

**Term 2, Week5**  
**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

# Narara Public School Monday Mumbles



## Dates to Remember

**26-28 May**  
Stage 3 Excursion  
(Years 5 & 6)

## Notes You Should Have

**Stage 2 Camp**  
(Years 3 & 4)  
**Point Wolstoncroft**

**Bush Picnic**  
**Kindergarten**

**Kincumber Mountain**  
**Years 1 & 2**

**Wyrabalong National**  
**Park**  
**Years 3 & 4**

## **Principals Report**

Wishing Stage 3 students and staff safe travels on their Canberra Excursion this week. I look forward to hearing all the wonderful stories when they return on Wednesday 28 May. The school will keep parents up to date via Class Dojo and Facebook.

## **National Reconciliation Week 2025**

National Reconciliation Week (27 May to 3 June) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. The National Reconciliation Week theme for 2025, Bridging Now to Next, reflects the ongoing connection between past, present and future. Bridging Now to Next calls on all Australians to step forward together, to look ahead and continue the push forward as past lessons guide us.

This week students will complete a range of activities to learn more about the importance of reconciliation and about shared history and the Aboriginal culture. Thank you to Mrs McMahon, Miss Pass, Mrs Windress, Cameron and the Aboriginal Education Team for organising the activities for the week.



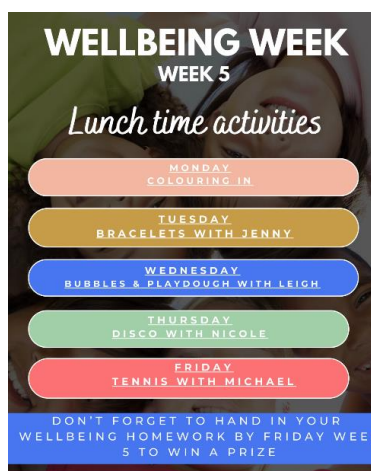
## **Wellbeing Week**

Across the week students will have the opportunity to join in fun playground activities at lunch time and go in the draw to win a prize if they return their homework grid by Monday 2 June. On Friday all students will be treated to a special Backflips Against Bullying Incursion at no cost to families.

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Uniform Shop  
8:15am – 8:45am  
Tuesday & Friday



### **School Uniform**

Over the past few weeks staff and I have noticed different coloured jumpers, hats and socks being worn that do not meet the school's Uniform Policy. There is an expectation that students are in full school uniform each day. In the event a school item is not available to wear (for example a jumper as it is wet on the clothesline), please supply your child with a note for that day that they can show to staff. A reminder that Brisbane Water Representative Jumpers should only be worn on sport days and black bike shorts do not form part of our school uniform.

We have also noticed an increase in jewellery such as necklaces, bracelets and earrings being worn. We ask that students only wear small studs/sleepers in their ears as others can be a safety issue if they get caught on something. For this reason, necklaces should also not be worn at school. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

### **Brisbane Water PSSA Zone Cross Country Carnival**

As you are aware the Brisbane Water PSSA Zone Cross Country Carnival was postponed last week due to wet weather. The new date is scheduled for this Friday 30 May. A new permission note will not be supplied to parents / carers as all information regarding this event remains the same and the back-up date was included in the original permission note.



### **Late Payments**

Please adhere, where possible, to meet payment deadlines. It makes it very difficult to accept overdue payments for things like excursions. Late payments put added pressure on administration staff and the teacher/s organising the event. It is a timely process that takes away from other administrative tasks and adds to an already busy work schedule. If you are aware that you are unable to make a certain payment deadline it would be greatly appreciated if this can be communicated to the school in a timely manner. If a family is experiencing financial pressure, you can contact the school and speak directly with me regarding student assistance.

### **PSSA Trials**

We have had a number of sporting trials over the last few weeks and more to come with some being postponed due to the recent wet weather. Students involved in these recent trials were fantastic representatives for our school and participated to the best of their ability, displaying great sportsmanship. They should be very proud of their achievements. Congratulations to Jasmine M, Marley P and Vienna E who participated in the netball trial, to Nicholas S and Maddy D who competed in the touch football trial and to Benji M, Joel B, Aiah A, Taylah B and Maddy D who participated in the soccer trials. Well done everyone!

Special mention to Vienna E (netball) and Joel B (soccer) who will now go on to represent NPS at the next level of trials in their respective sport. Good luck!

### Growing Great Teachers Program

Recently we had some exceptional Year 11 students from Lisarow High School visit as they were participating in the Growing Great Teachers Program. These high school students were selected to be part of this program as they have a passion / interest in teaching.

I was very impressed with these students and how they emersed themselves in the experience. Our students and staff loved having them at NPS. We look forward to further strengthening our partnership with LHS through this and other initiatives throughout the year.



### Quality Workers

Students	Class	Work Sample
All students	K/1A	Foyer Display
Riley M Ewan D	K6O	Mathematics (Partitioning)
Archer M Matthew O Charlie B Eva C Layla V Reggie I Corbin C	3/4L	Stanza Writing  Saturn Information Report
Thomas L Isla I Austin P Omeka H	K/1A	Handwriting
Tristen S	1J	Super Sentence
Brody S	2B	Art
Ezekiel P	3/4A	Narrative

Grant McFarland  
Principal



## Central Coast Choir Festival

🎉 Congratulations to Our Choir Stars! 🎵

A huge congratulations to the 16 talented students selected to represent our school at the Central Coast Choral Festival this October! Your hard work and beautiful voices have earned you a place in this special event, and we can't wait to see you shine on stage. Our first rehearsal is this Thursday, so come ready to sing!

Mrs Bond is incredibly proud of you all, and sends a big thank you to the wonderful parents who generously offered to help with lifts to and from the event - your support is truly appreciated!

🎵 Choir is for everyone! 🎵

Even if you weren't selected for the festival this year, all students are warmly welcome at Choir every Monday at lunchtime in Mrs. Bond's room. It's warm, cosy, and full of fun—if you love to sing, come join us!

## International Competition and Assessment (ICAS)

We know our students are amazing, so we're giving them the opportunity to showcase and celebrate their talents in the world-renowned ICAS competition this year.

ICAS is an online academic competition that gives students the opportunity to challenge their higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee, and Digital Technologies.

If you wish for your child (Year 2-6) to participate in ICAS this year, please go to:

<https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>

and enter the code:

IMX902

Further information is supplied in the attached document.

Regards,  
Erin Beatty  
ICAS Coordinator Narara Public School

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### What is ICAS?

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Every student who participates is celebrated and recognised with a printed certificate in each subject area, and an online results report to track development each year. Top performers are eligible for one of the highly coveted ICAS medals.

To learn more about this year's exciting ICAS competition, visit: [\(icasassessments.com/products-icas/\)](https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas/)

### How to participate in ICAS

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please go to the Parent Portal to sign up to your chosen subject areas using the link and code below.

Registration for all subject areas closes on **Monday 28 July at 11:59pm.**

Sign up here	<a href="https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pos">shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pos</a>
Access code	IMX902

This year, our students can elect to sit the following assessments:

Subject	Sitting Date	Cost (AU\$)
Digital Technologies	4-8 Aug	\$20.95
Writing	4-8 Aug	\$24.95
English	11-15 Aug	\$20.95
Science	18-22 Aug	\$20.95
Spelling Bee	18-22 Aug	\$20.95
Mathematics	25-29Aug	\$20.95

Please note, we cannot facilitate refunds or make alterations as all money is paid directly to ICAS Assessments.

Read the terms and conditions [here](https://www.icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Schools-TsCs_S2023.V6-1.pdf): [\(icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Schools-TsCs\\_S2023.V6-1.pdf\)](https://www.icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Schools-TsCs_S2023.V6-1.pdf).



## Privacy collection statement

The following information is a privacy notification about how your child's data is kept private and secure.

*ICAS Assessment is owned by Janison Solutions Pty Ltd (We, Us, Our).*

*To deliver assessment products, Janison will require your child's School to obtain your consent to provide Janison with certain personal information of students. Janison will collect, store, use, disclose and otherwise deal with such personal information in accordance with its privacy policy (below). We are aware of our responsibility to protect personal information related to children and students from being disclosed when we deliver an ICAS Assessments product. Unless you, as the child's legal guardian consents, we **will not***

- collect any personal information or data of children other than the information we need for the successful completion of an assessment, test, or exam.*
- transfer any personal information we obtain from a child in the delivery of assessments and tests to any jurisdiction outside of Australia.*
- share any personal information relating to children with any third parties (except for those third parties necessary for us to carry out our Services or provide our Products e.g., medal engraving).*
- use any personal information or data relating to children for marketing purposes.*

*You can view our full privacy policy at <https://www.janison.com/privacy-policy/>.*

*We may retain personal information and data relevant to a child for their future purposes or for research purposes by Janison for the duration of the school life cycle of the child. However, if you or your child at any time wish to have their personal information or data removed from our systems, they or you may opt out by simply contacting our Privacy Officer at [privacy@janison.com](mailto:privacy@janison.com) or by contacting [icasassessments@janison.com](mailto:icasassessments@janison.com).*

We are proud to be offering ICAS to our students this year and encourage you to consider entering your child. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Erin Beatty,  
ICAS Coordinator Narara Public School



## **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](http://Oshclub.com.au) just click and register.