From the Principal’s Desk:

We had a wonderful special assembly last Friday for the Badge Presentation Ceremony with Cardinia Shire Mayor Graeme Moore and our School Council President Justin Seddon both in attendance. As an extra special treat to mark the occasion, Graeme wore his official Mayoral robes which were adorned with the official golden “necklace” where his name was engraved and the names of all his predecessors since the formation of the Cardinia Shire Council.

I would like to thank Graeme for being such a strong supporter of our school and Justin for taking time out of his busy schedule to congratulate the children. Our new leaders and captains have really set the tone for the year with exceptional leadership skills. They have modelled responsible behaviours in such a way that the tone of our playground and classrooms are both highly respectful and calm.

DISTRICT SWIMMING:

Congratulations to all our students who participated in the District Swimming Carnival last Wednesday. Once again, Nar Nar Goon students proved to be very well behaved and persistent in all their efforts, despite the cold. Overall our school came fourth in the competition and we have two students qualifying for the Division event: Giann M – 11 year old backstroke and Harley M-9/10 year old breast stroke. Good luck Giann and Harley and thank you to everyone for displaying excellent sportsmanship!!

TERM ONE

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

March 1st  Sizzle and Sound  5pm-7pm
March 8th  Curriculum Day
March 18th  School Photos
April 5th  School Cross Country
April 5th  Last Day Term 1  2.30pm finish

Anglicare Victoria
Growing Great Kids
Parents Building Solutions

FOR A FULL CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEE THIS NEWSLETTER OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE
www.narnargoons.vic.edu.au

Mrs Fran Van Lambaart—Principal
**DEVELOP A PASSION FOR LEARNING. IF YOU DO, YOU WILL NEVER CEASE TO GROW.**

Anthony J. D’Angelo

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**MARCH**

**Friday 1st** 5/6 Sport @ Bridgewood PS **CANCELLED**

’Sizzle And Sound’ Night 5pm-7pm

**Friday 8th** Curriculum Day

**Monday 11th** Labour Day Holiday

**Wednesday 13th** Division Swimming (Squad only)

**Friday 15th** PAFA Meeting (time to be advised)

**Monday 18th** School Photos (see newsletter)

School Council 4.45pm

**Friday 22nd** 5/6 Sport @ Bridgewood (new date)

**Friday 29th** 5/6 Summer Lightning Premiership

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**APRIL**

**Friday 5th** School Cross Country (info to follow)

**LAST DAY TERM 1** 2.30pm finish

**Buses will run to this timetable**

**TERM 2**

**Monday 22nd** Easter Monday Holiday

**Tuesday 23rd** First Day Term 2

**Thursday 25th** ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY

**Monday 29th** School Council 4.45pm

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**MONEY AND NOTES TO THE OFFICE**

When returning money to the office please include correct money and ensure that it is securely enclosed in an envelope that is clearly marked with name, grade and what it is for.

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**EARLY LEAVERS**

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Jai W
Abbey R
Trevor M
Mason R
Ayla H
Lilly D
Alexie O
Bella A

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**LATE ARRIVALS**

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**A REMINDER**

That Foundation students WILL attend on Wednesdays from next Wednesday 6th March.
Last week’s E4 Excellence Award Winners are pictured below (also featured on our website)

Archie M, Phoenix D, Taya S, Isla D, Mckenna H, Sally S, Cooper K, Eden V, Ebony H

Student Details And Student Consent form

You would have received an email last week regarding your child’s details that are kept on file at school.

Please review and make any changes on the form sent home in the gold envelope.

Please sign and return to school ASAP—even if there are no changes to be made

The green Student Consent form also needs to be returned.

Thank you to those who have returned their forms.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

SIZZLE AND SOUND NIGHT—TOMORROW NIGHT
SEE YOU ALL THERE

**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*)
STUDENT ABSENCES

**It is a Department of Education policy that when a child is absent we must receive an explanation either by email, verbal, a note or a phone call on the day of absence. **

You can do this in several ways—via our website (in Quick Links) which is a proforma on the front page of our website. Please fill in and submit and we will get notification. Or if you prefer, a phone call, or a note to the school via a sibling.

Unexplained absences will appear as unapproved absences until an explanation is received.

If we do not receive notification on the morning of the absence we are required to make a follow up phone call.

Library News

Congratulations to 5/6H and 34L and FW, who have no overdue books this week!!
Unfortunately some classes also have no overdues for this year BUT still have books owing from last year

Head Lice

Please note there are confirmed cases of head lice in the school

BUS TRAVELLERS

If your child is not travelling home on the bus please remember to sign the bus book OR let us know in the office. This will save us valuable time looking for children at the end of the day.

Please note: It is mandatory that where a bus is fitted with seat belts that children must wear them or fines could be incurred.

Thank you

OPEN LEARNING

(whole school ability based maths groups)

Begins on Tuesday 19th February with game based activities with teachers covering the progression points.

Parent Helpers WON'T BE NEEDED UNTIL Term 2 in all levels. Please let Ryan know if you have a current Working With Children Check and are available to help out from 9.10am-10am

PLAY IS THE WAY

Be Brave — Participate to Progress

Every time your child steps into school they are stepping in the unknown. They do not know what new and challenging task might be asked of them that day, and that can be a difficult situation.

The green poster acknowledges that while the unknown can be an uncomfortable place to be, being brave and having a go at something difficult is the path to new understandings/experiences.
School Photographs for 2019
will be by our School Photographers,

Spargo Photography.

Monday, 18 March 2019.

To ensure that your photos are returned as quickly as possible, please follow these quick and easy guidelines.

Please write clearly on your child’s envelope (Block letters preferred)

Please don’t use small change as this can break or fall out of your envelope, if this is not possible, please tape up the sides or put the money in a freezer bag then inside your envelope.

For online orders, complete an envelope and record the Order Number in the “online Order#” section on the envelope.

All children must have their own envelope with them when being photographed.

Do not use one envelope for multiple children.

Children without an envelope when having their individual photos taken will not have an order placed against their name.

For Family/Siblings & Friends Portraits please see your school office for an information flyer and red family envelope.

Do not place a family envelope inside another envelope or an individual envelope.

Only family/siblings with a completed family envelope will be photographed.

ONLINE PRE-ORDER

We now provide you with the flexibility of pre-paying your child’s photos online. Simply follow the links below to place your order. Once completed, print out your confirmation invoice and include in your child’s envelope.

To order click on the following links;

   Individual Photograph Packs

   Family Photograph Orders

If you have any inquiries, please contact us on (03) 5942 5234

Student’s envelopes may be returned to school at any time prior to the day and we will keep them in the safe and return them to the student on Photo Day

Family envelopes and additional envelopes are available from the office
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.

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.
7 WAYS
parents can manage
web-connected devices
in the home

1. 39% of teens use a tablet to go online
2. 47% of teens play games online

3. 64% of teens stream video on YouTube & TV
4. 74% of teens use a computer to go online

5. 78% of teens research and browse on the internet
6. 80% use a smart phone

7. 86% have home broadband access

Parents controls can keep kids safe on many screens

REMEMBER
No parental control is 100% failsafe.
Keep children’s trust by using these tools openly at home.

esafety.gov.au/parent
9.10am for morning tea
9.30 start - til 12pm
Parents are welcome to join

GROWING GREAT KIDS
PARENTS BUILDING SOLUTIONS

ARE YOU TIRED OF YELLING?
How to get kids to listen, without having to yell
DEALING WITH ANGER
Deal with our own anger and the anger of our children
STRATEGIES
Discuss and share skills that work
TECHNOLOGY & CHILDREN
When to limit it and how?
SELF CARE
How to cope with stress & emotions

DATES: Wednesdays 27 Feb, 6, 13, 20, 27 March and 3 April 2019
TIME: 9.10am - 12.00pm
WHERE: Nar Nar Goon Primary School
27-35 Spencer St, Nar Nar Goon

COST: FREE
BOOKINGS: Bookings essential
For bookings and enquiries contact:
Virginia Meredith - 9942 5311 or
Email: nar.nar.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Jasbir Singh Suropada
Call or TEXT 0431 203 177 to register
jasbir.suropada@anglicarevic.org.au

anglicarevic.org.au

Allan Armstrong Memorial Garden

You are invited to the official opening of the
‘Allan Armstrong Memorial Garden’
Friday, 15th March
Cardinia Primary School

Food and Drinks available for purchase from 3:30pm—6:30pm
Official opening at 5:30pm

- Coffee van available (Thank you to Tily’s Cup)
- Sausages and Burgers
- Cold drinks
- Fairy Floss
- Popcorn
- Cakes and slices
- Memorial native plants available for purchase
- Raffle tickets available for purchase

Please RSVP to Cardinia Primary School by Friday, 7th March.

Phone - 03 5998 8323
Email - cardinia.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
You are invited to bring along your family and friends to our Welcoming

**Sizzle and Sound Night**

Friday 1st March 2019 5-7pm

Come along and explore your child’s classroom
Enjoy some outdoor games
And listen to some music
All while getting to meet other students and families

Don’t worry about dinner as we will have available for purchase:
Sausages, Baked potatoes, ice creams, icy poles, Slushies and soft drinks.

There will also be a raffle on the night $1 per ticket and a Raffle tree $20 per ticket where your lucky pluck from the tree rewards you with a prize voucher worth $20 or more from a local business.

All money raised from the night goes back into the school to purchase equipment for the Fortune Garden or classroom items.
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:
- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child’s school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:
- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply in 2018.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
Sizzle and Sound
Price List

Sausage in bread (onion) $2.00
Baked Potato (cheese, coleslaw, sour cream) $5.00
  Add bacon $1.00
Slushies $1.00
Cans of Coke/lemonade/solo $2.00
Bottled water 600ml $2.00
Choc coated Ice cream $2.00
Zooper Dooper Icy pole $1.00
Raffle

1st Prize:
Hamper

2nd Prize:
Bottle of wine and Crocs vouchers 2x children’s entry pass & $50 off party room hire.

3rd Prize:
Chocolates and Crocs vouchers 2x children’s entry pass & $50 off party room hire.

Tickets $1.00 Each
Good Luck
Raffle Tree

The Raffle where you’re guaranteed a prize

How does it work?

$20 per ticket

Then select a surprise voucher from the tree

All vouchers worth $20 or more in value

Good Luck