



21st March, 2013  
Term 1 Week 8

## Principal's News

Today the Narraweena Public School students and their teachers head home to Sydney. It has been a fantastic few days, with many new friendships made. I know we have learnt a great deal about each of our schools and I look forward to taking our school Captains and Vice Captains to Sydney in June.

Please remember that if you need to speak to teachers, it is best to make an appointment. Teachers are very busy and have duties and lessons to prepare. All teachers want to be able to spend time to talk with you, therefore you are best to make and appointment with them so they can dedicate time to listen or discuss any issues or answer any questions you may have.

This Friday our Kindergarten students will feature in the Sunraysia Daily as a welcome to school. It is fantastic to see how well our Kindy students have settled into school and I encourage you all to purchase a copy of the paper.

This is my last newsletter for the term, as I am on Leave for the next 3 weeks, due to my daughter's operations. Mrs Merren Cock will be relieving in the Principal position during this time. I would like to thank Merren for taking on this role in my absence and know that she will do an outstanding job.

Have a great week  
Kind Regards  
Belinda Mirana



Fun and learning at Mungo with Buronga Public School and Narraweena Public School.

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunraysia Daily-Welcome to school (Kindergarten)	Friday 22nd March
Easter Hat Parade -9am	Thursday 28th March
Cross Country 9:30am	Thursday 28th March
Childrens Choice Lunch	Thursday 28th March
P & C Meeting 7pm Meeting room	Wednesday 10th April
Reward Day - Fitness Plus	Thursday 11th April

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### *Easter Hat*

### *Parade*

*9am Thursday*

*28th March*

*Students to make  
hats at home and  
bring them in.  
Certificate given to  
every child that  
makes a hat.*

## CLASS NEWS

### K/1 News

We are all enjoying the cooler weather and it has given us a chance to improve our fitness levels for the upcoming cross country, on Thursday 28th April. In maths this week we are joining groups to model early addition strategies and our fairy tales are 'The Elves And The Shoemaker' and 'The Frog Prince'.

Next Tuesday Betty Tyndall will be in the class observing me delivering L3 and on Wednesday I will be attending an inservice regarding L3.

After Easter I will be conducting short interviews in regards to your child's progress at school so far. I would like to see all parents or carers and a separate letter will go home detailing available times.

Thanks,

Louise

### 1/2 News

We have had an excellent week in 1/2 this week! We have finished our work on 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and have started an information text called 'What is a Kite?' In maths we are continuing work with patterns and starting work on addition and subtraction.

Well done on the fantastic home reading everybody! Is so great to see everyone trying their best to improve their reading. In our COGS unit 'Our Families' we have been talking about jobs we help out with around the house. We have also made our own family trees which look lovely. Parent/Teacher meetings for 1/2 will be held on Wednesday 3rd April. If you haven't booked in a time, please let me know - I'm happy to find a time that suits you.

Have a great week,  
Olivia Doyle

### 3/4 News

Year 3/4 literacy group are still working on persuasive writing.

We are discussing, sharing and practising writing the different components that make up a good quality piece of written work.

In mathematics we have been practising our times tables. Everyone is at different levels with this but are keen to learn.

We have also been revising and learning about 2D shapes and angles.

In our cogs unit the children have been working in groups to research and describe features of a particular planet. It has been fantastic to see great co-operative work happening.

The children are getting fitter with all the cross-country practice they have been doing. I am very proud of them as they are all having a go and improving!

Thank you to the parents who have returned their notes back for their parent teacher interview. Looking forward to discussing your child's progress.

Have a great week!

Mrs Hogarth

### 5/6 News

What a fantastic week!

We had a visit from Narraweena Public School and made some great friends.

On Monday we had a welcome BBQ for the Sydney students, which was so much fun, Mr Stewart even came to say hi!

On Tuesday we all went to Orange world and learnt a lot about Oranges. Just ask your children they will be able to tell you many amazing facts that Mario told us about his wonderful fruit block.

In the afternoon we did some Deadly Aboriginal painting with Nello and then in the afternoon we found out some amazing facts about Mungo from Mr Ron Jackson. All topped off with learning how to throw a Boomerang.

Yesterday our Year 6 students travelled to Mungo National Park with the Narraweena students and although it was hot we had a great day.

Remember to keep practicing your times tables...this is important homework, which will help you when completing maths work at school.

Thanks,  
Leanne.

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### Website of the Week

#### Count Me In Too

*Count Me In Too* is a program developed to support the effective teaching of mathematics in years K-6. The program melds findings from research about how children learn mathematics, with research on effective professional development. Your children can access fun games which will assist them in learning new mathematics concepts and revise concepts already taught. Once you open the site just click on "children" and the games will appear.

[http://](http://www.curriculumsupport.education.nsw.gov.au/countmein/children.html)

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## LIBRARY, LEGS & OUTDOOR ED

### Library



This week we have had new furniture and shelving delivered. Thank you Mrs Mirana, the library is looking much brighter. Come in and check it out for yourselves. I have enrolled the whole school for the Premiers Reading Challenge. This program runs until September and all the children have to do is read books from the PRC list. The list is made up of fantastic books, both fiction and non-fiction. Children who successfully complete the challenge will celebrate with a party at the end of the year. I

will send out Reading record sheets this week.

Lets all get reading.  
Merren.

### LEGS

This week in L.E.G.S, we have commenced our rotations. We have been practicing our spelling and learning about Proper Nouns. We also put taste words in sentences. Last weeks hamburgers were delicious, and today we have made pizzas. We are very pleased with the progress the children are making in their reading, and writing.

Thanks

Merren and Blanche



### Outdoor Education

**Well, these cooler mornings and days are great for the garden, (and gardeners!). Our pea straw mulch has arrived and we will be spreading it over the next week or so. Our most pressing job now the weather has cooled is to move our strawberries to their new bed and get them settled so they fruit in the spring. We have to shift some irises first and if anyone would like some bearded iris corms, come and see Mrs Niemann. We also need to get the heater sorted for the aquaponics. Grade 5/6 will be working to design and build a heater. Students have been asked to start exploring their design. There are some great ideas on YouTube and online so get to it. Bring your designs in ASAP!**

**Grade 1/2 students have been learning about animals and their needs and how different animals are the same and different. Grade 3/4 have also been exploring the features of different types of organisms and 5/6 are working on the transpiration system of plants and doing experiments around this.**

**Remember, if you want any strawberry plants or iris corms, please send a supermarket bag and I will dig some up and send them home. Remember there is celery so send a bag and we will pick some for your child to bring home.**

Mrs Niemann

### Vege of the Week



This is the first of our new feature each week in the newsletter, plant of the week. Each week I will let you know about a vegetable or herb that can be planted at that time of the year and a recipe to go with it. Keep your eye out and encourage your budding gardeners to have a go at getting their vegetable patch going. Children form habits and hobbies that last a lifetime and it is a healthy and interest to grow (and cook!) your own vegetables. This week, we have lots of veggies to choose from but it is the perfect time to plant:

#### \*BROCCOLI\*

Autumn is the perfect time to plant brassicas, which is what we call plants from the cabbage family.

You can use broccoli to make a healthy stir-fry. Here is a recipe you can cook quickly with the kids.

#### EASY STIR-FRY

2 tsp soy sauce  
2 tsp oyster sauce  
Teaspoon oil to fry  
500g lamb or chicken thinly sliced  
2 fresh long red chillies, deseeded, thinly sliced  
2 garlic cloves, thinly sliced  
500g broccoli, cut into florets  
60ml (1/4 cup) chicken stock  
6 spring onions, ends trimmed, cut into 4cm lengths  
1/2 cup coarsely shredded fresh mint leaves  
Steamed rice, to serve

**Step 1** Combine the Soy sauce and oyster sauce in a small bowl.

**Step 2** Heat a wok over high heat. Put in oil to lightly grease. Add one-third of the lamb or chicken and stir-fry for 1-2 minutes or until browned. Transfer to a heatproof bowl. Repeat, in 2 more batches, with the remaining meat, reheating the wok between batches.

**Step 3** Heat the wok over high heat. Put in oil to lightly grease. Add the chilli and garlic, and stir-fry for 1 minute. Add the broccoli and stock, and stir-fry for 2 minutes. Add the shallot and stir-fry for 1 minute or until the shallot softens slightly.

**Step 4** Add meat and soy sauce mixture to the wok, and stir-fry for 1-2 minutes or until heated through. Serve with steamed rice.

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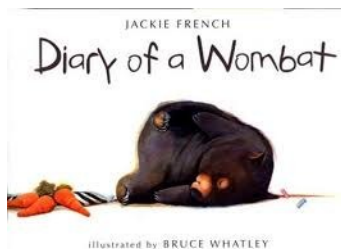
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### Book of the Week

#### Diary of a Wombat

She sleeps. She eats. She scratches. She is training humans to become better pets. She is Mothball, a wombat with attitude.

Award-winning author Jackie French's love of wombats comes alive in this cheeky observation of Mothball's life, while Bruce Whatley's captivating illustrations of Mothball's antics shows just how entertaining and endearing wombats



## WEEK 7 - CLASS AWARDS

### K/1

#### Star of the Week

*Leteshya Roberts*

#### Class Awards

*Zach Boundy*

*Eliza Kitchingman*

### 1/2

#### Star of the Week

*Jarell Ritchie*

#### Class Awards

*Kaleb Driscoll*

*Brandon Sobkowiak*

*Lleyton Johnson*

### 3/4

#### Star of the Week

*Jason Mitchell*

#### Class Awards

*Trae Taylor*

*Shanee Watson*

### 5/6

#### Star of the Week

*Ruby Olofsson*

#### Class Awards

*Brad Ricardi*

*Lee Evans*

*Shenae Sleader*

### Mrs Mirana's Class of the Week

*Congratulations to 1/2*

Great to see so many of you being sent to the office for great work, I look forward to making more good phone calls home.



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App of the Week

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### Counting Caterpillar

## Vege of the Week

A counting app for preschoolers and kindergarteners from the developers of the best-selling kid's app, Shape-O! ABCs. Counting Caterpillar teaches the basics of counting with fun



## P & C NEWS



### THANK YOU

to all those families that have purchased Buronga Bake Hot Cross Buns. They

will be available for pick up at the **End of school day, Monday 25th March 2013 from the P&C Room.. (Room near uniform shop)**

Please keep selling those raffle tickets, more raffle books available at the front office. Please keep bringing in your

donations towards this raffle anything is greatly appreciated. Thanks to those families that have donated something towards the Easter raffle. Tickets are \$1 each and drawn on Thursday 28th March 2013.

Don't forget our next P & C Meeting at 7pm on Wednesday 10th April in the new meeting room. We welcome all parents and carers. It would be great to see some new faces.

Thanks,  
Lauren.

## Did you miss Netball Sign Up?

We are still taking registrations for Net-Set-Go, Grade 2/3 and Grade 4/5. This year the Gol Gol Hawks Football/Netball Club are entering two 'Golly Hawks' junior netball teams in the Mildura Netball Assoc. Competition played at Mansell Reserve on Saturday mornings starting in Term.2. The 'Net, Set, Go' program will again be running at the Gol Gol Courts, and there will be an option to be involved in both\* (see the age groups below to see what's available). All Net -Set-Go, Grade 2/3 and Grade 4/5 starts in Term 2 – Tues 8<sup>th</sup> May 5pm.

Who?	What?	When?	Where?
4yr old Presch– Yr.1:	'Net, Set, Go'	Tues. 5-6pm	Gol Gol Courts
*Yr.2 – Yr.3	'Net, Set, Go' *Plus Game Day option  (numbers permit- ting)	Tues. 5-6pm Sat mornings	Gol Gol Courts Mansell Reserve
* Yr.4 – Yr.5	Training Game Day	Thurs. 5-6pm Sat mornings	Gol Gol Courts Mansell Reserve

Parents welcome to get involved – no netball experience required. Email Alana for registration forms.

Any questions contact: Alana Mills (0409503233)  
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**The Lower Anabranch  
Sporting & Landcare  
Group Inc.**

are holding their  
**Annual Picnic and  
Sports Day**

**On Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>  
April 2013 at 1pm  
sharp**

Starting with the kids  
running races.

Entry free, Raffle and  
Lolly guess held.

Afternoon tea supplied  
including cordial for the  
kids.

BYO drinks, shared  
evening BBQ, please  
bring meat and a salad.  
Evening entertainment  
provided.

Coin roll.

**A great family day!**

Irymple Basketball Association

# MINIBALL

[www.ibabasketball@sportingpulse.net.au](mailto:www.ibabasketball@sportingpulse.net.au)

**REGISTRATION 2013**

**20<sup>th</sup> April 2013**

## MINIBALL

is an introduction and skills based Basketball Program for primary school aged children. The program is player-centred, fun-focused and affordable to all. It provides opportunities to learn, play with your friends and to develop important social skills in a convenient safe and friendly environment. Miniball caters for ALL, Girls and Boys who are currently attending a primary school from Prep to grade 6.

**Date** : Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2013.  
(Registration day)

**Where** : Mildura Basketball Stadium in  
8<sup>th</sup> Street (hothouse).

**Time** : 9.30am Prep – Grade 1 :  
10.30am Grade 2 – 6

**Cost** : \$45 per player - Registration  
: \$5 each week

**How to Register?**

Attending on registration day.

No online registration's

**For more information contact:**

**Nicole 0434331731**

**Kel 03 50233897**

### Maths Game of the Week

**You will need:** A pack of cards & some  
family members.

#### Kindy

#### Number Recognition

Teacher turns over a card. The students  
see how long it takes to name all the  
cards in a pack.

#### Year 1/2

#### Salute

Three people need to play this game. Use  
a short deck – cards 2-10. Deal one card  
each face down. When the dealer says  
salute each player raises the card to his or  
her forehead. The dealer states the total  
of the cards when added together. Each  
player has to determine the total of the  
card being held to his or her forehead by  
looking at the other person's card and  
subtracting this amount from the total.

#### Year 3-6

**Salute**—Instead of adding cards, multiply  
them.



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Term 2, 2013.

Places on the Program are being given  
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Contact Anita Cowlshaw on 08 8080  
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[ACowlshaw@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ACowlshaw@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au)

You can also visit  
[www.mendprogramme.org](http://www.mendprogramme.org) and click on  
'Join a MEND Program'.

**\*Please note a parent or carer must  
accompany each child to every ses-  
sion\***