

Narrogin Primary School

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Dates to Remember

- **Friday 15 November** – Uniforms at Falcon St Kindergarten 11.30am
- **Saturday 16 November** – P&C Market Day
- **Thursday 21 November** – Assembly 1A
- **Friday 29 November** – School development day (students do not attend school)
- **Sunday 24 November** – P&C Triathlon

FROM THE PRINCIPALS DESK

Vi Barham

As you are aware Bill Wiese was a top ten finalist in the 2013 Vi Barham Award for Excellence. Bill made a fantastic speech on the day which was very well prepared and witty. We are extremely proud of Bill's achievements and congratulate him on being a finalist. This award was won by Laurn Hope-Blyth from St Patricks Primary School in Katanning.



Student class requests for 2014

It is important to note that parent requests may assist us in working out class placements however the requests will not, in any way, be binding on our placement of students into their 2014 classes. The school considers many aspects to produce an even spread of academic, behavioural and social abilities when formulating our classes. The school also looks at class sizes, gender and the specific needs of our special needs students. Our priority is to produce classes that are evenly balanced. If you would like the Principal to consider your special request for student placement for 2014, please write your request and put it in a sealed envelope addressed to "The Principal" and hand it into the front office no later than 3.30pm Friday 22 November.

Student Councillors 2014

The 2014 Student Councillors will be made up of 10 Year 6 students and 10 Year 7 students. Two staff members will be responsible for managing the group and ensuring their leadership qualities are developed. This decision has been approved by the School Board. Student Council Elections for 2014 will be held in the school undercover area on Tuesday 3 December at 1.10pm. All students from Year 4 to 7 will have the opportunity to attend and listen to the nominees' speeches before voting for their choice of Student Councillor. Student Councillor nominees' will be informed of the results via a letter sent home with them on Thursday 5 December. A formal announcement of successful candidates will be made at assembly on the 6 December.

WARM WEATHER REQUEST

A reminder to parents that all students are required to wear hats when going outside. If your child requires a new hat, they can be purchased at the Canteen for \$4.00. Please ensure your child also has a water bottle with them each day, filled with water and that students apply sunscreen before leaving in the morning.

MILO T20 BLAST CRICKET CUP (Year 5 – 7)

This year's Milo Cricket Carnival will be held on Friday 22 November. Excursion notes will be out very soon. We urgently require six parent helpers to supervise a boys or girls team for the day and umpire/score. Please let the school office know if you can assist. Students are reminded to wear school sports uniform, hat and bring food and drink bottle to participate in the carnival.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Yesterday November 11 was Remembrance Day and students from Years 4-7 attended the town service. Alexander White wrote and presented a fantastic speech about what "Remembrance Day" means to him as a young Australian. Congratulations to Alexander on a well written and rehearsed speech. You represented our school very proudly. It was also acknowledged by Mr Hendrikus Chattillon that it was great to see so many school students attend as they will be the ones who will carry the traditions of "Remembrance Day" in the future.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Families that ordered and paid for class, individual and family photos should have received these at the end of last week. If you did not, please ask your child's class teacher. If for some reason you are not happy with your photo/s, please contact MSP directly on 93423465. Please note that photos not returned to MSP within 14 days will not be eligible for a refund.

Available at the office are our Student Councillor 2013 and Moorditj Noongar Maneeth group photos. If you are interested in ordering one of these photos, please call in and have a look. We will take your orders and payment and send this off as a bulk order to MSP. The cost of each photo is \$15.00. The school will accept orders for these photos until Monday November 25.

TEDDY BEAR HOSPITAL

On Thursday 31 October, our two Pre-Primary classes were asked to bring in their teddy bears. Fifth year medical students operated four stations where students and their teddies got the experience of a typical doctor's visit with a waiting room, doctors examination rooms and the pharmacy area where medicines (in this case fruit) were distributed to teddy and child alike. The teddies had a variety of ailments including nits, many broken bones, stomach aches etc and came suitably bandaged and splinted from their visit to the doctor. Ultimately we hope this will help your child feel more comfortable when next they visit the doctor. We would like to thank the four trainee doctors who organised and manned this clinic – it was a fantastic experience for all.

NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS

On Monday November 25, all students from our school will be travelling to Narrogin Senior High School to participate in a combined schools NAIDOC celebration. Other cultural activities will be available for the students at the school during the week. Permission notes will be going home with students later this week.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT DAY

Last Friday was our 2014 Kindergarten Enrolment Day. Thank you to the many families who responded to our invitation to attend and completed enrolment procedures for their child on this day. If you were unable to make this day and have not yet contacted us to make an alternative time to complete this process, please do so ASAP. We would like to establish groups as soon as we can to give families time to organise day care, buses etc for next year. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Carter at the school.

P&C NEWS

Thank you to Sue Rowe who has been a fantastic Canteen Treasurer over the past couple of years. We

certainly appreciate your time and effort. We would like to welcome Kristie Nottle to our team. Kristie has kindly offered to take over the role of Canteen Treasurer so that we can continue to run a great canteen for the students. Thank you very much Kristie.

Our new uniform co-ordinator, Mrs Krystle Beresford, will be at the Falcon St Kindergarten this coming Friday at 12.30pm to take orders/sizing for Kindergarten students who will be attending Pre-Primary next year.

If you are interested in becoming involved with the P&C, please call Brenton Hayes on 9881 2277.

Sunsmart Narrogin Triathlon

Sunday 24 November 9am start

12.30pm presentations

Organised by the Narrogin Primary School P & C
Categories for juniors, open and vets as individuals and teams

Swim/bike/run over a choice of 4 distances;

Mini 50m/0.8km/0.4km, Intro 100m/2.4km/0.8km, Short 200m/8km/2.4km, Long 400m/16km/4.8km

Entry forms available from Narrogin Primary School office or at the following website;

www.narroginprimaryschool.wa.edu.au

For more information contact Sarah Wiese -
ph 9885 9050, fax 9885 9060
email wiese@activ8.net.au

Sundowner

It has been another productive year for the P&C. Over the course of the year, we have been involved in busy bees (doesn't the new rose garden look great?), upgrading the basketball rings, purchasing choir shirts, improving playground areas, running discos, purchasing a variety of equipment. We are about to purchase two new shade tents for student use on sports days as well as run a great Sunsmart Triathlon! We couldn't have done this without the wonderful support of so many parents and staff and wish to thank our volunteers by inviting their families to our P&C sundowner on **Tuesday 10 December**. Invitations to the sundowner will be sent home shortly to our volunteers. We are looking forward to celebrating our achievements by sharing a drink and a sausage sizzle with you. There will also be icy poles for the kids. Further details will be in the invitations so keep a look out for yours.

CANTEEN NEWS

Thank you to last week's helpers: Lee Conlon, Janine Dewing, Julie Draper and Dominique Malek, your help is always appreciated.

This week's roster:

Wednesday 13 November

Tracey Barrow

Thursday 14 November

Elaine Geyser

Friday 15 November

Cherie Abednego

Monday 18 November

Jane Pratt

Milkshake day is next Monday 18 November. These need to be pre-ordered no later than Friday. Cost is \$2.50.

Canteen Staff – Mandy Muller and Tracey Palmer