Principal’s Message
As you know, volunteers play an important part in the day to day running of a school. I am writing this week on behalf of our Canteen Committee to appeal for help in running the school canteen. Our canteen runs on a shoestring budget and without your assistance we may struggle in future to continue a five-day week service.

There’s an old saying that says, “an army runs on its stomach” but this also applies to hungry school children. There is no doubt that a restricted canteen would be a real setback for our school’s students.

For some time now the canteen committee has noticed a gradual drop-off in helpers. Certainly times have changed and parents in 2014 are possibly busier than ever before and I acknowledge this fact. Having said this, however, we have urgent need for Term 3 volunteers on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

The normal canteen hours are between nine o'clock and two o'clock, but the busiest times are between 9.30 until 11.00 and 12.30 to 1.50. So even if you can't be here for an entire day, these are the important times when you could possibly drop in and lend the girls a hand. Even one spare hour of your time can make a big difference!

Perhaps you've never thought of volunteering before, but now is a great time to start. Kim and Nicky would certainly welcome your help. Most important of all, you would be doing the children of Narrabri Public a great service.

Star of the Week
Brooke Miskle
Year 4 student, Brooke Miskle, is a young lady with a big heart. Her teacher Mrs Allison thinks she’s a very helpful student. “Nothing is ever too much trouble for good old Brookey,” she told me.

Brooke’s favourite subject is maths because she loves doing fractions and learning times tables. She also likes playing basketball at lunchtime.

Outside of school, Brooke is a real animal lover. She’s got four dogs at home (Chloe, Zoe, George and Mia), a cat named Dinosaur, rabbits and guinea pigs. “I brought five or six rabbits to school last week and everyone got to pat them,” she said.

Not surprisingly, Brooke has many friends at school. A few special ones though are Laine Lindsay, Holli Nipperess, Cleo Owens and Ebonie Brown. She has a mum, dad and a little sister Emily, who is five and hasn’t started school yet.

As for music, her favourite band is One Direction. She especially loves their hit song, “Tell me a Lie.” Oh well, Brooke, some people might disagree with you about that, but everyone definitely agrees that you’re a deserving Star of the Week!
Future Stars
The Narrabri Eisteddfod might be over for another year, but it's certainly not forgotten. We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate everybody who participated and to acknowledge these students who received awards for outstanding dramatic talent.

Congratulations students, who knows maybe one day you might be on YouTube, television or even DVD entertaining us all!

Award Recipients 2014

Joshua Taylor: Best Supporting Actor Primary
Patrick Lindsay: Best Actor Infants
Kellie Wu: Best Actress Infants
Elizabeth Caton: Best Supporting Actress Infants
Eliza Weissen: Best Actress Primary

Forget eBay Think NPS!

As mentioned last week, our school is going to have a good old-fashioned clearance sale on unwanted items that may interest you. We have a lovely piano, assorted tables, a VCR, CD/tape player, leaf blower, w/snipper/assorted tables and chairs and storage shelves, plastic chairs and a great portable shelf that would look great in dad’s (or mum's) shed.

If you’re interested in placing a bid, please complete the form in this newsletter, put in in an envelope and return it to the school office. Happy bidding!

NPS Blind Auction Form

Name: 
Phone No: 
I am interested in purchasing (please circle)
• piano
• table/s
• VCR
• satellite box,
• CD player
• tape player,
• leaf blower
• w/snipper
• chair/s
• storage shelf
• blackboard
• other

I am willing to bid $………… for this item

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**The Week Ahead**

**Week 9**
Monday 23rd June
Softball v Tamworth
Assembly under Primary COLA 3.00

Tuesday 24th June
P&C Uniform Shop open 8.30-9.30 am

Wednesday 25th June
Stage 1 Excursion – Lake with scientists
School Banking
Student Reports go home
PSSA Soccer v Coonamble @ Gately 12.00

Thursday 26th June
MAX FM – Yr 6
Rugby League v Moree 11.15 start
**KI Assembly @ 2.40***
Bronzy Party for Infants 11.20
P&C Uniform Shop open 2.30-3.45pm
Student Reports go home

Friday 27th June
Bronzy Party for Primary 11.20
Student Reports go home

*Please note change of day for this assembly

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**SRC MUFTI Day**
Last day of Term 2
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Come in normal school uniform with “winter accessories”.
(Primary-sports uniform
Infants-school uniform)

**Wear your favourite scarf or gloves.**
**Even enjoy your slippers in your classroom (wear your shoes-bring your slippers)**

**GOLD COIN DONATION**
To begin fund raising for our end of year Activity Day

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**Farewell Mrs Stow**

Friday is going to be a sad day for students and staff. We will be saying farewell to popular Year 5 teacher, Mrs Stephanie Stow. Mrs Stow has been working as a temporary teacher here for about five years. She has done a wonderful job during this time, but unfortunately, we have been unable to offer her the permanent position she needs to further her career.

Accordingly, we were happy for her when she was successful at interview in gaining that much-wanted permanent position. Mrs Stow and her family will be moving to Howlong (in the Riverina near Albury) during these school holidays.

During her time here at NPS Mrs Stow has impressed both staff and students with her professionalism, courtesy and work ethic. Narrabri’s loss is undoubtedly Howlong’s gain.

We wish her well in her exciting new endeavour, as well is all the family. Her daughter young Amity in 1A is going to be greatly missed. Many of you will also remember eldest daughter Claudia who attended NPS.

The students of 5S will be having a class party so on Friday to wish her farewell. Good luck and best wishes from us all.

Enjoy Howlong Mrs Stow and Amity!

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Bronzie Parties

It’s been a busy few weeks with many bronzie parties being held at recess. The number of participating students has been high. For instance, last week we held two parties for primary students Wednesday and Thursday while Friday saw a bronzy party for infants. Congratulations to all these hard-working students who have reached this important milestone so early.

WHITE CARDS

1st
Ben Allison, Kyan McKenzie

BRONZE AWARDS

INFANTS – 26th JUNE
Harley Petrovic, Ian Berney, Blake Bartlett, Lucinda Coffey, Chloe Large, Isabella Suckling, Braedon Mason, Harry Parkes, Johnathon Charles, Elijah McIntosh, Mark Dennis, Ayrlea Arnold, Savanna Orman, Chloe Winsley, Cruz Parsons, Jason Dick, Beth Lindsay, Tekaya Dennis, Eiliza McLean, Elijiana Welsh, Seth van Bommel, Ellen Alford

PRIMARY – 27th JUNE

STOP PRESS!
Minutes before printing newsletter we received a phone call from our coaches Mrs Young & Mrs Hancock. Boys softball team won today 24-3 and are now North-west champions for 2014!

Life Education Van

Just a reminder that the Life Education Van is visiting our school during the first two weeks of Term 3. It is a great opportunity for students to take the opportunity to learn about the benefits of healthy living.

The good news is our Day Branch P & C is subsidising this visit for us. Cost is only two dollars per student. This is tremendous value for a program of this quality!

Life Education believes that the best preventative education comes from a "whole community" partnership and uses the model of "The Circle of Safety" which incorporates Parents-School-Life Education.

Parents and carers are encouraged to get involved with the Life Education Program, given the critical role they play in the development of their child's health promoting behaviours.

In addition to the opportunity to visit the Mobile Learning Centre, whilst on the school grounds, to learn more about the program, you are also invited to participate in family forums that provide the opportunity to share views with other parents and children, increase knowledge and develop strategies to support the healthy development of your children.

Sporting Stars

Narrabri Public boasts a number of outstanding young sportsmen and women in who are fast making names for themselves with outstanding performances at PSSA representative level. We’d like to publically acknowledge their achievements in this newsletter.

For example, Thomas Eather has represented North-West in rugby league and rugby union this semester. Patrick Simpson also represented the school in rugby league. Felix Johnson did the same in his chosen sports of rugby union and touch football. Sam Soper made the North-West soccer team as did Thomas Woodham (who also made the regional cricket side).

The girls haven’t been left out either with Isabelle Howard-Phemister and Keira Manning both making the North-West side for netball and Brie Aitken getting picked as a reserve. Well done to all of you – an outstanding achievement.
Stretching Out
This week our playground had a new level of fun going on! Last Monday the new "elastics" were introduced and each teacher in the Primary received a class set of five elastics. These were quickly picked up and used by our students and as you can see from the photos much fun is occurring! Many of the students that I have spoken to were delighted in discovering a "new" game and groups have been quickly formed! I witnessed demonstrations from teachers and I know I was persuaded to show my jumping skills early that first day! It has been lovely to share your enjoyment!

The little ditty that goes with the elastics jump is: "England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, inside, outside, in, on and off." If you know another jumping ditty please feel free to come and share your "history"... or should I say "expertise"?

The purchase of these elastics has only been possible through the generous donation of funds to purchase 150 metres (yes really!!!) from our P&C and I would like to publicly thank the committee once again. Elastic retails at $1.00 per metre and while we were given a discount from Safire Designs (thank you Natasha Baxter) it is clearly an item that is surprising in cost!

Happy Jumping!
Emily Meldrum

PSSA Netball Report

Last Wednesday the 18th June, nine of our talented netball players travelled to Moree to play in the PSSA Knockout against Moree Public School.

Steph Stuart and Breanna Smith were on fire with their shooting skills and kept the Moree defenders on their toes! Annabel Read, Jorja Bakhuis and Annie Gordon stuck like glue to their attackers and successfully intercepted the ball on many occasions. Zoe Campbell kept the team moving up and down the court. Francesca Smith, Lara Ciesiolka and Fynlay Dams were our super wings who ensured there was always someone there to get the ball! All of the girls should be extremely proud of themselves and we thank them for their sportsmanship when representing our school.

The game was extremely close and I am sure that all the parents would agree with me, that it was one of the most exciting and nerve wracking games we have played this netball season. Unfortunately we were down by one when the final quarter ended. We congratulate the girls on their teamwork and determination and wish them all the best with their future netball careers!

Last Thursday was our last netball training session and we would like to thank all the girls who came along for fitness, skill development and lots of fun!

Mrs Trudgeon and Miss Morrissey
Canteen News

We are trying to streamline things at canteen to save time and costs. The committee has therefore decided that ALL SLUSHIES and MILKSHAKES have to be ORDERED. So as of tomorrow (Tuesday, 24th) we will only be serving ordered slushies and milkshakes if you want.

To help alleviate the time needed to process late lunch orders-any order which comes after 9.50am will be limited to a choice of a vegemite or jam or cheese sandwich or a pie, a sausage roll or a pizza single. So if these are not what you want for lunch – get your order in by 9.30am.

As you may have noticed we are really needing some volunteers Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays in particular have been very busy. A day at canteen is from 9.00am until 2.00pm with lunch provided, but if you can only come for part of the day then that is a great help too (9.30 – 11.00am) or (12.30-2.00pm) are high activity times but any help is good help at canteen.

Nikki and I hope you all have a safe and fun holiday and we will see you next term.

Canteen Roster

Tuesday, 24th June
HELP!!!!

Wednesday, 25th June
HELP!!!!

Thursday, 26th June
Cassie Webster

Friday, 27th June
Nicci Milsom

Term 3 Week 1 Tuesday, 15th July – HELP NEEDED
Mrs Owens (Supervisor) & Mrs Finn (Assistant)

2014 Regional Cross Country Results

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CLAIMING THE DATE – INFANTS SPORTS DAY
Friday, 18th July

Narrabri Tennis Holiday Tennis Clinic
When: 1st week of the holidays
Monday 30th June through to and including Thursday 3rd July.
Where: Narrabri Tennis Centre
Cost: 9am to 12 noon - $80 for 4 days or $25 per day, 9am to 3pm - $120 for 4 days or $35 per day (Family discounts 3 or more children)
Program includes: learning through play coaching, group lesson format using timed rotations and multiple coaches, instruction on all tennis strokes and round robin singles/doubles matchplay. Plenty of fun and games!!
Extra Information: Suits everyone aged from 4-16 years, beginners right through to the advanced even if you have never played tennis before. Free racquet hire and party and presentation on the final morning. Drinks breaks including recess and lunch. Wet weather program in place.
Further info: Shane Murphy 0405151935

HABITS OF SUCCESS
Success in any field, school included, doesn’t happen by chance. We can actually develop our brains so we will be ready to learn. What are the habits of mind that help you succeed? Here are some of them. Which ones can you learn?

1) Successful students persist. They concentrate on the task and work on it until they have completed it successfully. They ask for help when they get stuck.

2) Successful students have self-control. They act thoughtfully.

3) Successful students listen with understanding. They are open to hearing another point of view.

4) Successful students think flexibly. They are able to view a situation from many perspectives and their minds are open to change.

5) Successful students use problem-solving and decision-making skills. They are able to make a plan, monitor their thinking, evaluate their progress and work out new ways to proceed and learn.

6) Successful students strive for accuracy and precision. They know what level they need to reach and are not satisfied with sloppy work.

7) Successful students ask questions. They are curious and seek evidence. They analyse ideas. They use lots of strategies to solve problems.

8) Successful students think and communicate clearly and accurately, both in speech and in writing. They avoid dismissing new ideas.

9) Successful students create, imagine and innovate. They look for different ideas and are able to think of original ideas of their own.

10) Successful students respond with wonderment and awe. They are fascinated with the world around them and are open to discovering new things.

11) Successful students co-operate. They know how to work together with others.

12) Successful students are open to continual learning. They admit when they do not know something and are eager to find out. They are always growing and learning.

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22 | Jiordin Gaydon Wee Waa | 11 | Makayla Beddow N.P. |
44 | Beau Parker N.P. | 24 | Jemima Powell Burren |

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