No. 14– 14.05.14
Principal’s Report
As usual it has been a busy week at Narranga. On Monday Year 2 students were fortunate to have a visit from the author of “The Adventures of Fatty the Ratrod” and his restored truck. Students had a great time listening to the story and climbing on the truck!

Our Year 3 and 5 students have commenced their NAPLAN tests in literacy, and will conclude tomorrow with numeracy. By all accounts our students have responded well to the testing.

Tomorrow will see the arrival of the Life Education Van for students in K -3. We love it when Healthy Harold comes to visit!

This Friday, selected students will be attending the District Cross Country with Mrs Mallet and Miss Herbert.

Thank you to all parents and extended friends and family for their continued support of fundraising efforts at Narranga. Our Stewart House fundraiser was well supported, with $946 being donated to support their work with disadvantaged NSW Public School students. Additionally, the Mother’s Day stall was a huge success and I personally thank the P&C for helping my children choose lovely gifts!!

Enjoy the choc top ice creams and movie here at Narranga on Friday night!

Nicki Chaffey – Acting Deputy Principal

Parent Involvement
Here are some more ideas to help you participate in your child’s education in positive ways:

- Become an advocate for your child’s school and promote its positive features throughout the wider community. Encourage your child to take pride in their school through your example.
- Attend school activities such as open days, concerts, sports events, musicals and celebrations. Invite other members of the community along as well.
- Consult with your child’s teacher about practical ways that you can assist both at home and at school.

Positive parent participation in school and learning is a proven contributor to student success. One practical way to assist your child as a learner is to become actively involved in his or her school life.

NAPLAN Testing – May 15th
All Year 3 and Year 5 students will be continuing with NAPLAN testing tomorrow.

Narranga P&C Movie Night Fundraiser is on this Friday, May 16th!
Our Open Air Movie Night in the school grounds will feature the family movie ‘Turbo’. Rain, hail or shine the movie will go ahead, but will move into the Hall and shelter area instead.

Pre-purchase sales have now finished, but tickets can still be purchased at the school office or alternatively you can purchase on the night. Prices are $25 per family (Immediate family only – maximum of 6.) or $6 per individual.

From 5.30pm - Sausage Sizzle, soft drinks, popcorn, choc top ice creams and lollies will be available. We will also have GLOW STICKS for sale.

Movie commences 6.30pm
This is an alcohol free event. We would ask that you refrain from bringing glass onto the school property.

Many hands make light work so if you are able to help on this night please contact Emma Gardner on 0408 240 695.

Parking Around Narranga School
We have been advised by the Ranger that patrols are going to be conducted and those found to be illegally parked will have infringement notices and fines issued. Please do not park across resident’s driveways as this is both inconvenient and dangerous. It blocks access for emergency vehicles and prevents the residents from entering and leaving their property. Please show consideration to our neighbours.

ZooWhiz
Our school has been selected as a member of the ZooWhiz pilot program, developed by EdAlive. This means our students will receive twelve months of premium access with their unique username and password they will receive from school. ZooWhiz is an online learning website where students have access to more than 17000 maths, reading and English activities while at school, or at home. As motivation, students will become virtual zoo keepers and earn coins as they answer questions. These coins can be used to buy animals to build their own unique zoo.

Narranga PS Uniforms
We wish to advise that all Narranga PS uniforms (including jackets) are now available through Slick Sportswear, Unit 4, 37 Lawson Crescent, Coffs Harbour.
Assembly Items

K-2 Assembly Friday May 16th at 10.40am
There will no class item at this week’s K-2 assembly. Parents are welcome to attend if they wish.

3-6 Assembly Friday May 16th 11.40am
There is no class item at this week’s 3-6 assembly. Parents are welcome to attend if they wish.

School Photos
Advance Notice – Order envelopes have been sent home. All orders and payments must be returned to school by May 28th. The photographers will be here on May 29th and May 30th.

Award Winners
Congratulations to the following students who have been presented with awards in the last week:

Principal’s Award – Clover Bourne, Abby MacDonald, Christian Huxley-Rogers, Nate Rose

Cross Country-athon
Thank you to all the students who have returned their sponsor forms and money already. All students (including non-participants) must return their sheets and money by Tuesday May 20th for recording purposes. Prizes will be given to the INDIVIDUAL children who raise the most money. The prize draw cannot take place until all sponsor forms are accounted for. We seek your co-operation in meeting this request.

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Walk Safely to School Day – Friday May 23rd
Walk Safely to School Day asks that we consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. Walking all the way to school isn’t realistic for many of us, it’s quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family’s daily routine. You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking by:
- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they usually get the bus, walk past your normal stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from school and walk the rest of the way

Regular exercise like walking with your child helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic. Remember Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday May 23rd. Win 1 of 10 Samsung Galaxy 3, 8.0inch tablets. Link: [www.walk.com.au/wstsd/competition.asp](http://www.walk.com.au/wstsd/competition.asp)

What’s On!

Thurs May 15th Yr3 & Yr5 NAPLAN Numeracy
Thurs May 15th Life Education arrives at Narranga
Fri May 16th P & C Movie Night – ‘Turbo’
Tues May 20th All Cross Countryathon sponsor forms and money returned by today.
Fri May 23rd Walk Safely to School Day
Mon May 26th K-2 Questacon Science Circus
Tues May 27th 3-6 Questacon Science Circus
Wed May 28th Last day for photo orders & money
Thurs May 29th School Photos
Fri May 30th School Photos
Thurs Jun 26th 1.45pm Narranga 800m athletics race
Narranga Athletics Carnival
The Narranga Athletics Carnival will be held on Thursday July 17th, week 1 of Term 3. During weeks 4, 6, 7 & 8 of this term students from Years 2 to 6 will be participating in a series of athletic eliminations involving High Jump, Long Jump, Discus and Shot Put in order to prepare for our Athletics Carnival. Seniors and 11years will take place on Wednesday afternoons while juniors (8, 9 & 10) will take place on Thursday afternoons. If you could please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing and footwear on these days it would be appreciated. Please enter the following information in your diary:

- Thursday 26th June at 1.45pm 800m event
- Thursday 17th July Narranga Athletics Carnival

We look forward to seeing you at these events.

M Peake – Organiser

Questacon Science Circus
Last week, students were given notes about an upcoming visit to Narranga by the Questacon Science Circus. This visiting performance will provide stimulating science experiences that explore the relevance of science and technology in everyday life. One hour presentations will be given to each grade on Monday May 26th (K-2) and Tuesday May 27th. The cost per student is $5. Attendance at the school shows will also give each child free entry to the public exhibition of the Science Circus to be held at Sportz Central on Saturday May 31st from 11.00am to 4.00pm.

R Johnson – Organiser

Application for Opportunity Class Placement in Year 5 2015
Parents seeking Opportunity Class Placement for Year 5 in 2015 are required to submit an application by May 16th 2014. Generally students are in Year 4 in 2014 when applying for Year 5 entry in 2015. This class is conducted at Toormina Public School and parents are strongly encouraged to give careful consideration to the time taken and modes of transport involved when choosing a school with an opportunity class. Check the following website for information: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/placement. If you are considering this option, please contact Mr Trist or Mrs Moore for details.

Gymnastics Program – Kindergarten to Yr 6
All students are expected to participate in the Gymnastics Program during 2014. This year all gymnastics classes will be held at Narranga School Hall on Mondays. We have a qualified gymnastics instructor, Tracey Ingram, who will be teaching along with each class teacher for every session. The cost ($18 for 8 sessions) has been included in your 2014 invoice.

Canteen Roster:
Thurs 15th J Franklin, K Gray
Fri 16th C Macauley, Jason
Mon 19th T Smith
Tues 20th R Berry
Wed 21st J McCann

Urgent - If you are able to help out in our School Canteen please contact the school office on 6652 1106 or the Canteen Supervisor.

Canteen helpers are needed for Movie Night, May 16th if you are able to help please see Alison in the canteen.

P & C Mother’s Day Raffle
Thank you to Harbour Sweets at Coffs Central for kindly donating a “Mum’s Bag” of goodies containing Rocklea Road, Honeycomb, Bullets, Orange Balls, Peanut Brittle and Nougat Bar. Many thanks also to Priceline at Park Beach Plaza for kindly donating several gift packs.
The lucky winners were:
1st Helen Carver
2nd Alison Haley
3rd Eleora Primmer

P & C Mother’s Day Stall
Thank you to all the mothers who helped with the purchasing, gift wrapping and selling on the stall. A profit of $1450 was made. Thank you to our Narranga families for your support of this fundraiser. We hope all our mums had a great Mother’s Day.

P & C Fete – Friday October 17th
We need the following items for the Fete. Your support would be appreciated.

- Clean glass jars with metal lids 250ml size for jams & pickles
- Donations of clean second hand good quality clothing would be greatly appreciated for the “Vintage Clothing” Stall.
- “Second Hand Sport Clothing/Shoes for kids” i.e. dance clothing/shoes, footy boots, shin pads etc.
- “Trash & Treasure” – household items in clean and working order.
- Bottle Bingo Stall – filled bottles or items to fill bottles please. For further details please see the school office for a flyer.

For further information about the Fete please contact Leanne Cross 0428 438 148.

Absences from School
If your child will be absent from school for 5 days or more due to a family holiday or similar event, you will need to complete an ‘Exemption from Attendance’ form at the school office. You will then be issued with a Certificate for the Exemption. This process results in the absence not being included in the annual total for your child.

National Volunteers Week – May 12 to 18
This is National Volunteers Week and Narranga students and staff would like to thank all our volunteers who help in the Canteen, classrooms and around the school in many roles. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Reminders to Parents
Please label all items that your children bring to school. It is easy to return lost property if they are labelled.

Also please advise the school office of any change to your family’s details, (address, telephone numbers, emergency contact details etc.) It is very important that we always have up to date information in case of an emergency.
NRMA Science & Road Safety Day – May 28th
Parent Workshop at 2.40pm in the School Hall
Our school will be hosting an NRMA Science & Road Safety Day, a new road safety program delivered by NRMA Motoring and Services as part of its commitment to road safety. Our school was chosen to take part in this free program that will visit 100 schools across NSW and ACT and educate 40,000 students. This program looks at road safety from a science perspective so that children better understand the forces that act on humans when in motion so that road safety messages such as “Wear your seatbelt” or “Wear your bike helmet” become more relevant. Parents play a vital role in keeping their children safe and so we would like to invite you to a workshop where we will review the key road safety messages that were covered on the day and also learn more about what you can do to keep your children safe on the road.

Kids’ Fishing Workshop
Kids 8-14 are invited to come and learn to fish safely and responsibly. Instructors are experienced volunteers and staff from Industry & Investment NSW. The day runs from 10.00am to 2.00pm on May 18th and involves fishing techniques, bag & size limits, fish handling for catch and release. The Cost is $40 per child and includes a rod and reel combination, shirt, hat, tackle box and show bag – all to take home! BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL. Maximum is 25 participants. Bookings close May 15th. This workshop will be held at Lane Boulevard Park, Skinner Street, Grafton. For further information or to book phone Milan on 0458 274 876 (please leave a message). or milan.duwenhogger@dpi.nsw.gov.au

Coffs Harbour Pipes & Drums – Free Workshop
Free Learner Workshop
When: Saturday May 24th from 9 – 10.30am
Where: Air Cadets Building, 66 Aviation Drive, Coffs Harbour.
Want to learn to play the bagpipes or the drums? Then this workshop is for you! Come along to this introductory session where you can try out the instruments. If you require further information call 6653 7188, email margnbob@optusnet.com.au
RSVP to the above email with your instrument preference by Friday May 16th.
Sponsored by Coffs Harbour City Council and NSW Pipe Band Association.

Coffs Harbour High School Enrichment Class 2015
Applications are now invited for the Coffs Harbour High School Enrichment Class 2015. The Year 7 Enrichment Class at Coffs Harbour High School is designed to:
• Promote a positive work ethic which encourages all students to achieve to their full potential
• Foster innovation, collaborative learning and creativity
• Provide a variety of challenges, through extension and enrichment activities, which utilise higher order thinking skills
Places are based on student applications and interview. Information kits and application forms are available from the school. For further information phone Coffs Harbour High School on 6652 3466 and ask for Mr Henderson. Applications close Wednesday May 21st.