From the Principal’s Desk…

Principal Awards for this week are:

1B  Elise T
1J  Verity T; Aisha S; Chloe B
1M  Serentaî K; Isobel A; Tigerlily W
2W  San C; Lily T
3G  Joshua G
3M  Jamie D; Taj G
3P  Mackenzie W; Clare H; Adam H
4M  Isabelle C
4S  Charlize G
5M  Giselle M; Alec R
5/6B  Coen H; Monique A; Emerson R; Hayleigh G; Ruby L; Jackson D
6W  Darion M

Well Done!

Harmony Day

Today our children celebrated Harmony Day. This yearly event celebrates Australia’s cultural diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

Australia is a very multicultural diverse nation, and whilst we share many common qualities as citizens, we should also value our unique differences. Currently within our school we have students from 32 different language backgrounds.

The celebration of Harmony Day also links well with one of our core Narra values: acceptance. This value educates children on the importance of acknowledging, valuing and respecting individual differences.

Well done to all students who participated today by wearing orange or their national dress.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Please remember that parent/teacher interviews will be held next Monday, 23 March and Tuesday, 24 March for students in Kindergarten to Year 4.

The 10 minute interview is an opportunity for the teacher and parents to discuss their child’s progress so far this term and address any important issues with academic progress or social development.

As teachers are conducting multiple interviews, could I please ask that parents arrive on time and respect the set timeframe so that meetings run smoothly and to schedule.

Children in Years 5 and 6 will participate in student-led conferences on either Monday, 30 March or Tuesday, 31 March.

Regional Swimming

Congratulations to our students who represented our school and zone at the regional swimming carnival. It was a very busy week for these swimmers and I congratulate them on their achievement in progressing to this level.

Ryan Shepheard
Principal

TAX DEDUCTIBLE LIBRARY DONATION

Don’t forget to get your tax deductible donation in soon. This is the only source of income for the library. In order to keep updating books and providing all that is wonderful in the library your donations are needed.

Thanking you in advance.

Dates to Remember -Term 1

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The “Narrabeen North Welcome to 2015” Disco will be held on Friday, 27 March 2015 at the Narrabeen Sharks Clubhouse, cnr Lake Park and Pittwater Rd, Narrabeen (opposite Narrabeen Sports High School).

The disco is run by the Narrabeen North P&C Association and is for students of Narrabeen North Public School only - no High School or pre-school siblings allowed.

The disco will be hosted by DJ Kit Kat, featuring the latest songs, games and giveaways and will be split into two sessions:

- Kindergarten to Year Two - 5.30pm to 6.45pm
- Year Three to Year Six - 7pm to 8.30 pm

Cost: $5.00 per child

The entry fee includes a drink and an ice block.

In addition, the canteen will be open and children can purchase a range of refreshments including chips, lollies and soft drinks etc, with any proceeds going to the school. (Please note that no peanut products will be for sale.)

There will also be a BBQ outside the disco with a sausage sizzle for kids and parents who choose to wait at the venue for kids. Non-alcoholic beverages will also be available to purchase.

The night will not be possible without the support of volunteers on the night, to ensure it all runs smoothly. The jobs are described on the attachment to this newsletter but if you have any queries, please call Elise Andrews on 0414 719 702. If we don’t get enough volunteers, the disco will not be able to go ahead. Please consider helping out and nominate yourself.

If your child will be attending the disco, please return the attached permission slip, with payment, to the P&C box in the office by Tuesday, 24 March. Tickets will be sent to your child/ren’s class and their names will be on a list at the door on the night.

The permission note is also on the school website.

Tickets will also be for sale from 16-20 March and 23-27 March before or after school outside Mr Brown’s room.

NNPS Disco Organising Committee

Miss Russell’s Wrap Up…

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AUSTRALIAN Mathematics Competition 2015

The annual AMT Mathematics Competition will take place on Thursday, 30 July for interested students in Years 3-6. The fee for the competition is $6.00.

The aim is to give students an opportunity to discover talent in mathematics. Students are asked to solve thirty problems in 60 minutes. The earliest problems are very easy, all students should be able to attempt them. The problems get progressively more difficult until the end, when they are challenging to the most gifted student.

If you would like to register your child, the form is available on the school website under Our School/Notes and Forms/Term 1 2015 or collect a form from the 5T classroom or the office and return to the school office gold box in a clearly marked envelope with student name and class and what it is for plus your $6.00 before Monday, 27 April.

Sophie Town
Competition Coordinator

UNSW International Competitions and Assessment 2015

Students in Years 3-6 are invited to enter the 2015 International Competitions in Science, Spelling, Writing, Mathematics, English and Computer Skills. These examinations incur an entry fee and are not run by the Department of Education but by EAA - Education Assessment Australia, an independent organisation owned by the University of NSW. Your child will compete against students in Australia, New Zealand, Asia, South Africa and the Pacific Region. The exams provide an opportunity for students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. All students receive a certificate and an individual student report indicating which questions they answered correctly, their total score, as well as their average, compared with the rest of the students in the state.

Certificates are awarded as follows:

- High Distinction top 1% of entrants
- Distinction to the next 10% of entrants
- Credit to the next 20% of entrants
- Participation to all other participating students
- All students who achieve the highest score in each state receive a University NSW medal.

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Please collect the entry form from the school office, the 5T classroom or download a form from the school website under Our School/Notes and Forms/Term 1 2015. Return your form with the correct payment to the school (drop in gold box in office) no later than Monday, 30 March 2015. Entries after this date cannot be accepted.

We encourage returning students to track their progress since the last year they tested, and welcome any new students wanting to participate.

Sophie Town (ICAS Competitions Coordinator)
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