The first week of term has seen students catching up with each other and returning ready for work. As I walked around classrooms this week the students were busy with their work and only too willing to share their learning. I am always interested when students share the great things they are doing within the different Key Learning Areas. The recent information presented by our students during our Anzac Day Service, certainly reflects their interest and growing understanding of Australian history.

On Saturday, the school was well represented at our local Anzac commemoration. The students marched proudly and respectfully participated in the ceremony. The turn out across Narrabri pays tribute to those brave men and women who have served and are serving to make our country a safe place to live. I would like to thank the students representing our school and the parents for supporting this special occasion.

There are many opportunities on offer for the students at Narrabri Public School. This term is already shaping up to be a busy time for all our students with a number of events coming up. The much anticipated Fun Run is just around the corner and students are gearing up to do their best as well as have fun raising money for our school. The P & C are asking for volunteers to help cook the BBQ. If you are available on the 8th May please let the school know.

We are fortunate to have a dedicated P & C. The P & C is made up of parents from our school, who come together to help raise funds to support our students. I would like to acknowledge the generous donation the P & C have made in paying our yearly registration of Reading Eggs and Skwirk. Both are online programs that provide valuable learning opportunities for students. New members are always welcome.

Marion Tame
Relieving Principal

Week Ahead – Week 2

Monday, 27th April
Riding for the Disabled 12.20pm – 1.30pm

Tuesday, 28th April
Protective Behaviours with Sharon Philpot for KI, 1-2H, 3-4A, 3-4B
P&C Uniform Shop open 2.45-3.30 pm

Wednesday, 29th April
Protective Behaviours with Sharon Philpot for KM, 1S, 3-4W, 3-4M
Mother’s Day Stall – Gift Wrapping in Hall @ 9.30am
School Banking

Thursday, 30th April
Protective Behaviours with Sharon Philpot for 1L, KY, 6M, 5Q
P&C Uniform Shop open 2.45-3.30 pm
Waratahs Rugby Union

Friday, 1st May
Protective Behaviours with Sharon Philpot for 5B, 6A, 2C, 2M

Week 3

Monday, 4th May
Vision Screening in Kinder
School Council Meeting at the Crossroads at 7pm

Tuesday, 5th May
Stage 3 League Gala Day
P&C Uniform Shop open 2.45-3.30 pm

Wednesday, 6th May
School Banking

Thursday, 7th May
MOTHERS DAY STALL
P&C Uniform Shop open 2.45-3.30 pm

Friday, 8th May
Run
Boys Zone Rugby Union Trials
Girls Zone Netball Trials
White Cards
1st

P&C Daybranch
Mothers Day Fundraiser

Heads up for Next Week!
Mothers Day Stall
Thursday 7th May
School Hall
All Gifts between $1 - $15

Helpers needed to wrap mothers day gifts this Wednesday 29th in the uniform shop at 9.30am.

ALL WELCOME!

Guitar Group
Guitar group has commenced for Term 2. The beginner group, tutored by Aaron meet every Friday. If your child is in this group make sure they remember to bring their guitars.

Canteen News
First week back this term has been a little difficult. The slushy machine is out of operation (waiting for a part) and then the milk deliveries were disrupted due to the storm/flood damage in the Hunter Valley. Hopefully all will be okay soon.

Just a reminder that at present we have Spaghetti Bolognaise available @ $4.00 as well as the Fried Rice which is always on the menu.

Honey/Eucalyptus cough lollies are available this term for 20c – limit 9 (60c worth)

A big thankyou again to all our volunteers at the canteen, including the Year 6 helpers. We are very glad to have your help.

Roster Term 2 Week 2

Tuesday, 28th April
K Bakhuis
C Emmerson
Wednesday, 29th April
HELP NEEDED
Thursday, 30th April
HELP NEEDED
Friday, 1st May
HELP NEEDED

Thank you
Kim Owens  Supervisor
Nikki Finn  Assistant

PBL NEWS ..... (Positive Behaviour For Learning)
The PBL team have been busy this week organising posters to be displayed in assembly areas relating to Respect. The students are being explicitly taught the respectful behaviour that is expected of them at assemblies in particular. The visual display of the posters will remind the students of what is expected of them.

Respectful behaviour in the playground is being rewarded with a Thumbs Up stamp by the teacher on Duty and by the canteen staff and the front office staff. If a student is rewarded with a thumbs up stamp, they are given a raffle ticket. At the Monday afternoon assembly each week the raffle will be drawn.

The PBL Team are very happy to see the respectful behaviour of our students being noticed and encouraged.
Sporting Events

Our students have the opportunity to be involved in many sporting events. Narrabri Public School has a comprehensive sporting program, focusing on the Fundamental Movement Skills. We aim to provide students with the necessary skills they need to participate in a range of sports. Since Kindergarten, students have explicit instruction to enable them to be able participate and be actively involved in a wide range of sports, particularly as they progress through school. **When students become involved in PSSA sporting events and additional sporting events they will need to make choices, particularly if events are on the same day. We encourage students to talk with their parents when they have these decisions to make.**

Bush Tucker Garden

This exciting project has commenced. The garden is underway and the plans for the garden sound amazing. Craig Trindall is working with our school community to establish a garden that provides for the students an opportunity to learn about plants used by Aboriginal people for medicinal purposes and for food. The garden pathway is designed in the shape of a Rainbow Serpent with plants encompassing it from both sides.

Narrabri Show

Narrabri Show is on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd May. Our students have provided entries in a variety of events. If you have the opportunity to visit the school work section you will see the impressive entries that have been compiled by the students.

Entry onto school grounds

With the changes to our Administration location we reminded parents last term that they need to come via the Front Office if they want to see their students or are planning on collecting them before home time. By doing this we are able to ensure the safety of the children in our care.

Practical Parenting

Centacare NENW is offering a free workshop for parents interested in personal growth and developing their parenting skills. “Practical Parenting” is a course designed primarily for parents of children aged between 1 to 10 years of age. The free workshop looks at the history of parenting, what questions to ask ourselves as parents and our children to assist in their own personal growth and guide them through the stages of age development. It also discusses the need for discipline and how to use it effectively without guilt and shame, promoting resilience and assertiveness in our children.

“Practical Parenting” workshop will be running at the Wee Waa Neighbourhood Centre

**WHEN:** Wednesday 27th May 2015

9.30am - 1.00pm

**WHERE:** 22 George Street

Please call Gail at Namoi Family & Youth Services to book your place – 6795 1025.

Free Graduated Licensing Scheme Workshops for Parents of Learner Drivers in Narrabri

Young drivers are three times more likely to be involved in casualty crashes. That’s why the Roads and Maritime Services has introduced a new licensing scheme, with more supervised driving practice for learner drivers.

To help parents in supervising learner drivers, the Roads and Maritime Services has set up a FREE 2 hour workshop for parents that offers practical advice on how to help learner drivers become safer drivers.

A FREE Roads and Maritime Services parents’ workshop will be conducted by David Riches on Thursday May 21st at the Narrabri Golf Club from 5.30 pm – 7.30 pm.

Early bookings are essential, by phoning 0434 964 764 now to reserve your place, or email saferlearnerdrivers@gmail.com