From the Principal’s Desk:

PARENT OPINION SURVEY:

The parent opinion survey closes on Sunday 18th August. If you were nominated to participate could you please ensure you complete the survey before this date as we really value your ideas and opinions.

DEBATING TEAM:

Our debating team took part in their first round of debates against Beaconsfield Upper Primary School this morning. The team spoke on the negative side of the topic: “Computers should replace Teachers”. Lily P, Bella C, Chilli B, Tayla B (and Abbie M as the support person and emergency) represented our school with terrific confidence and outstanding public speaking skills. I am very pleased to announce that the team won this debate. Congratulations girls! I would like to acknowledge the Bunyip/Garfield Rotary Club for organising this debating competition and for adjudicating and judging.

FAMILY LIFE PROGRAM:

The Family Life Program is due to take place next Thursday 15th August. The 3/4 session is scheduled for 6:30pm and the 5/6 session is at 7:30. This is an important component of the Health and Physical Education curriculum topic around Sex Education. Elizabeth Morgan has presented this program in the past and for any parents who attended previously I am sure you will agree, she is a very engaging and family oriented presenter. It is an expectation that the children attend with at least one parent. Sessions are free of charge, but as a courtesy we would ask that you let the office know (or Jacqui Cutler) if you intend coming along.

LOST PROPERTY:

Our lost property for Term three is already beginning to pile up with some almost new jumpers and jackets amongst the pile. Lost property is located outside the canteen windows, so please come and look through the pile before we send the items to charity.

Fran Van Lambaart, Principal

TERM THREE
IMPORTANT DATES TO
REMEMBER

August 15th  Family Health Sessions
(with parents)
Y3/4   6:30pm
Y5/6   7:30pm

September 7th  Prep-2 Swimming Begins

September 14th (Saturday)  Trivia Night 7pm

PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2020
We are now taking enrolments for next year.
Enrolment packs are now available from the office.

FOR A FULL CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEE THIS NEWSLETTER OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE
www.narnargoonsps.vic.edu.au
Last week’s **E4 Excellence Award Winners**
are pictured below (*also featured on our website*)

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Library News
Congratulations to 5/6H for NEVER having any overdue books.
What a fantastic effort!

PARENT OPINION SURVEYS
A reminder that if you were one of our families who received the survey, these are due back by August 18th.
We really appreciate you taking the time to do these.
All information is confidential and we will not know who submitted what answers
Thank you

Payments Due
F-2 Swimming Deposit Friday August 16th
F-2 Swimming In Full Monday August 26th
Y4 Allambee Camp Friday August 30th

FAMILY HEALTH SESSIONS
****FREE****
****Thursday August 15th****Note New Date
6.30pm (45 minutes)
Year 3/4 Parents and Students

7.30pm (1 hour)
Year 5/6 Parents and Students

Lunch Orders
When filling in your lunch orders please remember to clearly mark the envelope with the child’s name and their class.
Also, please make sure orders are sealed securely.
Thank you from the Shop

Year 3-6 ATHLETICS
The Year 3-6 Athletics will be held at the school and on the oval across the road next Tuesday August 13th from 10am.
This event is taking the place of the Whole School Athletics and children will be chosen from these results to represent our school at the District Athletics on August 29th.
Children may wear their house colours.
Anyone who would like to help out with timing and measuring and as a current Working With Children’s Check are more than welcome. Please contact Sarah D if you can help out for more information.
IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

WORKING WITH CHILDREN’S CHECKS—A GOVERNMENT REGULATION

A reminder that EVERY HELPER in our school must wear their Working With Children Card on one of our visitor lanyards, or a visitors badge when helping in our school. This could be for reading helpers, sport helpers, classroom helpers, PAFA friends etc.

This is policy in our school and we will be monitoring this diligently. Remember, it is not only for the safety of our children, but protection for yourself. Our students have also been instructed to look for these.

STUDENT SUPERVISION

Please be aware that staff are on yard duty in the playground from 8:45 am before school and until 3:45 pm after school. Students travelling on late buses are supervised in the Multi Purpose Room after school until the final bus leaves. For your own child’s safety it is recommended that children do not arrive at school before 8:45 am.

STUDENT INSURANCE

Please be aware that the Education Department does not cover students for accidents in the school grounds, nor does it cover for Ambulance costs should the need to call an ambulance be necessary. I would therefore encourage all families, to please consider making personal insurance and ambulance cover arrangements for all their children.

VISITING THE SCHOOL

We would respectfully ask that every person who comes onto the school grounds between the hours of 9:15am and 3:15pm does so through the main office to ensure that we know who is on the school grounds at all times. We would ask for your cooperation as parents to ensure that if you have a message for your child or an item that needs to be delivered to the classroom that you ask the office staff to pass it on rather than interrupt the class and/or the teacher during instruction time. Anyone without a WWCC lanyard or Visitors badge will be redirected to the front office.

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

Nar Nar Goon Primary School is committed to child safety. We want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children. We have zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures. If you would like more information please go to the ‘Wellbeing’ or ‘Policies’ tab on our website where you will find our Child Safe Policy and/or further information and resources go to: www.education.vic.gov.au/protect

FEEDBACK

Your feedback is important to us. If you have a concern or would like to raise a complaint as a parent, please speak to the classroom teacher in the first instance, Team leader in the second instance (ie: Foundation: Jodie Watt, Years 1-2: Kimberly Feher, Years 3-4 Ryan Marsland, Years 5/6: Jackie Hope).

Otherwise, please contact the Principal Mrs Fran Van Lambaart or Assistant Principal Jacqui Cutler, by calling the office to arrange an appointment.

ABSENCE REASONS

When submitting online absence forms please ensure you provide us with details to enable us to determine whether or not they will be school approved absences or not.

Parent Choice


School unapproved - No explanation provided by parent. Student absent due to participating in leisure or social activities such as shopping, a child’s birthday, visiting relatives or friends. A day off for no valid reason. No approval given by principal to attend family holiday (requires an absence learning plan with Principal’s signature).

PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

**FACEBOOK PAGE**

Join the Nar Nar Goon Primary School - Parents & Friends Group as another way to stay informed and up to date with the activities and events happening within the School.

(*this is a closed group only available to parents/carers) with current students at the school*)
MOBILE PHONE POLICY

Nar Nar Goon Primary School

PURPOSE

Our students bring mobile phones to school for a variety of reasons. Parents provide their primary school-aged children with a mobile phone for safety and ease of communication, particularly when their child is a bus traveller. This policy is to ensure our teachers, students and parents have clear advice on the use of mobile phones whilst at school and there are concise and consistent procedures that apply throughout all classrooms. State Government Education Department Policy dictates that from 2020 all Victorian Primary and Secondary school must ban mobile phone use for all students. The aim of this policy is to reduce distraction, tackle cyber-bullying and improve student learning outcomes. Also, there is no personal insurance for expensive personal items that students bring to school.

GOALS

- To support parents in their choice to provide students with mobile phones
- To ensure mobile phone use support the ethics and values of this school as well as the Victorian Education Department Mobile Phone Policy
- To provide an opportunity for all school members to understand clear procedures for bringing mobile phones to school and their use during school hours
- To remind parents that as per DET Policy, private property brought to school by students is not insured by the school or covered by school insurance, and that it is not the responsibility of the Department if that property is lost, stolen or damaged
- To inform families that the school phone line is the only option when wanting to communicate with a student
- To reassure parents that mobile phones will be collected by teachers during school hours and are securely kept

IMPLEMENTATION

- Students are permitted to bring mobile phones to school
- They must, however, be declared to classroom teachers at the beginning of the day, and be handed in to teachers
- All parents and students will sign a Student Consent Form stating that their phone will be given to the teacher at the beginning of the day
- All classrooms will have a lockable, security locker to store student mobile phones during the school day
- Mobile phones will be handed back to students at the end of the day, or in the event of an Emergency Evacuation
- Students who refuse or neglect to hand in phones will be given a copy of this policy to be sent home to parents
- Mobile phone cameras (still, audio and video) must not be used:
  - at all on school property
  - to film people and their activities without their knowledge or permission
Empathy = Good Manners + Friendliness + Courage + Persistence/Resilience + Tolerance/Acceptance + Compassion

Courage

• Try our personal best at everything we do
• Not run away from problems or things we find hard to do
• Take responsibility for our own actions
• Seek the truth
• Listen to our conscience

What actions do you think shows that someone has courage?

This Policy was ratified by School Council – August 2019

PLAY IS THE WAY

The Pathway to Empathy - Part 3

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PLEASE NOTE THAT PAYMENTS FOR BOOK CLUB CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AT THE SCHOOL.
SICK CHILDREN

There are many ‘bugs’ and illnesses around the school at any given time. If your child is unwell (or if you are in doubt), please don’t send them to school, home is really a much better place for them to be.

Please note there are many coughs, colds and tummy bugs currently in the school.

WE HAVE A CONFIRMED CASE OF INFLUENZA B IN THE SCHOOL, PLEASE BE VIGILANT AND DO NOT SEND CHILDREN WHO ARE UNWELL TO SCHOOL.

HEAD LICE

There have been several cases of head lice reported in the school.

It is important to combat this problem.

Foundation – 2 Swimming Lessons Term 3 2018

Dates
Monday 9th, Wednesday 11th, Thursday 12th, Monday 16th,
Wednesday 18th & Thursday 9th September

Group 1
Leave school 9.30am for lesson at 10am – 10.45am
(back at school at approximately 11.50am)
All 1/2 K, Y2’s from 1/2M and FW

Group 2
Leave school 10.15am for lesson at 10.45am – 11.30am
(back at school approximately 12.15pm)
1/2F, FS and 1’s from 1/2M

We have a confirmed case of Influenza B within the school. For more information go to www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au

JOIN THE FAMILY

Everyone Welcome
New & Current Players
Free Sausage Sizzle
Toomuc Reserve
Pakenham
(Behind Cardinia Life)

Come and Try
Sunday 25.08.19
Saturday 7.09.19
Juniors 9am
Seniors & Women’s 11:30am

Club Secretary Nicole Betteridge - 0410 219 064 - Seniors
Tuih Ngahau - 0418 436 111 - Juniors & Women’s
Find us on Facebook - Pakenham Pumas Baseball
Email - Pakenham.Pumas@gmail.com

Garfield Rec. Reserve
Beswick St, Garfield

11am-12.30pm AUGUST 10TH
FAMILY FUN DAY
Jumping castle
Fairy Floss
Petting Zoo
Great Coffee for the parents
& more!
FUNDRAISING EVENT
NAR NAR GOON PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

The Feel of the 1920’s
TRIVIA NIGHT AND SILENT AUCTION
Gangsters and Flappers

SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 7PM
In the school multi-purpose room
100 TICKETS ONLY - so first in first served

Items up for grabs in the silent auction include:
Weekend Admission Tickets to the Royal Melbourne Golf Course hosting the Presidents Cup, Two Night’s accommodation in Phillip Island, Tickets for Stakes Day at Flemington Racecourse, Caroline Flake Photography Package, Kelly Mini Sports one term voucher, Jetts Gym 3 month membership, Warrock Farm Family Pass, In Fine Fettle Massage voucher, Wonderland Theatre Family Pass for spring school holiday production, Atelier Pakenham junior term pass, Kinderballet class passes, Luv-A Duck Cooking Classes, Puffing Billy Railway Family Pass, Blissful Soul gift voucher and pamper pack, Melbourne Zoo Family Pass, and many more fabulous items

** DOOR PRIZE ** BEST DRESSED MALE AND FEMALE ** $1 RAFFLE TICKETS **
** GOLD COIN TO PLAY GAMES BETWEEN ROUNDS TO WIN LOADS OF FANTASTIC PRIZES **
** $15 BLIND RAFFLE, Every Ticket Wins! **

Please return your ticket request and money no later than Friday 23rd August

Parent Name: ........................................................................................................................

Student Name: .................................................................................................................. Class:

Number of Tickets:
.......................... @ $20.00 each TOTAL COST ENCLOSED: ...................................................

At this event seating will be allocated in tables of 8, please list if there are specific people you would like to sit with. We will do our best to accommodate everyone the best we can. In the event the tickets are sold out when we receive your request you will be notified and your money refunded.