



NARRE WARREN NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter No. 17 – 25th October, 2018



DIARY DATES

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

Friday, 26th October

Day before Cup Day notices to be returned

Payments on Qkr! for Bogan Bingo close at 12.00 noon

Saturday, 27th October
Bogan Bingo Night

Tuesday, 30th October

2019 Prep Transition session for enrolled students
9.15 to 10.45am

Friday, 2nd November

Last day for payments for the Swimming program – Grades Prep to 4

Monday, 5th November

Alternative program for students

Tuesday, 6th November

Melbourne Cup Day
Public Holiday

Friday, 9th November

Our School's Show Day

12th, 13th & 14th November

Beleza VIP Sale
20% Off – See flyer

Thursday, 15th November

Rescheduled Whole School Photo

19th to 22nd November

26th to 29th November

Swimming Program for Grades Prep to 4



Principal Pen

School Policies

Our **Homework Policy** is up for review in 2019, however, there has been some discussion in the community about homework so we have brought the review of this policy forward. Doing this will give parents the opportunity to provide feedback this year so that implementation can be from Term 1, 2019. The policy is attached. If you would like to provide constructive feedback on what you would like to see in this policy please put your thoughts in writing. This can either be emailed to the school email with 'Homework feedback' in the subject tab or given to the office with your name on this so we can contact you if necessary. To ensure that this policy is finalised and ratified at the December School Council meeting please have any written comments to us by 16th November.

The following policies have been updated. These can be found on the school's website.

Inclusion and Diversity Policy (new)
Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy and Guidelines
Cyberbullying Policy
Internet Agreement
Child Safety Policy
Code of Conduct
School Philosophy Policy
Mandatory Reporting Policy

Teachers never stop learning

Earlier this year I let parents know that teachers, as part of the new agreement, are allocated one day a term to improve their teaching practice. Over the last 2 months some of our teachers and integration aides visited other schools to look at best practice. Teachers from other schools have also visited our school to observe what we do extremely well. Some of our teachers visited Morewell Central PS to observe their behaviour management and 'Getting Ready for Learning' programs in order to implement similar programs, such as Friday Bonus Play, into our school. Teachers have been to Fountain Gate PS to observe teacher planning; the 3/4 Team visited Waverley PS to look at best practice in Writing and the 1/2 Team went to Mossiel Park PS to look at their Writing program, just to name a few.

Tomorrow Australia celebrates **World Teachers' Day**. Its aim is to pay tribute to the significant contribution that teachers make to education and the development of our young people. I would like to thank our teachers for the wonderful work they do in our school and their willingness to improve their practice to ensure that our students are successful at school.

Inclusion Grant

Our school successfully applied for a Government Inclusion Grant to create an outdoor sensory area in our school for student use. We will be receiving \$59000 for this project which is very exciting!

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Day before Cup Day

Thank you to all the parents that have returned the letter sent home through the students regarding Monday 5th November and whether you will be sending your children to school or not. On this Monday the teachers will be participating in professional learning they identified as part of improving their professional practice. If you haven't already, can you please return these forms to the classroom teacher by tomorrow so that we can cater for those students attending.

Connie vanderVoort,
Principal

Divisional Athletics

On Wednesday, 19th September we had a large number of our students compete in various events at the Divisional Athletics at the Casey Fields Athletics track. The usual windy conditions at Casey Fields prevailed, however, this was no challenge for our strong NWNPS team. Congratulations to the following students who participated on the day Aj S, Max W, Novak M, Danielle B, Austin F, Cooper M, Montanna D, Luke E, Evelyn C, Emma O, Diesel B, Ruby A, Austin K, Gabrielle C, Molly G, Oliver G, Shalisa H and Tasita T.

Students scored a number of Personal Bests on the day and top three placings went to:

Oliver G – 1st 800m (even after stopping to help another student!)

Emma O – 2nd Triple Jump

Austin F – 3rd 1500m

Aj S – 3rd 1500m

Montanna D – 3rd 80m Hurdles

Ruby A – 3rd Discus

Diesel B – 3rd Discus

Vanessa Wilson – PE Teacher

Remembrance Day Poppies for sale from our school office

\$1.00 - Poppy Badge

\$2.00 – Poppies

\$3.00 – Wristbands

\$4.00 – Key Rings

\$5.00 – Poppies

This year it is Armistice Centenary of Remembrance – 1918 to 2018 – 11th November

Honour Peace: Remember Sacrifice

At 11.00am on 11th November 1918, the guns on the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous warfare as the First World War ended in an Armistice.

1918 was a year of war, peace, reunion and so much sadness.

We commemorate the centenary of the Armistice that ended the First World War (1914-1918). On the anniversary of the Armistice, people across the world have paused to remember the fallen in times of war.

The 11th day of the 11th month at 11 o'clock we will remember them.

Lost Property

- Gold necklace
- Little Sister necklace
- 2 stretchy bracelets
- Key on white key ring
- 2 Fitbit type devices
- Bag of toys (including Minion toys)
- Avengers glasses case
- Blue and White tin with toys in it
- Soccer Ball
- Small football

If you think they might be your items, please call at the office. Please name all items so they can be returned.

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Show Day

Friday November 9th

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.

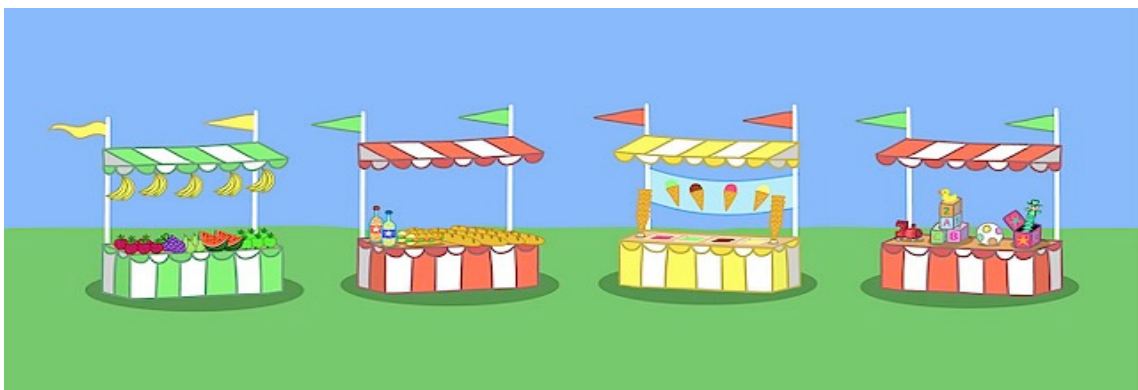
During the day, various community groups will be present and will have sporting activities, billy karts or educational stands set up.

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

Students will be required to wear full school uniform on the day - including a broad brimmed hat. This is not a free dress day.

Please begin collecting gold coins now, as most stands will have items/activities priced between 50c and \$3. Please no \$50 or \$100 notes - as only small change can be exchanged. Send students along with a named wallet/purse or zip lock bag, so money can be identified and returned to the owner if lost.

If you are able to volunteer some time to help assist with the stalls on the day- please contact the class teachers directly, prior to Show Day. A current Working with Children Check is required to assist on the stalls.



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Dear Parents,

Donations for Show Day are now open! If you can assist with any of the following items, please take them to the appropriate classrooms.

Urgent Request: We require items for our Silent Auction, please drop off to the Grade 6 classrooms as soon as possible.

Grades	Stalls	Donation Requests
Prep A	Crazy Hair	Coloured hair spray, hair chalk and hair accessories
Prep B	Stretchy Snake	Allens lolly snakes, small items for prizes; toys, cars, hair accessories, bubbles etc
Prep C	Bottle Toss Showdown	Prizes; (e.g. bouncy balls, bubbles, toy cars)
1A	Spin the Wheel	Small prizes; small toys/gifts, pencils, erasers, bubbles, stationery items, hair accessories, cars, bouncy balls, sticker packs, etc... Colouring books, small toys, activity packs, craft kits, balls, sporting kits, etc
1B	Face Painting	Face paint, Face painting brushes/equipment
1/2 C	Lucky Dip	Small prizes for lucky dip, wrapped and marked boy or girl
2A	Show Bags	None required
2B	Book Stall	Second hand books and games with all the pieces. Jigsaw puzzles
3A	Fairy Floss	None required
3B	Lucky Jars	Small prizes; lollies, small toys/gifts, pencils, erasers, bubbles, stationary items, hair accessories, cars, bouncy balls, sticker packs, lolly pops etc. Plastic jars/containers (filled or not filled)
4A	Cake Stall	Cakes, cupcakes, pop cakes, biscuits, slices - NO NUTS. All donated goods must have a list of ingredients.
4B	Chuck a Choc	Blocks of chocolate
5/6 A 5/6 B 5/6 C	Grade 5's Side Show Alley Grade 6 - Stalls	Silent Auction: Any NEW items suitable for Silent Auction Sugar Rush Lolly Shop: Wrapped confectionery items Haunted House; any Halloween items The Magical Chocolate Fountain; Melting chocolate chips, skewers, marshmallows Doughnut Stall- donations of doughnuts, cinnamon, plain, decorated and iced. Specialty doughnuts.

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Grade 4 students at Gleneagles Cup





Bogan Bingo – Saturday, 27th 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.

Unleash your inner bogan! We have first Bogan Bingo fundraiser coming up on Saturday. It's going to be such a good night and all profits will go towards replacing and purchasing items for the children and school community. If you haven't purchased your ticket yet, please purchase via Qkr! by 12.00 noon on Friday, 26th October. Don't miss out.

Please arrive by 7.30pm, it's really important to be there at this time as being late will throw their timeline off.

We have a number of fantastic raffle items thanks to some lovely people and companies, so bring some cash/change on the night to purchase some tickets.

DRESS UP! We encourage people to dress up if they are comfortable. It adds to the fun and there are prizes involved!

Looking for to seeing everyone on the night.

Bogan Bingo Raffle

If you are unable to attend the Bogan Bingo Night, please support our fundraising efforts by purchasing some raffle tickets from our school office. Tickets are \$5.00 a ticket. Some of the prizes include: A bike, a Bunnings Hamper including a \$100 Gift Card and an esky.

Icy Poles – Wednesday lunchtimes

We are selling lemonade icy poles from the canteen at lunchtimes on Wednesdays this term. The cost of the icy poles is \$1.00.

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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HOMEWORK POLICY

RATIONALE

The current evidence and research shows that the quality of homework assigned is likely to be more important than the quantity. Overall, the effectiveness of homework is enhanced by providing students with choices among homework tasks, which will result in higher motivational and performance outcomes, students' autonomy, and intrinsic motivation (Patall et al., 2010).

Homework helps students by:

- complementing and reinforcing classroom learning
- fostering good lifelong learning and study habits
- providing an opportunity for students to become responsible for their own learning
- developing self-regulation processes such as goal-setting, self-reflection and time management
- supporting partnerships with parents by connecting families with the learning of their children.

PURPOSE OF THE POLICY

Homework provides students with opportunities to practice skills, review content and deepen understanding of concepts learned. Homework is seen as one way of supporting and fostering life-long learning and connecting families with the learning of their children.

Homework is recommended. There are benefits from daily reading and spelling practice. This forms the basis of our school's homework.

GUIDELINES FOR ACTION

1. A copy of the Homework Policy will be distributed at the commencement of the school year.
2. Homework is to be purposeful, meaningful and relevant to the curriculum and needs of students.
3. Students in Grades 3-6 will use student diaries to provide a regular communication between parents and the school.
4. Students are to be given enough time to complete homework, considering home obligations and extracurricular activities.
5. Students will be provided with support regarding their homework.
6. Homework will include a wide range of opportunities for families to engage in their children's learning, e.g. reading to them, talking with them and involving them in learning opportunities during everyday household routines and physical activity.
7. Students are to accept responsibility for the completion of homework tasks within set time frames.

8. Parents are to encourage their children to set aside a regular time and place to complete homework.
9. In Grades Prep to Grade 2, daily homework will include reading and spelling.
10. In Grades 3 and 4, homework will not exceed 20 minutes a day, this includes daily reading.
11. In Grades 5 and 6, homework will not exceed 30 minutes a day, this includes daily reading.
12. Homework will include reading (listening to reading, reading aloud, reading to your child, reading silently) and spelling (words/sounds, sight words, word sorts) on a daily basis for all grade levels.
13. Other types of homework may include:
 - *Practising of* basic maths skills, number facts and counting.
 - *Real life learning at home*, e.g. shopping, cooking, etc.
 - *Researching* for in class projects.
 - *Unfinished classroom activities* if required.
14. This policy is to be read in conjunction with DET policy and guidelines found at <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/curriculum/Pages/guidelines.aspx>
15. This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

Reviewed: April 27th 2016

Ratified by School Council: 10th May 2016

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SATURDAY: 9AM - 1PM

SUNDAY: CLOSED

VIP SALE CONDITIONS:

Discount applies **ONLY** to Beleza brand full retail priced items. Discounted items excluded.
Shoes are **NOT** available for purchase during the sale period.

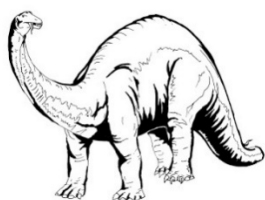
Dinosaur Fossil Experience

Saturday, 10th November

10.00am to 4.00pm

Narre Warren North Uniting Church, 1 Main Street, Narre Warren North

Gold Coin per person



If you love dinosaurs, then come along and visit our garden and you are sure to find some.

Meet Bronte the giant Brontosaurus who is 2 metres tall and 5 metres long.

- *Meet our dinosaurs*
- *Help build a dinosaur*
- *Dig for dinosaur imprint fossils*
- *Find the hidden dinosaur nest*
- *Colouring in.*

Children must be supervised at all times.

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