

NARRE WARREN NORTH

Newsletter No. 7 – 11th May, 2017

DIARY DATES

Thursday, 11th May Last day for District Cross Country payments

Friday, 12th May
Assembly at 9.00am
Mothers' Day Stall
Grade 5 & 6 Interschool Sport

<u>Tuesday 16th May</u> District Cross Country

at our school

Wednesday, 17th May
Last day for Grades Prep to 6
Life Education Incursion
payments

Friday, 19th May Grade 5 & 6 Interschool Sport at Fleetwood Primary

Monday, 22nd May
Last day for Australian Maths
Competition payments

Wednesday, 24th May
Prep Grandparents' morning
Last day for Special Lunch Orders
Open Night & Book Fair
6.30 to 8.00pm

24th to 30th May Life Education Incursion for Grades Prep to 6

> Friday, 26th May Assembly at 9.00am

<u>Wednesday, 31st May</u> Special Lunch day – Pre-ordered

Monday 5th to Friday 9th June Grades 5/6 Coonawarra Camp

<u>Tuesday, 13th June</u> Rescheduled Cool Calm Kids for Grades Prep, 1 & 2A

<u>Tuesday, 20th June</u> School Review – Parent Forum 9.30am

Principal's Pen

Uniforms

There have been some issues regarding the quality of the new silky polo tops and the lack of smaller sized TShirts. I have been in contact with Beleza and we have agreed to the following:

All parents who have bought a sports mesh (silky) top that is pulled or damaged from washing are able to take the TShirt back to Beleza for a replacement. Beleza are discontinuing with the current supplier for these tops and will be remaking these using a better quality fabric. Once these are available parents are able to swap the old sports mesh top with the new one.

Next week there will be some 'old' logo tops available in the poly cotton in smaller sizes at 30% off.

The new logo poly cotton tops in smaller sizes will be available at the store in 2 weeks' time. These are being air freighted to Australia rather than shipped.

If you have any questions please feel free to come and see me.

Fidget toys

Fidget toys are small objects that some children need to hold in the classroom to keep their hands busy so that they are more able to listen and pay attention to the teacher. Over the last few weeks these toys have become very popular at school. Not all children require the use of one of these in the classroom so we have put together 'Fidget Rules' that need to be followed. These can be found elsewhere in this newsletter. The 'Fidget Rules' includes that children who require a fidget toy during learning time must have written parent permission outlining why this is required by their child.

2018 enrolments

To help us with planning for 2018 we are asking families with siblings who will be starting Grade Prep in 2018 to enrol by the end of this term. Also if you know of friends or neighbours who intend to enrol their children at our school, can you please encourage them to enrol? Enrolment forms are available at the office and on the school website.

Classroom learning

It is really important that students get to school before 9.00am as learning begins right at 9.00am. The music begins at 8.55am so that the children have time to unpack their bags before the bell goes. When children come to school late they often miss out on the explicit instruction for the lesson which can often make them anxious.

Road works

VicRoads are planning to upgrade two intersections on Narre Warren North Road at Fox Road and Belgrave-Hallam Road in Narre Warren North. Both intersections will include traffic signals with pedestrian crossings to improve safety for locals and road users.

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For more information please follow this link: https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/planning-and-projects/melbourne-road-projects/narre-warren-nth-intersection

Mothers' Day stall

Thank you to the Parents' and Friends' Club for once again organising the Mothers' Day stall for our students which is tomorrow. I would like to wish all our mums and grandmothers a Happy Mothers' Day on Sunday ©

Australian Maths Competition for Grades 3 to 6

The Australian Maths Competition Qkr! charge will be available on Monday. This is due to our Business Manager being absent. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Connie vanderVoort, Principal

The Fidget Rules

A fidget toy is a small object that keeps your hands busy <u>so you can pay attention to the teacher</u>. You can hold it in your hand, feel it, move it, and play with it while you are <u>looking at the teacher</u>. You should only use a fidget when you are having trouble <u>paying attention in class</u>. It should not be used while you are working.

Important rules:

You should not need to look at your fidget.

Your eyes should be on the teacher when using your fidget.

You should not try to get your friends attention with the fidget.

The fidget must stay in your hands or on your desk.

The fidget shouldn't make noise and be heard by the other students.

When working in class fidgets are to be left alone on your table or be put in your bag.

Fidgets are not to be taken to assemblies or whole school events.

Fidgets cannot be taken to Visual Arts, Performing Arts or Indonesian sessions.

Fidgets can be taken to Physical Education but can only be used in circle time.

Children who require the use of a fidget toy during class must have a written permission from their parents outlining why this fidget is required by their child. Teachers may provide fidgets to students to use in the classrooms without parent permission.

If these rules are not followed the fidget will be confiscated.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IN MAY THE MONTH OF READING

Fantastic book bargains.

Our book fair will be held during Education Week

Monday, 22nd to Friday, 26th May.

It will be open on Wednesday, 24th May from 9.00 to 11.00am and from 6.30 to 8.00pm for Open Night.

Books I Have Read

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Parents' and Friends' Club

Mothers' Day Stall - Friday, 12th May

Don't forget to send your children with money tomorrow to purchase some fantastic presents for mum and/or grandmother. More helpers are required, please contact me on 0409 546 042 if you can help out. Price list is included in this newsletter and has distributed to students.

Special Lunch Day – Wednesday, 31st May

We are having a Special Lunch Day on Wednesday, 31st May where Fish and Chips, Nuggets and Chips or just Chips can be pre-ordered. Order forms have been distributed. Orders and payments must be completed on Qkr! (preferred payment method) or cash by 9.30am on **Wednesday, 24th May**. **No late orders can be accepted.** Helpers are also required on this day, so if you can help please contact me on 0409 546 042.

Entertainment Books

The Entertainment Books have arrived and are available for purchase at a cost of \$70. A sample is available at our school office. To order your book or your digital membership online, please visit www.entbook.com.au/183x955 or cash payments can be made at our school office.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 6th June at 9.15am in the staff room. New members welcome!

Tamara Bush, President

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Spotlight on Inquiry

Here at Narre Warren North Primary School staff continue to provide a rich and thought-provoking learning environment in which all students have the opportunity to achieve their best. Throughout our Inquiry units students make connections between what they are learning at school and the real world. With the key concept of 'Sustainability' running through all of the units this term, students are delving into the world we live in, the past and its future.

This term the following units and key questions are being explored across the school:

Prep- The World-Then and Now

Key questions being explored-

- How has the world changed due to unsustainability?
- What changes can we make to the world?
- What was the world like when the dinosaurs existed?

Grade 1/2- Sustainability around the World

Key questions being explored-

- How can we leave a tiny footprint as we move through our world?
- How can we sustain (look after) and improve our environment?
- What are the differences between different cultures and their environments?



Grade 3/4- Sustainability- Take Action!

Key questions being explored-

- What are the key aspects of sustainability?
- How has our environment changed over time?
- How can we better look after our environment for the future?

Grade 5/6- Act Local...Think Global

Key questions being explored-

- How will sustainable environmental practices, adopted today, make a difference to the daily lives of the next generation?
- How does the way we react to local and global disasters demonstrate our understanding of our responsibilities to other people and to the environment?
- To what extent are natural disasters a result of natural events?

So feel free to take the opportunity to support your children at home by engaging them in conversations that will follow on from what they are learning in the classroom when you have the opportunity to do so.

Tiffany Kumnick-Engagement Co-ordinator



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MOTHERS DAY STALL 2017



Friday, 12th May

\$1.00

Bath Sponge

Mum Pens

Mother's Day cards

Nail Files

\$2.00

Shopping lists

Mini Sewing Kit

Bath Fizzers

Macaroon Lip Gloss

Heart Fridge Magnet

Saying Pebble

Cooking Spatula

Wooden Photo Holder

\$3.00

Diffuser in Box

Bottle Bag

Bling Pen (blue/silver)

Book Mark

Mummy Photo Frame

\$4.00

Coin Purse

Mum Wooden Love Blocks

Adult Colouring Book

\$1.50

Single Tulip Soap

Car Freshener

Stress Ball

\$2.50

Coffee Mugs

Beaded Key Ring

Glass Photo Coaster

Note Book

Chrysanthemum Seed Pack

Memo Box 150 Sheets

Heart Cookie Cutters

Card Holder (40 Cards)

\$3.50

Manicure Set

Earrings

Cotton Scented Heart

Bling Necklace

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- Differentiated Learning to individualise and challenge students.
- Effective Numeracy and Literacy focus.
- · Strong community focus.
- eSmart School, providing state of the art technology.
- · Student Wellbeing programs.

- Enrichment Programs to extend Literacy, Numeracy, Science, Humanities, Technology and the Arts.
- Opportunities for student leadership.
- Utilise an Integrated Inquiry approach to investigate the way our world works.
- Engaging, flexible and nurturing learning environments.

Engaging students in their learning for the future



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