

# Narrogin Primary School

Independent Public School



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## Dates to Remember

- Wednesday 4 & 5 September - School Photos

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Carers and visitors to our school must remember to sign in at the front office when visiting the school. While it is not necessary when picking up or dropping students off, all other visits should be recorded.

For the **safety of both visitors and students**, it is important that we know who is on school grounds at any particular time. Thank you for your assistance.

## Certificates of Merit

Thank you to all those parents and students who completed the Certificate of Merits for staff. We received an overwhelming response from our school community and your positive comments are greatly appreciated by all staff members.

## School Lunches

Reminder to parents dropping off lunches for their children, the siren goes at **12.30pm**. Please deliver lunches to the front office before that time.

## Thank you

We would like to thank the Wiese family for their kind donation of sand for the jump pits.

## School Photos

Please note the date for School Photos has been changed to Wednesday 4 and Thursday 5 September 2013.

### PASSPORTS

Effective tomorrow our passports will be available. For those people who have already handed in a list of activities, these will be entered into your book and any points redeemed already, marked off. Anyone wishing to get a new book who has not handed in a list, please send a request to the front office with your child, or drop in and see Miss Ness.

### HEADLICE

There have been many reports recently of head lice. Please take the time to check your children's hair for live lice and eggs. If you find head lice, treatment must be

started before your children return to school. There are many types of treatment available for purchase, but please remember that unless you are diligent in combing out the eggs, the lice will hatch and begin the cycle all over again.

To try and prevent children contracting head lice, students are reminded to have their hair tied up at all times. Regular hair brushing also reduces head lice as any live lice combed by a hair brush can have their legs broken, stopping them from moving about the hair.

### STUDENTS ARRIVING EARLY TO SCHOOL

The school does not provide supervision prior to 8.30am and we ask that students not be present before that time. Students are required to go directly to their classrooms after an 8.30am arrival, to prepare for the day. If students do arrive early, they are required to sit on the seats outside the junior cluster. Exception to this rule is if they are attending breakfast club.

### NEW TOWN BUS SERVICE



The new Town Bus commenced service today. Last Thursday all town bus children participated in a specially organised session to learn bus etiquette and how to travel safely.

Members of the general public are also able to access this service.

We are currently negotiating with the PTA to have this bus service operate on Tuesdays, leaving the school at 2.30pm, in line with our early close. **Until this time, parents of town bus children will need to organise for the collection of their children from the school at 2.30pm from tomorrow.**

A brochure with the timed route and map went home with town bus students, last week. There are brochures on display in each classroom for the students to see, and we will also have a link available on our website.

All Community members are advised that the new bus drop off zone is on Williams Road, opposite the Tuckerbox. Please ensure you do not park in the drop off area.

### ROAD SAFETY MESSAGE

All Parents/Carers are reminded of the importance of Road Safety in the vicinity of the school. Please note that special speed limits apply between the hours of 7.30am – 9.00am and 2.30pm – 4.00pm. There are also restricted parking zones in the vicinity of the school on Williams Road.

Please become familiar with these signs and be mindful of where you drop off and pick up your child. Parents are also requested to discuss with their child/children the importance of crossing under the direction of our Traffic Warden, Mr Ian Harper.

The safety of our students is in everybody's hands.



### LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK WINNERS

As announced at Friday's Assembly, below are the winners of our daily Math's challenge and Family Numeracy challenge, which were run during Literacy and Numeracy week.

#### Daily Maths Challenge

Monday	(Jnr)	Kaylah Smith	2/3B
	(Snr)	Jeremy Ugle	5F
Tuesday	(Jnr)	Lexi Ashton	1A
	(Snr)	Monica Wells	6/7M
Wednesday	(Jnr)	Jack Kensett-Smith	2/3M
	(Snr)	Cooper O'Neill	4TT
Thursday	(Jnr)	Fraser O'Neill	2/3Mc
	(Snr)	Jessica Shepherd	6/7H
Friday	(Jnr)	Drew Duffey	2/3Mc
	(Snr)	Bailey Knell	6/7H
Pre-Primary		Kade Kulker	PPA
		Zavier de Gruchy	PPB

### Numeracy Family Challenge

Jack Carter

Pratt Family – Brennan, Michaela & Caitlin

### STATE CROSS COUNTRY



Last week Dan Wiese travelled to Perth for the State Cross Country Championships. Congratulations for coming 37<sup>th</sup> out of 288 competitors. A fantastic effort.

### CANTEEN NEWS

**Can you please ensure all lunch orders are placed in your class baskets or ordered at the canteen before recess.**

Thank you to E Geyser & C George for volunteering their time last week.

#### The Roster for this week

Tuesday	20 August	S O'Neill
Wednesday	21	J Draper
Thursday	22	Help Needed
Friday	23	Help Needed
Tuesday	27	K Tulipan

Just a reminder that the canteen no longer sells LOLs or mini callipos.

*Canteen Staff – Mandy Muller and Tracey Palmer*

### MOORDITJ NOONGAR MANEETH (STRONG NOONGAR YOUTHS)



Our group has been on two excursions to look at the past history of our grandparents.

We learnt about life back in the days of our ancestors, grandparents and relatives. We travelled around Narrogin looking and exploring the old reserves where some of our family lived when they were young like us.



We learnt how it was harder for them, than it is for us. They had time restrictions for the amount of time they were allowed in town. They had to walk to town to get supplies and gather food. Mr Kickett showed us the ruins of the Transition Houses, where his family lived, so they could prove they could live in a house. The house was made of tin and concrete and very small. We searched around and found old money, pots, spoons, a kettle, iron, beds, a clock, washing machine, shoes and a very cold bobtail! It was a great time and we learnt a lot from Mr Kickett. Our second excursion took us to an old mud brick prison. We learnt how this prison was used as a half way stopping point between Williams and Narrogin because the journey was too long for a day's travel. We visited old grave sites and Congellin dam and followed the old railway line. We saw kangaroos and Mr Kickett spoke to us about hunting and looking, observing and listening to the sounds around us. We can learn from listening just like in school. We travelled home through Dryandra looking at the changing landscape. We had a great time and a special thanks to Mr Chadd Kickett for driving us.

We are now working on two more events. A sporting game and the WA Agriculture College. Thank you

Joharnan, Ethaniel, Liam, Djuarne and Jonathan.

### CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK!

On Tuesday the 20 of August, come dressed as your favourite book character.

If you are unable to dress up as your favourite book character, you are welcome to come dressed as the theme of the week.

The theme is "read the universe."

### YEAR 7 CAMP PHOTOS



Students at Fremantle Prison



Jess the new snake handler!



Year 7 students at the Bell Tower

### P & C NEWS

#### Volunteers Needed

Canteen Treasurer – approx 1 hour per week

#### Uniform Coordinators

Approx – 6 hours per month

Could easily be a shared position – perhaps find a friend to share with.

Contact – Brenton Hayes – P & C President 98812727

### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### **NARROGIN SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAY & MARKET FAIR STALL HOLDERS WANTED!**

Saturday 7 September, 10 am – 3 pm.

School & Residential College tours, seminars, fashion parade, buskers, musical performances, market & food stalls, kids activities & more!

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