

Term 4, Week 10  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017



Narara Public School

# Monday Mumbles

Weekly Newsletter

## Dates to Remember

**Dec 11**  
Reports Home

**Dec 12**  
Step-Up Day

Dec 15  
Last day of school 2017

**Jan 30**  
Students Return to school

## Notes You Should Have

**2018** Swimming Carnival

**2018** Stage 3 Camp



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## Principal's Message

'And now, the end is near, and so I face, the final curtain.' So sang Frank Sinatra.

I want to thank all of the students, staff and community for a wonderful year. It has been an extremely positive year on the school front and we look forward to 2018.

## School Direction

This year brings to an end our recent 3 year plan which was begun in 2015. That school Plan centred around Innovation, Opportunity and Success. In that time we have changed many systems and structures to meet the growing demands of modern educational settings.

We have introduced new educational programs around numeracy and literacy with TEN, MSLE and The Big Write. We have introduced new Science and Technology and History and Geography programs as well as new teaching techniques like Self Organised Learning Environments and Inquiry Based Learning. The school introduced Positive Behaviour for Learning and Kidsmatter, as well as becoming Trauma Informed and Autism friendly.

Behind the scenes, we have implemented new welfare, financial and school management systems introduced by the government and attempted to balance all of this while and still maintain our sanity.

We have begun our planning for our next three years. Our Focus will be **High Performance, Innovative Teaching** and **Strong Connections**. Early next year we will finalise these directions with community consultation to continue to build our school community to make it the best it can be.

## Step Up Day

Step Up Day is on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December. This is the day when students spend some time with their new classmates and teacher for 2018. As a staff we have spent numerous hours making sure the balance of classes are right and where possible have attempted to accommodate parent requests. I stress that as a result **there will be no class changes after tomorrow**. As professionals in this industry we have made decisions around class placements and any change now has a ripple effect which could significantly alter the intended set up of the school. We thank you for your understanding with this matter.

## School Reports

School reports for Semester 2 will go home today. It was wonderful to read the positive comments for the children and recognise the effort they have put in this year.

## Year 6 Farewell

This year we took the farewell off site to Gosford Golf Club. It proved a wonderful success. Thank you to Mrs Doherty and the Year 6 teachers for their organisation of the event.

Student Banking: Thursday

Uniform Shop: Tuesday and Friday - 8.15am - 8.45am

## **Presentation Day**

Thank you to the parents who attended our Presentation Day last Wednesday. It was a large turn out and we appreciate the support you show for your children. It was extremely evident to see the recognition for each individual child and how our school is moving forward in developing the whole child. It was lovely to see Mr Frohlich on the day and we thank all of the special guests for attending. Thank you Mrs Doherty, Mr Weiss and Mrs Parker for their work in organising the event and trophies, Mrs Barnes for all of the certificates, Mrs Cooper for the choirs and our Central Coast Conservatorium for supporting the band.

## **School Leaders**

I would like to congratulate our 2018 school leaders and look forward to working with them next year.

- Captains
- Matthew D
  - Breeana H
- Leaders
- Alexander P
  - Riley A
  - Jenna C
  - Rianna S

The investiture ceremony will be early next year.

## **Uniform Survey**

Our uniform survey will remain open for the rest of the year. If you have not responded please do as we would like to get the widest feedback as possible.

<https://goo.gl/forms/c3LGZkVFt9JfBiQq1>

## **Til Next Time.... Dave Stitt**

*"Did you hear about the kidnapping at school? The boy slept for about 3 hours."*

## **P and C Meeting**

Our last P and C Meeting is tomorrow night. It will be an extremely brief one with tabled reports. This meeting will be starting earlier at 6:30pm with all members invited to a dinner at 7:30 pm at The Grange in Wyoming. This is to celebrate achievements from 2017.

## **Award Acknowledgement**

I wish to acknowledge, after enquiry, that Xavier S is the joint Senior Boys Athletics Champion for 2017. I apologise for this error and any inconvenience it may have caused. Xavier will receive his trophy at a whole school assembly.

Denis Weiss

## **KidsMatter**

The KidsMatter focus for the remainder of term is-

### **Negative and unhelpful 'self-talk' exaggerates feelings and leads to over-reactions.**

No person and no event can make you feel a certain way. It may be understandable that you have a certain feeling in response to an event or another person's behaviour, but what exaggerates your feelings is what you say to yourself about what has happened.

### **Managing negative feelings involves four tools.**

The four tools for keeping uncomfortable feelings under some control are: calming down what's happening in your body, using helpful and calming thinking, using effective calm words to say how you feel and why and finding a strategic way to solve the problem so you can still be friendly.

Jodee Skehan and Anne Doherty  
Coordinators

## **Year 6 Farewell**

Stage 3 students enjoyed last Thursday night's Year 6 Farewell at Gosford Golf Club. The meals, music and dancing were all fantastic.

A special thank you to Wendy Provost for making delicious cupcakes for all the students and a large beautifully decorated cake that we all enjoyed the following day.

Well done to all Stage 3 students for their excellent behaviour and the fun that we all had. Congratulations and best wishes Year 6, as you move on to high school. We will all miss you.

Stage 3 Teachers

## **Music/Drama News**

Thanks for a brilliant year of music and drama - roll on 2018!

Mrs Cooper  
Music Teacher

## **Bandfest**

Congratulations to our Training Band, Concert Band and Rock Band for their great performances at Bandfest at Narara Valley High School. Our Concert Band received a silver award, and the Training Band and Rock Band received gold awards!

## **Band Program for 2018**

If your child has been invited to participate in the Concert Band and/or Training Band in 2018 please respond ASAP so we can organise equipment and tutorials for next year.

### Strings Ensemble

If your child is entering Years 1-6 in 2018 they are invited to join our strings ensemble, run by a Conservatorium tutor. Please contact Mrs Cooper for more information.

### 2018 instruments

Thank you to everyone who handed in their instruments for the stocktake. Year 6 students and discontinuing band members are required to hand in their instruments. Please return school and Conservatorium instruments before the end of term.

Students who are continuing in the band program next year may keep their instrument at home over the break or leave it with us at school.

### Christmas Concert

Well done to all who participated in the 2017 Christmas Concert, A Timey Wimey Christmas.

(see attached photos)



### The Snack Shack-ph 0418238775

Last week of the YEAR...

Special Christmas recess treats available 50c-\$1.50. Due to being end of year some of the items are unavailable- Juicie tubes, Chocolate milk, Poppers, Nachos, Spaghetti Bol, Pies. Thank you for your understanding.

I would like to thank our wonderful Canteen Committee & Volunteers for another great year-without your support the Canteen would not be able to run and provide lots of great food options. Bakers Delight and Woolworths, your generous donations are greatly appreciated. Please support Bakers Delight & Woolworths for all your baked & fresh food needs.

To the families leaving and Year 6 children leaving for High School, we will miss you. It has been a great pleasure watching you all grow from tiny Kinders to beautiful respectful young people. Enjoy your next chapter at High School.

Wishing everyone a happy, relaxed and safe holiday...See you in 2018.

Nicola (Canteen Supervisor)

### WYOMING NARARA NETBALL CLUB 2018 REGISTRATIONS



Wyoming Narara Netball Club are looking for players, coaches and umpires to join their small, friendly club. We have quite a few pupils and parents from Narara Public School already playing with us so come and join your friends for some fun and competition with your local club. All ages welcome, anyone turning 7 next year all the way to seniors. Please contact Mikala on 0487 464 231 or email [wncsec@gmail.com](mailto:wncsec@gmail.com); or President Cheryl on 0414 533 452 for any questions.

Gosford Tennis Club  
School Holiday Camps  
3 week of fun

Call or email for details  
Phone 02 4325 2921

Email: [info@gosfordtennisclub.com.au](mailto:info@gosfordtennisclub.com.au)

### Student Banking

Banking for this year is finished. Thank you to all students who participated this year. We will see you again next year.

Thank you  
Mrs Stillaway  
School Banking Co-ordinator

## Semester 1 - Class Equipment List for 2018

Parents are kindly asked to provide the following equipment at the start of the school year for **Semester 1**.

Kindergarten	Year 1	Year 5 / 6
6 glue sticks (12 for the year) 2 eraser 1 library bag 2 boxes of tissues 4 rolls of paper towel 2 pump soap 1 paint shirt 2 packets of whiteboard markers 1 clean odd sock (whiteboard cleaners) 2 packets of highlighters with at least yellow green, blue and pink 1 A4 display folder Headphones (earbud style)	6 glue sticks (12 for the year) 1 pk twister crayons 2 eraser 1 library bag 2 boxes of tissues 4 rolls of paper towel 2 pump soap 1 paint shirt 2 packets of whiteboard markers 1 clean odd sock (whiteboard cleaners) 2 packets of highlighters with at least yellow green, blue and pink 1 A4 display folder Headphones (earbud style)	<u>Small</u> pencil case with: Pens 2 of each – blue, black and red Pencils – coloured and lead (HB) Homework book – A4 size (at least 96 page) 6 Glue sticks 1 eraser Senior ruler (with millimetres) – solid wooden or plastic (not flexible plastic or metal) Geometry set (optional) 2 packets of Highlighters (yellow, blue, pink and green) 1 box of tissues 4 rolls of paper towel 1 library bag Headphones (earbud style)
Year 2	Year 3 / 4	<b><i>PARENTS:</i></b>  Please note- This is a semester 1 list. A reminder for top ups will come home for semester 2.  Thank you for your assistance with school supplies for your child.
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