



NARACOORTE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 ~ Tuesday 6th August, 2024

Coming Events

AUGUST

- 9th – Student Free Day
- 11th – Women’s Marathon NPS Watch Party, 3.00pm
- 12th – Science Week
- 13th – Professor Flint Performance
- 14th – 16th – SAPSASA Soccer, Adelaide
- 19th – Book Week – “Reading is Magic”
- 20th – Shared Reading, 10.30am & Morning Tea
- 21st – Disco
- 22nd – Pancake Breakfast, 8.30am
- 22nd – Book Week Parade, 9.10am Oval
- 26th – Paperboats Performance R-2
- 27th – Paperboats Performance Yr 3-4
- 29th – Combined Choir Rehearsal
- 30th – Maths Games Afternoon, 2.30pm

SEPTEMBER

- 2nd – Book Fair (all week)
- 12th – School Photos

TERM 3

Canteen Roster

Friday 16th August

Sally Logan

Friday 23rd August

Alison Busuttill, Pam Meynell

Friday 30th August

Jane Woosnam, Tanya Biggins

Friday 6th September

Emma Rasheed

Friday 13th September

Julie Henderson

Looking ahead at the calendar, it is going to be a busy term with lots of great opportunities for students at school. Be sure to keep an eye on the calendar, newsletter and notes/messages from teachers in relation to key events.

Book Week is always a highlight of the school year. This year’s dress up parade will be on Thursday 22nd August at 9:10am. This will make it easy for parents to stay and watch before heading off. We will have our termly pancake breakfast for the students and a coffee van for parents to make it more enticing to stay!

Parents and other family members are invited to come to our ‘read to your child’ session on Tuesday 20th August as part of the Book Week celebration.

In other parent information, the Maths evening hosted by Bruce from the Mathematical Association of SA in the first week was well attended. Bruce spoke about the three key elements of a successful Maths program:

- Partnerships
- Positivity
- Play

As I have included in a previous newsletter, the power of playing board games and card games at home with your children from an early age can have so many benefits. He suggested [Card Games: Draw and Discard Games \(pagat.com\)](http://pagat.com) as a good webpage for card games to add to your library of games.

To share the joy of maths between students and parents, we are having a Maths games afternoon on Friday 30th August from 2:30pm. Come and join your child/ren in their class to learn a few games you can use at home and be a part of the fun.

Finally, we will be hosting a Literacy information session with Jo Culf (Literacy Guarantee Unit literacy coach) to share our literacy programs and how to support your children at home. This will be on Monday 16th September.

Community Portal

With the introduction of EMS as the school’s management system, we are starting to use more of the connected applications to streamline our systems. This will mean for the short term there will be lots of options, apps, communication methods until we phase out some of the older ones at the end of the year. I understand this can be confusing so we thank you for your patience and adaptability to the new system.

Welcome back to Term 3! A big warm welcome to all our new receptions in the Pond and our new families to our school. Having your child start school is a milestone moment and we hope it was a positive experience for you.

We have already had lots happening this term. We hosted a successful football Carnival on Sunday.

The Community portal was introduced late last term and is where student reports are published to. There is now a student absence component where you can submit an absence as well as check on previous absences. It is currently run through a URL until an app is created. This can be saved on your home screen / desktop. We will send out a cheat sheet via email on how to do this. This should be a quick and easy way to submit an absence for parents.

Staffing Update

I would like to congratulate Lucy Possingham who was the successful applicant for the Deputy Principal position from 2025-2029. Lucy has currently been in the Deputy role at Reidy Park PS and is very much looking forward to returning to Naracoorte Primary School and being part of the leadership team.

In other staffing news, Kym McRostie has unfortunately had to resign as the Groundsperson. The position will be advertised shortly to fill the vacancy. Please feel free to share with anyone who might be interested in the position.

Hannah Grundy and Trudie Stewart are on leave for Term 3 and will return in Term 4. We welcome Amelia Henry, who joins us as an SSO supporting our newest class.

NAPLAN results

Last week the NAPLAN reports went home to families of students in Yr 3 and 5. Overall as a school our results were quite pleasing. Whilst it is hard to compare one cohort of students from another, the large groups do allow for us to gauge general trends.

Percentage students making strong or exceeding

Year 3			
Area	2023	2024	diff
Reading	55.6%	57.7%	2.1%
Numeracy	47.3%	53.4%	6.1%
Spelling	63.9%	57.7%	-6.2%
Grammar	27.8%	42.2%	14.4%
Writing	66.7%	82.2%	15.5%
Year 5			
Area	2023	2024	diff
Reading	70.4%	61.4%	-9.0%
Numeracy	57.4%	70.4%	13.0%
Spelling	51.8%	61.4%	9.6%
Grammar	66.7%	52.3%	-14.4%
writing	55.6%	56.9%	1.3%

Year 3 writing was a standout improvement area and strength, whilst numeracy was a strength in Year 5. We will focus on grammar and language conventions as an area to improve. The implementation of the Department spelling and morphology program should improve students' understanding and knowledge of language conventions. More about this program will be shared at the Parent Literacy night late this term.

Camps

Students in Year 4, 5 and 6 will be invited to participate in camps as part of their learning experience in 2024. Camps will be:

Year 4 – Robe and surrounds – Wednesday 27th- Friday 29th November

Year 5 - Ballarat / Pax Hill- Tuesday 17th September- Friday 20th September

Year 6 – Adelaide - Tuesday 17th September- Friday 20th September

Notes and approximate costs for the Year 5 and 6 camps went home last term. The Year 4 camp information will go home shortly.

Running camps in all these year levels was planned to ensure students didn't miss out prior to resetting the NPS camp schedule to be for Year 4 and 6 from 2025 on.

Kiss and Drop area

Shortly we will be undergoing some modifications to the Kiss and Drop area and signage to make it safer and clearer for users and visitors. An area will be identified as the crossing space into the car park area to reduce the movement across and in traffic to one clearly marked area. We please ask that you follow the signs for the safety of all users.

Student Free Day

A reminder that this **Friday August 9th** is a Student Free Day for all Department schools across the Wrattobully and Blue Lake Partnership. This has been a monumental exercise to hold an event for over 900 staff to attend! We are extremely fortunate to have the Department for Education Chief Executive, Martin Westwell, internationally renowned Education Professor Pasi Sahlberg, Curriculum experts, Summer Howarth and Margot Foster and Emotous EQ experts, John Dare and Jen White as presenters on the day.

The teachers will engage in conversations and learning related to the Public Education strategy and new SA curriculum whilst the SSOs will join the keynotes for the morning before having their own session around the Brene Brown Dare to Lead program.

Good Luck Jess!

Our former student, Jess Stenson, is taking part in the marathon in the Paris Olympic Games on Sunday. We are hosting an official watch party for the event at school on Sunday for the whole community. We had initially planned for the event to be in the library but with the beautiful weather and hopefully good crowd, we are hoping to be outside so we can access the oval for activities for the kids during the race. Hope to see you all there and stay posted to our socials for more information.



NPS Has Got Talent 2024

NPS Has Got Talent is an event where students can have fun showcasing their talents while developing essential skills such as confidence, perseverance, and teamwork.

Individual students or groups of up to six students have the opportunity to perform for the entire school. Previous performances have included solo singers, group comedy acts, dance, magic acts and more.

If your child is successful in their audition, we kindly ask for your help in organising props and costumes and choosing appropriate music (if applicable).

Since this is a school event, we request that any selected music be respectful, clean, and suitable for children aged 5 to 12.

Each performance is limited to 2 minutes.

There are three categories: Receptions to Year 2, Year 3/4, and Year 5/6. Students will be informed by their class teachers about the audition dates. In past years, auditions have been held around week 7, followed by the performance in Week 10. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your support.

Andrea Lawrie

& School Captains 2024

Angus, Isabelle, Mia and Mimi

Below - NPS HAS GOT TALENT 2023



I hope everyone enjoyed a lovely break in the holidays and has had a great start to Term 3. Hard to believe that we are over half way through the year already! I've really enjoyed seeing all the fantastic work that students are doing around the school and look forward to all that is to come in Term 3.

Pancake Breakfast

On Thursday in week 5 we will be having our mid-term pancake breakfast celebration. The Coffee Pitt van will be there to ensure the adults are well caffeinated for their early start! This will be followed by the Book Week dress up parade on the oval at 9:10am. We hope to see lots of families there!



Bullying No Way Week of Action

Bullying No Way Week is held next week in week 4 (12th – 16th August) and is all about the important roles school, family and community play in helping young people feel accepted, respected and that they have a place where they belong. The theme for 2024 is 'Everybody Belongs'. In school, belonging is like a superpower against bullying. It's what brings us together, makes us stronger, and helps us understand and support each other. When we feel like we belong, bullying struggles to find a place. It's about embracing who we are, respecting everyone's differences and standing up together against unkindness. Belonging means we all have a role in preventing bullying. We're encouraged to speak up and create a safe place where everyone feels supported and respected and our voices are heard and valued.

At NPS, we are going to create some positive action with learning about this in class with a focus on 5 evidence-informed strategies:

1. Challenging stereotypes
2. Promoting empathy
3. Embracing diversity
4. Developing positive relationships
5. Knowing how to get help

We will be doing some fun whole school activities on Friday 16th August including Lunchtime Fun games for all year level groups run by the House Captains, chalk obstacle courses on the courts organised by the Wellbeing Ambassadors and everyone can have a free Zooper Dooper (if they would like one). It's going to be a lot of fun!

Dear families,
SAVE THE DATE...

AUG 22

8:30AM BREAKFAST CLUB PANCAKES (FOR STUDENTS)

BOOK WEEK PARADE 9:10AM ON THE OVAL

THE COFFEE PIT 8:30AM -10:30AM

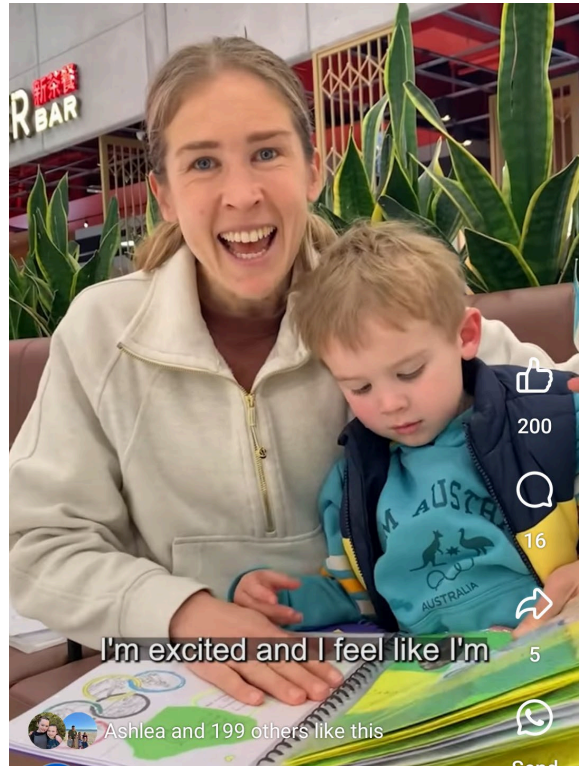
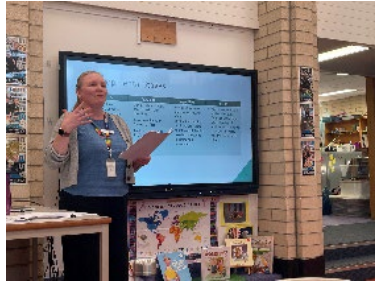
Mindfulness at lunchtime

At lunchtime on Wednesdays, Liz Schroder and myself have been running mindfulness and meditation time for any students that would like to join us. Time to relax and take a moment to calm our bodies and minds has been invaluable and I thank Liz for running these sessions with me.



Grief and Loss Workshop

In week 2 staff participated in an afternoon workshop run by the SWISS (Social Workers Incident Support Services) team where they talked about how to best support children who have suffered loss in their lives. Children experience loss in many ways - it might be from losing someone they know, a pet, moving house or towns. It was a very informative session that staff found engaging and helpful. Thank you to Jasmine from SWISS who was our presenter.

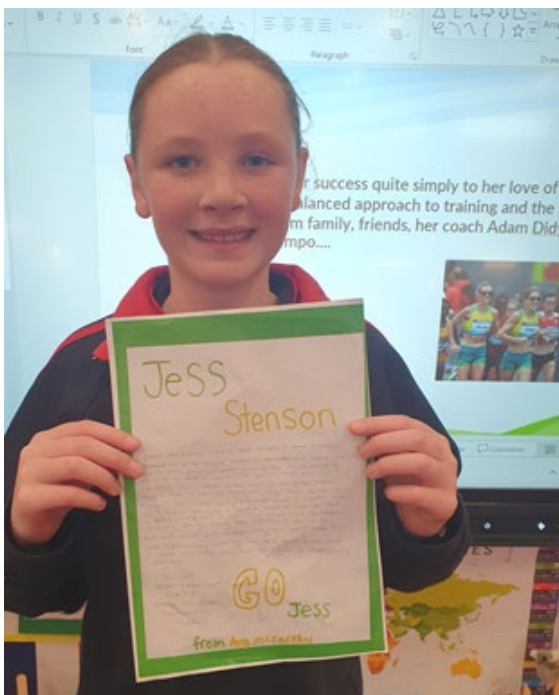
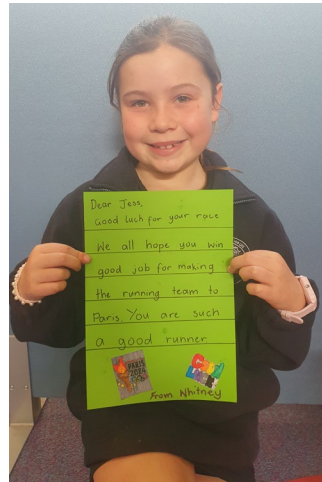


Letters to Athletes

Last term, every student at Naracoorte Primary was given the opportunity to write a letter to, or to colour a picture in, for our two Olympic athletes in Paris this year. Jessica Stenson and Hattie Shand both attended Naracoorte Primary School from Reception to Year 7 and speak very highly of their time here. Jess will be running in the Marathon on August 11th and Hattie has already played in two games for the Hockeyroos.

The letters were displayed in folders and given to the athletes to motivate, encourage and support them whilst they prepare to compete and students took great pride in what they created.

Both Hattie and Jess were extremely grateful and appreciative of the support shown.



OLYMPICS LIVE PARIS 2024 YOUR HOME OF THE OLYMPICS & PARALYMPICS

EVENT Come and watch Jess Stenson in the Women's Marathon

DETAILS Wear your green and gold. Families are welcome to bring some snacks. Please enter through the courtyard doors near the canteen.

LOCATION Naracoorte Primary School library

DATE Sunday 11th August **TIME** From 3pm

#HaveAGo / #AllezAUS

Please RSVP to class teachers if you would like to join us in watching the Women's marathon. Thank you.



Library News

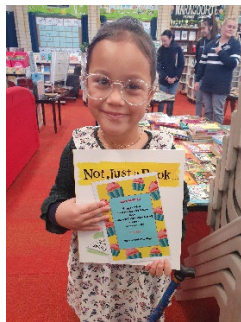
Birthday Book Club

We have celebrated 16 more birthdays.

Jordan Soderlund and Florrie Harvey turned 12; Keira McPhail and Max Hilton celebrated their 6th birthdays; Casey Henderson, George Mutton, Poppy Thring and Alice Bull turned 11; Spencer Abraham and Olivia Walter celebrated their 9th birthdays; Jo Law and Max Williams turned 10; Holly Vine, Mason Main and Indi Black celebrated their 7th birthdays and Russian Yean turned 8



Jordan Soderlund



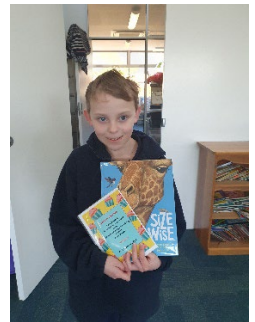
Keira McPhail



Casey Henderson



Alice Bull



Spencer Abraham



Olivia Walter



Max Williams



Jo Law



Florrie Harvey



Max Hilton



Mason Main



Indi Black



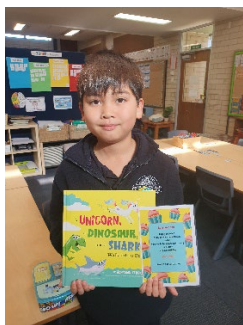
Poppy Thring



George Mutton



Holly Vine



Happy
birthday
and happy
reading
everyone!

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Russian Year

Book Week 17th – 23rd August (week 5)



Shared Reading and Morning Tea Tuesday 20/8

Our school celebrations will include a shared reading and morning tea where parents/caregivers and “special people” are invited to come and read with our students at 10:30 and stay for morning tea in the hall.

Dress-up day Thursday 22/8

Come dressed as a favourite book character, or in this year's theme of “READING IS MAGIC”. Parents/caregivers are invited to join us for coffee and pancakes at the hall from 8:30, as part of our Breakfast Club mid-term celebration, then stay for the whole-school costume parade on the oval (weather permitting) at 9:10.

Scholastic Book Fair
2nd – 6th September
Held in the STEM building before and after school, every day, during week 7

SPORT REPORT

School Netball

Our school netballers have recently completed their season. Games were held on Wednesday nights, with Naracoorte Primary School entering three teams into the competition. The players were given opportunities to learn all of the seven positions on the netball court and were given valuable coaching by Ash Bennier, Romi Eckermann and Ange Donnelly. A huge thank you to the Year 6 girls and High School students who umpired the matches. All players and umpires showed wonderful growth and improvement as the season progressed.



School Football Carnival

On August 4th, students from Naracoorte Primary, Naracoorte South, Frances, Sunrise, Padthaway, Penola and Lucindale competed in the annual school football carnival. Hundreds of spectators lined the grounds of our oval and Wortley to witness excellent skills and sportsmanship by all players. We thank the coaches, Sam Logan for the Magpies and Brad Redding for the Eagles who have done an amazing job leading these players. Thank you also to their assistants, team managers, umpires and parents for their efforts in contributing to such a successful season of school footy.



SAPSASA Netball State Carnival

Last term we had five girls from Naracoorte Primary School represent the Upper South East in the state netball carnival. Ava McCarthy, Ava Maresch, Ripley Gould, Mimi Thomson and Issy Willson played in the Country Division 1 competition and were coached by our very own Kath Mott. The team ended the carnival with three wins, three draws and two losses for an overall finish of 5th position. The other Upper South East team played in the Country Division 3 competition and Alivia Bull represented our school. Their team was coached by Jordan Searle and they experienced five wins, three losses and a draw, finishing in sixth position. They enjoyed playing a game indoors, attending the Beach House water park one night and having a team dinner with all USE players, however, found Tuesday difficult with heavy rain all day. They saw the Thunderbirds train, albeit they were playing volleyball.

Our region, being the Upper, Mid and Lower South East combined for the inaugural Boys state carnival. Our school was strongly represented the boys thoroughly enjoyed their experience and learnt a lot. Unlike the girls, the boys didn't separate into country and metro divisions, so there was some tough competition from the metro boys. Frazier Brodie, Casey Henderson and Kyrin Pettman played in the Division 1 and defeated the five country teams plus one city team, finishing 5th overall. Frazier was excited to score the first goal of the tournament. The Division 2 side included Lachie Withers, Digby Wight, Hurley Sinclair, Tommy Woosnam and Reggie Mueller who won three of their games and finished in 7th. They were all thankful for the experience and enjoyed meeting people from all over the South East.



THANK YOU! YELP PLUS THREE!

These wonderful people gave up their lunch time to remove the old bottle-tops from the portables.



Canteen Volunteers:

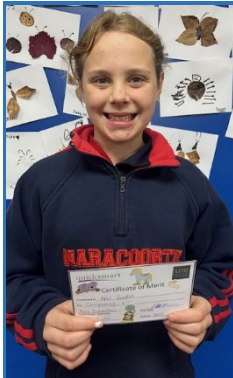
We are looking for some extra volunteer help in the canteen, particularly on a Friday (11.00am to 1.00pm). If you are new or a previous helper in the canteen and can spare some time, please contact Helen in the canteen. All help is greatly appreciated.

Hot Baked Potatoes – are available with toppings at lunch times on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Cash orders or through Flexischools.



PLEASE REMEMBER TO PACK A DRINK BOTTLE

ASPIRE AWARDS 2024



April Dunkin

Quicksmart Certificate of Merit For completing + 4!
Romi Eckermann SSO



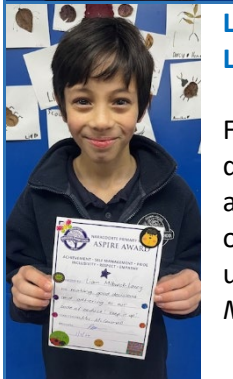
Gina Sambell

Completion of Too Smart Program
Romi Eckermann SSO



Megan Drusko

For creating a fabulous times tables book. It is great to see you connecting with your learning! Keep it up Megan.
Mrs Flint



Liam Millowick-Lacey

For making good decisions and adhering to our code of conduct! Keep it up!
Mrs McConnell



Spencer Abraham

For great presentation of your poem at assembly and for completing all set tasks in the set time! Keep it up!
Mrs McConnell



Lauren Hage

For always being a conscientious worker and trying to understand your work to the best of your ability! Your effort and persistence is inspirational.
Mrs Mott & Mrs Schroder



Daisy Laycock

For showing confidence during fractions lessons, leading to pleasing results in class tasks. Amazing effort Daisy!
Mr Hallett



Ava McCarthy

For outstanding sportsmanship, performance and craft during every PE session this semester.
Mrs Donnelly



Casey Henderson

For outstanding sportsmanship, performance and craft during every PE session this semester.
Mrs Donnelly



Frazier Brodie

For demonstrating a mature and positive attitude towards all learning tasks in Indonesian. You are a great role model! Bagus!
Mrs Andrews



Flynn Bennett

For working hard during lessons and participating to progress.
Mrs Mahoney



Indi Black

For great participation and enthusiasm in Word Study. We love seeing how much you have improved.
Mrs Wirper & Mrs Andrews



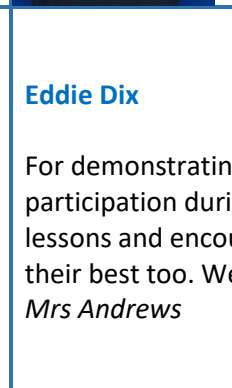
Hudson Bellman

For displaying impressive leadership skills in your 'Stop-Motion' group. Your enthusiasm and engagement in Maths has been pleasing.
Mrs Mott & Mrs Schroder



Eddie Dix

For increased focus and commitment to all learning tasks. Keep up your efforts!
Mrs Fox & Mrs Schinckel



Eddie Dix

For demonstrating focus and participation during Indonesian lessons and encouraging others to do their best too. Well done.
Mrs Andrews

ASPIRE AWARDS 2024



For Excellence in the Marathon Challenge in Term 2.

Emma Law, Kobe Bittner, Willow Sellars, Mrs Smith's Class, Harper Willson, Jack Walter, Eddie Bennier, Pippa Rasheed, Ryan Bytheway, Mrs Owen and Mrs Grundy's Class, Mrs McCarthy's Class.



Sydney Sommerville

For being an enthusiastic learner, working with a positive attitude when faced with a challenge and his fabulous manners.
Mrs Smith



Harrison Laycock

For producing a great information book about the platypus and confidently sharing it with the class. Well done!
Mrs Wirper & Mrs Andrews



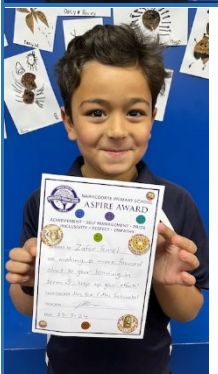
Ollie Aitken

For an amazing effort writing your play script. What a fantastic job. Keep it up Ollie!
Mrs Flint



Eddie Fitzgerald

For an amazing effort during our spelling lessons. It is great to see you participating and trying your best. Keep working hard Eddie!
Mrs Flint



Zafer Temel

For making a more focused start to your learning in Term 3. Keep up your efforts!
Mrs Fox & Mrs Schinckel



Henry Zilm

For completing an amazing reflection about our Mini Jumbuk excursion.
Mr Wallis



Scout Childs

A fantastic effort in your bookmaking, using a capital letter, finger spaces and full stop. Well done!
Mrs McCarthy



Arthur Paech

For great participation in maths lessons and for confidently explaining his thinking. Well done!
Mrs McCarthy



Lily Beggs

For wonderful independent sentence writing using capital letters, Fred talk, spaces and full stops. Excellent Lily! Well done.
Mrs Owen/Grundy



Grace Doolan

For consistently working conscientiously and always striving to achieve her best.
Mrs Mahoney



Lyra Terry

For a great effort in writing lesson. Using your sound and special friend knowledge to write a sentence using a capital letter, finger spaces and full stop.
Mrs McCarthy



Harry Smith

For an amazing start to the term! Your self-managing skills and thoughtful discussion points have been excellent!
Mr Hallett



Hannah Schultz

For outstanding growth in her reading fluency, speed and expression. Well done!
Ms Turci & Ms Burrows

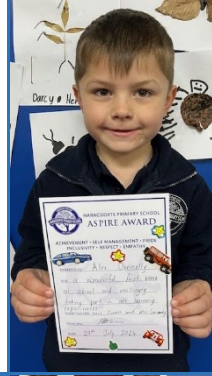
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Lions Mad Minute

Upper Limestone Coast -
Grand Challenge School Winner –

Naracoorte Primary School Div 1,
represented by **Hannah Schultz,**
Henry Olsen, Alara Malone



Alex Donnelly

For a wonderful first week at school and willingly taking part in all learning experiences.
Mrs Owen & Mrs Grundy



Ava Maresch, Ava McCarthy, Ripley Gould, Isabelle Willson, Mimi Thomson, Alivia Bull

School Sport SA
Sapsasa State Carnival
Certificate of Participation in Netball



Ellie Manser

For increased confidence sharing her ideas to the class. Well done Ellie.
Mrs Grundy & Mrs Owen



Aria Bull

Too Smart
Certificate of Merit
For completing facts of 5 & 6
Romi Eckermann SSO



Charles Shuard

For demonstrating super skip-counting skills when counting money. Awesome job!
Mrs Wirper & Mrs Andrews



Te Ariki Poihakena Jackson

For impeccable manners and for always being happy to help others!
Mrs McConnell



Hayden Bowley

For great participation in PE lessons and always displaying a growth mindset.
Mrs Donnelly



Jasmine Inverarity

For using her knowledge of non-fiction texts to create an informative book about Tasmanian Devils.
Mr Wallis



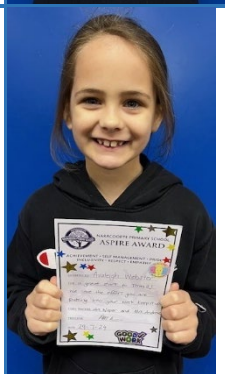
Harper Willson

For excellent thinking during math problem solving lessons. You have some great ideas to help solve complex questions. Keep it up Harper.
Mrs Flint



Thomas Bretag

For always listening carefully and respecting his peers and teachers.
Mrs Mahoney



Avaleigh Webster

For a great start to Term 3! We love the effort you are putting into your work. Keep it up.
Mrs Wirper & Mrs Andrews



Alara Malone

For her willingness to learn new spelling rules and improve her understanding of phonemes. Fantastic.
Mr Hallett

ASPIRE AWARDS 2024



Violet Harrison

For a HUGE growth in her positive mindset and seeking and accepting assistance in Math.
Ms Turci & Ms Burrows



Amber Heffernan

For excellent self-management and exceptional pride in your work. Your narrative was a delight to read.
Ms Turci & Ms Burrows



Cleo Makoare

For being a kind class member who is always happy to help others. Well done.
Mrs Owen & Mrs Grundy



Ava McCarthy

For consistently putting in 100% effort into all her learning showing initiative and being an excellent role model in our class.
Mrs Schroder & Mrs Mott

**RECEPTION TO
YEAR 2**

DISCO!

**WEDNESDAY 21ST
AUGUST
4.30 - 5.30 PM**

SCHOOL HALL

**BRING A GOLD COIN
& YOUR DRINK BOTTLE**

**PARENTS DROP
OFF/PICK UP FROM
HALL**

A poster for a Year 3-6 Disco event. It features a large, glowing purple disco ball on the left side. The background is dark with purple and pink light streaks. The text is in white and pink.

Year 3-6
DISCO

WEDNESDAY 21ST AUGUST

6 - 8 PM

SCHOOL HALL

**\$5 ENTRY
BRING A PLATE OF FOOD TO SHARE
& DRINK BOTTLE**

**PARENTS TO DROP OFF AND
COLLECT DIRECTLY FROM THE HALL**

Naracoorte Primary School – Calendar – Term 3, 2024

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	22 JULY	23 Parent Maths Workshop – 6:30- 8:00pm	24	25	26
2	29	30	31	1 AUGUST Choir Practice with Shylie Harrison 10:30	2 Pedal Prix (Sat)
3	5 Crossing Duty Training Finance & Governing Council Meeting	6 SAPSASA Basketball Carnival	7	8	9 STUDENT FREE DAY Whole of Portfolio Professional Learning Day
4 Science week @ NPS	12	13 Professor Flint Performance TBA	14 SAPSASA Soccer	15	16
5 Book Week	19 Reading is Magic	20 Shared Reading 10.30am & Morning Tea	21 Disco Rec-Y2 2 – 4.30pm to 5.30pm Yr 3 to 6 – 6.00pm to 8.00pm	22 Pancake Breakfast 8.30am Book Week Parade 9.10am	23
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7	2 SEPTEMBER Book Fair (all week)	3	4	5 Strikers 12:30-3:15	6 SAPSASA Basketball Regional Day
8	9 Finance & Governing Council Meeting	10	11	12 School Photos	13 Adelaide Choir Rehearsal & Performance
9	16 SAPSASA Athletics Parent Literacy Evening	17 School Camps Yr 5/6	18	19	20
10	23	24	25 NPS Has Got Talent	26	27 Early Dismissal 2.25pm

Spring Holidays First Week	30	1 OCTOBER	2	3	4
Spring Holidays Second Week	7 LABOUR DAY	8	9	10	11

Student Absence

If your child is absent from school, please inform us by either **Audiri** or **phone call**.

You will receive an **SMS Message** from **NPS** if your child is an unexplained absence by 10.30am each morning.

Please **reply** with a **return SMS** with a reason for the absence, so we can adjust our absence records.

We have a new Education Management System which allows us to send these SMS messages ...

CHANGE OF DETAILS

Please notify the NPS Front Office if you have **changed** your contact phone numbers, address, email address, emergency contacts etc. It is important that we are able to contact you if needed.

Collecting a Student ...

If a student is getting collected from school **during school hours** by **someone other than a parent**, please notify the teacher and front office staff who it will be and what time. It is important that this is done or we cannot let the student leave.

Thank you.

EXEMPTION FORMS

Approved Exemption forms are required for planned absences of more than 3 days.

If you are planning a family holiday or if your child is needing planned time away from school, then we require an Exemption Form to be completed and then approved by the Principal. Please see the Front Office for this **before** the absence. This is **NOT** an Audiri e-form. Thank you.

COMMUNITY NEWS

REMINDER

Our **SCHOOL TIMES** are as follows:

9.00am	School Start
10.50am - 11.20am	Recess
1.00pm - 1.45pm	Lunch (including 10 minutes eating time in the classroom)
3.25pm	School Dismissal



Students need to be ready to commence school at 9.00 a.m.

Please note **students should not be on the school grounds before 8.30am** as there is no supervision.

It is important that students are at school on time. If there is a reason that your child is late or needs to leave early they must sign in or out at the front office. This is an Occupational Health and Safety requirement.

Woolworths Cricket Blast Launch Night



Monday 19th August 2024, 4:30 - 6:00pm at Wortley Oval, Naracoorte

All kids aged 5-10 years old are invited to join us at Wortley Oval, Naracoorte.

The event is **FREE** of Charge, and will include fun, exciting Woolworths Cricket Blast activities and giveaways. Female players from the South Australian State Team (TBC) will also be in attendance and conduct a Q&A at the end of the session!



SACA



Growing Resilient Kids Program

Facilitators
Gez Walter & Ellie Stokes

We are offering our parent and child program which has been developed by our Senior Psychologist. This program is aimed at up-skilling primary school aged children in the following areas:

- Learning the brain science behind emotions.
- Learning about the purpose of anxiety and stress (it's not all bad!).
- Increasing understanding of how feelings (e.g., anxiety, stress) impact our thoughts and body (physiology).
- Learning ways to recognise, accept and/or manage unpleasant thoughts and feelings.
- Learning ways to improve coping abilities and ways to persist through challenging moments and feelings (e.g., anxiety, overwhelm, frustration, disappointment).

For students aged between 8 to 12 years

Final acceptance to the program will be determined by the Smiles All Round team.

Commences - Term 3, Tuesday 13th August to 10th September (4-5pm)

Smiles All Round HQ
223 Smith Street, Naracoorte

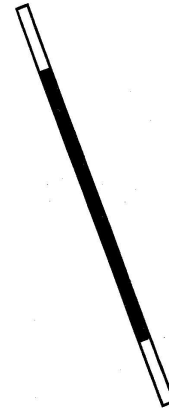
\$500 per family - 1 caregiver & 1 child

Register your interest by 31st July via
admin@smilesallround.com.au

For more information:
0430 022 705
admin@smilesallround.com.au

That's not a magicians wand!

It's a



READING IS
MAGIC
CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK | 2024

TUESDAY 20TH AUGUST
Naracoorte Active Story Time 9.30-10.30am
Come along in your favourite dress up!

WEDNESDAY 21ST AUGUST
Join us for a story and craft session.
10am

THURSDAY 22ND AUGUST
Afternoon tea in the Wonambi Gallery.
Competition winners announced.
Come dressed in something magical!
3.30-4.30pm

FRIDAY 23RD AUGUST
A magical LEGO challenge
3.45pm

Get your "That's not a magician's wand" competition sheet and enter!

Naracoorte Library + Town Hall

Naracoorte Library Book week 2024 Terms and Conditions.

- Each entry must complete the "That's not a magicians wand!" by creating a new alternative object/scene from the object shown. Entry must also fill in the blank after "It's a" with what the new object has become.
- Only one entry per child.
- Entries must be in by Monday 19th August 2024 - entries will not be accepted after this date.
- Entries must be the original work of the illustrator.
- Full name, age and contact phone number of illustrator must be clearly printed on the entry (this will not be on display)
- All entries become the property of Naracoorte Lucindale Council and may be reproduced by Council for promotional, archival or publicity purposes in either printed or electronic format.
- Entries will be judged on the criteria of: - Engagement with the theme – Originality.
- A prize-giving ceremony will be held on the evening of Thursday 22nd August 2024 (winners will be notified).
- Children of employees of Naracoorte Lucindale Council are welcome to participate.
- Entry to this competition gives consent to being photographed at the Naracoorte Library prize-giving ceremony, and gives permission for images to be used by Naracoorte Lucindale Council for promotional purposes, including in print and online
- Naracoorte Library will host a Book Week celebration afternoon tea, for all to join in. Thursday 22nd August 3.30-4.30pm. We encourage you to dress up in this year's theme "Reading Is Magic".

Children can use their imaginations to create the wand into something entirely different and then tell us what it has transformed into. Examples are a fishing rod or a pole vaulter's pole. If this document can be double-sided with all the child's information to be put on the back of their work that would be great!

We are looking forward to receiving as many entries as we can before Monday 19th August. We are once again offering an afternoon tea with the winners to receive their prizes. Dressing up to this year's theme "Reading is Magical".

Name.....

Age.....

Contact Number.....

I will be coming along to the afternoon tea, on Thursday 22nd August

Please circle you answer: Yes No