



# NARACOORTE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**Term 1 ~ Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2023**

## Coming Events

### MARCH

- 27<sup>th</sup> – Governing Council AGM, 6.30pm
- 27<sup>th</sup> – Market Day by Year 5/6s
- 28<sup>th</sup> – Combined Choir Rehearsal
- 29<sup>th</sup> – SAPSASA Football Trial 1, Carnival
- 31<sup>st</sup> – “Something Colourful/Wacky Friday” Dress Up Day



### APRIL

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Pedal Prix, Mount Gambier
- 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> – SAPSASA Softball, Adelaide
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Schools Ministry Group Easter Message
- 6<sup>th</sup> – **Early Dismissal, 2.25pm** (Thursday)
- 7<sup>th</sup> – **Public Holiday** (Easter Friday)
- 10<sup>th</sup> – **Public Holiday** (Easter Monday)
- 12<sup>th</sup> – SAPSASA Football Trial 2
- 13<sup>th</sup> – USE SAPSASA Athletics, Lucindale
- 14<sup>th</sup> – Last Day of Term 1, **Dismissal at 2.25pm**

### MAY

- 12<sup>th</sup> – South East Cross Country, NPS

## EASTER RAFFLE

We are asking if each family could please  
 donate an item towards our  
2023 Easter Raffle. 

Donations can be left at the Front Office.

Raffle books are due back 3<sup>rd</sup> April.

Raffle drawn on 6<sup>th</sup> April.

We look forward to your support.

Tuesday March 21<sup>st</sup> began with a flurry as we prepared to celebrate **HARMONY DAY**. The inclement weather necessitated a few phone calls before the decision was made to move indoors to the Town Hall. While it was rather squishy, children and adults alike did an amazing job. The gathering provided a very strong example and encouragement to the young people in our town and surrounds on working together in harmony to achieve great things. Congratulations to the dance leaders who so admirably led the combined school dance, “Treat People with Kindness” choreographed by Dani Mahoney. Special congratulations to Amber Schultz, Ano Nehanda and Harvey Pettman for their amazing singing of ‘Song of Australia’. They are truly talented!

Over the course of the event many teachers received very positive comments regarding the behaviour, good manners and attitude of our students. It was excellent to see so many parents, grandparents and friends joining us at school for the walk to the Town Hall and then squeezing in. We are very proud of our Naracoorte Primary School Community. Thank you to Lucy Possingham for coordinating our schools participation and to the teachers and SSOs who put in many hours to make our whole school performances ones to be proud of.

Congratulations also to the Year 5 and 6 classes for the preparation for **MARKET DAY** that will be held on Monday. From all reports there will be a huge variety of items to buy and obviously lots of time, thought and preparation has gone into the day. Thank you to all the students, the teachers and the parents/caregivers who supported the students in this venture. Have fun everyone.

## GOVERNING COUNCIL AGM

A reminder that our Annual General Meeting is on Monday night, March 27<sup>th</sup> in the library from 6:30pm. We would love to see you there.

## TERM 1

### Canteen Roster

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March**

Hayley Walter

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March**

Sarah Fry

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

Carly Pettman, Tanya Biggins

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April**

Naomi Sambell

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April**

Mel Fraser, Michelle Bull

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April**

**Public Holiday**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April**

**Public Holiday**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April**

Lydia Pulford

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April**

Julie Henderson, Fiona Copping

Have you considered joining Governing Council or a sub-committee? Come along to find out more information on how you can play a part in the operations of the school.

### WORKING WITH STUDENTS

There are times throughout the year where schools are often looking for people to work as School Support Officers (SSOs) with temporary hours available often on a term by term basis. These hours can be full days or half days depending on the needs of the school or may be fill in days when other SSOs are ill or unavailable.

To be eligible there is an online application process with some mandatory qualifications required including a current Working with Children Check and RAN (Responding to Abuse and Neglect) certificate. No other formal qualifications are needed.

If you are interested in learning more about how to become an SSO please contact Rob or Andrea.

### SCHOOL FOOTBALL AND NETBALL

Football and netball information has been sent home regarding school teams, with an anticipated start in early Term 2. On the footy front, Nick Wight will be coaching the Eagles with Sam Logan the Magpies coach. Netball teams are currently being sorted and will be led by coaches Ange Donnelly and Hayley Sellars. More information will be sent home once teams and draws have been finalised.

### PEDAL PRIZ

Preparations are well underway for the 2023 racing season. The first event at Mount Gambier is now only 8 days away on Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup> and there is still a bit of work to do with training, maintenance and packing ready for scrutineering on Friday the 31<sup>st</sup>.

Our riders are keen and eager and we look forward to a hassle free, rollover free racing season. After having a year off last year mainly due to Covid, the High School team are all fired up and will join us again this year. Go Blue Thunder and Red Lightning!

### FUN RUN

Our annual Fun Run will be held on **Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>** (Week 1, Term 2) with the usual fun, fitness and fundraising. This is our major student fundraiser for the year with all proceeds spent on our new playground plans. All students will receive their fundraising forms before the end of term. Imagine if all of our students were able to raise a minimum of \$10 each. That could make a huge difference to our plans which include the construction of playground equipment out of more natural materials. More details and fundraising forms will be sent home prior to end of term.

### SOUTH EAST CROSS COUNTRY

Planning has begun to organise this year's 37<sup>th</sup> annual South East Cross Country at Naracoorte Primary School, which will be held on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May**. We are in the process of inviting special guests and organising helpers for the day. Information will be sent home shortly for those that wish to enter and we are looking for lots of helpers to assist on what will surely be another fantastic day. It is hoped that this year we might once again break that magical barrier of 1,000 runners.

### EASTER RAFFLE

Raffle books have been sent home and donations for the prize pool have been dribbling in. It would be wonderful if you could

make a donation to support our Easter fundraising effort. The look of joy on a child's face when their ticket is drawn is priceless. All raffle books are due back by Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> with the draw taking place at a special Easter assembly on Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 11:20am. Parents are welcome to attend.

### INTERVIEWS

Interviews will be undertaken over the next two weeks. Thank you to the many families who have made appointments to meet with your child's teacher and discuss their progress. If you have not sent back your form as yet, please do so. Appointment slips are in the process of being sent home. Communication is an essential element of your child's education as it strengthens the partnership between us and leads to better learning outcomes for your child. Each teacher is putting in a great deal of time preparing for the interviews and I thank them for their hard work and dedication. If for any reason you are unable to attend the time that has been allocated to you, please contact the school.

Have a good fortnight and I hope that all families have a safe, enjoyable Easter break.



### The Leadership Group – Rob, Andrea, & Lucy

### GRIP Student Leadership Conference

In Week 7, Ms. Lawrie and the School Captains woke up early to go to Mount Gambier to attend the GRIP Student Leadership Conference. It was an exciting day with lots of noise, energy and audience participation. We learnt the importance of how to be an 'others first' leader by hearing others opinions, helping with the little things and showing happiness and humility. Leaders can impact those that look up to you, those that are left out and that are like minded. The final session focused on how to get everyone on board with a new idea. We look forward to incorporating these new ideas during our year as School Captains.

**Annie, Harvey, Keanu and Olivia**







# Library News

## ■ Birthday Book Club

We have celebrated 8 more birthdays.

Emily Burge and Azalea Mellow celebrated their 9<sup>th</sup> birthdays; Aliya Lusher turned 7; Anne Lapiz, Alice Fulton, Talia Fantasia and Violet Bennett celebrated their 8<sup>th</sup> birthdays and Maria Price turned 5.



Emily Burge



Aliya Lusher



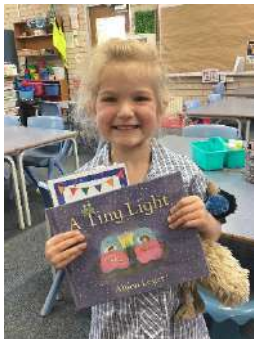
Anne Lapiz



Talia Fantasia



Violet Bennett



Maria Price



Azalea Mellow



Alice Fulton

Happy  
birthday and  
happy reading  
everyone!

## Harmony Day

On HARMONY DAY (21<sup>st</sup> March), students were invited to the library at lunchtime, to add to our Harmony Day banner, to remind us all that "EVERYONE BELONGS"



## Thank you

A sincere thank you again to everyone who supported our first Book Fair for 2023. From the books students purchased, we have acquired reward points to the value of **\$1270** which we will use to buy new books for our library.



These are just a few of the books we have already purchased with these funds, which are now in our library, ready to be borrowed.

**What a fantastic fundraising effort!**

## Donations

We are holding our annual pre-loved **book give-away** in week 10 (6/4/23), where students are invited into the library to browse and take-home deleted items from our library collection. They then keep these books at home.

If you have any books you no longer require (that are **in good condition and suitable for primary school students**), we would be happy to include them in our book give away. Donations can be delivered to the front office or library.



Ex-library books to give-away



Woolworths Bricks being used at lunchtime

Students have started designing and building with Woolworths Bricks during lunchtime in the library. If you have any of these bricks that you would like to donate, we would be happy to take them off your hands!



# ASPIRE AWARDS 2023



**Anne Lapiz**

For displaying strong teamwork skills during Play Is The Way and Warm Up games in PE lessons. Great work!  
*Mr Sandford - PE*



**Atticus Mellow**

For showing great self-manager skills. Working well during maths, demonstrating great number skills.  
*Mrs Owen & Mrs Grundy*



**Beau Gould**

For showing pride and understanding during HASS lessons. Well done.  
*Ms Burrows - HASS*



**Chelsea Meynell**

Too Smart Certificate of Merit  
  
For completing facts of 5.  
*Trudie Stewart SSO*



**Elle Copping**

For her growth mindset in Maths lessons. You have worked very hard to achieve pleasing results. Keep it going!  
*Mr Hallett*



**Ellie Parker**

For being brave and sharing her ideas with the class and always coming to Indonesian with a big smile.  
*Mrs Andrews - Indonesian*



**Flynn Pettman**

For having a positive attitude toward his schooling and being a kind and caring class member. Well done!  
*Mrs McCarthy*



**Hannah Meynell**

For challenging herself at Noorla Yo Long with great success! (all while encouraging others).  
*Mrs Mahoney*



**Harper Willson**

For helping others with challenging learning activities, always being kind and respectful and trying his best. Well done Harper!  
*Miss Kidman & Mrs Moss*



**Henry Zilm**

For being persistent and completing a challenging puzzle activity. Awesome job!  
*Mrs Wirper*



**Kobe Bittner**

For always doing his best in HASS lessons. Well done.  
*Ms Burrows – HASS*



**Kaia Tuiavii**

Too Smart Certificate of Merit  
  
For completing facts of 5.  
*Trudie Stewart SSO*



**Lachie Bellman**

For working towards our ASPIRE values, taking care and pride in his work and continuing to make good choices.  
*Mrs Smith*



**Levi Fedusio**

For consistently working hard towards our ASPIRE values and being a fantastic self-manager.  
*Mrs Smith*



**Stella Laycock**

For demonstrating a growth mindset in all areas of her schooling! Keep up the great work.  
*Mrs Mott & Mrs Schroder*



### Drink Bottle Reminder

Please remind your child to pack their named drink bottle each day. Children are unable to drink directly from the water fountains. The fountains have been modified so that only drink bottles can be filled from them. Thank you.

### MARKET DAY –

### Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Our Year 5/6 students have been working hard to create wonderful products to sell at Market Day. Products for sale include keyrings, bookmarks, origami products, stress balls, food products (which will be labelled with ingredients), jewellery, lip balms and more.

There will be stalls set up around the school which will offer their products during lunch play time. Students are invited to bring money to spend on the day, (no more than \$10 please) made up of coins, to make purchases on the day.

Proceeds will be contributing to camp expenses.

### DRESS UP DAY –

### Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

The school captains and SRC would like to hold a dress up as “**Something Colourful/Wacky Day**”.

Students can dress up as something colourful/wacky and are asked to bring a **gold coin donation** to go towards purchasing the powder for the colour run which will be held early next term.

School Captains.

Annie, Olivia, Keanu, Harvey

### ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

If your child is away it is important that you contact the school either by a **note**, using the absentee e- form on our **SkoolBag App**, **Seesaw App** or **phone call**, explaining their absence. It is a legal requirement that we contact you if your child is away for three days in a row and we haven't heard from you as to where they are.



Please note: There has been a price increase on the brown paper lunch bags. They are now 30 cents each.

Parents, can you please encourage your children not to share their money with friends or to buy them items from the canteen. Thank you

**Helen and Sharyn**

## SPORT REPORT

School football forms and information are available from the front office.

Forms are due back Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March.



All welcome!



Netball teams are currently being sorted and information about the upcoming season will be sent out soon.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### UPPER SOUTH EAST **Women's CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**

A friendship group to support women impacted by cancer

First meeting **Wednesday 29th March**,  
1pm in the Breakfast Room at Naracoorte Hotel

*All welcome*

For further information please phone  
Ann 0428 854 825 or find us on Facebook

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It had rained overnight! At the last minute we had to change venues and we all squeezed into the town hall.

The receptions travelled by bus, but we walked down the hill and back again.

We danced, we sang and had fun performing and engaging with other schools in our area.



## Harmony Day 2023



Our classes sang "The Song of Australia," led by Miss Possingham and her soloists, Amber, Ano and Harvey. They were very brave. The rest of us joined in the chorus. We waved our handmade flags in blocks of colour and people commented on how good we looked.

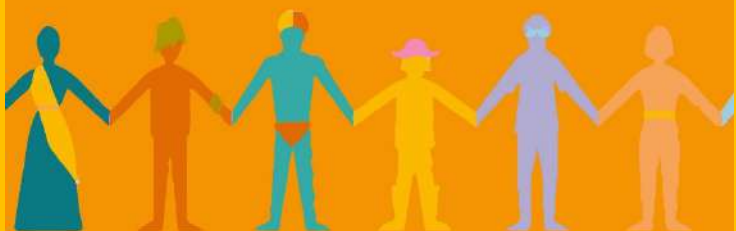
All schools participated in a dance to *Treat People with Kindness*, by Harry Styles and choreographed by Mrs Mahoney.



The Hive  
Year 3/4



# HARMONY WEEK





# RUN CLUB



We have had a fantastic start to Run Club. There are lots of very excited runners; ready to set some records! It is fabulous to see everyone trying their best and cheering others on.

Every Tuesday and Thursday we meet at 8:10 and complete as many laps as we can in 15 minutes.

A huge thankyou to Abby Miller for all your time in organising Run Club. Thankyou to parents for offering your time to help scanning and run the warm-ups.

