Principal’s Report
Aboriginal For A Day Incursion

With all the celebration and excitement of NAIDOC week, are all looking forward to the Incursion next Wednesday. We have almost all of our permission forms back, which are essential for participation. Our guests will take the students through 3 sessions – one on Dance and Ceremony, one of Storytelling and Cultural History, and one on Aboriginal Art. All workshops are interactive and students will get opportunities to create their own responses and ask questions. It should be terrific.

Here is some more of our student work from last week.

The story of echidna
Long, long ago, when only the aborigines owned Australia, a group of kids complained of the spiders biting their ankles while they were playing. The parents tested it like it was nothing. They soon discovered that they were telling the truth. The population of the ants kept growing and growing.
A group of ants and spiders went to the centre of Pakenham to try and solve the problem. They decided to make a new animal. This animal was made of the spikes and colour of tussock grass, a beak like a bird, a pouch like a kangaroo and it has eggs like a reptile. They had created a ‘Ningurn’ (echidna) to eat all of the ants. That soon asked the problem, the parents and kids were happy and they continued on like nothing ever happened.

EMU AND SUN AND WIND
A long long time ago in the bushes an emu woke up angry, demanding the sun to rise for his morning run.
The sun did not like this and ran away so he was hot and angry. As soon as the sun arose Emu started his morning run.
As he started running he felt like his back was on fire and he knew it was hot, so he yelled at her. She just made him hotter and hotter.
And with that he went to go get wind. On his way he realized why sun was hot and angry. It was because of the way he had asked her to arise this morning, so he decided to ask wind nicely to cool him and earth down.
After wind had helped him he said thankyou and then went to say sorry to sun and promise to never be rude again.

CHAMPIONSHIP PERFORMANCE
Huge congratulations to Taylor D for winning FIRST in her section at the Australian Oireachtas during the holidays. A massive achievement!

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.narnargoonps.vic.edu.au

Jacqui Cutler—Acting Principal
Last week’s **E4 Excellence Award Winners**
are pictured below *(also featured on our website)*

![Image of award winners]

**Friday 26th** Y3 Taskworks Camp
**Wednesday 31st** Whole School Incursion
  Aboriginal For A Day **New Date**
**Monday 29th** School Council

**August**
**Thursday 8th** Disco
**Friday 9th** 3/4 Hooptime
**Monday 12th** 5/6 Hooptime
**Tuesday 13th** Y3-6 School Athletics (school based)
**Thursday 15th** Family Health Sessions **New Date**
  6.30pm Y3/4 & Parents  7.30pm Y5/6 & Parents
**Friday 16th** PAFA Meeting 9am
**Wednesday 21st** Book Character Dress Up Day
  (info to follow)
**Monday 26th** School Council
**Thursday 29th** District Athletics (info to follow)
**Friday 30th** Father’s Day Breakfast (info to follow)
  Father’s Day Stall (info to follow)

**September**
**Wednesday 4th—Friday 6th** Y4 Allambee Camp
**Monday 9th** Prep-2 Swimming begins
**Wednesday 11th** Prep-2 Swimming begins
**Thursday 12th** Prep-2 Swimming begins
  **Saturday 14th** TRIVIA NIGHT 7pm
**Monday 16th** Prep-2 Swimming begins
**Wednesday 18th** Prep-2 Swimming begins
**Thursday 19th** Prep-2 Swimming begins
**Friday 20th** Last Day Term 3 2.30pm finish
  Buses run to this timetable
PLEASE NOTE THAT PAYMENTS FOR BOOK CLUB CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AT THE SCHOOL.
ALL ORDERS AND PAYMENTS MUST BE DONE ONLINE.

PARENT OPINION SURVEYS
A reminder that if you were one of our families who received the survey, these are due back by August 11th.
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.

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Listen beyond what is said to how it is said

What actions do you think shows that someone has good manners?

Library News
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You guys rock!!

HEAD LICE
There have been several cases of head lice reported in the school.
It is important to combat this problem.

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****FREE****

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6.30pm (45 minutes)
Year 3/4 Parents and Students

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Year 5/6 Parents and Students

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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*)
PAFA invites you to the
Nar Nar Goon Primary School

Disco!

Presented by Little & Trivial Events

Thursday 8th August 2019

$3 per child

Session 1: 3.45pm to 5.15pm  -  Foundation, Grade 1 & 2

Free Dress Day for these students only!

Students are permitted to stay after school & will be escorted to the Multi-Purpose Room by Class Teachers. Collection of students after the disco will be at the front door of the Multi-Purpose room. All students must be signed out by the Adult nominated on the disco permission slip.

**Please remove your child from the Bus List**

Session 2: 5.30pm to 7.00pm  -  Grades 3, 4, 5 & 6

Strictly: Students must be signed in & out by the nominated adult on the Permission slip below. Drop off will be at the rear sliding doors of the Multi-Purpose Room. Collection will be at the front door.

Please return the Permission Slip & Entry money by Monday 5th August 2019.

Slushies, snacks & glow sticks to be purchased on the night.

Little & Trivial events will provide Prizes and Free Airbrush Tattoos!!

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PERMISSION SLIP

Childs name: ................................................................. Grade: .........................

I hereby give permission for my child to attend the school disco. I have enclosed $3.00.

Name: ................................................................. Signature: .................................................................

Contact Number: .................................................................

He/She will be picked up by: ..................................................................................................................

Please remove my child from Bus No: ................ (Foundation to Grade 2 Only)

I can help at Session 1 or 2 Name: ................................................................. (Current WWC No: ..................)
Are your kids spending too much time in front of the television or on their devices?

Are you as parents not spending enough time with your children?

Sign up to play cricket at Nar Nar Goon. (ages 5-17)

We want to get a good start to the season by trying to gauge how many players we will have in our junior teams.

Both girls and boys are welcome to play.

We also want dads or mums who may be able to assist with their children’s teams.

Contact Julie 0418597252 (junior coordinator)

Or Geoff 0409482113 (president)

Don’t wait until the season is just about to start. Do it now.
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 Lake Photography Package, Kelly Mini Sports one term voucher, Jetts Gym 3 month membership, Warrook 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.