It seems like ages since the beginning of term, time is moving so fast. Welcome to the second term of 2015! Since the beginning of term we have had a number of notable occasions, such as the Narrabeen excursion, Mother’s Day High Tea, ANZAC Day assembly and our NAPLAN Assessment.

Narrabeen:

I had the pleasure of escorting 12 of our Stage 3 students to Sydney, to attend the Sydney Academy of Sport for 5 days. All students were an inspiration, showing risk taking skills, social values and above all independence. They entertained the South African Rugby League team, paddled in kayaks, climbed up a very tall rock wall and then abseiled down the other side. They walked the Sydney Harbour Bridge, travelled on a Manly Ferry, experienced the culinary delights of Darling Harbour (although many chose KFC) and sailed a small catamaran on Lake Narrabeen. I’m sure it will be an excursion they will have many positive memories of for years to come. If any students have photos that they would like to share please have them bring them into school, preferably on a usb. The school also has photos which we can send home as well.

High Tea:

Last Friday the school hosted a ‘Mother’s Day High Tea’, in honour for all the love and guidance mother’s provide. A great turn out of mothers, grandmothers and aunties occurred, which was great to see. Our students out did themselves with their culinary skills under the careful guidance of Ben Howitt, on Thursday. The Year 6 students were admirable in their handling of their waitering duties and demonstrated mature leadership skills. A big thankyou to Mrs Adamson and Birgit for the provision of equipment and assisting in the organisation.

NAPLAN:

As you are aware we are in middle of this year’s NAPLAN Assessment, with Language Conventions, Writing and Reading Skills completed, we only have Numeracy to complete tomorrow and then the Yr 3’s & Yr 5’s can breathe a sigh of relief. Remember that the NAPLAN assessment is only a snapshot of your child at that point in time. Results will be sent out to schools and parents later in September.

Have a great week and keep warm!!

Julie Eason
Principal
NEWS FROM MR CONNOR:

Hello everyone,

Welcome to week four already! We’ve had some exciting events over the last couple of weeks such as the soccer clinic, the high tea for mother’s day and NAPLAN which is being done over the next couple of days.

With cross country not far away, the students have been running laps of the school every morning for around 15 minutes. It’s great to see most of the students putting in lots of effort especially Bethany Jansen and Erica Hayes just to name a couple.

For the remainder of the Term, stage two and three students will be looking at ‘living things’ in science, such as a range of plants and animals which will work well with our gardening program.

Thanks,
Mr. Connor

CROSS COUNTRY:

Cross Country will be on next Thursday starting at 12.00 noon. We are in the process of organising an activity for the morning. A permission note with more information will go out the next couple of days.

NARRABEEN EXCURSION PHOTOS:

NEWS FROM MRS ADAMSON:

We would like to welcome our new Year 1 student, Damenica Brain, to our class and to the school. Damenica is settling in, making new friends and being shown around the school by her classmates. We are sure that her parents, Angela and Andrew as well as her siblings will fit in nicely into our beautiful school community.

Our theme for this term is Friendship, we are reading books about friendship, discussing what a great friend and classmate ‘is’, ‘does’, ‘says’ and ‘is not’.

In Maths we have been learning about area and addition. In spelling Sarah is learning the letter Uu, Year 1’s rule is ‘aw’ sounds like ‘or’ and Year 2, ‘ew’ words such, as dew, new, threw.

We have been running every day in preparation for the Cross Country which is next Thursday and are looking forward to it.

Thanks
Jenny Adamson
SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS: REMINDER
Thank you to the parents who have already paid the School Contributions. These are a major source of revenue for the school. These fees help to enable us to acquire the materials to run our school smoothly. As you would understand, the costs are going up, school materials becoming increasingly more expensive and these contributions are necessary to help ensure adequate resourcing. We also plan to do more cooking in Peer Support and therefore asking for the first child in the family $75, thereafter $30 per child.
Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or would like to pay the contributions in instalments.

CANTEEN:
Please remind your children to have their lunch order in by the latest Wednesday morning (on canteen weeks). Parents on duty please be here at least half an hour before recess to get organized. Thank you
Recess: 11.00 am – 11.30 am and
Lunch: 1.00 pm – 1.45 pm

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Community News

Parenting Program

The Parenting Program aims to support and strengthen families and contribute to the overall wellbeing of children and families.

The Parenting program is a FREE service and offers a range of parenting groups as well as one to one parenting assistance, either centre based or within the family home.

The Parenting program covers communities within the Deniliquin, Conargo, Murray, Berrigan, Jerilderie and Wakool Shires.

To speak to a Parenting Worker call 03 5890 5200