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Principal’s Report
What a wonderful Fete we enjoyed on Friday. A very healthy crowd of current and past students, parents and supportive community members created a wonderful atmosphere, and the extensive work put into Fete organisation and stall preparation all paid off. It was a pleasure to wander around the grounds watching everyone revel in the rides, games, stalls and food on offer.

It is still too early to say exactly how much profit the P&C made at the Fete, but it appears likely to be a very healthy amount. Even more importantly, the Fete was a wonderful demonstration of the community spirit and support that Narranga enjoys - I would like to thank all who were involved or attended. In particular I would like to forward the thanks of the school to the small band of parents who put in some serious hours to ensure that all of the above could occur. I hesitate to list them for fear of missing someone important, but you know who you are.

One new resource that the Fete will help to fund is already being used. You may have noticed a new concreted outdoor learning area on the edge of the 3-6 playground. It has had some snazzy picnic setting tables installed, and a teaching bench complete with power and water is almost complete. This will be a great space for both lessons and quiet play.

Our Kindergarten Orientation is in full swing. Parents of our 2015 enrolments attended the Kinder Expo last Wednesday night, and this week the littlies have been visiting our classrooms for their first taste of big school. Everyone is learning and happy, so all is well.

Some of our top athletes competed at the NSW PSSA Championship last week. Standouts were the senior boys’ relay team, who finished 4th, and Brodie Richardson, who also finished 4th in the 12 Years 200m.

A group of senior Narranga students travelled to Coffs Golf Club last week for a sampler game on the links. They enjoyed the opportunity to try out something new, and we received an absolutely glowing report from the Club on how they represented the school.

Band Program Timetable Change and Fee Alteration
This term it has been decided to move the Thursday morning band session (8.20 – 9.00am) to lunchtime 12.55 – 1.30pm). This session will involve all our musicians in a combined ensemble workshop. This alteration will mean that the band participation fee of $80.00 per term will be discontinued. Please contact Mr Johnson should you require any additional information on this matter.

Award Winners
Congratulations to the following students who have been presented with awards in the last week:
Principal’s Award – Jakob Fisher, Lilly McMahon, Joshua Milne, Theo Holmes, Sarah Wallace
Silver Certificate – Caitlin Nielsen, Sadie Williams

What’s On!
Mon Oct 27th LCOS Concert – C.ex 7pm
Tues Nov 4th Orders + money due for Meal Deal
Wed Nov 5th Canteen Red Meal Deal Day - $6
Tues Nov 11th Year 2 Dolphin Marine Magic Excursion
Fri Nov 28th Narranga P & C Movie Night
Wed Dec 3rd Orara & Coffs High School Orientation
Fri Dec 5th Last Student Banking for 2014
Mon Dec 15th Presentation Assembly
Mon Dec 15th Year 6 Farewell
Tues Dec 16th Narranga Picnic Day
Wed Dec 17th Last Day for Students

Junior Choir
The Junior Choir is looking to borrow some flags from different countries to use in their performance in the up and coming Lighthouse Concert on Monday October 27th. If you have a flag of any size that you could lend us please contact Mrs Fenton as soon as possible.

Assembly Items
K-2 Assembly Friday October 24th at 10.40am
There will not be a class item at this week’s K-2 assembly. Parents are welcome to attend if they wish.
3-6 Assembly Friday October 24th at 11.40am
There will not be a class item at this week’s 3-6 assembly. Parents are welcome to attend if they wish.

State Athletics Carnival
On Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th of October 6 Narranga students travelled to Sydney to compete in the State Athletics Carnival. The championships were held at Homebush and they got to run on the Olympic track – how special!! Every athlete represented the school with great pride and turned in wonderful performances over the two day carnival. Their results were as follows:

Brodie Richardson: 4th Senior 200m, 5th 12yrs 100m, 4th Senior Relay
Jake Hines: 12th 13yrs 100m, 4th Senior Relay
Jake Franklin: 4th Senior Relay
Troy Duckett: 4th Senior Relay
Siera Poynter: 8th Junior 100m AWD
Blair Boulton: 17th 11yrs Shot Put

Congratulations to all of these talented athletes – you are amazing!!!

Canteen Red Meal Deal Day – November 5th
Meal Deal orders and $6 need to be returned by Tuesday November 4th. Children can order Nachos or a Corn Cob, a drink and an Ice Cream for just $6. Please note that alternatively, there will only be limited lunch orders available on this day: pies, sausage rolls or chicken tenders only.
Canteen
Thurs 23rd N Yeoman
Fri 24th S Bray, M Bray-Duncan
Mon 27th T Brandon
Tues 28th K Ruhle
Wed 29th N Metcalf

Urgent Message from the Canteen – The Canteen is in desperate need of more volunteers if it is to remain open 5 days per week. If you are able to help out in our School Canteen please contact the school office on 6652 1106 or the Canteen Supervisor.

Picking up / Dropping Off Students in School Hours
Parents must come to the office and sign children in/out before they go to the classroom to drop off or to pick up. The late arrival/early departure slip issued by the office advises the teacher why the student is late or why the student is leaving early.

Narranga School Fete
After more than 12 months of planning, our 2014 Fete has been and gone. I would like to thank the members of the Fete Committee for all their hard work - Michelle Maybury, Angelique Buckley, Alison Haley, Emma Gardner, Matt Craw, Sharon Moppett & Michelle Graham take a bow. Thank you to the P & C Committee members for their support, all the volunteers who helped out in both the lead up and on the day, the businesses listed on the back of this newsletter for their generous donations and to all the families and friends of Narranga PS for donating and coming along on the day. Finally a huge thank you to our wonderful office ladies, all their hard work behind the scenes helped to make it all possible.

Leanne Cross - Fete Co-ordinator

Fete Results
Scratches Winner: Cheryl Ward
Cake Box Decorating Winners: Kaleb Bruckard KF, Ryan Creighton 1N, Dannielle Norris 2N and Shami Clark 3J
Fete Raffle: 1st Dave Butler, 2nd Cooper Thomas, 3rd Mrs Sellings, 4th Jon Williams, 5th Max Ellison, 6th Primmer Family, 7th 0403558660, 8th K Schwager, 9th J Schwager, 10th Mrs Knowles, 11th Mrs Burmester, 12th Mrs Ahmed, 13th Desleigh Charter, 14th Casey C, 15th Danny, 16th N Collett, 17th Bev Gum, 18th J Johns, 19th V Barrett, 20th Helen Bowen, 21st L Pike, 22nd Mrs Phillips, 23rd Maxine Siltoe, 24th Dane Hopkinson, 25th V Barrett, 26th Kalani Burns, 27th Michelle, 28th Sadie Williams, 29th Samantha Moppett, 30th Jasmine Hanson, 31st Donna Child
Christmas Cake Raffle: David Bowen

Busways
A letter and application has been sent to all current Year 2 students on Busway’s list to apply for free travel in Year 3. Please complete the form and return to Narranga as soon as possible. Eligible applicants will receive a bus pass, ineligible applicants will be advised in writing. Yr 6 students have also been sent information which needs to be returned to the relevant High School.

COFFS HARBOUR HIGH SCHOOL YEAR 7 2015
Important dates for Year 6 students going to Coffs Harbour High School in 2015.
• Parent Information Evening – in the school hall from 6pm on Tuesday November 11th. This will be a chance to meet Mrs Kathy Steward, the Deputy Principal for Year 7 and Ms Kristin Vlasto, the Year 7 Advisor for 2015. School book packs are $85 and uniforms will be available to buy on the night. Light refreshments will be available and the SRC will be providing tours of the school from 5pm.
• Orientation Day – for all students in Year 6 who will be attending Coffs Harbour High School is December 3rd

Vegemite/Quiksilver Surfgroms
Term 4 commences Saturday October 25th
Choose a day and time that suits you (8 week course, weekends and after school) Start Days: October – Sat 25th, Sun 26th, Wed 29th, Thurs 30th or Fri 31st
Ages: 5yrs to 12yrs beginners & intermediate levels 1, 2 & 3
Limited spots available in each class. Bookings essential
www.surfgroms.com/surfschools/lee-winkler-s-surf-school
Enquiries lwss@bigpond.net.au or 6650 0050
All registrations receive a Quiksilver Surfgrom Pack!
Learn to surf with the best Junior surfing program on offer before summer hits!

Free Autism Workshop for Coffs Harbour Families
Like all school-age students, children with autism spectrum disorder benefit from strong, positive relationships between the home and school. Positive Partnerships uses evidence based materials and practical resources to help support these relationships by facilitating workshops for parents and carers in your local community. Sessions will include understanding behavior and sensory processing as well as strategies that can be applied in home and school settings. For more information please view the workshop flyer or go on line at www.positivepartnerships.com.au to register for the workshop.
Workshop Dates: 12th & 13th November 2014
Venue: Australis Sanctuary Resort
250 Pacific Highway (South) Coffs Harbour

Family Day Care Places for 2015
Care for children aged 2 – 5 years.
Large garden and sandpit.
Child Care rebate available.
Ring Anne on 0409 512 343 for an interview.

School Banking Rewards
New reward items for the School Banking program are now available for Term 4. The items currently available are: Projector Cup, Sea Streamers, Swimming Bag, Money Box, Shark Key Ring, Whale Shark Pencil Case, Scented Pencils and Hand Ball.(10 bankings = 1 reward)

Milo T20 Blast Cricket
Milo in2cricket and T20 Blast introduces girls and boys to Australia’s favourite sport. It’s fun, safe and teaches basic skills to help kids learn to play just like their Australian Cricket Heroes. All kids receive a player pack when they register. Register today at T20BLAST.com.au