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Dates to Remember

- Friday 16 August – Assembly 4TT

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.

Year 7 Camp

Our Year 7 students are currently on their way to Point Peron for a week of camp. We wish them well, they are sure to have an exciting time, giving them plenty to write about in their camp journals.

Staff

Congratulations to Julie Thompson and Chelsea Coxon, who were successful in winning the fixed term Education Assistant positions.

Front Office

In the office this term, we would like to welcome Che-Anne Turvey, who is a year 12 student at Narrogin Senior High School. Che-Anne is a work place learning student and in our office on Friday's. Please make her feel welcome.

Staff Certificates

Thank you to those families who have returned award certificates for staff. If you haven't had time to complete a certificate yet, it is not too late, as we will be presenting them to staff members after the final return date, of 16 August.

School Photo's

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

LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK

VISIT FROM FREMANTLE LITERATURE CENTRE

Last Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, we were very fortunate to have Sarah Dyson from the Fremantle Literature Centre working with each of our Year 1 – 7

classes. Years 1 – 3 studied the book 'Clancy and Millie and the Very Fine House' written by Libby Gleeson and illustrated by Freya Blackwood. Years 4-7 investigated the book 'The Littlest Refuge' written by Anh Do and Suzanne Do and illustrated by Bruce Whatley. Each class were guided through an in-depth study of their particular book by Sarah, providing lots of additional information about the illustrators and the particular books that could not be gleaned from the books alone. You will be able to see the follow up work that classes did upon returning to their classrooms during our Open Classrooms evening on Tuesday 10 September. A big thank you to Mrs Heather McDougall for all of the hard work she did in organising this visit.

NUMERACY CHALLENGES

Thank you to the many families who took the time to complete our **Family Numeracy Challenge** last week. Congratulations to the six families who had all 30 answers correct. Your family will go into the draw to win one of two family prizes. This will be announced at the assembly on Friday 16 August.

Rubbish Free Lunch Time

Last Thursday, 5F ran the "Rubbish Free Lunch Time". Our aim was to make parents and students aware of how much rubbish they were using in their lunchboxes and to think about some ways they could reduce it. It was very encouraging to see a lot of students bringing items with no packaging such as salads and soups. The 5F students collected nearly **6.2kgs of rubbish**, just from one lunch time, from the PP- Year 7 students. The winning classes that had the least rubbish per student were PPA and 2/3B.



Nate, Michaela, Caleb, Kallie & Dylan collecting rubbish.



The 6.2kgs of rubbish that we collected

Daily Math Challenge

As part of Literacy and Numeracy week, a math challenge was issued to all the PP – Year 7 students every day. It was great to see so many students taking part. A Junior (Yr 1–Yr 3) and Senior (Yr 4–Yr 7) winner was drawn each day and two Pre-Primary winners overall. The 12 winners will be announced and Math themed prizes will be awarded at the next assembly on 16 August.

Miss Farrell

Thank you Miss Farrell for organising the Daily Maths Challenges and Waste Free Lunch.

TRY A TRADE – SHEARING

On Wednesday July 31, we were fortunate to have Thommo and Pope visit our school with a trailer load of sheep. Senior classes were able to watch some sheep being shorn and help sort the wool, with younger students having the opportunity to watch sheep being shorn at lunch time and at other times during the day. We were all very impressed with the knowledge and questions that our students asked. Thank you to CYO'Connor TAFE for providing this opportunity for our students.



Liam, Regan, Aidan and Ivan – inspecting the fleece



“Thommo and Pope” showing how it’s done



MUSIC NEWS

We recently had some students experimenting with beat and rhythm using different instruments.



Stephen was on the drums



Jacob and Connor with the ukulele's



Max finding the rhythm of the drum

CHAPLAIN CHAT

Friday Lunch time Activities

We will commence this Friday! Due to the sports carnival trial we were unable to start last Friday.

I have 10 canvas' available for those students who may not have one, they can be purchased for \$4.00 each.

We have sixteen students joining in this activity, which is sure to be enjoyable for the students as well as a great gift for Dads.

*Blessings
Jennifer Pollard
Chaplain*

CANTEEN NEWS

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

Reminder - there will be a Canteen meeting on Tuesday 6 August at 2.30pm in the canteen to discuss the new menu. All interested parents are welcome to attend.

Thank you to L Conlan, T Barrow, J Young & C George for volunteering their time this week.

The Roster for this week

Tuesday	6 August	K Kensett-Smith
Wednesday	7	Help Needed
Thursday	8	J Dewing
Friday	9	J Sieber
Tuesday	13	K Tulipan

After attending the Canteen Convention on the holidays, we have found a few items that we sell have now become RED items in the traffic light system. As a result we will **no longer be stocking LOL's (all flavours) & Mini Calippo's.**

Canteen Staff – Mandy Muller and Tracey Palmer

P & C NEWS

Next Meeting

Tuesday 13 August at 7:30pm in the staffroom. We hope to see you there!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Narrogin & Districts Netball Association 2013 Masquerade Cocktail Party (18+ Event)

Saturday 10 August 2013

7.30 pm to 1.00 am

John Higgins Centre Narrogin

Tickets \$40.00 from Narrogin Technology
Solutions

*Party the night away to the amazing Perth band
"Flame"*

WESCARPADES Saturday 10 August 2013

East Narrogin Primary P&C will be holding a Breakfast between 7-9am to raise money for Camp Quality and kids living with Cancer. Cars will be on display in their Hansard St car park.