

Term 2, Week 7
Tuesday 10th June 2025

Narara Public School Monday Mumbles



Dates to Remember

10 Jun
P & C Meeting 7pm

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

It was great to see Stage 3 return from Canberra happy and safe. Students that I have spoken to said they had a great time, as did Mr Ramm, Mrs Cotterill, Mrs Osborn, Miss Pass, Miss Wrench, Mrs New and Michael. Stage 3 staff were very proud of student behaviour. Well done boys and girls!

Overnight excursions are a very busy time, particularly for staff who are essentially on round the clock supervision and away from their own family. I sincerely thank the Stage 3 staff for their dedication and commitment to our students.



Feedback from parents was that they really appreciated the photos uploaded on ClassDojo because they could share in their child/ren's experiences.

Wellbeing Week

Congratulations to our Wellbeing Week prize winners! These lucky students received a new bag with lots of goodies inside including stationery and a lunch box.



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



Curriculum Changes - New Reports

Over the past few years, NSW schools have been implementing a new curriculum for all students Kindergarten to Year 12. The NSW Curriculum Reform aims to strengthen and streamline what is taught in schools.

The curriculum reform has been an opportunity to engage and re-energise what we teach and how we teach it. It has focused on making clear what is essential in the curriculum to give more time for deep learning and establish stronger foundations in English and mathematics.

As part of this reform process, new report templates have been provided to schools which we will be using from this semester onwards. The new format has been developed by the NSW Department of Education in response to feedback from parents and educators to make reports easier to read and understand.

Your child's report will still show their progress across all subject areas. Teacher comments will appear in English, mathematics and the general comment section, in line with department policy. The general comment also covers other key learning areas. The new achievement scale and descriptions (for Yr 1-6 reports) is below. Please note there is no achievement scale used for Kindergarten.

Achievement	Grade	Achievement Description
Outstanding	A	Your child's achievement in this subject is outstanding. They confidently apply their knowledge and skills in a range of new and complex situations.
High	B	Your child's achievement in this subject is high. They confidently apply their knowledge and skills in a range of familiar and new situations.
Expected	C	Your child's achievement in this subject is at the expected standard. They apply their knowledge and skills in familiar situations.
Basic	D	Your child's achievement in this subject is basic. They apply their knowledge and skills in familiar situations with support.
Limited	E	Your child's achievement in this subject is limited. They apply their knowledge and skills in some familiar situations with significant support.

All grades will use the same effort scale. The effort scale and descriptions are below.

Effort	Grade	Effort Description
High	3	Your child actively participates and engages in most learning activities. They always try to complete and present work to a high standard.
Satisfactory	2	Your child actively participates and engages in most learning activities. They regularly try to complete and present work to the required standard.
Low	1	Your child sometimes participates and engages in learning activities. They occasionally try to complete and present work to the required standard.

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.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2026

We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten in 2026. If you have a child starting next year or have any friends or neighbours with children planning on starting next year, please contact the front office (43283024) to start the enrolment process.

Children may be enrolled in Kindergarten at the beginning of the school year if they turn five years of age on or before 31 July in that year. By law, all children must be enrolled in school by their sixth birthday. If you are unsure if your child is ready to start school or would like to access further information, please contact the school. As part of the enrolment process, you will need to provide your child's original birth certificate, statement of complete immunisation from Medicare and proof of your current address (a minimum of 100 points of identification are required).

Families are now able to access our online enrolment process to make it easier to enrol your child at your local school. To apply online, your child must be:

- a NSW resident
- an Australian or New Zealand citizen or permanent resident, and
- living in the local enrolment area of the school for which you are submitting an application.

For those families wishing to complete an online application a link can be found via the "About our school - Enrolment" section of our school website. If you are unsure what school catchment area you live in, use the <https://schoolfinder.education.nsw.gov.au/>

You can still use existing enrolment processes to apply. More information is available on the Department's going to a public school website at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school>



Quality Workers

Students	Class	Work Sample
All students	1J	Foyer Display
Olivia L Charity H Ryan D Lucas K	3/4A	Poetry My Favourite Food
Corbin C Charlie D Hunter H Charlie B	3/4L	Poetry (Stanza)
Ivy M Ethan WP	5/6P	Excursion Recount
Kyh M	2B	Narrative
Alisha R	K1A	Handwriting
Reuben S Bronx D Walter B	KC	Super Sentences
Iszebelle C Blair W	3/4B	Onomatopoeia
Alexis L	2W	Nian the Dragon
Lynk F Levi W Robert G Harry W	KN	On the Weekend Writing

Grant McFarland
Principal



BWPSSA Cross Country 2025

On Friday 30 May, 47 students made their way to Wyoming Public School for the Brisbane Water PSSA Zone Cross Country Carnival. The weather was absolutely perfect this year, making it well worth the postponement from the week before due to heavy rain. All students ran so well and displayed determination, resilience and team spirit. It was incredible to see our students consistently cheering on their peers and encouraging everyone to do their personal best. I was absolutely blown away with our students and the effort they put in. A huge congratulations to all the runners who participated and represented Narara Public School with pride. Thank you to all our wonderful family and friends who provided transport and cheered us on. Also, a big thank you to Miss Wrench for her hard work in organising our NPS team and to Mrs Brogan for being our team manager on the day.

Some of our exceptional results are as follows:

Taiga P – 3rd 8/9 Yrs Boys

Thomas B – 10th 8/9 Yrs Boys

Gemma S – 3rd 8/9 Yrs Girls

Olivia B – 5th 8/9 Yrs Girls

Thomas M – 9th 10 Yrs Boys

Grace H – 8th 10 Yrs Girls

Congratulations to the NPS 8/9 Years Boys team for coming in 2nd place overall in the 8/9 Years Boys School Team category, and to the NPS 8/9 Years Girls team for also being awarded 3rd place overall in the 8/9 Years Girls School Team category. A huge achievement!

Taiga P, Gemma S and Olivia B are now invited to attend the Sydney North Cross Country Championships on Friday 13 June. We wish them the best of luck.

Mrs Thomas
(Coordinating Teacher)



Canberra Excursion

Stage 3's excursion to Canberra was both super busy and lots of fun. The weather was beautiful and sunny, with the touch of a fresh breeze. We visited many places including, Parliament House, the Australian War Memorial, the Australian Institute of Sport, Old Parliament House, Questacon, the Electoral Commission and the National Capital Exhibition, just to name a few. All students participated in activities and enjoyed their time.

We would like to acknowledge the Australian Government for its \$30.00 per student PACER contribution. Thank you, Stage 3 students, for your cooperation and making our Canberra trip amazing.

Stage 3 Teachers

Basketball Gala Day

Narara Public School's basketball teams demonstrated exceptional skill and resilience during the recent gala day, reflecting the school's commitment to fostering teamwork and sportsmanship.

Girls' Team Performance:



The girls' team commenced their campaign with a decisive 18-4 victory over Valley View in Round 2, highlighting their offensive prowess and cohesive play. However, subsequent rounds presented challenges. In Round 3, they faced a strong Niagara Park side, resulting in a 32-12 loss. Despite their efforts, the team couldn't secure a win in Round 4, but played amazingly as a team.

Boys' Team Performance:

The boys' team delivered an exceptional performance throughout the gala day. They began with a commanding 42-8 win against Valley View in Round 2. Maintaining their momentum, they secured a 36-19 victory over Niagara Park in Round 3. The pinnacle of their performance was a thrilling 37-29 win against Terrigal in Round 4. This undefeated streak ensured their progression in the knockout competition pathway.



A Standout Contribution:

Notably, Year 3 student Taiga stepped up to fill in for the boys' team when three players were sidelined due to illness and absence. Despite being younger than his teammates, Taiga's performance was commendable, showcasing his dedication and skill on the court. His contribution was instrumental in the team's success and exemplifies the spirit of Narara Public School's students.

The gala day highlighted the dedication and talent of Narara Public School's basketball teams. While the girls' team faced stiff competition, their initial victory showcased their potential. The boys' team's unbeaten run reflects their hard work and synergy on the court. The school community eagerly anticipates their continued success in the upcoming stages of the competition.

P&C

Our next meeting is tonight (Tuesday 10 June). We look forward to seeing you there!

Don't forget to book your tickets for the P&C Movie Night on Saturday 28 June. Please note that parent supervision is required at this event. Further information features in this newsletter.



• NARARA PS P&C HOSTS

Family Movie Event



\$18 Tickets

**Choc-tops \$6
Popcorn & drink \$13**

**Raffle tickets \$2
purchase on
the day**

How To Train Your Dragon

28.06.2025
Start at 3PM

Events Cinema
Tuggerah Westfield

Come along to a special NPS fundraiser movie session.
Grab a choc-top and/or popcorn bundle.
Also grab a raffle ticket on the day to be in the running
for a family movie pass plus merchandise (\$150 value)



Ticket booking through the P&C website
<https://narara-public-school-pc-association.square.site/>

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?

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.

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	shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pos
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): 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 or by contacting 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 just click and register.