Principal’s Report
Last week’s Year 5 Camp was a great success. Highlights included skiing amidst falling snow (their first sight of snow for most of our 75 campers), a range of Canberra attractions and a hastily arranged free trip to the Rabbits v Roosters game in Sydney. Apart from the excitement of these events, perhaps the most valuable aspects of the trip were the opportunities to develop independence and social skills – great benefits for all children. Mr Johnson, Mr Howard, Mrs Mallett and Mrs Baylis deserve great praise for the work they put into a very long but enjoyable week. Year 3 kick off their overnight excursion experiences at Narranga tomorrow, when they head off to Yarrahappini.

Parents of Year 3 and 5 students should by now have received results for their children’s NAPLAN tests. The tests give an indication of each child’s performance in literacy and numeracy, and provide a comparison with their peers at Narranga and across Australia. They should be regarded as a useful addition to the information that parents already receive from Narranga’s student report, and generally show similar levels of achievement. If you wish to discuss any aspect of the information contained in the NAPLAN reports, please contact your child’s teacher.

There have been increasing numbers of children arriving at school very early in the morning. While it is a positive sign that they are in a hurry to get to school, parents are reminded that students should not arrive before 8.40am, and that no supervision is available before that time.

We’ve received news of a free offer for this week’s World Rally Championship event in Coffs. Narranga students in uniform can go to the City Centre Mall to receive free tickets to Friday night’s event at the International Stadium. Full details are included in this newsletter.

If you are visiting the school via the main entrance, look to your left to check out our magnificent new mural. Created by local artist Ash Johnston with the help of some of our Year 6 students, the mural blends our local landscape with ecological and Aboriginal themes to add a beautiful new feature to our school environment.

M Trist - Principal

Have you had a change to your details???
It is important to keep the school updated on any changes to your child’s records at school. This may include such areas as: Medical, Address, Phone, Parent Name, Family changes, Custody, Emergency Contacts.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2015
Due Now!
Don’t miss Orientation
Invitations are being sent out soon. If you have a friend, neighbour or relative intending to enrol their child for Kindergarten 2015, please pass this information on to them as soon as possible. Enrolment applications must be completed and returned to school to ensure your inclusion in the Kindergarten Orientation sessions. Please collect enrolment applications from the school office as soon as possible.

Award Winners
Congratulations to the following students who have been presented with awards in the last week:
Principal’s Award – Levi Bourne, Jacob Cross, Aleisha Mavin, Mia Waugh, Ashleigh Mavin
Silver Certificate – Charlotte Laidlaw-Graham
Gold Certificate – Clover Bourne, Aleisha Mavin

2014 K-2 Gymnastics Program
Notes have been sent home to KC, KF, KM, KN, K1/A and 1N regarding their 8 gymnastics sessions which commence on October 13th. Payment of $18 needs to be finalised by Friday October 10th (end of first week of Term 4) to ensure inclusion in this program.

What’s On!
Sept 11th & 12th Year 3 Excursion
Fri Sept 12th ‘Buddies not Bullies’ – Purple Day
Tues Sept 16th O Sessions Yr 1, 2 and 4
Wed Sept 17th O Session Yr 6
Thurs Sept 18th O Sessions Kinder, K/1A, Yr 3, Yr 5
Thurs Sept 18th Kinder +K/1A Dinosaurs Alive Excursion
Fri Sept 19th Last Day of Term 3
Fri Sept 19th Mufti Day for Stewart House
Tues Oct 7th First Day of Term 4
Fri Oct 17th Narranga School Fete

Lost Property
We are having large amounts of un-named lost property (including jackets) coming to the office on a daily basis. Could you please ensure that all your children’s belongings are clearly labelled with their full name.
**Term 3 ‘O’ Sessions**

Congratulations to the many children who have remained on Level ‘O’ of the Student Welfare and Behaviour Policy this term. As a reward all classes will be holding their ‘O Session as listed below. This session occurs at the end of each term, to reward all children who have been responsible and well behaved students.

**Tues Sept 16th** - Year 1, Year 2, Year 4  
**Wed Sept 17th** - Year 6  
**Thurs Sept 18th** - Kindergarten, K/1A, Year 3, Year 5

There is no cost involved for this activity. Children in Years 1-6 who are participating in ‘O’ Sessions may wear mufti to school on this day (sensible closed in shoes and sun smart clothing). As Kindergarten and K/1A are going on an excursion on Thursday they will be required to wear full school uniform. Please note: Students who are not eligible to take part in the ‘O’ Session will be given letters to notify parents of their exclusion from the activities.

**Stewart House Mufti Day – September 19th**

Friday September 19th is Stewart House Mufti Day. Children are asked to donate a gold coin for the privilege of not wearing school uniform.

**STEWART HOUSE HANDBALLS $3.00 EACH**

A limited number of Stewart House handballs will be available to purchase for $3.00 each on Friday September 19th.

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**University of NSW Global Spelling Results**

Last term 44 students in Years 3 – 6 took part in the University of New South Wales Spelling Competition.

The following students achieved some very pleasing results.

**Merit Certificates** – Noah Hubbard, Sadie Williams, Finley Dowd, Emily Nielsen, Harry McMillan

**Credit Certificates** – Clover Bourne, Emma Wellington

Congratulations to these students and the other participants in the competition. Certificates were presented at morning assemblies.

R Johnson – Co-ordinator

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**Girls Quick Kicks**

A fun, relaxed football experience for **Girls Only** aged 5 – 12 commencing in Term 4! All skill levels are welcome and you receive a free football and a unique design Quick Kicks Jersey. Registrations opened on August 1st at [www.quikkicks.com.au](http://www.quikkicks.com.au) Quick Kicks will be held at McLean Street fields in Coffs Harbour.

**What’s the go with Go4Fun??**

It’s on in Term 4 in Coffs! It’s Fun! It’s FREE! It’s a family healthy lifestyle program! It’s for 7-13yo children who are above a healthy weight range! Now offering awesome prizes for attendance! If you want to make a change and get fit and healthy with your family call 1800 780 900 NOW!!!

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**Buddies not Bullies Day – Purple Day**

Buddy Day is an initiative of NAB and the Alannah and Madeline Foundation created to celebrate friendship and raise awareness of the issue of bullying amongst primary school children. It focuses on the ways in which kids can help other kids to learn positive behaviours, ultimately helping to reduce instances of bullying. This year’s theme is ‘Buddies not Bullies’. On Friday September 12th children from Narranga Public School are invited to wear purple. This can be a whole outfit or a splash of purple such as laces, ribbons or hair colour. We would like the children to donate a gold coin to help raise funds for the Better Buddies Framework.

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**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. Thank you for your co-operation with this request.

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**Parking in and around Narranga**

As there is very limited parking in and around Narranga School please be mindful of the following:

- Only park in appropriate parking areas
- Do not park in bus zones
- Do not park in driveways or on residents lawns

Be aware of leaving proper space for others.

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**Assembly Items**

**K-2 Assembly Friday September 12th 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 September 12th 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.

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**Canteen**

**Thurs 11th**  
Melissa G  
**Fri 12th**  
A Buckley  
**Mon 15th**  
Tracy B  
**Tues 16th**  
Debbie, Kylie R  
**Wed 17th**  
Paulie M, Nicky M  
**Thurs 18th**  
N Yeoman, K Gray  
**Fri 19th**  
S Bray, M Duckett

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**Urgent Message from the Canteen**

- Do not park in driveways or on residents lawns
- Do not park in bus zones
- Only park in appropriate parking areas

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.

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**Can You Help?**

The canteen is in need of donations of melamine bowls and plates to use for the free breakfast. If you are able to help please drop them to the canteen or the school office.

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**Updating Information – Permission to Publish**

Recently students were given a green note with information regarding “Permission to Publish”. This is part of the departmental updating of student information. Please complete and return this information as soon as possible.
Narranga Boys Softball
Our boys’ softball team travelled to Tweed Heads last Friday to play in the North Coast final against Banora Point. Narranga ran out convincing winners by 28 runs to after comprehensively out batting their opponents. The first innings saw the Narranga batters pile on 21 runs in an unbelievable display of powerful batting. Tyler Atkinson and Brodie Richardson were standout power hitters but the entire team played their part to put their team in an unbeatable position so early in the game. To their credit Banora Point kept trying very hard and in the following three innings of the match the scoreline was much closer. Narranga’s fielding was also very solid with many excellent plays made by our infielders. Learoy Davis did an excellent job as catcher and his enthusiasm rubbed off on his team mates in the field. Harry McMillan pitched his usual steady game showing good composure when the opposition tried to hit their way back into the match. In all it was a very impressive display especially in a North Coast Final. Now comes the big challenge as we are drawn to play North Sydney regional champions Newport who were in last year’s State Final. The good news is we play them at Narranga, probably in Week 3 of next term. The match should be a real spectacle for quality softball so stay posted for details of the match when arrangements are finalized. Well done boys on being North Coast Champions. Beat Newport and you will have a trip to Sydney for the State Semi Finals. Meanwhile plenty of quality training needs to be done.

J Leahy & M Peake – Coaches

P & C FETE – FRIDAY OCTOBER 17TH
A big thank you to all the families who have donated items for our Fete. Please keep donations coming as this is a major fundraiser for our school.

Fete Competition – Car Spotto
Today your child has bought home a poster promoting the Narranga School Fete. Put your decorated poster onto your car window for a chance to be spotted and win a prize! At each morning assembly from October 7th our Narranga spotter will announce the winning make, model and registration of the winning car proudly displaying their fete poster. Remind your child of your car details and look for the winners in upcoming newsletters.....It’s getting exciting!!!!

Cake Box Decorating Competition: This year we will be conducting a Cake Box Decorating Competition as part of our Cake Stall. Today all students in K-2 will be given a white cake box to decorate by painting, drawing, covering in stickers etc. The cake box is to be returned filled with baked goods for the Cake Stall ie. cake, biscuits, slice etc. Students in Years 3-6 will also have the opportunity to decorate a cake box, should they wish to participate. They will need to collect a cake box from the office from next Monday. There are 4 prizes: 1 Kinder, 1 Yr One, 1 Yr Two and 1 Yr Three-Six.

Coffee Stall: A qualified barista is needed to volunteer to make beautiful coffee at our Fete. Please contact the school office if you are able to help.

Bottle Bingo: Thank you for your donations for the Bottle Bingo Stall. We also need empty, clean 1.25lt or 2lt soft drink bottles with lids. If you can help please send your empty bottles to the school office.

Second Hand Clothing Stall: Donations of used coat hangers for the second hand clothing stall would be appreciated.

Fete Passports: Students have been given Fete Passports. Kindly send your donations in and get your passport stamped to get your free turn on a Side Show Alley Game. Please return items to Mrs Maybury in KM.

Face Painting: This is always a very popular stall and we need any talented parents who are able to assist at the stall. Please leave your name at the office.

Second Hand Book/DVD/CD: Please keep sending items into the Library or 4P.

Wristbands: Pre-purchase Wristbands are available this year for $20 to cover admittance to the following rides and activities. Chair-o-plane, mechanical bull, dolphin slide, jumping castles and disco room. Order forms available at office.

DADS – Bringing up great kids
A session especially for Dads that focusses on effectively communicating with children and how to respond more appropriately when they ‘press our buttons’.

This one evening session is on Thursday September 11th from 6pm to 9pm at Burnside Family Centre, 7 McLean Street, Coffs Harbour.

To book your spot, please phone Uniting Care Burnside on 66592800.

COFFS HARBOUR NIPPERS
Nippers is for children 5 – 13 years old and is about learning confidence and having fun in a safe beach environment. Final registration day will be held on September 14th between 3pm and 4pm at the Coffs Harbour Olympic Pool. Sunday Nippers commences on October 12th, 9am at Park Beach. For more detailed information please go to www.coffsharbourslsc.asn.au.