

Narrogin Primary School



"In The Pursuit Of Excellence"

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COMING EVENTS:

Tuesday 9 April	P&C Meeting Pre-Primary Obstacle-a-thon
Wednesday 10 April	School Board meeting
Friday 12 April	Assembly – Class 5/6B Kindy Obstacle-a-thon
Monday 15 April	Eagles Border Patrol visit
Wednesday 17 April	Canteen AGM @3.30pm
Thursday 18 April	P&C Disco
Friday 19 April	ANZAC Service Last day of Term

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Office hours

Please be aware the school office does not officially open until 8.30am. If you telephone before 8.30am, there is no guarantee that office staff will be available to answer your call. If you would like to advise us that your child will be absent, another alternative is to wait until you receive your SMS absence and reply to that.

Healthy Cooking

Narrogin Healthy Lifestyles Project have been running healthy cooking classes from 9.30am – 11.30am in our art room on Tuesdays. These are running for the next two weeks. There are places available in you would like to attend. Attendance at these sessions is worth stamps in your passport.

Staff Movements

There will be many occasions where your child's teacher may be released from class to become involved in professional learning.

The Narrogin Primary School Business Plan outlines our commitment to excellence in teaching and learning. We build on the culture of high expectations and the high performance of teachers by encouraging, supporting and building staff capacity for teaching excellence.

Early Childhood Student Achievement Improvement Targets

Our student achievement targets for Early Childhood Education are listed on page 7 of the Business Plan.

Over recent weeks, classroom teachers have individually tested every student in Pre-Primary, Year 1 and Year 2. This has been a very time consuming process.

It is expected that the data collected will lead to the development of improved learning programs, tailored to suit the specific individual needs of every student.

Professional Internship

We welcome Ms Tineke Conlon, who has commenced her 8 week professional internship in Mrs Byway's Year 2/3 class.

Ms Conlon, is in the final year of a Graduate Diploma of Education, at Murdoch University.

Have You Noticed Our Grounds Looking Neater?

Over recent weeks, we have had some tremendous help in our school grounds. Every Tuesday, the Greenability team can be seen raking, pruning and cleaning garden beds and fence lines around the school.

We are thrilled to have Greenability assisting us and we look forward to their involvement each week.

Tree Removal

The large eucalypt, which was growing in the middle of the Pre-Primary adventure playground area, has been removed due to mounting concern for the safety of students.

The Department of Finance, Housing and Works ordered the removal of the tree as it had developed the tendency to shed large limbs



The tree being removed over the weekend

CANWA HIP HOP

Hip Hop classes have been running this term for forty of our senior students. The Urban Youth Crew are performing this coming Saturday at the Williams Expo and have invited four lucky students to perform with them. Congratulations to Lucy Ward, Piper Edwards, Cailen Narkle and Joharnan Bolton. They will be performing from 1pm.

EAGLES BORDER PATROL

On Monday 15 April, Narrogin Primary School is lucky to be having the Eagles Border Patrol team visiting the school.

Border Patrol is a program jointly presented by Toyota WA and the West Coast Eagles, with the added support of BHP Billiton. This partnership allows for the Eagles Rock My School (ERMS) program to be implemented in schools. ERMS concentrates on delivering positive messages of healthy lifestyle choices, values (especially Respect) and a focus on inclusive behaviours. We have been told that one of the Eagles legends, either Ross Glendinning (inaugural captain of the West Coast Eagles, Brownlow Medallist with North Melbourne and recently inducted into the AFL Hall of Fame) or Glen Jakovich (dual premiership player, four times best and fairest, twice all Australian and games record holder at the Eagles with 276 matches), will be one of our school visitors. There won't be any current day players due to training and travel commitments.

The Eagles Border Patrol, together with their mascot, Rick the Rock Eagle, will be conducting a session with our students in the undercover area commencing at 11.00am. Following this, three lucky classes will have the opportunity to do some football training with the Border Patrol team. Parents are very welcome to join us for this exciting event.

Both Ross Glendinning and Glen Jakovich together with the rest of the patrol team, will be at Narrogin Toyota from 4.00pm – 5.30pm on Monday 15 April. Children who attended this event last year had a lot of fun and received a small prize. Parents are encouraged to take their child/children to this after school event.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL

Monday's Program – Today will be the last day for our Monday program. Please watch the newsletter for when the program will recommence in Term Two.

Tuesday's Program – Tomorrow will be the last Active After School Session for this term. Out of town bus children enrolled in the program will be supervised at school next week. Afternoon tea will not be supplied.

P&C NEWS

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Lap-athon. Please bring your sponsorship money in as soon as possible. Money can be left at the school front office. The P&C are running a disco next week on Thursday night. There will be more details in next week's P&C newsletter.

HOCKEY CLINICS

Recently students from Years 1 - 7 participated in, Smarter Than Smoking Hockey Clinics run by Wheat belt Hockey Development Officer, Mr Rodney Johnson. The clinics focussed on the Hockey skills of: stick grip, dribble and the tackle. These skills should come in

handy for the coming Winter Sport Season. Thank you to Mr Rodney Johnson for delivering Clinics that were not only good fun, but enhanced the student's knowledge and understanding of Hockey. Well done to all students for their keen participation and good behaviour.



WINTER LIGHTNING CARNIVAL

The 2013 Winter Lightning Carnival will be held in term 2. Students in Years 5 - 7 will be given the opportunity to choose their preferred sport during Senior Sport this Friday.

CANTEEN

Roster for this week:

Tuesday 9 April	Dani Rowe
Wednesday 10 April	Kellie Symonds
Thursday 11 April	Jane Pratt
Friday 12 April	Cherie Abednego
Monday 15 April	Lee Conlan

Thank you to Kellie Symonds, Julie Draper and Sharon Ward who volunteered their time in the canteen last week, your help is always greatly appreciated. There will be a AGM for the canteen committee next Wednesday 17 April at 3.30pm. All welcome.

Canteen Staff - Mandy Muller & Tracey Palmer

COMMUNITY NEWS

Netball Pre-Primary/Year 1

Netball basic skills session for this age group will be run on Wednesdays from 4 to 5 during Term 2 at the Recreation Centre. Cost \$60 (includes Net Set Go pack) plus entry to leisure centre \$4 per day.

Registration available at Rec Centre from 4pm, 8th May with Flames or Olympics. Please contact Lee Conlan 9881 5029 for more information.

ACADEMY NETBALL TEAM SELECTIONS

Players wishing to participate in N&DNA academy teams are advised the last selection trial is this coming Saturday 13 April 1.30pm-3.30pm at the Leisure centre.

Age groups are 12/U, 13/U, 14/U, 15/U, 16/U, 17/U
For more information contact Karen Walker by email

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JUNIOR HOCKEY SUPA CLINIC

20 and 21 April 2013, Narrogin Hockey Turf
Sat 1.00pm – 6.00pm, Sun 9.00am – 1.00pm

\$60 per participant. Contact Rodney Johnson for nomination form 0409 625 428 or
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