



NARRE WARREN NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter No. 5 – 28th March, 2019



DIARY DATES

Friday, 29th March

Hot Cross Bun Orders close
9.30am

Tuesday, 2nd April

Wear something yellow for
Autism Day – No cost

Fountain Gate S/C Open Night
5.30 to 8.00pm

Wednesday, 3rd April

Gleneagles SEAL Information
Evening–7.00 to 8.00pm

Friday, 5th April

Assembly at 9.00am
Lunch orders available
End of Term 1
2.30pm finish

Monday, 22nd April

Easter Monday – Public Holiday

Tuesday, 23rd April

Start of Term 2

Wednesday, 24th April

Family Life for Grades 5 & 6
ANZAC Assembly 2.45pm – led
by Grade 6 students

Thursday, 25th April

ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Friday, 26th April

Curriculum Day – No School

Wednesday, 1st May

Family Life for Grades 5 & 6
Gleneagles Open Night
4.30 to 6.30pm

Principal's address at 6.30pm

Friday, 3rd May

First Canteen day for Term 2
due to Curriculum Day

Wednesday, 8th May

Family Life for Grades 5 & 6

Thursday, 9th May

House Cross Country



Principal Pen

2020 enrolments

I hope any current parents who have children starting Prep next year read the newsletter last fortnight. We are currently having daily requests for students outside our zone to attend our school. Next term we will be confirming enrolments for students outside our neighbourhood zone. If you have a child starting next year in Prep I strongly advise you to enrol now. Next term we will assume that you are not choosing our school for your child if you haven't enrolled. A reminder that as part of the process we require the child's birth certificate and immunisation paperwork. **Forms will not be accepted unless we have this information.** This is a Department requirement.

Keeping our children safe

Unfortunately last week one of our parents was pulled over for speeding in the carpark near school. Please remember that children walk in our car parks. For the safety of our children please be careful to observe the school speed limit zones.

High expectations

As you are aware our focus this year is on having High Expectations of staff, students and parents. As part of this we are embedding the terminology of our School Values – Honesty, Persistence, Resilience, Respect and Responsibility – into everyday life at school. Each grade participates in a Social Skills session on Mondays to unpack a social skill related to the school values. This month the grades are currently working on **Friendship - getting along with others and being a good friend** which relates to our value of 'Respect'.



CyberSafety and keeping our children safe online

In today's world social media and accessing the internet is becoming much more frequent. As teachers and parents, it is really important nowadays to ensure that our children are kept safe online and that we monitor what our children are accessing while on the internet.

At the beginning of each year children at our school participate in our Cybersafety program before they are able to use the chromebooks for other purposes. Teachers monitor what students do online and any children who use the chromebooks inappropriately are given a consequence.

I have attached 2 fact sheets to this week's newsletter taken from CyberSafety Solutions (<http://www.cybersafetysolutions.com.au>). This is an outstanding website if you would like to learn more.

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NAPLAN

This year our school will once again be conducting the NAPLAN testing for Grades 3 and 5 students in May online using the school's chromebooks. The only pen and paper tests the students will be doing this year is the Grade 3 Writing test. Today we are involved in a statewide NAPLAN practice test.

Connie vanderVoort,
Principal

Auslan Report

My name is Mrs Katie Hampson. I have been a teacher at Narre Warren North Primary School for the past 17 years as a full time classroom teacher and more recently part- time. However this is my first year teaching Auslan to Grade Prep, 1, 2 and 3. I have also been teaching some of the teachers, Ms V and Mr Z too. Even some keen Grade 5/6 students have learnt some signs.

Both my brother and sister in law are deaf and I have grown up around the deaf community all my life and have seen first hand some challenges that face people with a hearing impairment. So for that reason I wanted to share a lovely story involving a student from Narre Warren North Primary School.

A Grade 2 student was at the supermarket (Fountain Gate Shopping Centre) being served by a lady who was deaf. She signed to the lady who apparently signed back to say thank you and sign her name. That lady was infact my sister in law and I felt so very proud that a student was brave enough to try and communicate to a deaf person after only one term of learning Auslan. It takes a lot of courage and I know my sister in law would have appreciated that someone was communicating with her in Auslan.

So I wanted to SHOUT OUT LOUD and let you know that I am not only proud of this student but all my Auslan students for trying their absolute best during every lesson. I have been amazed at the willingness to give all Auslan signs a go and persistence with trickier ones. I love seeing kids sign to each other and love that some are starting to teach their family members too. Keep up the great work I can't wait to teach you all in Term 2.

Parents' and Friends' Club

Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser

Pack of 6 Bakers Delight Hot Cross Buns - \$7.50. Your choice of Traditional, Chocolate Chip or Apple & Cinnamon. Only available through Qkr! Last orders need to be in by 9.30am – Friday, 29th March. The Hot Cross Buns will be delivered to our school on Thursday, 4th April.

Tesselaar Bulb Fundraiser

Thinking of winter/spring planting? Grab some bulbs to plant some colour. 40% of all proceeds come back to our school! Orders need to be in by 12th April. The order information is on the front of the catalogue. If you need another catalogue, please contact our school office.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 30th April at 9.15am in the staff room. All welcome.

Justine Simonsen, President

ANZAC Merchandise

The ANZAC day Appeal raises funds to support former and serving members of the Australian Defence Forces and dependents when in need. Most of the funds are raised through the sale of ANZAC merchandise.

Our school is selling the following items:

Badges: \$1.00, \$2.00 and \$5.00

Wrist Bands: \$3.00

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Sports News

Divisional Swimming

On Wednesday 13th March we had 14 students represent the Division at Noble Park Aquatic Centre. Congratulations to the following students who represented NWNPS and the Division to swim against a number of independent, government and private schools: Phoebe C, Lucinda I, Evie S, Skye O, Jess P, Bridie M, Charlize M, Layla S, Emma O, George G, Michael G, Oliver G, Alex M and Max W. Amazing performances on the day by the entire team. Special mention goes out to Phoebe C who swims the Butterfly – a difficult event due to the synchronous over-water recovery. Phoebe managed to place 2nd in her event and swim, a PB! CONGRATULATIONS PHOEBE!

A BIG shout out to Oliver G (800m), Emma O (Javelin) and Max W (400m) who represented the region at the State Little Athletics Finals last weekend at Casey Fields. The group of Narre Warren North Primary School students performed extremely well over the weekend and all managed to hit PBs for their respective events. CONGRATUALTIONS!

Grade 4 AFL Clinics

Last week our Year 4 student were lucky enough to be invited to a 50 minute skill development session with AFL Victoria. The students had a great time developing their skills ...ready to kick off the footy season (Go Pies!!!).

House Athletics

Our Years 3-6 students have been developing their athletics skills over a range of throwing, jumping and running events. We look forward to this event on Wednesday 27th March and thank in advance all of the wonderful parents and special friends who have donated their time so generously to volunteer on the day. A wrap up of the event will feature in our next newsletter.

As we run into the end of Term 1 just a quick reminder of the early Term 2 events:

Reminders of upcoming events

- St Margaret's Cup – Mixed Netball 5 & 6 selected students only
- House Cross Country – Prep to Year 6 (we will need lots of volunteers for this one! Sign up at the office)
- Interschool Sport Fixtures begin 5 & 6 only (more information soon)

Mrs Vanessa Wilson
PE Teacher

Photos from AFL Clinic and Swimming



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The 2019 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The 2019 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open! We are hoping to have all students at the school complete the challenge for a third year in a row!

Soon your child will bring home their log in to begin the challenge. We encourage students to read over the holidays and record their books they have read online.

Since it began in 2005, the Challenge has inspired more than 2.8 million young Victorians to read more than 48 million books. Now in its 15th year, the Challenge is a cornerstone to get more Victorian children reading and learning the skills that'll set them up for life.

I wish everyone happy reading.

Simone Connell

Reports from the Student leadership GRIP Conference

On Wednesday the 13th of March the school captains, vice school captains and house captains attended a leadership conference at the Melbourne Exhibition/Convention Centre. We had a great day and learned a lot. Some of the things we learned are being a good leader, different roles of a leader, ideas to help improve our school and many more. Over 2,000 students attended the conference. While learning we played lots of games that helped us learn and we had the chance to talk to other schools about their ideas.

We all had to be at the Narre Warren train station by 7:15. We then caught the 7:32 train to Flinders Street station but were meant to get off at Southern Cross. From there we walked all the way through the city to the Melbourne Exhibition centre.

Tyler T

*On Wednesday the 13th of March all the house and school captains from our school and heaps of other Victorian schools went to the city for a student leadership conference. We learned how to help and impact our school and also to help us in a real life scenario. We got a pen and a booklet we wrote all the answers in the book. Everyone had lots of fun. We learned about different things like core. CORE stands for Confidence with humility, Others focused, Reliable and Empathy. We also learned that a leader is about people not power or position. We got to make up some ideas to make the less fun tasks more enjoyable and how to contribute our strengths more. We also got to play games. With one of the games we had to find different people that had the same thing that the leader had, like has read all the Harry Potter books by J.K Rowling and also can name all the planets.. There were 2 people that our Principal got to pick, the two people got to sit at the front of the big room and they each got to do an activity on the stage, to be confident on stage in front of a huge crowd. They also picked some people from the audience to share their ideas and if they did they would get a badge. There was also a really loud and funny session we got to do it was called loud noises it was lots of fun! My favourite thing was when 3 people got to do a role play on stage. **Remember Leadership is about people not position or power.** Olivia M*

On Wednesday 13th of March the school captains, school vice captains, and house captains went into the city of Melbourne to go to the GRIP leadership conference at the Exhibition and Convention centre. We took the train into the city with Mr Zimmerle and Ms V. The leadership conference helped us to become a better leader. Some of the things that we learned are CORE (Confidence with humility, Others first, Reliability and Empathy). To help us see how we could demonstrate CORE they put 4 different clips of movies and we had to guess which one they were showing. It was a really good experience and we all enjoyed it.

From School Vice Captain Tyler.

On the 13th of March 2019, the school captains and house captains from our school and most of the schools in Victoria attended the GRIP Leadership conference in the City. We learned so many things about being leaders in our school and how you can make an impact on your school and the community. One of the things we learned on the day was the C.O.R.E leader traits. C stands for Confidence with Humility, O stands for Others Focused, R stands for Reliability and E stands for Empathy. As a part of being a leader, 2 students from each school had to go up on the big stage to do an activity to demonstrate a leadership quality. All of the games were heaps of fun but my favourite one was Loud Noises. Towards the end of the conference most of the students got the opportunity to share their questions with the speakers about how they felt about being a leader at their school and any tips about being a good leader.

Talia A

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March 13 the school captains, vice captains and the house captains went to Melbourne for the leadership conference. The conference was going to help us with our leadership roles, and C.O.R.E, C standard for confidence with humility, O standard for Others focused, R standard for reliability and E standard for empathy. Talia and I had the chance to go up on the big stage and play a game on the stage. Students got the chance to go up on the stage to share their ideas on the stage and how to demonstrate being a leader. We learnt more about leadership and to put others first and position does not matter. The best activity was loud noises because everyone was included. At the end of the conference people were asked to give the instructors questions about being a leader and how it helps.

Jack S (School Captain)

On the 13th of March 2019, the school and house captains attended the GRIP leadership conference in the city. Most of the Victorian schools attended this event. We learnt how to deal with real life scenarios that could appear in our lives and community. We also found out ways that we could make a contribution to the society and have a bigger impact in our schools. We also learnt what the core character traits are:

C= confidence with humility which means to take pride in what you are doing even if it's humiliating

O= others focused which means to put people first

R= reliability which means someone to be trusted to do something

E= empathy which means to care for people not just yourself we also learnt about how everyone has strengths and to encourage people to use their strength to the best of their ability.

One less fun task was to somehow make it enjoyable. Cultures are a big thing at school so we learnt how to influence our culture. Two of our school captains got to sit in the VIP section and got to go up on stage and to learn how to be confident on stage in front of a huge crowd. **Remember leadership is about people not position or power.**

Evelyn C

On the 13th of March 2019, the School and House captains from our school and most of the schools in the Victoria attended the GRIP leadership conference in the city. We learnt about how to develop myself to lead. The first destination on the people pathway is developing my own Character. We also learned how to make contributions to the school community and making a benefit to the students, teachers and parents.

Character means the qualities distinctive to a particular person.

The four CORE character traits of a leader is:

C- Confidence with humility.

O- Others focused.

R- Reliability.

E- Empathy.

These four traits are very important for a leader because your peers and teacher need to rely on you with important things. You as a leader need to show empathy to younger students and ask and understand how they are feeling. Making sure that everyone is on track and focusing is a key to being a leader. Doing something and getting laughed at is okay because you may uplift your team and make them have more of a positive mindset to captaincy tasks.

Remember Leadership is about people not position or power.

Chelsea M

The GRIP leadership conference was a conference about leadership and what it is about. There were many parts and lessons, segments and more. But the one that caught my attention the most was the C.O.R.E. traits and qualities of a leader. They stand for, C - Confidence with humility. This means to give something a shot. O - Others focused. To use others strengths and abilities. R - Reliability. To be trustworthy and reliable to get jobs done. E- Empathy. To care for others and the ability to share feelings with others.

We had a favourite which was a segment called loud noises. This was a segment that was all about the CORE trait- Confidence with humility. There were many students on stage to do activities and to also represent their school.

Many of the activities were focused on being a leader and what it actually means. Being a leader is about People not power or position. That was probably the most important quote in the whole conference. We travelled a long distance to get there.

Austin

Last week the school captains, vice captains and house captains went to a student leadership conference held in the City of Melbourne. We took a train ride, along with Ms V and Mr Zimmerle. This conference helped us with our leadership positions. One of the many things we learnt was CORE (confidence with humility, others focused, reliability and empathy). To teach us about this, they put on four different clips from a few movies. In those clips, the characters demonstrated one of the CORE qualities and we had to find out which ones they were. That was just one of the awesome things we did. It was a great experience and was beneficial to our roles as leaders in our school.

Joel E (Robinson house captain)

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Term 1 Easter School Holidays Trading Hours 2019

APRIL 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 st 9am - 5pm	2 nd 9am - 5pm	3 rd 9am - 5pm	4 th 9am - 5pm	5 th Last Day Term 1 9am - 2pm	6 th CLOSED
7 th CLOSED	8 th 10am - 3pm	9 th 10am - 3pm	10 th 10am - 3pm	11 th 10am - 3pm	12 th 10am - 3pm	13 th 9am - 1pm
14 th CLOSED	15 th 9am - 5pm	16 th 9am - 5pm	17 th 9am - 5pm	18 th 9am - 5pm	19 th Good Friday CLOSED	20 th Easter Saturday CLOSED
21 st Easter Sunday CLOSED	22 nd Easter Monday CLOSED	23 rd First Day Term 2 9am - 5pm	24 th 9am - 5pm	25 th ANZAC Day CLOSED	26 th 9am - 5pm	27 th 9am - 1pm

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Fact Sheet

Internet Safety Tips for Parents, Teachers & Carers

- + The use of computers, laptops or any internet enabled devices (iPad, phone, iPod, Xbox) SHOULD be in a common area of the house NOT IN THE BEDROOM! Need an alarm – buy a clock radio!
- + Parental monitoring is vital – walk past and see what your child is doing, who they are talking to and what sites they are on....be aware if their mood changes. This is NOT invading their privacy at all...it is parenting in the digital space.
- + Make sure there is no response to rude or harassing emails. (keep a record in case of further investigation)
- + Advise your student/child to immediately exit any site that makes them feel uncomfortable or worried. Basic protective behaviour principles apply.
- + If the harassment continues....the current email account can be deleted and a new one started. The new email address should only be given to a selected few.
- + If receiving harassing messages on social media – have the sender blocked & report to the site.
- + If you have found inappropriate content about your child or one in your care on a website or are informed about this situation please contact the ISP and or Police or advise the parent to do so ASAP.
- + Have a family internet contract and set house rules about what information your child can put onto websites or share with others.
- + Be aware the majority of children WILL NOT tell a parent/teacher if bullied or harassed online for fear that they will lose internet access!!
- + Make sure that your children understand that they will not get in trouble if they tell you about a problem.
- + Parents must learn about the internet with their child – get students to share their knowledge of the internet with their parents in a fun environment



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- ✚ Spend time online with children, just as you would with many other activities such as sport, board games and walking the dog – learn and explore together
- ✚ Install filters and other monitoring/blocking software to minimise dangers. This is already done in schools but advise parents to have up to date filtering software installed at home.
- ✚ Know the sites they are accessing to ensure suitability. Filters CAN sometimes fail to protect and can be bypassed by a 'tech savvy' child.
- ✚ **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCHANGE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION!**
- ✚ Children Under 13 ARE NOT ALLOWED on Facebook, Instagram, Kik, SnapChat, iTunes and many more. Don't support your child to break the rules & they won't be the only one without these accounts. Learn to say NO!
- ✚ Social Networking Profiles such as MySpace SHOULD BE SET TO PRIVATE. Use all the security settings available to make the site as safe as possible.
- ✚ Friends on MSN contacts and social networking sites should be people that your child knows in real life. This is one way to reduce possible risks. Anyone can be anyone online.
- ✚ Learn the lingo so that you can decipher some of the content if required. Advise parents to do the same.
- ✚ Teach children that information on the internet is not always reliable.
- ✚ Very close supervision for young children is recommended. There should be a limit to the email correspondence/msn to be a list of friends and family that has been approved.
- ✚ Whatever your children use, you must use as well. Set up accounts on the same sites to ensure that they are suitable and the interactions appropriate. Engage with them online. This also allows you to know how these applications work.
- ✚ If your child is playing online games it is YOUR responsibility to make sure that YOU know how to play the game too in case of problems. Play online games together.
- ✚ Do not let young children 'google' aimlessly with no supervision. Children need to be taught about search engines and how they work.
- ✚ The internet and the various applications are a lot of fun and a wonderful tool...maximize the benefits and surf safely together!
- ✚ Please note that this list is by no means exhaustive and that there is no guarantee that adherence to these tips will provide 100% protection or safety for those using the various applications of the internet.



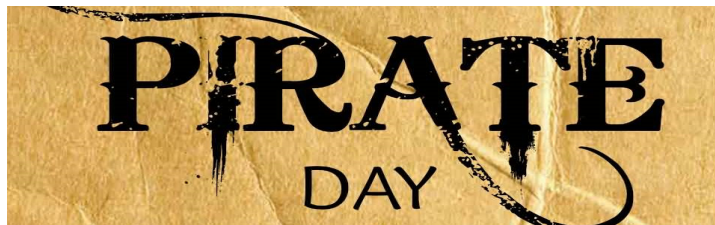


Please wear yellow to school on April 2nd to support Autism. Something as small as a yellow ribbon is plenty. Teachers will teach an awareness lesson during the day. No donation required.

Lunch Orders

Bellbrook Catering would like to wish all students, staff and families a safe and happy holiday and Easter break. We would like to inform you that your last canteen day for Term 1 (inclusive) is Friday, 5th April and your first canteen day for Term 2 is Friday, 3rd May, 2019 (due to Curriculum Day on Friday, 26^h April).

NARRE WARREN NORTH UNITING CHURCH INVITES YOU TO OUR:



TUESDAY APRIL 16TH 2019

10.00AM To 1.00PM

COME DRESSED AS A PIRATE!

There be a prize for the best dressed!

LEARN YOUR PIRATE NAME!

LEARN SOME PIRATE STUFF!

EAT A PIRATE LUNCH (so we don't get scurvy)!

PLAY SOME PIRATE GAMES!

TALK LIKE A PIRATE! Arrrrrr!

FIND YOUR PIRATE TREASURE!

Come on Land Lubbers! Come and join your Hearties for a fun day!

For primary school aged children Pre-school siblings are

Welcome as long as parents supervise them.

Please register for this day so that we can cater.

No cost but you can make gold coin donation if you can.

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call Rev. Bruce on 0425 738 481



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