



NARRE WARREN NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter No. 18 – 14th November, 2019



DIARY DATES

Friday, 15th November

Chesterfield Farm excursion for
Grade Prep

Monday, 18th November

Applications for 2020 School
Captains & School Vice Captains
are due

Friday, 22nd November

Assembly at 2.45pm

Tuesday, 26th November

Parents' & Friends' Club
meeting at 9.15am

Monday, 9th December

Grade 6 Graduation

Wednesday, 11th December

Parent Helpers' Afternoon Tea
at 2.45pm.

Saturday, 14th December

Narre Warren North
Community's Carols by
Candlelight – see details in
newsletter

Monday, 16th December

Grade 6 Big Night Out excursion

Friday, 20th December

End of Term 4
1.30pm finish

Sunday, 26th January

Payments for booklists are due
to ensure students have their
books on their first day

Thursday, 30th January

Start of School for Grades 1 to 6
and half of Grade Prep

Friday, 31st January

Start of School for the other half
of Grade Prep

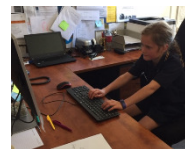
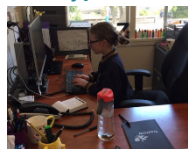


Principal Pen

Show Day!

As you all know, last Friday we had Show Day. Thank you parents, teachers and everybody else for helping in the stalls, and a big thank you to Mrs Porto for organising this special day. Also a big thank you to Miss Hogan, who organised the Talent Quest. Two or three acts from each year level got selected to participate in the Talent Quest. All the children had a wonderful time watching the acts and enjoying the stalls.

Written by Acting Principal Elsie and Acting Assistant Principal Lily for the day (they won the raffle on Show Day)



Building upgrade

Last week we had a meeting regarding the Building Upgrade that will take place in 2020. The new building will be built adjacent to the MPR (see diagram below). This means that the main building will not be demolished until after the new building is ready resulting in less disruptions for students. The plan is that the handover of the building will be some time in August 2020 so that students can move into the new building before the old one is demolished. Next week Mr Zimmerle and I will be visiting 2 schools that have already had upgrades to look at their designs.

Watch this space for updates.



Student Leadership

Last week our Grade 5 students who are interested in being either a School Captain or a School Vice Captain in 2020 attended an information session where our current 2019 Captains presented information on their roles and responsibilities. Applications for the 2020 captains are due on 18th November. All candidates prepare a speech which is presented in front of Mr Zimmerle and I outlining why they would be a good candidate for a Captaincy role.

School Policies

Our **Homework Policy** has been up for discussion at School Council. It was agreed that Homework should be a regular part of the teaching and learning program in our

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school. Homework provides students with opportunities to practise 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. Please find attached our updated Homework Policy that will be implemented in 2020.

Connie vanderVoort, Principal

Making Real Life Connections in 3/4

Written by Aymerik S, Josh S, Mitchell H and Max D

Introduction:

In Grades 3 and 4 we have been making a lot of connections to real life and we have been learning about Australia, the Royal Flying Doctor Service and rural and urban places.

Inquiry:

In Inquiry the 3's and 4's have been learning about John Flynn and how he was a big part of the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS). We also went on a virtual excursion to see inside the RFDS museum in Darwin. We found out that John Flynn started it because he found out about Jimmy Darcy, a farmer who fell off a horse and needed medical care immediately but he died shortly after.

Reading:

In Reading, we have been doing text to text connections. We have explored Australian websites, videos and books in our CAFÉ lessons.

Writing:

In Writing, we did poems which relate to Australia about Australian animals, food, places and people.

ICT:

In ICT, we have looked at RFDS websites and we have been on Google Maps. On Google Maps we measured the distance to different places, like from Broken Hill to Melbourne.

Maths:

In Maths, we learnt about rural and urban places, creating our own urban building rooftop garden. We had to work out how many pool tiles, pavers and plants we needed using number patterns, area and tessellations. This would be to show the difference between how much space rural places get and how much space urban get.

Conclusion:

These are all the things we have been doing in Term 4. We also learnt lots of things including Waltzing Matilda by Banjo Paterson who is on the 10 dollar note. Also, we learnt about first aid and practised in the art room. Yesterday there was a RFDS plane at our school. It is a simulator on the inside.



Royal Flying Doctor Service – Grades 3 and 4 Incursion

Grades 3 and 4 have been learning about the Royal Flying Doctors Service as a part of our Inquiry Unit this Term. We were lucky enough to have an incursion where they came to visit us. Tom the presenter was very impressed with how much we knew about the RFDS. Grades 3 and 4 are having a morning tea fundraiser to raise money for the RFDS.



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Parents' & Friends' Club

Icypoles

Icypoles are for sale every Wednesday in the canteen during lunchtime for \$1. **Children are only to buy icypoles for themselves not other children as we are a no food sharing school.**

Cook Books

Our school cook books are available if anyone would like to purchase one for a Christmas present. These can be purchased on Qkr! for \$25.00. A sample is available to view at our school office.

IGA Cards – Marco's

IGA cards...please remember to use your cards when you're shopping at Marco's. The 2.5% of your purchase goes back to our school. There are still cards available at the office if you have lost yours or if any of your family members, friends or neighbours would like one.

Thank you

A very warm thank you to the Fyfield family for donating the bread for show day, it really was very helpful.

We would really like to thank each and every family for their time, effort and encouragement with our fundraising efforts during the year. We try our best and it's lovely to see our community are behind us.

We have some really exciting things in the works so please stay tuned...

Next meeting

Our next meeting is Tuesday, 26th November in the staffroom at 9.15am. Anyone is welcome to attend, younger children are more than welcome!

More committee members needed

Our committee is in need of more members to assist with fundraising. It would be great if you could attend our next meeting so we can explain what is required.

Justine Simonsen, President



Narre Warren North Community's Carols by Candlelight - Saturday, 14th December

Sausage Sizzle – 6.30pm

Carols – 7.15pm (including our school's choir)

Santa – 8.00 to 8.30pm

\$5.00 family or \$2.00 single

(includes drinks, lollies, sausages, program, glow stick and
a great night of entertainment)

Please note: trucks for the carols will be arriving Friday afternoon
which may affect the use of the car park next to Bert Rae Reserve.

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Join Our Parents & Friends Team in 2020



The Narre Warren North Parents and Friends Committee relies on the generosity and commitment of volunteers who play an active and productive role in supporting, serving and caring for our school community.

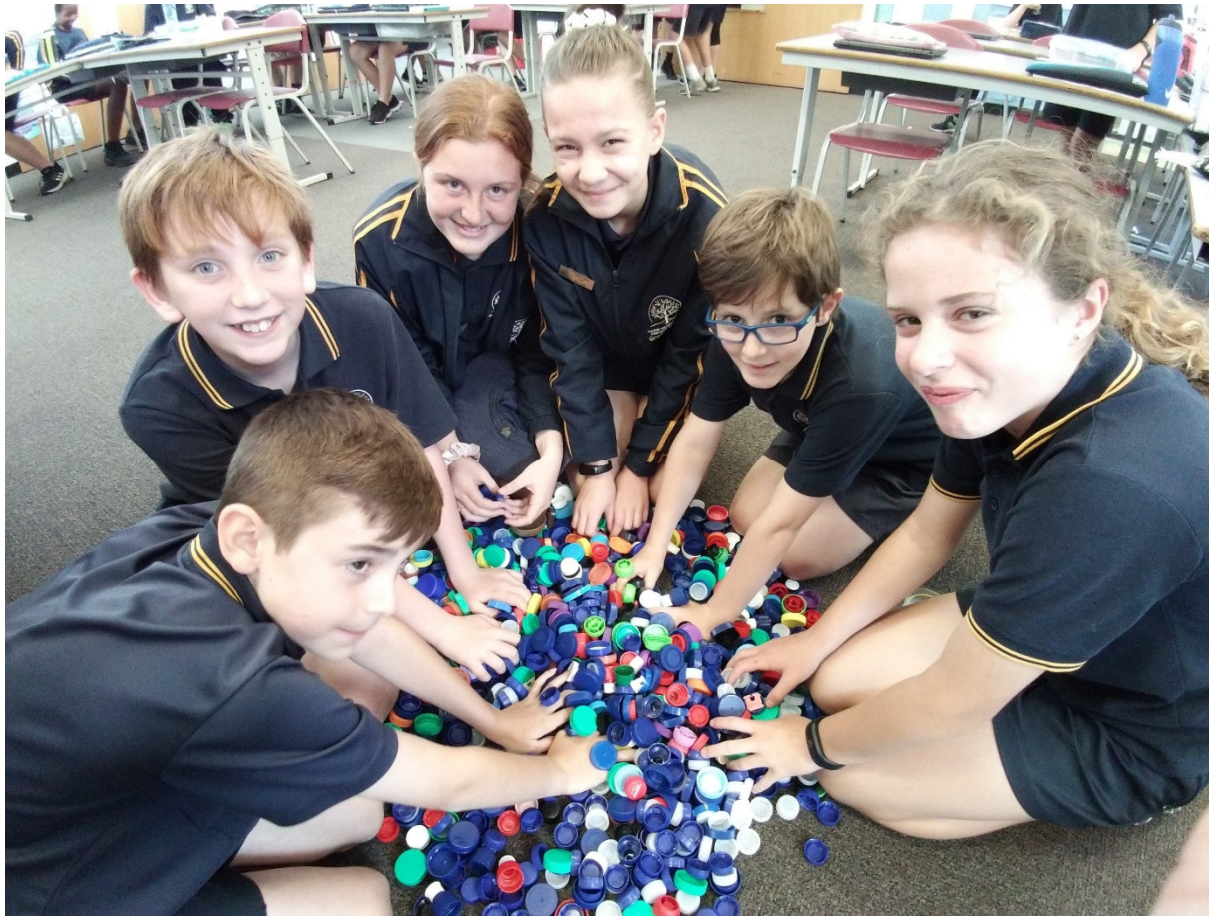
Each member brings their area of expertise to the committee and together they work hard to present a variety of functions and fundraising events. This includes Special Lunch Day, Mother's Day and Father's Day Stall, Show Day along with many other great ideas you come up with as a team.

The PFC extends an open invitation to all members of the school community to join the last committee meeting on 26th November 2019 in the staffroom at 9:15am, younger siblings welcome.

Without your help this committee may not continue next year. We hope to see you there.



The Junior School Council would like to say “Thank-you for collecting lots of Lids”.



We will now take them to ‘Envision’ so that they can be made into prosthetic limbs. We are no longer collecting lids.



Bookings now open for Summer Holiday Club



Every Holiday Club across Australia has a unique program filled with fun activities, games, projects and sports that are designed to include key learning opportunities.

Children discover themselves at Holiday Club.



Adventures at HQ

Get hands-on and create something cool with a project-based workshop or experience something new with special guests.

This Summer we've got:
Dino Days • Hip Hop Parties
• Cooking Science • Music
days • WizardBall •
Mindfulness • And heaps more



Embark on a journey

Join us on an adventure into the wild and visit new and exciting places.

This Summer your children could go to: The Movies • The Zoo • Trampolining • Playcentres • Rock Climbing • Ice Skating • Inflatable Playgrounds • Roller Blading • And heaps more



Holiday Club has

- Over 200 showcase activities & events
- Over 220 locations
- Government subsidies available for eligible families
- Mindfulness activities in every program
- And is open to all primary school aged children



To book, visit www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs

Every session is unique as they're all programmed by our amazing Coordinators. Here's an example of a day-in-the-life at Holiday Club.

Al Fresco

Monday

6:30am Breakfast

Flexible Play options:
Comic Books • Bead Jewellery

8:45am Group Discussion

Sun Safety & Playing Fair

9:00am Activity

Create your own game
We'll discuss all different sports and then everyone can create their own game.



10:15am Morning Tea

10:30am Activity

Group time
Set up tents for picnic.
Outdoor games
Frisbees, Mit & Ball Catch, 44 Homes

12:00pm Lunch

in the picnic tents



12:30pm

Making refreshing lemonade to share

1:30pm Flexible Play

Board games • Playground •
Art Corner • Dress up Corner

3:00pm Group Game

Water-balloon Baseball

4:00pm Afternoon Tea

4:30pm until close

Key Activity
Mindfulness Meditations & Storytelling.
Flexible Play options
Group Games • Dance Party •
Home Corner • Quiet Corner

Zoo Crew

Wednesday

6:30am Breakfast

Flexible Play options:
Lego • Drawing • Clay



8:45am Group Discussion

Excursion Safety

9:00am Excursion

The Zoo
A MONSTER 3 hour tour of the zoo to meet some new friends!



10:15am Morning Tea

12:00pm Lunch

Shaded area at the zoo for lunch.

12:30pm

Continue Zoo tour.

2:00pm

Group time back at the club.

2:15pm Flexible Play

Outdoor Games • UNO •
Home Corner • Music Corner

3:30pm Activity

Creating cities with building bricks.

4:00pm Afternoon Tea

4:30pm until close

Key Activity
Dance Party with Crazy Confetti.
Flexible Play options
Playground • Board Games •
Art Corner • Quiet Corner

Dream Team

Friday

6:30am Breakfast

Flexible Play options:
Monopoly • Clay • Making Pancakes

8:30am Group Discussion

Teamwork & Friendship

9:00am Activity

We'll split into 4 teams and every group will come up with a team name and draw a mascot and badge.

10:15am Morning Tea

10:30am Challenge #1

Sports Round Robin
Basketball • Soccer • Volleyball

12:00pm Lunch

12:30pm Challenge #2

Construction Challenge
Build the biggest and strongest structure.



2:00pm Flexible Play

Card Games • Outdoor Games •
Craft Corner • Home Corner

3:00pm Challenge #3

Trivia
Test your general knowledge with a fun quiz!

4:00pm Afternoon Tea

4:30pm until close

Key Activity
Learning Magic Tricks with everyday objects
Flexible Play options
Board Games • Playground •
Art Corner • Quiet Corner



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