity where our Year 5 students explain why they would make a good leader in 2016. Our student population will vote soon after the completion of the speeches. Please feel welcome to come along and hear the speeches, as I know the students have been working hard.

Finally, our P&C Christmas dinner will be held next Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Please call the office for further information.

Have a great week.

Derek Noffke

Principal

#### **Calendar of Events**

Date	Event/s
November 23 – December 4	School Swimming School
December 2	Year 5 Speeches – 10am High School Transition
December 3	Last Day of Transition and BBQ High School Transition Year 3 Sleep-Over
December 8	Presentation Day
December 9	Year 6 Farewell
December 10	Year 3 - 6 Pool Party
December 11	School Assembly – 9.30am 5/6 Fun Day
December 14	K-2 Airzone Wagga Excursion
December 16	Parent Helper Morning Tea Last Day of Learning for Students & Staff
2016	
January 27	Staff Development Day – Pupil FREE
January 28	Years 1 – 6 Commence School
February 1	Kindergarten Students Commence

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS:

### Junior Basketball

This week will see the Junior elimination finals followed by the Grand Finals to be held on Saturday.

A presentation night will be held Saturday night after the Grand Finals. Tea will be available from 6.00pm. Please check the draw carefully as there are some changes to times.

The Draw for this week is as follows:

Tuesday, 1st December. 7.00pm - Senior Girls Mercury v Liberty. Referees Lee & Matt. Wednesday, 2nd December. 5.00pm Intermediate Boys Warriors v Spurs & Rockets v Bulls. Referees Lee, Casey, Matt, Alexa.

6.00pm Junior Boys Raptors v Kings & Intermediate Boys. Referees Lee, Matt, Casey, Alexa. 7.00pm Senior Boys Crocodiles v Taipans Referees Lee, Matt.

Thursday, 3rd December 4.30pm Aussie Hoops.

5.00pm Junior Girls JIMZ v Opals Referees Lee, Matt.

6.00pm Intermediate Girls Hammer Heads v Star Fish Referees Matt, Lee.

# Narrandera's

## Farmers X'mas Market

### PRODUCE & CRAFT

## 6th December 2015

at The Shady Gum Nursery  
Car Park 9am - 12noon

Hey KIDS

Santa is coming to  
Market on the  
Lion's Train with  
LOLLIES for everyone!

**LION TRAIN SHUTTLE  
ON THE HOUR (SEE MAP FOR ROUTE)**

All produce home-grown by local  
Cooks & Gardeners  
All craft goods handmade

Vendors welcome contact: Annie on 02 69591780



## Sunday, 6 Dec 2015

### 10 am - 3 pm

Want to try fishing  
or already a keen fisher?

Get down to one of six  
locations for some fishing fun!

**Where**

Kurnell, Kamay Botany Bay National Park  
Coffs Harbour, Boambee Creek Reserve  
Nowra, Greys Beach, Fairway Drive  
Jindabyne, Gaden Trout Hatchery  
Narrandera, Fisheries Centre  
Ebor, Dutton Trout Hatchery

Free!

- "try fishing" sessions
- goolie bags
- casting competition
- seafood tasting at coastal locations
- inland hatchery tours



Can't  
get to one of  
the locations?

Enter a draw to win one of  
50 Shimano rod and reel fishing  
combos by emailing a photo of  
yourself fishing in NSW  
on 6 December, to  
[gofishing.nsw@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:gofishing.nsw@dpi.nsw.gov.au)  
Or email a photo of yourself  
collecting litter from your  
local fishing spot.

Bookings essential for Narrandera Fisheries Centre, to register phone 6958 8200

Phone 02 4424 7421    [www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries)




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# ***Year 5 Enviro Champions***

On Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> of October, we went to Ardlethan Public School for the finale of the Enviro Champions Leadership Program. While we were at Ardlethan we learnt how to make paper and giant bubbles. Each school group that had participated in the program presented the project they had chosen to improve the environment of their school.

Some of the other school projects were: Yenda Public School made a lizard lounge because they had lots of lizards running around their school; Rankin Springs Public School made a watering system for their vegetable garden; and St Joseph's, Narrandera focussed on recycling plastic bottles and paper.

We decided to do something useful with the food scraps from kid's lunches and all of Year 5 helped to make worm towers for the school gardens. We also labelled scrap buckets for each class and would like to have a scrap bin in the playground for more food scraps.



We enjoyed the chance to get together with other schools to see their projects and to learn about what to do to make the environment better at our school and the community.

Last week we again worked as a whole class and went in pairs to present each class with their scrap bucket, told them a bit about worms and showed them what to do to empty the bucket into the worm towers.

Reid Hitchens, Dayne Essam, Stevie Walsh and Ella Baxter.

## **Enviro Champions Class Presentations**

Last Friday afternoon, we went to KH to teach them about worms. We taught them about what to put in the worm bucket and what not to put in. Afterwards we took them out to their garden and showed them the worm tower we had made and put in the garden. Then we came back in and made worms with pipe cleaners and Cheerios and the kids coloured in a worm as an art activity. After they had finished making the worms they ate the Cheerios. KH liked going out to the garden and seeing the worm towers. Khan and Dayne.

On Friday afternoon we went to K1C to show them their worm buckets and the worm towers that we made in term 3. We also told them what goes in their worm towers and how they need to empty their worm buckets. After we showed them their worm buckets we went back to the classroom to do some fun activities. The activities that they chose were making worms using pipe cleaners and cheerios. Bodean and Zoey I.

On Thursday afternoon we went to 1D to teach them about worms. We had put pictures on the buckets to make it easy for them to see what could be put in it. We all went out to the garden to show them and then we went back to the class room to make Cheerio worms. Aaliyah and Jake.

In terms 3 and 4, Year 5 made worm towers to put in each garden. On Thursday Indiah and I went to 2B and gave them their worm buckets to put their scraps in. Then we went out to the garden to show them how to use the buckets and towers. After they got how to use the worm towers we went inside and we worked on a work sheet together. They just love being out in the garden and we really enjoyed helping them too. Ella Vidler and Indiah Morgan.

On Thursday we went to 3M. We showed them the worm buckets and showed them what worms can and can't eat. After that we showed them the worm towers and how they put their worm's scraps into the towers. After we showed them the worm towers we gave them their work sheets. The next day Year 5 made jelly worms. When they were set we squeezed the worms out of the straw and gave them to 3M to eat. Ella B and Allira.

On Friday afternoon we went to 3J to show them our plan to reduce the amount of food scraps in the bin. We showed them their new worm towers. We started making our worm towers in term 3 and we finished them at the start of term 4. Blake and I showed 3J what the worms can eat like fruit, vegetables and bread and what the worms can't eat like lemon, orange, passionfruit and meat. Reid and Blake.

On Thursday we went to 4C and showed them the worm bucket they will use to feed their food scraps to the garden worms. We told them what goes in the bucket, which will then feed the worms through the worm towers that Year 5 have put into the gardens. We had a 10 minute talk then we handed out a sheet to the kids and helped them if they needed. After a little we went out to the garden to show them where the worm towers are and what they do. Year 5 started the worm towers in Term 3 as part of the Enviro Champions project. Lauren Wickes and Xavier Davies 5V

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On Friday morning we went to 4D to show them their worm buckets, what worms can eat and how to empty it. We went out to the garden and showed them their worm towers that we made in term 3. At the garden we showed them how to empty their worm buckets. After we went to the garden we gave them some fun activities that were about worms. The activities we chose for them to do were a word search and a word game. 4D had fun going out to the garden and doing their activities. Rebekah and Zoey I.

On Friday, 27th of November we went to 6H and explained how to use a worm bucket. We explained that the black worm farm always got kicked over so we built worm towers for the scraps that the worms can eat. We showed 6H how to use their worm bucket and gave them a worksheet to do about worms. We showed 6H their worm tower in their garden bed and showed them how to feed the worms. 6H enjoyed going out to the garden. Stevie and Chelsea.

On Friday morning last week we went to 6C to do our worm bucket/tower presentation. We told them about the worm towers and what you had to do with the buckets. Then we went out to their vegie patch and showed them what to do and where to put the worm scraps in the towers. After that we went back into their class and did a worksheet with them. Year 6 were amazed that worms have 5 hearts. They all loved the jelly worms that we made in class. Isabelle and Zoe A.



## Transition News

The last Transition day will be this Thursday, 3rd December. There will be a sausage sizzle and information session to let parents and carers know some more details about Kindergarten in 2016. This will be held at school beginning at 12.30pm. Thank you for allowing your child to be involved in our Transition Program over the past two terms. All children and teachers have had a lot of fun and all children will be better prepared for Kindergarten in 2016. Thank you to the Year 5 children for coming along to Transition throughout this term to help us. They all did a fantastic job.

Presentation Day is next Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> December, at 10.30am at the CRC church. All parents and carers are invited to attend. Children will need to come with families as Transition will be finished. There will be a space at the front for the children to sit with their teachers.

If you have any questions about next year please don't hesitate to contact the school.

Ms Julie Neville.





Transition children enjoyed making jelly cups and



REALLY ENJOYED EATING THEM

*P & C Christmas Dinner*

*Monday, December 7*

*at the Lazy Lizard, East Street. 6pm. RSVP to NPS Office*

*6959 2144 by December 4. 2015.*

**School Assembly 27.11.15**



*Big Congratulations to Zoey Ingram on receiving her Silver Star, Tenison Godden Lee who received his Bronze Star and Sebastian Luck, Dean Chappell and Charlie Brooker who were awarded their School Banner.*



Well done to our Level 3 Gold Certificate recipients AND our Middle Size Merit (3 small) and Middle Size Merit recipients.



100% Attendance  
Shania Sullivan and Charlee Lyons. WELL DONE GIRLS.

#### READING AWARDS



Weekly Class Attendance  
Congratulations 4C

### Class News - 6C

Our merit winners this week were Bryce Hickson, Isabella Beaumont and Jordan Terrill-Levy. Gina Paterson was our raffle winner. Well done everyone. This week our times tables are 12's and our maths topics are Fraction and decimals and Length. In Literacy we continue with our novel, The BFG and the reading activities relating to the book from our matrix.

Swimming school continues and we can see improvement in the style and strength of the swimming as we progress. Year 5 and 6 are busy planning for the Fun Day next Friday. If you have any questions please contact me.

Most people have bought in their Year 6 Farewell notes. Just a reminder to get the money in as soon as possible.

Thank you. Kerry Cassidy

### PBL News

Last week we had 2 STAR recipients at assembly. Tenison Godden-Lee received his bronze star and Zoey Ingram received her silver star. Congratulations to these two students. The focus for our 'Positive Behaviour for Learning' this week is staying safe during swimming school. This continues on from last week's focus.

## HELPERS NEEDED

To sell raffle tickets for the P & C at our Presentation Day. Please contact the School Office if you are able to help.