The P&C Newsletter from Narrabeen North Public School

From the P&C President...

What a month August was for the P&C with our Father’s Day stall and Trivia Night? It was wonderful to see the NNPS community come together to support these events. It is events such as these that make me realise how lucky I am to work with such a wonderful group of people who so willingly give of their time to ensure every P&C endeavour is a massive success. For this reason, my report this month will be my way of saying thank you to all involved in our recent events.

Father’s Day Stall

A BIG THANK YOU must be given to Brooke Hodgson and Michelle Smith for their willingness to run our Father’s Day stall. From conducting surveys to buying gifts to wrapping gifts to selling at the stall, no task was too hard and both gave so willingly of their time. THANK YOU also to the many volunteers who assisted on the day - Rachel Wolfe, Jennifer Schultz, Katherine Bowgett, Rachel Peacock and Lara Petulis. All these wonderful individuals contributed to over 500 gifts being sold and many, many smiling faces.

Trivia Night

Our Trivia Night held last Saturday, 31 August was a fabulous night for all in attendance. As this was my first Trivia Night, it was fabulous to see how supportive the whole school community was of the night. THANK YOU to all who contributed so generously through class donations, purchasing raffle tickets for the Kindy hampers and seeking donations from corporates. To me, it is this community involvement that makes Narrabeen North so special.

To our event sponsors, we thank you for providing us with many of the prizes on the night and for your support of our wonderful school. Special mention must be made of Pittwater RSL who allowed us to use their auditorium at no cost and the wonderful team at St George Wanniwood particularly Branch Manager Cal who so willingly contributed through money boxes and a sizeable donation.

To our MC Jake Downs who ensured the night ran smoothly as he led the teams through the various rounds of trivia and games. Thank you for donating your time to run the event and for your ongoing support.

I would also like to thank the many volunteers who assisted in the lead up to the event or on the night.

Thank you to the many volunteers who wrapped gifts at our last P&C meeting and to those who assisted on the night from setting up the auditorium, running games or marking. Your contribution does not go unnoticed and I thank you for all you did!

Finally, I would like to say a VERY BIG THANK YOU to our P&C trivia team - Megan Catterall, Amanda Downs, Jo Rix, Elise Andrews, Brooke Hodgson, Michelle Smith and Karlee Grainger. A wonderful team who did an amazing job in putting together this event in less than 8 weeks. Considering the organisation required and the size of the event, this team handled this mammoth task with upmost professionalism and for this, I am truly thankful. On behalf of the team, I would also like to thank Miss Russell for her contribution to the event both in the lead up and on the night. All of you worked together to make the event an amazing success!

As President, I am incredibly privileged and honoured to say that our P&C is a team, a team ready and willing to contribute to the wonderful school that is NNPS.

Thank you to all who have recently contributed.

Adrienne

From the Principal’s desk...

Principal awards for Week 7 – Congratulations to: .... Catriona S KA; Tom C KA; Maddenn H KA; Ethan W KA; Cody M KA; Christian P KA; Benjamin B KA; Allegra N KA; Will B KW; Finlay P 1R; Corey L 1R; Mackenzie W 1R; Annika S 1R; Lena S 1AJ; Will D 1/2M; Xanthea D 1/2M; Ava P 1/2M; Riley R 1/2M; Lachlan C 1/2M; Daisy S 2H; Wunnam L 2H; Scott E 2H; Charlotte C 2H; Indi C 2H; Summer T 2H; Joel C 2SG; Sophie G 2SG; Alec R 3M; Kasey S 3M; Hayden T 3M; Indiana H 3M; Levi C 3M; Maja G 3/4M; Kaan A 4P; Hannah D 4P; Jack C 4P; Jackson D 4P; Kelly T 4P; Caitlin H 5M; Alexy R 5M; Ulani W 5S; Yazmin E 5/6B; Zilla G 6D and Chloe A 6D    Well done, everyone!

Dates to Remember - Term 3

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Antarctica has giant mountains of ice broken by deep crevasses and white floors dumped by glistening ice as far as the eye can see. By Gracie M

The cool breeze ripples the deep, dark blue waters as the delicate snowflakes drift to the ground. The icy mountains tower above the snow as the penguins toboggan down the slippery hills. By Indyah B

Thank you, 6W. Our next guest class will be 6D in Week 1, Term 4.

Our school’s 75th birthday
Last term a meeting was organised for parents interested in being part of the planning committee for the school’s 75th anniversary in September 2014. It would be wonderful if more parents could join those parents who have already signed up and become a part of the team planning the celebrations. If you are interested please see Gail in the office who has the sign-up sheet ready for you. It would be great if we could hold our next meeting before the end of this term. Many thanks!

Cyber Smart
The Cyber Smart information session for all parents has been booked for TUESDAY, 3 DECEMBER starting at 5.30pm in the school library. For all parents who have children accessing the internet from home this information session is crucial. Please mark the date in red on your calendars.

Robert Blanchfield

Beyond the Board with Miss Dickson ...
‘A classroom is four walls with tomorrow inside.’

Attitude of Gratitude
Thank you to the wonderful Year 6 parents who are coordinating the Year 6 Yearbook initiative and to all who have contributed photos. Thank you to all Stage 3 students who are doing the hard yards and completing homework thoroughly, wearing their correct school uniform, being in the right place at the right time, participating in all activities with commitment and being great role models to our younger students.

PSSA Summer Competition
Trials for sports continue this Friday. The sports are: Senior Boys Cricket, Junior Boys Softball, Senior Girls Softball, Junior Girls Eagle Tag, Mixed AFL (Years 3 and 4 only). The actual summer PSSA Competition begins on Friday, 13 September and a copy of the draw is included in this newsletter.

If your child is selected for a PSSA Team they will receive a permission note and sports code of conduct that needs to be returned to their PSSA Coach. PSSA selection is decided based on skills and talent shown at the trials and when possible we try to have two selectors available. Please understand that this is an incredibly hard job for teachers and ideally we would love to include everyone. Unfortunately the Pittwater Zone determines how many teams we can enter and as our school continues to grow places in teams become even more precious. Please help us support your child if they do not make a team this year. Encourage them to
improve their skills, play outside with friends, join a Saturday competition in that sport and to try out again next year.

**CAPA News**

Well done to Jorja S from 5/6B who is part of the North Sydney Regional Choir. Jorja sang at the Opera House Festival this week and will also be part of the mass choir at the School Spectacular next term. Two Year 6 girls, Ella L and Ondine M from 6D will also be performing at the School Spectacular. Both girls are part of the North Sydney Regional Dance Ensemble. We also have many talented artists in Stage 3 and a group of these students will be attending the Operation Arts workshop this term.

Drama tryouts for next year began this week with Mr Brown. Over 50 students auditioned and this will also be a tough selection process to determine the group to perform at the 2014 State Drama Festival.

The Premier’s Spelling Bee also falls under the Arts banner. Last week Stage 3 completed our stage finals. There were some fabulous spellers but our final two were Luke N from 5M and Carly A from 6D. These students will now represent us at the Regional finals to be held at Frenchs Forest Public School on Wednesday, 11 September. Thanks to Miss Town for her organisation of the spelling bee.

**WINGS Program**

Throughout this term a number of students in Year 5 have participated in the enrichment program (Wings) run by Narrabeen Sports High. There have been no lessons this week, but next week, on Thursday, 12 September all students involved will go to the high school at 1.55pm to finalise their presentations. A showcase afternoon for parents will then commence at 3.15pm in the high school hall. All students have received a reminder note this week.

**Book Week 2013**

Well done to all the students (and creative parents) who participated in the true spirit of the Book Week parade and shared with us characters from their favourite books. The meaning behind the parade is to celebrate reading and hopefully by dressing up as a ‘Book Character’ we can share our love of books and introduce others to some new books. I just have to give a special mention to Kai H from KA for his most wonderful Elmer costume (book by David Mc Kee) - it was sensational. The Stage 3 kids also loved the pre-parade event of sharing books with their buddy. Thanks to Mrs Koprivec for organising the parade.

Carpe Diem
Go Manly!

**Miss Dickson**  
Assistant Principal (teaching)  
PDHPE/CAPA LEADER

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### Scripture Rolls

Scripture rolls for Term 4 will be finalised by the end of this term. If you need to change your child’s scripture class for Term 4 please advise the office in writing by Wednesday, 18 September.
The draw can be found on the school's website as follows:
‘Curriculum and Activities’/‘Sports and Physical Activity’/‘PSSA’/‘Spring PSSA Draw’

# Pittwater PSSA Draw – Spring 2013

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Any washed out games will be called a draw.
Winners will be decided on points. There are no finals.

**AFL - Mixed Teams**  Miss Town

All games are played at the Narrabeen Sports High School AFL Field from 1pm.
2 games of AFL are played, students will be interchanged for each game.
A message from our SRC Leaders

On Thursday in week 7, our school SRC leaders had a successful Mufti Day by raising $520. Thank you to our wonderful students and community for supporting this event. All money raised supports our sponsor child in Mongolia, by allowing him to continue his education in high school. Mongolia is a very poor country and most children in rural areas don’t have access to education. Next term our SRC leaders will focus their fundraising efforts on ‘Canteen’ by promoting ‘Bandana Day’ for children living with cancer.

Parvovirus

We have had 2 reported cases of parvovirus in our school. Parvovirus is a common childhood illness. The child usually presents with a ‘slapped cheek’ rash on the face and a lacy red rash on the trunk and limbs. Before the rash breaks out the child experiences low grade fever, or a “cold” for a few days. The rash usually resolves itself in 7 to 10 days. The child should rest at home until they feel better.

For more information check the NSW Department of Health website:

Important Student Medical Updates

We previously advised that we would be sending home forms to update our medical records. We have now decided that since we review each student’s details at the start of the year, we will update our records based on the information we already have.

We will only be seeking additional information for students with a high risk health condition such as anaphylaxis. These parents are being contacted separately.

However, if there have been any changes to your child’s health that we may not be aware of please contact the office so we can review our records.

We appreciate your support and if you have any questions please call.

Second Hand Uniform shop

The second hand uniform shop is open at school on Friday, 6 September from 8.45 to 9.15am. There will be a one day sale on unisex black tracksuit pants...2 for $5.

School Uniforms at Lowes

There is currently a shortage of yellow polo shirts and boys grey shorts (sizes 6, 8 and 12 are out) however these are on order and expected soon.

Healthy Hut Red Day

Happy Birthday to Us!

Narrabeen North is celebrating its 74th birthday and you’re invited to the party.

THURSDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER

Bring $7 in an envelope to your class teacher with your name on (Envelopes are to go in class lunch baskets; however online ordering is preferred)

Party food includes -

Recess—Fairy bread, cake and watermelon

Lunch—Party pies and sausage rolls, cocktail frankfurts

Plus for sale on the day—Jelly cups, lolly bags and other party goods

NOTES WENT HOME TODAY!

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Lost

Red and Black Mountain Buggy Pram from Jacksons Road on Father’s Day
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