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25th October 2013 Term 4 Week 3

## **Principal's News**

I had a fantastic 4 days in Sydney last week. All our Captains did our school proud and learnt a lot about our sister school, Narraweena PS. It is great to have students represent our school in many different ways during their K– 6 school days. Most students will get an opportunity to represent the school in some way, which could include, regional, district sport, competitions, class/stage excursions, choir, verse speaking and the like.

At the moment we have our playground equipment out of bounds, due to the pine trees being classified as "dangerous". They have recently dropped 3 big limbs and I have had local tree specialists in to work out what we will have to do with them. I was told today that due to the safety of the students they will have to be removed ASAP. This will be at our school cost, with a little help from the DET. Hopefully this will be completed in the next week.

I would like to remind all parents as to your duty of care when it comes to letting your child use the internet at home. We have been looking at Cyber Bullying at school, due to a small incident between students in Yr 5/6. The incident was in regards to 3 students using "Kik". If you let your child use such sites, then it is a good idea to supervise their use. If you find your child is misusing the internet then maybe think about changing the wireless password or limiting it's use. If I hear of misuse between students, I can also have sites and accounts closed down. Please assist your child by encouraging them to use digital devises sensibly.

Today I have spoken to the Year 5/6 students to think of ideas of how they can be good role models in the school. I have encouraged them to think of some games and competitions they can run with the younger students during lunch time. This is a great opportunity for our older students to step up and help out our younger students. If your child comes home looking for some ideas, please assist them in giving them some ideas. Ideas that came up today include; colouring competitions and organised sport. I will be getting our Senior students together on Tuesday to discuss and start implementing their ideas.

On Monday we have Mr Andrew Williamson (Narraweena PS Principal) and Mrs Sally Bell (Narraweena PS Assistant Principal) visiting our school. This is the first time Mr Williamson has been out to visit and Mrs Bell's second time. They will be at the front gate on Monday afternoon, please come and say hello.

Have a great week

Mrs Belinda Mirana

**Principal** 



The uniform shop is operated through the school office. You may purchase school uniforms at any time, during the school day. We still have school hoodie jackets. They are only \$25 and look fantastic. Even though it is getting warm there are still some cold mornings...come in and get one today!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week 3

- 8:55am Friday 25th October. Year 3/4 travel to Wentworth to participate in the Sunraysia Ball Day
- Friday Kindy orientation program 2—3pm

Week 4

Monday 28th Visit by Mr Andrew Williamson & Mrs Sally Bell of Narraweena Public School



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## App of the Week

The Spelling Bee has fun game modes to practice spelling! Enter your weekly spelling words or choose from one of the pre-loaded lists with over 850 words! This app is recommended for preschool – 5th grade. It is great for practicing for tests at school, but it is also awesome for enrichment or summer practice!



## LIBRARY, LEGS & OUTDOOR ED

## LIBRARY NEWS

It's great to see so many children borrowing at the moment and especially pleasing when a student comments on how much they enjoyed the book that they have read.

A reminder to families of Kinder/1 that I would like the children to bring in photos of them as a baby and as a toddler, we will be using them in class on Tuesday of week 5. (Melbourne Cup Day- nothing to do with it but easy to remember!!)

As promised I will be holding a Pizza Party for the children who successfully completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. The children involved will be receiving a note in the next day or so to advise them, and you of details.

Mrs C

## LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE GROUP

This week in the LEGs group we have been talking about our excursion to the show and the many different things we saw in the display pavilions. We recognised many of the vegetables we have cooked with and were amazed by the decorated cakes.

In our rotations this week our focus has been on using and identifying the correct tenses in speech and writing.

We have also challenged ourselves by building models as a co-operative group, taking turns.

In our cooking session today we made Guacamole and Pita chips from the recipe books the P&C kindly donated to the school. We also made Tacos to continue with our International cooking theme this

Mrs Niemann and Mrs Cock

## OUTDOOR EDUCATION NEWS

This week in Outdoor Education we have been learning about Palaeontology in grade 1/2. We are looking at how scientists could learn about dinosaurs from things like footprints, eggs and bones. We have made casts of our footprints out of plaster and we are going to write about a dinosaur footprint to see what we can learn from just looking at that piece of evidence. Grade 3/4 had our Adelaide photo afternoon yesterday. Thank you to those parents who came along. We enjoyed the 700 odd photos and a delightful afternoon tea that the children had prepared. Grade 5/6 have been looking at simple chemical reactions this week... vinegar and bi-carb, milk and detergent... try them out at home!

If anyone would like to buy a pure-bred Rhode Island Red rooster, they are ten dollars. See Ms Niemann but remember, you can't have roosters in town as they wake the neighbours.

Ms Niemann



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### Website of the Week

## Department of Education

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/

This is a great website for up to date information about school term dates, travel, digital technologies and general information about NSW Public Schools.







## \*PLANT OF THE WEEK\*

This week's plant of the week is the leek. Easy to grow in the home garden, it does not take much space, grows slowly but is well worth the wait! It is a very healthy vegetable to cook with and adds a lot of flavour to soups and casseroles. Plant the seedlings where you want them to grow. You will need several plants to be enough for the family, but plant a few every few weeks to spread the harvest. Happy gardening!!!





## Leek & Chickpea Fritters with Tzatziki

- 1 leek, washed, thinly sliced
- 1 x 400g can chickpeas, rinsed, drained
- 2 eggs, lightly whisked
- 1 1/2 tbs plain flour
- 1 1/2 tbs chopped fresh continental parsley
- Salt & freshly ground black pepper
- 3 tsp olive oil
- 1 x 200g container tzatziki

## <u>Method</u>

Step 1 Place leek in a bowl and cover with boiling water. Set aside for 1-2 minutes or until soft. Drain well. Place chickpeas in a bowl and use a fork to roughly mash. Add leek, eggs, flour and 1 tbs of parsley and stir until well combined. Season to taste.

Step 2 Heat oil in a non-stick frying pan over medium high heat. To cook 4 fritters at a time, place four 60ml (1/4-cup) quantities of batter around edge of the pan, allowing room for spreading. Cook for 2-3 minutes or until golden underneath. Turn and cook for a further 2-3 minutes. Transfer to a plate and cover with foil to keep warm. Repeat to make 12 fritters.

Step 3 To serve, place 3 fritters on each plate and top with tzatziki. Sprinkle with remaining parsley.





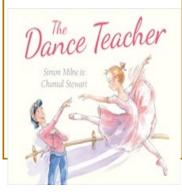
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#### Book of the Week

A beautifully illustrated, timeless story about ballet, effort and rewards, and a special relationship between a girl and her teacher.

Celebrating the joy of dance and the rare inspirational teachers can play in our lives, The Dance Teacher will enchant readers young and old.





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### Kindergarten Orientation Program

Our Kindergarten Orientation Program will be running from 2pm to 3pm, every Friday, during Weeks 3—8 in Term 4. The first session starts tomorrow, 25th October.

If you know someone who is zoned for Buronga Public School, please suggest they come into the office to get an enrolment form. Due to our school being so popular, we can only accept students who are zoned to our school. We now have a waiting list for any out of zone enrolments.

### **Open Days**

The last of our Open Days happened last term. We have had a great turn out for the open days. If someone you know missed these days and have children starting next year, then get them to contact the office so I can show them around.

Please contact Sally Kogge (School Administration Manager) to register your interest: 03 50232260

## Mrs Mirana's Class of the Week:

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Congratulations to 3/4 on a great week.

Well Done!



## CLASS AWARDS

K/1: Bodie, Naliandrah, Eliza.

2/3: Mena, Jarelle.

3/4: Heather, Jodyn, Jason.

5/6: All of the children behaved extremely well at the show.

## Star Students

K/1: Codie

1/2: Sam

3/4: Mathew

5/6: Bayley



#### LEGS AWARDS

Apisai, Dylan, Reegan.

Congratulations on a fantastic effort in class.





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## Card games to play at home for maths:

## **K-6**

## **Addition Snap**

Cards 1(ace) - 9

Two Players

Players divide the cards evenly between themselves. At the same time each player turns over one card.

Players add the two numbers together as quickly as possible and say the answer aloud. The player who says the correct answer first. keeps the two cards.

Play continues until one player collects all the cards.

For older students they can add 4 or more cards together.



## **CLASS NEWS**

## K/1 News

Just a reminder to all students, Mrs Cock would like a photo of you as a baby and a toddler, as she is working on a unit in the library called "Change". In Language this week, we are looking at the various sounds r makes next to a vowel, eg. ar, er, or. In maths we are estimating and measuring area. For our work on Japan, we have been to Mount Fuji and are now attempting to learn how to count and write to 10. This Friday is the first Transition afternoon. Students in K/1 will be working with Mr Mirana on Friday afternoons for the next 6 weeks, in the Connected Classroom, while I work with the 2014 Kindergarten students during this time. This year has gone so quickly, it does not seem that long since this group were coming for Transition! Thanks, Louise

## 1/2

This week we have been looking at Volume and addition. In addition we have been looking at balancing numbers eg. 3+4=2+5

This week we have also looked at the "Plesiosaurus". This is an interesting reptile that lived during the time of the Dinosaurs. We also got to make dinosaur footprints out of plaster, with Ms Niemann, it was so much fun!

This week we had a visit from Cecilia and her dog Barnaby. We learnt about "Responsible Pet Ownership" and what to do when we meet angry dogs and new dogs. All students completed a great worksheet on the steps involved.

Please keep completing your homework and home reading. Make sure you return your reading folders daily and homework books should be returned every Friday.

Have a fantastic week

Belinda and Michael Mirana

## Year 3/4

Year 3/4 have written some fantastic recounts about their excursion to the Mildura Show. It certainly sounds like they were very busy and had a wonderful day. We had our Adelaide **Excursion slide show presentation** vesterday. It brought back some wonderful memories and experiences of the times we had. The children also made a lovely afternoon tea to share. At some stage copies will be made available to buy.

Over the last couple of weeks we have been revising times tables already taught. Can you please help your child with this at home. A laminated copy of the times table was sent home earlier in the year but please let me know if your child needs another copy. Tomorrow our class is participating in the 3/4 lightning premiership sports day at Wentworth Oval. Children need to have their permission notes back for them to go as we are catching the bus. It should be a great fun day of fun activities.

Have a great week. Mrs Hogarth.

## **News from the Loft.**

Coomealla High School will be bringing uniforms to look at and order forms on Friday 1st November between 8.30 am and 9 am. Anyone attending Coomealla next year should bring their parents/carers into school (Buronga Public School P & C room) on the day so they can get an idea of uniforms for next year.

It's another busy week in Year's 5/6. We had a transition to High School visit with Nicole Fraser and Ryan Doyle from Coomealla High School this week.

Nicole is the Year 7 advisor in 2014. They talked to the students and myself about Year 7 at Coomealla High School. The half day orienta tion day will be held on November 14th and the full day orientation will be on November 29th. The Victorian schools should have their orientation day on December 11th. If your child is attending a Victorian Secondary School, please contact the school to confirm dates and times for orientation. There will be a note regarding Coomealla High School orientation sent home soon.

There will be a note about the Milo T20 Blast schools cup going home. We have entered two teams and all of 5/6 will be needed for the

Have a great week, Greg Stewart.



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bin Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for education costs including uniforms, text books, laptops, sports equipment and music tuition.

## You may be e ligible if you:

- · have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- are 18 or over and
- have some paid income from work (you or your partner).

Contact Ann Timmons, your local Saver Plus Worker: 03 5018 4209/ 0409 114 897 or ann.tim mons@nave n.org.au

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WGGCC Milo In2Cricket Program starts Wednesday 30 October.

Registration from 4.45pm

Program starts at 5pm

The program coordinator this year is Brendan Rogers. Brendan ran the program last year and did and excellent job. With numbers growing Brendan will need help in running the program. Please offer your services to help the pro-

Also bring a friend.

The cost of the program is \$75 which includes a Milo In2Cricket Pack and awards

See you there Wednesday

**Regards Mark Blows** 

Workers Gol Gol Junior Cricket Co-ordinator

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# The Festival is only 4 weeks away!

If you are organised and wanting to pre purchase a child pass for the Festival, please come in to the office or see one of the P & C members. You get the choice of a hotdog or chips, fairy floss or popcorn drink and balloon. This is great value at \$10.

We still require helpers for the Festival. We need a helper for the Indian stall and a helper for drinks. Please let Vivian or Trudy know if you or someone you know can help.

There will be a meeting on Monday 4th November, at Trudy Tyson's house (22 Melaleuca Street Buronga). All parents/carers are welcome to attend, please come and have an input and ask any questions you may have.

If you are a stall organiser you will be contacted by the P & C to make sure all your questions are answered and you know what you will be doing for the Festival. You don't need to attend a P & C meeting at this stage. We will be having a P & C meeting in the week after the Festival at the school, for feedback on the 2013 festival, which we would like all stall organisers to attend.

We have these fantastic "mondo grass" men for sale at the Festival. Please return your raffle tickets to the Office or a P & C Executive member. We have more books, if you would like to sell more than one

book, just call a P & C member.

We have recently handed out Billy G's Gourmet cookie and biscuit dough order forms. Please fill these out and get as many orders as you can or even just one order, it all helps. This is an easy fundraiser, everyone loves cookie dough (sometimes raw!). If you just sell one tub you can pick your free gift, it is that easy. Contact one of the P and C executive members if

you need extra forms. They are due back this Friday 25th October. The stock arrives 22 November.

We are running a disco on Friday 13th December and we are making the theme fancy dress Halloween, so keep your eyes out for outfits now as there are lots of choices in the stores. There will be lots of prizes, including best dressed.

Thank You

Vivian Riley: Mobile: 0431370647. Trudy Tyson: Mobile: 0408435614.