From the Principal’s Desk:

FATHERS DAY ACTIVITIES:
Thank you to all the wonderful dads, grandads and special friends who came along to the Fathers Day Breakfast last Friday. It was a crisp, cool morning, but at least the sun was shining and everyone was able to enjoy some quality time with the children. It was lovely to see all the visitors kicking the football, shooting hoops, skipping or playing hat tennis and then spending time visiting the classrooms. The PAFA mums once again did an outstanding job sourcing some outstanding raffle prizes – fourteen in total- and then organising the Fathers Day Stall so that each child could buy a gift for the special male person in their life. Thank you Rhiannon and the PAFA team and to all staff who helped to cook breakfast for everyone!

YEAR FOUR ALLMABEE CAMP:
All our year four students are currently enjoying their three day camp to Allambee in the Strezlecki ranges. They arrived safely yesterday at midday and according to Ryan Marsland the weather was “quite nice but a little windy”. This camp is an adventure camp with activities such as a giant swing, go cart racing and team challenges. The accommodation is a dormitory style and the food is very nutritious and there is always plenty of it! I am sure the children will come home with lots of fun news to share with you all.

2019 NAPLAN:
All Year three and five students should have by now received their Naplan reports as they were sent home with the children yesterday. Overall we were absolutely delighted with how our students performed. It is important however, to remember that this assessment is a “once off” and if you have any questions about how your child’s Naplan report reads, please feel free to speak to their current teacher for clarification.

TRIVIA FUNDRAISING NIGHT:
I am looking forward to attending the Trivia Night which has been organised by PAFA on 14th September at 7pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. The tickets are only $20 each and the amount of prizes and added extras that have been sourced by PAFA will ensure a fantastic night for everyone who attends. Please consider attending this terrific community fundraising event with our staff – it should be great fun and all funds raised will continue to benefit your children!

PLEASE REST ASSURED THAT IT IS NOT A PRE REQUISITE TO COME IN OUR THEMED GANGSTER FANCY DRESS – JUST COME ALONG IN WHATEVER YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE IN!

Fran Van Lambaart, Principal
Last week’s **E4 Excellence Award Winners** are pictured below (also featured on our website)

![Image of award winners]

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### SEPTEMBER

**Wednesday 4th—Friday 6th** Y4 Allambee Camp
**Monday 9th** Prep-2 Swimming begins
**Wednesday 11th** Prep-2 Swimming
**Thursday 12th** Prep-2 Swimming
**RUOK? Day** see today’s newsletter for more info

🌟 **Saturday 14th** TRIVIA NIGHT 7pm 🌟

**Monday 16th** Prep-2 Swimming
**Wednesday 18th** Prep-2 Swimming
**Thursday 19th** Prep-2 Swimming
**Friday 20th** Last Day Term 3
2.30pm finish – Buses run to this timetable

### OCTOBER

**Monday 7th** First Day Term 4
School Council 4.45pm
**Monday 14th** Prep 2020 Info Session 6pm-7pm
**Thursday 17th** Y2 Sleepover (info to follow)
**Thursday 24th - Friday 25th** Y5 Camp

### NOVEMBER

**Monday 4th** School Council 4.45pm
**Tuesday 5th** MELBOURNE CUP DAY HOLIDAY

**Year 5’s**

- Archie M
- Kash H
- Lilly C
- Mila P
- Grace C
- Jack N
- 3/4M
- Taya M
- Olivia D
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.

SUNSMART POLICY
Our School’s Sunsmart Policy for wearing hats was amended to be in line with the Cancer Council’s regulations.

- Navy blue broad brimmed hats must now be worn from September 1st until May 1st.
- Sunscreen is also available for children who request it.
- Hats must be either wide brimmed or the ‘bucket’ type for proper protection.
- Hats must be dark or navy blue in line with our uniform policy.

Baseball caps are not permitted.

BPAY
Thank you to families who have already used the additional payment option of BPAY. We hope you find this alternative method a convenient way to make student payments.

Please note BPAY is for student school charges only. PAFA or Fundraising activities must still be paid for by Cash, Cheque or Eftpos.

Library News
Congratulations to 5/6H and 3/4K for having no overdue books this week.

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, and wherever possible include the correct money.

Thank you from the Shop.

Foundation–2 Swimming Lessons Term 3 2019

Dates
Monday 9th, Wednesday 11th, Thursday 12th,
Monday 16th, Wednesday 18th & Thursday 19th September

Group 1
Leave school 9.30am for lesson at 10am - 10.45am
(back at school at approximately 11.30am)
FW, all 1/2 K, Y2’s from 1/2M

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

Happy Birthday
Archie M
Addy G

Library News
Congratulations to 5/6H and 3/4K for having no overdue books this week.
Where does this pathway to empathy lead us? We define an empathetic person as someone of good character who:

- embodies all the key virtues and develops them through vigorously adhering to his/her values to ensure they become the habits of behaviour that define his/her character.
- Has an awareness of others with the ability to see things from another’s point-of-view and the ability to identify with the plight, state or needs of another.

It is important to remember, that as with so many of the truly worthwhile challenges we can undertake in life, this is not a simple task that we can tick off a list as done and dusted in a day, it requires continual practise, hard work and self reflection.
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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*)
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
Tickets $20 per person
Available to purchase from the school office
Fancy Dress Optional

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, Warook 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! **
Thursday 12 September is R U OK? Day – a day when we’re reminded to ask, “Are you OK?” and to remember every day of the year to support people who may be struggling with life’s ups and downs. At Nar Nar Goon Primary School, we know that regular meaningful conversations can make a difference. And you don’t have to be an expert to ask how someone’s going. Just a great mate and a good listener.

This year in the build-up to R U OK? Day we’re shining a light on the times we should be asking our friends and loved ones this important question. We want everyone in our school community to know that if something’s up with someone you know – there’s something going on in their life or you notice a change in what they’re doing or saying – it’s time to trust that gut instinct and ask them “Are you OK?”

To spread this message, we’ll be:

Holding a Free Dress Day on Thursday 12th September where we are encouraging all students to wear some yellow in solidarity of those who are feeling down. Bring a gold coin that we will donate to RUOK?

RUOK? is a national charity dedicated to inspiring all of us to have regular, meaningful conversations to support anyone struggling with life.

You can learn more about the signs and how to ask R U OK? at www.ruok.org.au

We make time to ask

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