



# NARRE WARREN NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter No. 16 – 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2018



## DIARY DATES

**Reminder: To Grades 3 & 5 parents - If you have not collected the NAPLAN results, please call at the office.**

Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> October

Gleneagles Cup excursion for Grade 4 students

Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October

Somers Camp for selected students

Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> October

I Belong Day for selected students

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> October

Day before Cup Day notices to be returned

Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> October

**Bogan Bingo Night – See flyer in this newsletter**

Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> October

2019 Prep Transition session for enrolled students  
9.15 to 10.45am

Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> November

Alternative program for students

Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November

Melbourne Cup Day  
Public Holiday

Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> November

Our School's Show Day

Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> November

Rescheduled Whole School Photo

19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> November

26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> November

Swimming Program for Grades Prep to 4



## Principal Pen

Welcome to Term 4. I hope you had a wonderful holiday.

If you would like to know what the teachers are covering this term in their classrooms, please look on our school website. This information is updated each term. You will be able to locate this information under the NEWS section.

### Premiers' Reading Challenge

Congratulations to all our students for completing the Premiers' Reading Challenge last term. Our whole school has now completed this Challenge 3 years in a row, which is an exceptional achievement. Congratulations to all the students and teachers; but especially to Mrs Katherine Darbyshire for driving this challenge to enable us to have a 100% completion rate again.

### Parent support

Our school's programs, equipment and upgrading of facilities rely heavily on the involvement of parental support and fundraising activities. I would sincerely like to thank the Parents' and Friends' Club for all the work they have done for our school so far this year, in order to raise funds for playground equipment, and to our school community for your support. Thank you to the Parents' and Friends' Club for organising the school raffle, Fathers' Day stall and special lunch day last term. On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October the Parents' and Friends' Club have organised '**Bogan Bingo**' for our school. Have you got your tickets yet? This event is coming soon and sounds like it's going to be a lot of fun. Information can be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

### Day before Cup Day

Historically less than a fifth of our students attend school on the day before Cup Day. This year, as we have done in the past, our school will be providing an alternative program for students who attend on this day while staff participate in professional learning. Earlier this week a letter was sent home through the students about this. Could parents please return this notice to the classroom teacher (for each child) by 26<sup>th</sup> October so arrangement can be made at school for the students attending. Your support is very much appreciated.

### 2019

This term is a very busy one in regards to planning for 2019. If you are leaving our school and have not notified us of this please let the classroom teacher or myself know as soon as possible. Finalising student numbers at each grade level assists us in determining how many grades are required for each level. During the second half of Term 4 teachers also construct the grades based on the structure. Attached to this newsletter is our 'Grade Placement Policy' approved by School Council. The purpose of this policy is to explain to our school community how we manage requests for class placements for the following school year.

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### **Lost Property**

The Lost Property has now been moved to the Sickbay. This will enable us to check named items and return these to students promptly. Items will no longer be kept in the corridor. If students or parents wish to check any of the clothing in Lost Property please see our office staff. I would like to once again thank Justine Simonsen for regularly sorting out the lost property. **PLEASE ENSURE ALL UNIFORM ITEMS, LUNCH BOXES, CONTAINERS AND DRINK BOTTLES ARE CLEARLY NAMED, SO THEY CAN BE EASILY RETURNED.**

**It is with sadness that I inform you that Jessie Mammino, a former teacher at our school who we have been supporting through fundraising for cancer research, lost her battle with brain cancer last week.**

Connie vanderVoort,  
Principal

### **Friday Bonus Play**

Starting in Week 3 this term, we are introducing Friday Bonus play. Friday Bonus Play is a new initiative we are trialling as a means of rewarding those students that 'do the right thing' by following our school rules and upholding our school values in addition to providing a further opportunity for students to build positive relationships with our teachers.

Friday Bonus Play will run fortnightly, on the alternate week to assembly. During this time, all teaching staff, Ms V and I included, will run a playtime activity. Students eligible for Bonus Play will be able to choose where they wish to play during this time. Any student who has been removed from their class to the Buddy Grade more than 3 times during the fortnight due to their behaviour will not be eligible for Bonus Play and will be supervised in a classroom by a teacher while they complete a 'Re-Think' sheet. In 2019, any student removed to the Buddy Grade more than once will not participate in Bonus Play.

Ben Zimmerle  
Assistant Principal

### **Grade 3/4 Hooptime**

*On the 10th of September 49 of the Grade 3/4's competed in Junior Hooptime. There were 3 Rookie, 2 Future Stars and 1 All Stars boy teams.*

*Each team played 4 games in total, not including finals (only the Future Stars and All Stars could compete in the finals).*

*Both Future Stars team made it to the semi-finals where they versed each other. The Nets one and went into the grand final where they sadly lost by 5 points.*

*The All Stars boys team made it to the finals but lost by 5 points.*

*We won a lot of the games which was great and we all had a lot of fun. Thank you to all the parents who assisted with coaching on the day.*

*Tyler C and Adam T - Grade 4*





## Grade Placement Policy

### **RATIONALE**

Preparation of grade placement is a very lengthy process. In building the grades, teachers take into account a number of factors, such as academic ability, friendship groups, behaviour, class size, and gender. Children cannot be easily moved from one grade to another without upsetting the balance for a number of children.

### **PURPOSE OF THE POLICY**

To explain to our school community how we manage requests for class placements, for the following school year.

### **GUIDELINES FOR ACTION**

The process that Narre Warren North PS works through to plan each student's class placement begins months before the end of the school year. We understand that in certain situations, parents and carers may request that their child be placed with a particular friend or in a particular class.

#### **Requests for placement with friends**

Narre Warren North Primary School recognises the importance of fostering and maintaining friendship groups. We also understand that it is equally important for students to mix and learn with peers who have different interests.

We do not take general requests for children to be placed in a class with a particular friend or friends. Teachers have a good knowledge of friendship groups and will always ensure that children are placed with at least one friend for the following year.

Requests for specific class placement due to special circumstances must be made in writing, giving reasons for the request. We may not be able to accommodate these class placement requests.

#### **Requests for placement with certain teachers**

All teachers at Narre Warren North Primary School are caring and committed educators. Our school strives to ensure that all students are provided with a high quality education.

Whilst we appreciate that you may believe that your child would benefit from being placed in a class with a particular teacher, we are unable to accommodate these requests. Leadership have an in-depth understanding of each teacher's strengths and will always endeavour to place our students with teachers who are best placed to suit their needs. We do not re-allocate students to different classes during the school year, unless exceptional circumstances arise. Parents will be advised of the situation if it arises.

#### **Requests for students to repeat a year level**

Our school will follow the Department of Education and Training policy in the School Policy and Advisory Guide on Year Level Movement – see [Attendance](#) policy.

It is standard practice that students will be promoted to the next grade level at the conclusion of a school year. Students are only able to repeat a year level in exceptional circumstances where our school considers it is required for the long-term benefit of the student e.g. considering their social, wellbeing and academic needs. We will ensure that parents/carers are advised of the options that we consider best meet individual student needs. Decisions related to this will be made in conjunction with the Principal, Assistant Principal, classroom teacher and parents.

This policy will be reviewed annually as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

Developed: 19th July 2018

Ratified by School Council: 14<sup>th</sup> August 2018

# Show Day

**Friday, 9th November**

## **Narre Warren North Primary School**

Show Day is a fun day for the students, where each class sets up a stall/stand with games or items to sell. During the day the students will peruse the displays and either play games/purchase food treats/buy novelty items/books etc.

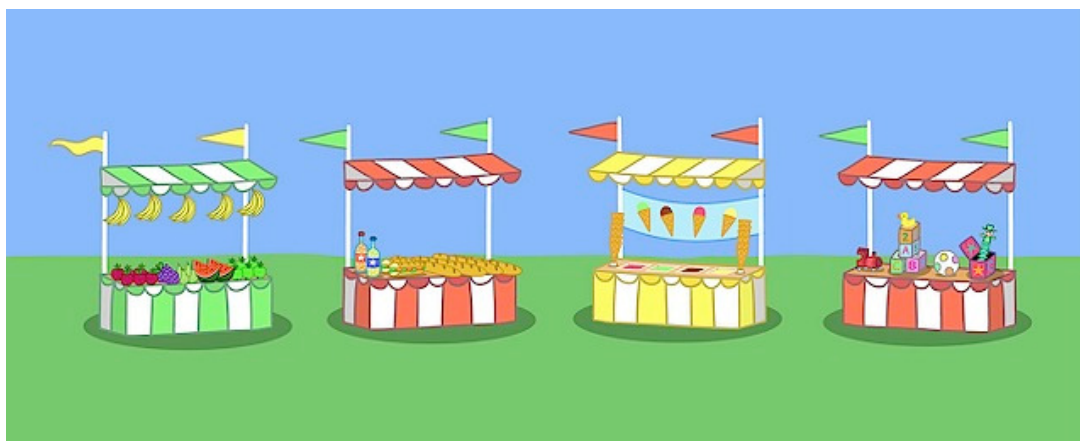
During the day, various community groups will be present and will have sporting activities, billy karts or educational stands set up.

A Talent Quest will be run in the afternoon, showcasing the unique musical, dance and comedy acts of the students.

Parents and families are welcome to attend.

More information will come soon - regarding the day's events, stalls etc.

A page will follow with items required to help make the day a success. Individual grades will send home letters soon asking for parent assistance or for donated goods. Keep your eye on the newsletter in the weeks to come for further information.





**HALF GAME SHOW, HALF PARTY AND 100% FUN!**

# Bogan Bingo™

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**WHEN:** Saturday 27th October 2018  
7.30pm for an 8pm start

**WHERE:** Timbarra Community Hall  
Timbarra Way, Berwick

BYO drinks and nibbles



**TICKETS:** \$25pp  
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**Bogan Bingo – Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Timbarra Community Hall (next to Child Care Centre)

BYO and nibbles

\$25 for person – payable via Qkr! (Adults only)

Coffee and tea will be provided.

There are still tickets available.

This is going to be an amazing night, so don't miss out on some fun and laughter!

Dressing up is optional, but preferred. Please contact us if you have any questions.

If you are booking a full table of 10 please let us know so that we can reserve a full table.

The doors will open at 7.15pm, the entertainment starts at 8.00pm

We are still collecting donations for Bogan Bingo.

If you would like to donate something, we would be happy to acknowledge your business.

Some donation ideas: Lolly boxes, vouchers, hampers etc.

Please take any donations to the school office or see one of our committee members.

Welcome to Term 4!

**Icy Poles – Wednesday lunchtimes**

We will be selling lemonade icy poles from the canteen at lunchtimes on Wednesdays this term starting next week. The cost of the icy poles is \$1.00.

**Bogan Bingo**

We are gathering prizes for our Bogan Bingo Night. If you know any companies or individuals that would like to donate, or have any ideas that would add to the fun, please let us know.

**Cookie Dough**

We will be running the Cookie Dough fundraiser this term in time for Christmas baking! Order forms and more information will be sent out soon.

**The Toy Workshop**

Included in this newsletter is a flyer about the Toy Workshop, if you buy anything from there, please mention our school and 10% of your purchase will be donated to our school.

Justine Simonsen  
President

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