NARRE WARREN NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter No. 19 – 22nd November, 2018

DIARY DATES

26th to 29th November
Grades Prep to 4 Swimming Program – 2nd week

Tuesday, 27th November
Prep 2019 Transition session for enrolled students
9.15 to 10.45am

Wednesday, 28th November
Cookie Dough orders due by 9.30am

Selection Trials for District Swimming Team 2019 - 4.00pm

Thursday, 29th November
Grade 6 Graduation payments are due

Tuesday, 4th December
Prep 2019 Transition session for enrolled students
9.15 to 10.45am

Thursday, 6th December
Pantry or Bathroom Community Day – Dress up – see flyer

Monday, 10th December
Grade 6 Big Day out payments due

Parent Helper Morning Tea
11.00am

Tuesday, 11th December
Prep 2019 Transition session for enrolled students
9.15 to 10.45am

Thursday, 13th December
Grade 6 Graduation Evening
6.00pm

Friday, 14th December
Last Day for Lunch Orders

Monday, 17th December
Grade 6 – Big Day Out excursion

Principal Pen

"Hello fellow parents,

We are the Narre Warren North Primary School Council and more importantly parents with children attending the school. In the last week all of you would have received the Parent Contributions for 2019 for your child/children which includes the Essential Financial Contribution as well as booklist items.

From our involvement with School Council we have been able to see firsthand how important the payment of the Essential Financial Contribution is to the running and development of the school and providing for our children. We would like to thank all of the parents who have already arranged their payments, which has been a huge help. All of these funds go directly to assisting **OUR** children. Based on school financial reports (not individual statements) it was disappointing to see that nearly 30% of families attending the school this year have not made this payment toward their children's learning. This Essential Financial Contribution goes toward the purchase of classroom resources which your children receive direct benefit, so please ensure you make arrangements to pay these fees in a prompt manner.

We understand that all families may go through difficult times financially, so in case you weren't already aware, you can have a chat to our Business Manager, Lorraine Woodward, and she can organise a payment plan to suit your circumstances, that could involve paying off this amount by instalments over the year.

As our school is part of a great community it would be amazing to see that we have been able to achieve payment of 100% of the fees to the school. They do a great job for our children and worrying about finances shouldn't be part of their problem.

Again, if you need assistance to make your payments, speak to the school, they are there to help.

Thank you for your continued support of the Narre Warren North School community.

Kind regards,

Narre Warren North School Council"

What amazing talent we have in our school!!!

Congratulations to **Maddie W** (Gr 3) and her team who won the Gymnastics Victoria ALP 3 Victorian Championships in 11 years and over (and she isn't even 11 yet!!) This is an amazing achievement.

"My name is Maddie W from 3B.

On Sunday the 11th of November, my gymnastics team and I from Diamond Gymnastics Club competed in the Victorian Championships at Eastern Gymnastics Club.

We competed in 4 events, against 15 other teams from around Victoria who had also qualified from Regional Championships, on Floor, Beam, Vault and Bars.

Out of the 4 events, we came 1st on Bars, Vault and Floor and 2nd on Beam.

This means we won the Gymnastics Victoria ALP 3 Victorian Championships in 11 years and over.

It is a very big achievement and I am very proud of myself and my teammates."

Maddie is pictured with her coaches Sara and Mariah.

Congratulations also to **Charlize M** (Gr 4) who passed a Judo practical and knowledge test called a grading at the Shinojimakai Judo Club. This is no easy task and requires a great deal of practice. The grade is awarded by the presentation of a coloured Judo belt. Junior Judo belts are in varying colours signifying age and expertise. Charlize has been awarded a Yellow belt. Well done Charlize!!

Another congratulations to Dakota K who has been selected in the Victorian Metro Basketball Team as part of the Southern Cross Challenge in January 2019. Dakota was one of just 30 students selected from across Victoria to represent the State. A fantastic achievement Dakota and we wish her all the best in her team preparation.

Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality

The Department's Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality Policy sets out what staff are to look out for when considering gifts, benefits or hospitality. The policy requires staff not to accept gifts or offers if:

- it is made of money, items used in a similar way to money, or items easily converted to money, including gift vouchers
- it could influence interactions with a business or supplier
- it could be perceived by others to influence decisions
- it has no legitimate school benefit
- it represents a potential, perceived or actual conflict of interest.

Offers of gifts or hospitality valued at $50 or more must be declared regardless of whether the offer is accepted or declined.

2019 Curriculum Days

Day 1 – 29th January – Planning/Student wellbeing
Day 2 – 30th January – Team building
Day 3 –18th March – Writing
Day 4 – Parent teacher interviews time (26th/27th June) in lieu 28th June
Day before Cup Day – alternate program for students

Grades for 2019

The grade structure for 2019 is the same as for 2018. We will be having 3 Preps, 2 Grade 1s, a 1/2composite, 2 Grade 2s, 2 Grade 3s, 2 Grade 4s, and 3 Grade 5/6 composites.
There will be a change to where the students are located due to a number of factors such as lessening movement around the school, toilet facilities and class sizes. The Grade 5/6 students will be in the portable and Room 8; Preps will be in the BER building with Grade 4; and Grade 3s and 1/2s will be in the corridor. The shared space will be set up as a classroom for grades to use when streaming.

Connie vanderVoort, Principal

Parents' and Friends' Club

Cook Books
Our school's cook books are available at a cost of $25.00. Great for Christmas presents. A sample of the book can be viewed at the office.

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
The cookie dough catalogues have been distributed. The cookie dough orders must be received by **9.30am** on **Wednesday, 28th November**. Orders must be paid by cash – Qkr! is unavailable for this fundraiser. Please clearly mark an envelope with 'Cookie Dough Payment' and your child's full name and grade. No late orders will be accepted.

Drinks
We will be selling drinks for $2 randomly after school, listen for the announcements.

The Toy Workshop
If you buy anything from The Toy Workshop, please mention our school and 10% of your purchase will be donated to our school.

Justine Simonsen,
President

Lost Property

- Little Sister Necklace
- Gold Necklace
- Key on white key ring
- 2 Fitbit type devices
- Bag of toys (including Minion toys)
- Avengers glasses case
- Small football
- Camera case with toys in it
- Tupperware sandwich containers
- Pink hooded jacket
- Green Systema drink bottle
- Blue Systema drink bottle
- Green drink bottle
- Soccer Ball
- Grey/white and aqua singlet top
- Goggles
- Towel

If you think they might be your items, please ask at the office. We also have a few uniform items without names or with names that cannot be read.

Please name all items clearly so they can be returned promptly.

JSC Pantry or Bathroom Community Day Thursday 6th December

The Junior School Council have organised a special day to give back to the community. They are asking students to bring in a pantry or bathroom item (within its use by date), these will be donated to the Local United Church to be distributed to people less fortunate than ourselves or people seeking emergency shelter. On this day, students will be able to dress as something from the pantry or bathroom for a little bit of fun. It may be as exciting as sticking a toothbrush in your hair, wearing an orange t-shirt and bringing the orange juice carton with you or labelling a t-shirt with your favourite spread. Further donations will be accepted in the following week also.

.**Pantry Ideas**	**Bathroom Ideas**
(Must be within the use by date) • Christmas puddings • Pasta / rice • Pasta sauce • Canned fruit • Canned soup • Baked beans • Spreads like Vegemite, jam. • Rolled oats • Orange juice / cordial • Chips / Lollies	(Must be within use by date) • Toothbrush • Toothpaste • Hand soap • Shampoo • Conditioner • Body wash • Cotton buds • Make up removers • Ladies sanitary items • Toilet cleaner

Here are some ideas for dress ups.

School Website: www.narrewarrennorthps.vic.edu.au
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1st Narre Warren North Scout Group

Please support us by buying a Christmas tree !

- Only $65 -

Tree stands are also available

1st, 2nd & 8th December 10am-4pm

1st Narre Warren North Scout Group Hall, Memorial Drive, Narre Warren North

Pre Order:

0400 940 443 or 0433 749 788

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