

NARRE WARREN NORTH

Newsletter No. 14 – 5th September, 2019

DIARY DATES

Tuesday, 10th September School Concert Rehearsal

Last day for Whole School Photo payments

School Council Meeting – 5.30pm

Wednesday, 11th September School Concert -5.30pm & 7.30pm

Students to arrive at the venue between 4.30 and 4.45pm Students will be greeted by a staff member at the door as parents are not permitted in the rooms.

Students to bring snacks – cold food and drink bottles only

<u>Thursday, 12th September</u> Payments close at 9.30am for Special Lunch Day orders

<u>Friday, 13th September</u> Interschool Sport for selected Grade 5 & 6 students – Home

Assembly at 2.45pm

Wednesday, 18th September Grade Prep to 2 rescheduled Cross Country

<u>Thursday, 19th September</u> Footy Day & Special Lunch Day -Come dressed in football

clothes or colours <u>Friday, 20th September</u> Assembly 9.00am

End of Term 3 – 2.30pm finish <u>Monday, 7th October</u> Start of Term 4

> <u>Friday, 8th November</u> Our school's Show Day

🖉 Principal Pen

Communication

Our school communicates to the school community in a number of ways including the newsletter, flexibuzz, emails, facebook, blogs on the website, face to face, phone calls, etc.

We are in the process of reviewing how we communicate information to parents. Times have changed so we are seeking parent input into what parents find most useful in terms of being notified of school events.

We would really appreciate it if you could please complete the short survey using the link below before the end of term. We will use the information received from parents to modify what we are doing based on the feedback given.

https://forms.gle/nLBaU3TaoAug1yvA6

School Concert

Today we had a whole school concert dress rehearsal. The work that the teachers and children have done so far to prepare for the concert next Wednesday evening is outstanding. I congratulate them on their enthusiasm and participation. We are all looking forward to the concert night next week!!

Parent fundraising

Our Parents' and Friends' Club do an amazing job fundraising for our school. Thank you to the Parents' and Friends' Club for organising the Fathers' Day stall last week and the Special food day for the last week of this term.

We have had some parents wondering what the fundraising this year is going to. At this stage School Council have not earmarked the fundraising to any particular project as yet, however now that we have solar panels on our Senior School building we will need to raise funds for air conditioning both in this building and in the new building once it is built.

NAPLAN

Grade 3 and 5 NAPLAN results are available for collection by parents from the school office. If you prefer the results to be sent home with your child, please email your child's teacher to let us know and we will send the results home with them. If we do not hear from you, the results will remain at the office for you to collect at your convenience. If you have some questions about your child's results please make a time to see your child's teacher.

After having a quick look at the whole school results, our school has made outstanding progress in Reading from Grade 3 to 5, much better than the State (11 points). Our Writing results are slightly lower than the state (4 points) and Numeracy results are above the state (8 points). All 3 areas are a priority in our school's Strategic Plan. Reading has been a priority longer than Writing and Mathematics so we are not surprised by these excellent results.

Connie vanderVoort, Principal

Literacy at NWNPS

Literacy learning at Narre Warren North Primary School is a part of all areas of the curriculum. All teachers encourage students to become lifelong learners and lovers of literacy. We aim to produce students who are articulate speakers, attentive listeners, critical readers and independent writers.

During reading lessons, students learn about different genres through explicit small group teaching and regular practise through a variety of tasks. They practise reading strategies to help ensure that they master necessary reading skills. The school has implemented CAFE Reading across all year levels, allowing all students to benefit from small group instruction tailored to meet their point of need.

Helping at Home with Reading Read Together

Reading to or with children, even for a few minutes each day, encourages a positive attitude toward reading. Children who are read to at home learn to read more easily, have a higher vocabulary, and are more likely to develop a love for reading.

- Establish a home reading routine. Have children read for at least 10 minutes every day. Talk about the illustrations and contribute where you can.
- After reading, ask questions that encourage discussion, for example: What was your favourite part? Tell me about the characters. What do you think will happen next? What did you think about that setting? What do like/ dislike about this book?
- Encourage your child to read independently. A bedside light is one of the best incentives for your child to read before going to sleep.
- Visit the local library. Let your children select their books while you select books you are interested in reading. Not every book has to be read cover to cover. Your child might select books based on illustrations or factual information about a topic of interest.
- Independent readers pick and choose what they read. They are entitled to read some and reject others. They are entitled to not complete books because they are boring. Readers make choices.
- Model what it means to be an enthusiastic reader. Create a home of readers where everyone reads. Talk about what you have read. Discuss what makes you laugh during reading and share it with your child.

Helping at Home with Writing

Writing Ideas

Use your child's experiences to create links between talking, writing and reading. Here are some steps to follow:

- Ask your child to talk about an experience or something that interests them.
- Ask your child what part of the conversation they would like you to write.
- As your child is talking write down their ideas. Use the child's language.
- Ask your child to read back the writing.
- Your child may want to draw a picture or create something to match the writing.
- Encourage children to write e.g. write the shopping list, send letters or cards to relations, keep a diary etc.
- Provide a place for writing with lots of different materials. Leave notes for each other, write poems and send messages in lunchboxes. Play writing games, for example, one person writes the beginning, another the middle and continue to take turns complete the story or write a story together.

Thank you in advance for supporting Literacy Learning at our school. Your support to ensure that students complete regular home reading is high valued.

Kirrilee Cruse, Learning Specialist – Literacy.

Concert News

The school concert is on Wednesday, 11th September at Rivergum Performing Arts Centre, 63 Fordholm Road, Hampton Park. The performance times are 5.30pm and 7.30pm. All students will be performing at both sessions during the evening. Parents will need to organise transport for their children to **arrive at the venue between 4.30pm and 4.45pm.** Students will be greeted at the door by a staff member as parents are not permitted in the rooms. **Students will also need to be collected after the second performance at approximately 9.15pm from the theatre.** Students will need to bring snacks – **cold food only**. Students to bring drink bottles – **no cans allowed.**

Junior School Council



The Junior School Council interviewed all of the students in the school. This word art is made by the JSC to share the findings of the survey answering the question 'What we like about Narre Warren North Primary School'.

Dale Porto

Congratulations



Congratulations to Charlie D from Grade 1B who has participated in the MS Read-a-thon recently. He has a close family friend suffering from MS and he wanted to raise money for MS. It is recommended that they try to and raise \$250 and read 20 books. Charlie decided he wanted to do more and set himself a goal of 40 books and \$1000. As at the 29th August he had raised \$858 and read 32 books and has a few days to go. Apart from raising money for a good cause, Charlie's reading has improved dramatically.

Parents' and Friends' Club

Fathers' Day Stall

Thank you to everyone that assisted with the Fathers' Day stall, your help was greatly appreciated.

Footy Special Lunch Day – Thursday, 19th September

It's the end of the footy season. To celebrate all things footy, we are organising a special lunch for the children to enjoy while they are dressed in all their favourite colours.

Party pies and mini sausage rolls are on the menu this time at a cost of \$1.50 each.

There is also a lunch pack. This includes a party pie, a mini sausage roll, popcorn packet and a juice box at a cost of \$5.00.

Payments by Qkr! only – no cash payments. Qkr! will automatically close at 9.30am on Thursday 12th September so please complete your orders before this to ensure your children receive their lunches. Sorry, but **NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN.**

Justine Simonsen, President

Canteen News

Bellbrook Catering would like to wish Narre Warren North Primary School staff, students and families a safe and happy holiday break. Your last canteen day for Term 3 is Friday 20th September (inclusive), your first canteen day for term 4 is Friday 11th October.

Kind regards Bellbrook Catering

Beleza School Uniforms during the Term 3 holidays



Narre Warren North Primary School – A Whole School Photo was taken on the 3rd of September.

PRE-ORDER USING AN ENVELOPE – early bird offer of \$17/\$22 per photo! (Cost Depends on size chosen) ENVELOPES WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE FOR PAYMENT WITH CASH/CHEQUE/CREDIT CARD PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU NOTE THE DUE DATE FOR ENVELOPES TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT - 10.9.19 Step 1: Student Details: Complete the student details section on the front of the order envelope. Please use black or blue pen. Step 2: Order Details: Complete the order details on the front of the envelope. Step 3: Payment Method: Select your payment method. Credit Card – Please ensure you include all required fields Cash – Please enclose correct money – no change is given under any circumstances Cheque – Make payable to Advancedlife Photography with your name & address on the back of cheque Please allow 60 days for your cheque to be finalised - a \$10 fee will apply to any dishonored cheque payments **AFTER EARLY BIRD DUE DATE - ONLINE ORDERING** – regular price of \$20/\$27 per photo. (Cost depends on size chosen) Your child's special group photos will be available for secure online purchase as soon as the envelope orders have been printed and dispatched for delivery

4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SPECIAL GROUP PHOTO ORDERING

Step 1: Go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter your school code - 8EH 1LZ HPB

Step 2: Click on the Group Photos tab (top of the page)

Step 3: Choose the groups you would like to order from the list

(left side of the page, you can view them at this point)

Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)

****Online Orders will attract a \$1 service fee**

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries in regards to your child's special group photo order. <u>info@advancedlifevic.com.au</u> or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team



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Every child is unique, as are each of our Holiday Club service programs. You can access any of our 230+ services across Australia. Pick a service close to home, work or maybe at your holiday destination – the choice is yours!

This season, we've got a full & varied program of educational, fun and adventurous activities. We've got Excursions; like *Movie Madness*. There's Activity Incursions; like *Gamergirl & Gadgetboy*. Maybe External Incursions; like *Operation: Rescue*. Or get creative with our Club Based Days, where the program is created by you!



Book now. To find out when these activities are on during the school holidays and join in the fun, visit: <u>www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs</u>.

Plus, every attended booking gets an entry into our competition. Your family could be on your way to the sunny Gold Coast. See our website for more info.

We look forward to seeing you at Superhero School Holidays.

The Camp Australia Team

Conditions apply, see https://www.campaustralia.com.au/promotion-terms-and-conditions. AU res 18+. Starts: 9/8/19. Ends: 11:59pm AEDST 20/10/19. 1 entry p/session p/child booked. Child must attend session for entry to be valid. Draw: S5 Erina Plaza, 210 Central Coast HWY, Erina NSW 2250 at 10am AEDST on 22/10/19. Winners at campaustralia.com.au/families/holidayclub (& The Advertiser for any SA winners) on 25/10/19. Prizes: 1x trip for 2 adults & 2 children (12yrs & under) to Coolangatta, QLD valued at \$6,600; & 8x \$500 travel vouchers. Promoter: Camp Australia Pty Ltd (ABN 96 060 703 120) of 1731 Malvern Rd, Glen Iris, VIC, 3146. Permits: NSW. LTPS/19/36128 ACT. TP19/03714 SA. T19/1121.

