April 28th, 2016

Dear Parents and Friends,

ANZAC DAWN SERVICE:
Thankyou to everyone who joined Laticia T, Sam H and myself at the Nar Nar Goon Cenotaph for the local Dawn Service on ANZAC Day. It was a very solemn and moving service particularly when the Last Post was played as the sun was rising over the horizon. Laticia and Sam did a wonderful job representing our school through their individual speeches and laying a wreath on behalf of the school community.

EARLY DEPARTURES:
This week we have had an inordinate number of students who have been collected from school early-some well before 3:30, but many only 5 or 10 minutes before dismissal. This is extremely disruptive to the whole school as announcements need to be made and classes interrupted. I understand there are times when important specialist appointments cannot be scheduled in school hours but I would urge you to respect the learning time of our students and avoid collecting the children early unnecessarily. The same applies to Late Arrivals as some of the most valuable learning occurs at the start of the day. Please help your children to make the most of their education by being punctual and attending regularly as the graphic below clearly illustrates:

SCIENCE INCURSION:
This week the children have had a wonderful time participating in a Science Incursion “Mad About Science”. Below is a report from the classroom teachers:
The 3-6’s attended ‘The Human Body’ seminar, they were both fascinated and grossed out when the functions of the major organs in the human body were explained and shown using a plastic 3D model. They created water balls, used red cabbage juice to identify acids and bases and tested their reflexes. Students worked in a team to test what affects exercise had on their pulse rate using a stethoscope. All in all, it was a great experience, exciting and educational!
The Junior school had fun during their “Mad about Science” workshop on the five senses. We explored each sense through different experiments. Students looked through different lenses such as fly eye and magnifying glasses. We used our noses to distinguish between different kinds of smells and our fingers to order the roughness of materials. The teachers even learned that some people cannot taste certain tastes due to genetics. Miss Stephenson could not taste the extremely bitter taste that Miss Watt could. Did you know that coriander can taste like soap for some people? The students really enjoyed watching each other’s reactions!
If you have a spare moment, follow the link below to the ‘Mad About Science’ website. There are lots of experiments that you can do at home with your children:

GRANDPARENT’S DAY:
Please mark the 17th May in your diaries for our annual Grandparent’Day. For those of you who are new to our school, this is an opportunity for us to honour our Grandparents by having an Open Morning. Grandparents are invited to come into the classes and spend some time with their grand-children. Afterwards there is a very scrumptious morning tea provided for all our special guests in the Multi-Purpose Room. The children always look forward to this special day and we are sure to have a very big attendance.

MOTHER’S DAY HIGH TEA
Please don’t forget that PAFA have invited all mums to come to school on Thursday 5th May at 2pm for a special high tea. Please refer to their flyer for further details and to RSVP. The children have prepared special Mothers Day messages that will be displayed on the walls of the Multi Purpose Room for you to read and one child per class will be selected to read their special message out to all the Mums during the High Tea.

Kind Regards,
Mrs Fran Van Lambaart
Congratulations to these children for receiving this week’s awards.

![Awards Image]

E4 EXCELLENCE

- Darby B
- Ava B
- Charlie T
- Mai V
- Shilah V
- Tyler T
- Joel R
- Tynan M
- Nichole F
- Ava D

OTHER AWARDS
Maths - Jessica C
Open Learning - Bodhi R & Keisha M

DIARY DATES

APRIL
- Friday 29th: Y5/6 Sport Away
- Book Club Closes

MAY
- Wednesday 4th: Prep 2017 Open Evening 6pm-7pm
- Start Smart Program 1/2’s
- Thursday 5th: Mother’s Day High Tea 2pm-3.20pm
- Friday 6th: District Cross Country
- Mother’s Day Stall
- Wednesday 11th: Meal Deal Day
- Friday 15th: Y5/6 Sport Away
- Monday 16th - Friday 20th: Education Week
- Monday 16th: School Council 7pm
- Tuesday 17th: Grandparent’s Day 10am-11.40am
- Friday 20th: Y5/6 Interschool Sport Home
- Friday 27th: Y5/6 Interschool Sport Home

JUNE
- Monday 6th: PAFA Meeting 9.15am
- Friday 10th: Winter Lightning Premiership
- Monday 13th: Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
- Thursday 16th: CURRICULUM DAY
- Friday 17th: Girls AFL (info to follow)
- Monday 20th: School Council 7pm
- Tuesday 21st: Whole School Athletics Carnival

Payments Overdue
Science Incursion: Wednesday 20th April
District Cross Country: Monday 2nd May

BOOK CLUB LOOP PROGRAM
Final date for Book Club Loop Program is next Friday 29/4/16.

Notes to the Office.
There are currently many notes with payments being returned to the office. Please ensure your envelopes are secure as there have been several cases of missing coins from envelopes.
We appreciate your cooperation with this.

Happy Birthday
- Jake W
- James W
- Sami B
- Jessica
- Hayley D
- Zac D
- Cooper C
- Jayke M
- Jasmin E
**Canteen this week**
Dims Sims & Popcorn 50cents each

**Mother’s Day Afternoon High Tea**
On Thursday 5th May at 2pm we will be hosting an afternoon High Tea in celebration of Mother’s Day.

PLEASE RSVP BY MONDAY 2ND MAY

**Mother’s Day Stall**
On Friday 6th May we will be running a Mother’s Day Stall. Gifts range between 50c to $5.00. Students are able to purchase 2 gifts, then will be given to opportunity to purchase more if time allows.

We will also be running a Raffle on the day, tickets will be 50cents each – max 4 tickets per student.

If you would like to help out on the Stall, please contact Victoria Smith.

**Hot Dog Meal Deal**

**WEDNESDAY 11TH MAY**
Please return all orders to school with correct money by Monday 9th May. One form per child please.
Hot Dogs $2.00 each
Apple Juice $1.00 each
Jelly Cup $1.00 each

PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2017
If you have a sibling of a child all ready attending here who is starting their Prep year, please let us know as soon as possible.
Likewise, if you know of anyone who lives in the area (within our school boundary) and are thinking about enrolling their child for next year, please let us know or get them to contact the school. Information/Enrolment packs are now available.
Introducing

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Book Clubs LOOP
for Parents

LOOP is Scholastic Book Clubs Linked Online
Ordering & Payment platform for Parents.

If you want to pay by credit card for your online Book Club order, LOOP makes it easy! It eliminates the need for paper order forms plus your online order is submitted to the school safe and sound.

Log-in to www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or download our iPhone and iPad app from the App Store or get it on Google Play for Android.

- For a quick start, just click on ORDER in the top menu or REGISTER first to save your details for next time
- Select your school and your child’s class
- Add your child’s first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
- Enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue
- You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school
- All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child’s classroom if you order by the close date
- There’s no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school!

Interschool Horse Trials

Over the Anzac weekend Tahlia and Lily P represented Nar Nar Goon Primary School in the Tintern Interschool Horse Trials. The weather was beautiful and both girls and their ponies performed very well.

Lily came 5th in the 50cm class while Tahlia came 8th in the 65cm class.
Mums, Grandmas or Special Friends

On behalf of P.A.F.A, we wish to invite you to an

Afternoon High Tea

in celebration of Mother’s Day

on

Thursday 5th May

2pm—3.20pm

We ask for a gold coin donation on entry on the day.

We will be running a special Raffle during the afternoon.

**Lucky door prizes will be drawn**

For catering purposes, please RSVP by Monday 2nd May.

Students will not be in attendance however some students will be presenting work on the day for our enjoyment!

Name

Number of Adults:

Would love to join you for an Afternoon High Tea.

Preschool children are welcome
# Parents & Friends LUNCH DAY Deal!

Parents & Friends will be having our first lunch for the kids on **Wednesday 11th May**. Please fill out one form per child placing the number required in the boxes and return to school with money by **Monday 9th May**. Thank you!!

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Late Arrivals/Early Leavers

It has come to our attention that many children who arrive last at school have not been signed in at the office. Every child who arrives late to school must be signed in at the office. Likewise, every child who leaves early must also be signed out at the office, including the bus book. This is particularly important in case of an emergency.