

Term 1, Week 11

Monday 8th April 2024

Narara Public School

Monday Mumbles



Dates to Remember

11 Apr
ANZAC Assembly

12 Apr
Rewards Day
Last Day Term 1

30 Apr
School Resumes
Term 2

3 May
Cross Country

Notes You Should Have

5/6
Camp

K-2
The Alphabet of
Awesome Science

Principal's Report

As we reach the end of another term, it is with great pleasure that we reflect on the remarkable journey we've had together. Term 1 has been filled with countless achievements, challenges and opportunities.

To our amazing teachers, I extend my gratitude for your unwavering dedication and commitment to nurturing the minds of our students. Your tireless efforts have not gone unnoticed, and it is through your guidance and expertise that our students continue to excel and reach new heights. Parents, your ongoing support and partnership are invaluable to us. Your involvement in your child's education plays a pivotal role in their success, and we are truly grateful for your trust and collaboration. Together, we are shaping the future leaders of tomorrow!

And to our students, I commend you for your hard work, determination, and resilience throughout this term. Your enthusiasm for learning and willingness to push boundaries inspire us all. I encourage you to continue striving for excellence in all that you do.

As this is the last newsletter for the term, I wish all families a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing you all in Term 2. The last day for Term 1 is Friday 12 April 2024. If you hear or see anything of concern during the holiday period, please contact school security on 1300 880 021. OSH (Vacation Care) will be operating throughout the holiday period on weekdays.

Term 2

Students return to school Tuesday 30 April 2024. A School Development Day is scheduled for Monday 29 April where staff will engage in a variety of professional learning experiences with a key focus on curriculum implementation and catering for differentiated learning.

ANZAC Day

Our school community has been invited to participate in this year's ANZAC Day Ceremony at the Ourimbah RSL Club on Tuesday 25 April. The afternoon service will commence at 2.00pm. Students participating in the ANZAC Day March should meet at Yates Rd between 1:00pm – 1:15pm to complete their check-in with the accompanying NPS staff. It is anticipated that the March will commence at approximately 1:30pm. All Narara PS students are invited to join the March and should wear their full school uniform including school hat. Please be aware that parental supervision is required at this event.

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Uniform Shop Tues & Fri
8:15am – 8:45am

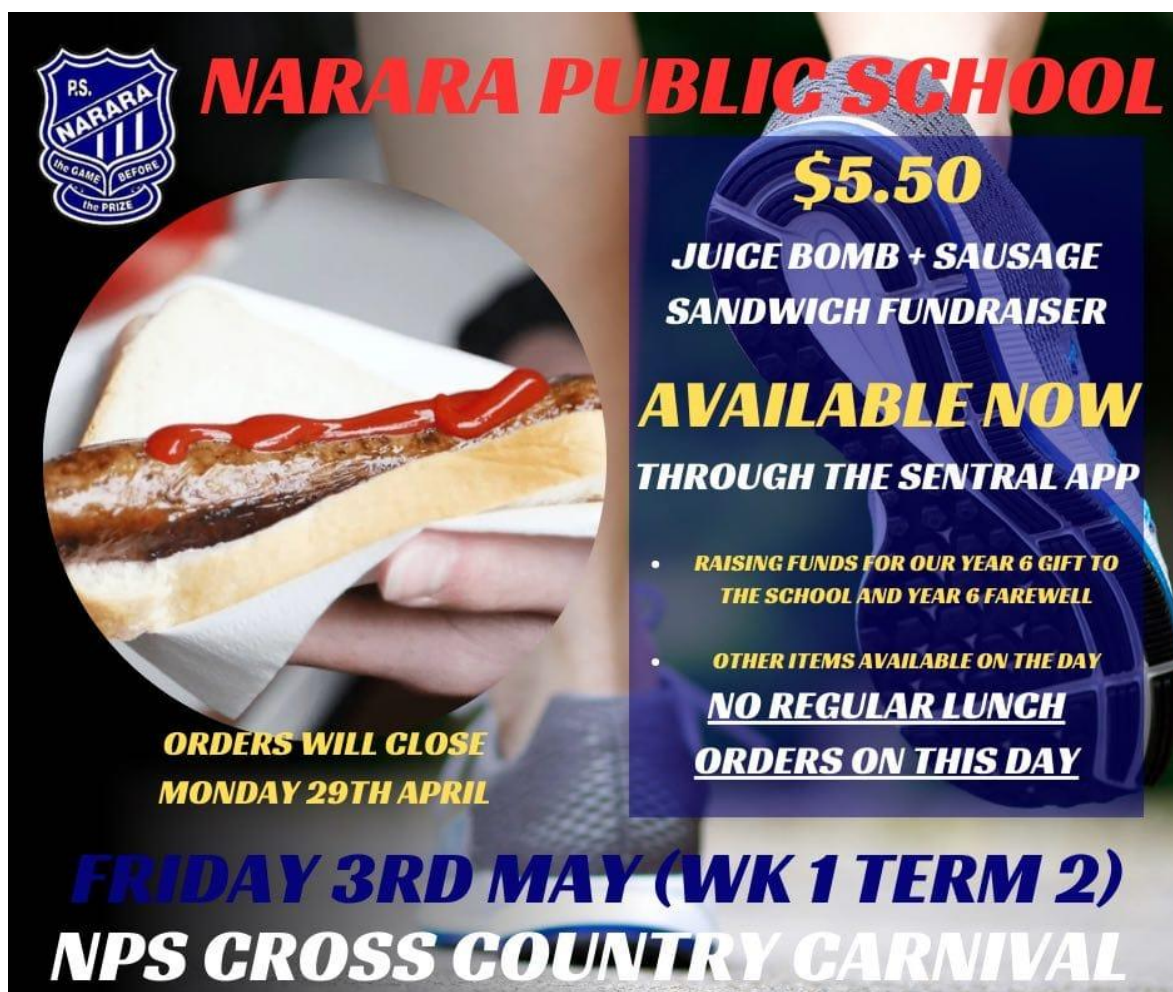


Cross Country (save the date)

Our Cross Country Carnival is scheduled for Friday 3 May (Term 2, Week 1). On the day the canteen is doing a meal deal for students and parents which consists of a sausage sizzle and Juice Bomb drink for \$5.50. Funds raised from the BBQ will go towards the Year 6 end of year celebrations including their traditional gift to the school.

There will be a small amount of extras available on the day, but head to the Sentral for Parents app before orders are cut off on Monday 29 April to lock in your order. Other canteen items will be for sale on the day, however NO normal canteen Lunch and Afternoon Tea Orders will be taken on the day.

The backup date for the Cross Country Carnival is Friday 10 May.



The poster features the Narara Public School crest in the top left corner, which includes the motto 'PS. NARARA THE GAME BEFORE THE PRIZE'. The main title 'NARARA PUBLIC SCHOOL' is written in large, bold, red letters. Below this, a circular inset shows a close-up of a hand holding a sausage sizzle sandwich with a red sauce drizzle. To the right of the sandwich, the price '\$5.50' is displayed in large yellow font. Below the price, the text 'JUICE BOMB + SAUSAGE SANDWICH FUNDRAISER' is written in white. Further down, 'AVAILABLE NOW THROUGH THE SENTRAL APP' is written in yellow and white. A list of bullet points follows: 'RAISING FUNDS FOR OUR YEAR 6 GIFT TO THE SCHOOL AND YEAR 6 FAREWELL' and 'OTHER ITEMS AVAILABLE ON THE DAY'. Below the list, the text 'NO REGULAR LUNCH ORDERS ON THIS DAY' is written in white. At the bottom, the date and event name are written in large, bold, blue and white letters: 'FRIDAY 3RD MAY (WK 1 TERM 2) NPS CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL'. A yellow banner at the bottom left of the poster reads 'ORDERS WILL CLOSE MONDAY 29TH APRIL'.

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Anaphylaxis

Anaphylaxis is a potentially life-threatening medical condition. It is a severe and sudden allergic reaction, which occurs when a person is exposed to an allergen such as a food product or an insect bite. At Narara Public School we have students that are susceptible to anaphylactic reactions.

To keep our students safe and minimise the risk of exposure, we request that all parents clearly label lunch boxes, bottles, and other drinks with the name of the child for whom they are intended. We ask that parents remind their child/ren about the importance of washing hands, eating their own food, and not sharing food, food utensils or food containers.

We are also asking parents not to pack peanut butter on sandwiches, or nut products in school lunches, but rather save these food preferences for home and for weekends.

Easter Hat Parade and Crazy Hair Day

It was great to see a HUGE turnout for the K-2 Easter Hat Parade. All students looked egg-cellent in their Easter Hats and 3-6 were just as impressive with their CRAZY hair! There definitely must have been some busy families assisting with these awesome creations. Thank you to Mrs Ashton and all K-2 teachers for organising and supporting this event! Thank you also to everyone that supported the raffle. The school raised \$2500 which is amazing! Thank you to Mrs Barnes, Mrs Trigg and Mrs Warbrick for organising the raffle.



P&C Mother's Day Stall

The P&C Mother's Day Stall is on Thursday 9 May. Payments can be made either by cash to the office with the note or online via the P&C website below. If paying online, please ensure you add your child/ren's full name and class as a note to seller on the booking to ensure the P&C can attach payment to your child.

Online payment: <https://narara-public-school-pc-association.square.site/>



Mothers Day stall
Thursday 9th May
Show Mum that she is the best mum in the world!
Gifts \$7.50
Gifts ordered before 6th May by cash or through P&C website event link <https://narara-public-school-pc-association.square.site/>

Thank you to our amazing P&C for organising this initiative.

Mother's Day Breakfast (Bi-Annually)

A reminder that **we will not** be holding a Mother's Day or Father's Day Breakfast this year. This is something that is organised bi-annually and will occur again in 2025. Instead, we will be hosting Family Day which occurs in Education Week (Term 3, Week 3). Family Day includes our Book Fair and Book Parade and includes school performances from our school band, choir, dance group, recorder group and more. Further information to be provided closer to the date.

Brisbane Water PSSA Cricket Trials

Earlier this term Brendan and Xavier participated at the Brisbane Water PSSA Cricket Trials at Bill Sohler Park, Ourimbah. The boys showed excellent sportsmanship and skill. The convenors were very proud of all students who trialled. We wish Xavier all the best at the next set of trials. Well done boys!

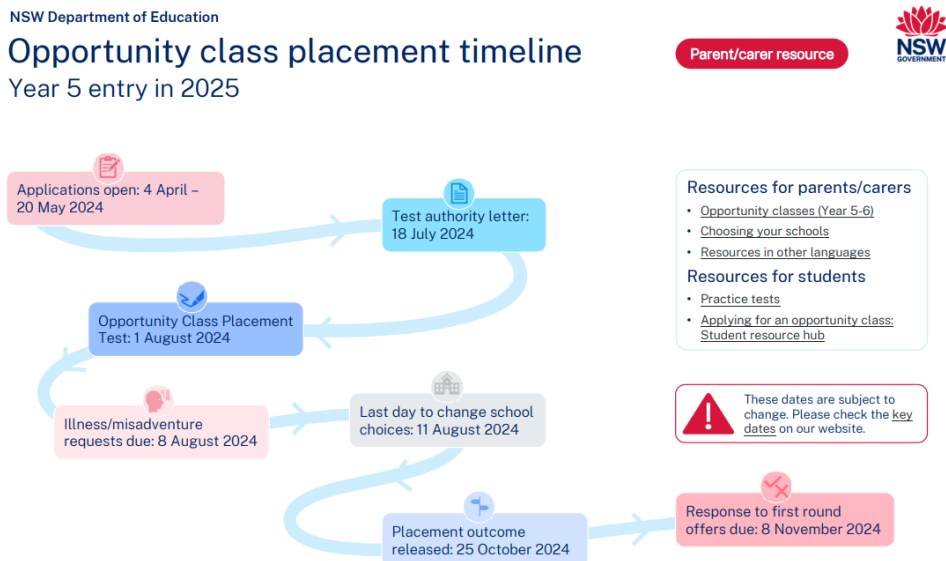


Intention to Apply: Year 5 Opportunity Class 2025

If you would like to have your child considered for a Year 5 Opportunity Class (OC) entry in 2025, you need to apply between **Thursday 4 April 2025** and **Monday 20 May 2025**. Students who have applied will sit the Opportunity Class Placement Test on Thursday 1 August 2024. Please note OC classes are external of Narara Public School.

If you are interested in applying, you will need to access the online application via the link below. You must not use your child's email address. Detailed instructions on how to apply and additional information are now available. Please visit:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>



P&C Uniform Survey

Every three years the P&C undertakes a uniform survey as part of its commitment to facilitate communication between school and community. Your feedback will help inform future decision making and allow us to continue to improve our service. It would be great if you can submit your response by Thursday 11th April 2024. Forms completed by this date will win an ice block for each child in the family. The survey can be accessed via ClassDojo or the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=UAFgAoIMdkGpEdreVMBaISZXw3X541JPg7OJonTEcexUNjiNMVJPN1NKNERaMVJINIVDMkFXN0VCMS4u>



Quality Workers

Students	Class	Work Sample
Lylah P Chloe P	3/4N	Writing
Thomas B	1P	Narrative
Braxton C	2/3P	Writing
Dylan M Chloe P Jonathan S Ella M Ivy M	2/3B 3/4N 3/4N 3/4J 4/5W	Keeping our amazing school clean

Grant McFarland
Principal



NSW Department of Education

Applying for my child to attend an opportunity class or selective high school

Why selective education?

Grouping high potential and gifted students together and using special teaching methods supports their:

- academic development
- emotional wellbeing
- friendships and social life.

Students tell us that they enjoy learning more when their classmates have similar abilities and interests.

Is it right for my child?

Here are some signs that your child may benefit from selective education.

-  learns quickly and easily
-  goal-driven
-  asks complex questions
-  good memory
-  curious and creative
-  deeply explores passions

Keep in mind, some children's high potential may be hidden. Being in an opportunity class or selective high school could help.

How can I support my child through the application process?



Talk to your child about the **benefits** and **challenges** of selective education and address their questions and concerns.



Ask your **child's teacher** (or other staff who know them well) whether they think selective education will suit your child.



Apply for any required **reasonable adjustments** for disability or medical conditions.



Encourage your child to use the department's **free resources** to prepare for the test.



Remind your child they only need to do a **small amount of preparation** for the placement test, and **don't** need coaching.



Support your child to continue **co-curricular activities**, see friends, eat healthily and sleep well in the lead-up to the test.

The **Equity Placement Model** reserves up to **20% of places** in opportunity classes and selective high schools for high potential and gifted:

- students from low socio-educational advantage backgrounds
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students
- students from rural and remote locations
- students with disability

Learn more: edu.nsw.link/equity

Resources in other languages:
edu.nsw.link/shsoc_languages



Financial support

edu.nsw.link/pubedu

The [Public Education Foundation scholarships](#) offer financial support to help young people at NSW public schools to access opportunities and reach their potential.

Please note there are no fees to apply and sit for the placement test, and there are no extra fees to enrol in a selective high school or opportunity class.

Get ready to apply

Learn more at our [website](#):



Telephone interpreter service

If you need interpreter assistance to speak with your child's class teacher please call the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and ask for an interpreter in your language. Tell the operator the phone number you want to call and the operator will get an interpreter on the line to assist you with the conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc

Payments Due

Stage 3 Camp 2024 (Years 4 & 5 2023) FINAL PAYMENT DUE 10TH MAY 2024 \$50:00

ALL CAMP PAYMENTS SHOULD BE PAID BY 10TH MAY 2024

Also, please pay by the due date as there is a substantial amount of organisation that goes into the activities and some activities have to be paid for a month in advance.

If you are having difficulties in paying please see the office.



OSH CLUB at NARARA.

Come along and meet our staff.

We pride ourselves on providing your child/ren with fun, play based learning experiences before and after school as well as during the school holidays. Whether your child attends OSHC daily or only occasionally, each visit is an exciting and engaging adventure.

We also fuel their curious minds and growing bodies, helping to shape your child's understanding of health and wellness positively.

On our menu we have (Gluten free), and Vegan options.

We have qualified staff so as a parent you can be confident that your child/ren are always safe.

For bookings.

Oshclub.com.au just click and register.