A week of Celebrations

NAIDOC Week is a significant event on our school calendar and is celebrated nationally to celebrate Aboriginal culture.

The theme for this year’s NAIDOC Week – We all Stand on Sacred Ground- Learn, Respect, Celebrate; encourages us to reflect on the strong connection Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders have to their land.

Generations of Aboriginal people have recognised the significance of specific sites and places and have shared the history and stories with others to develop a shared understanding of culture.

Lots of places in our area have traditional names and dreaming stories and we are fortunate to have Aboriginal people who are prepared to share so we can learn more about the history, the meaning and understand the significance of these places to the traditional custodians.

I would like to acknowledge the sharing and understanding that has and is taking place so we can grow together.

Education Week- Celebrating local heroes

The theme, celebrating local heroes encourages me to think about what my definition of a hero is. Throughout my life there have been many people who I have considered to be my hero; however they have not always been the people who have been acknowledged in a special ceremony. They have been people that have provided encouragement and support and have willingly given of their time to assist others to be the best person they can be. These heroes have significantly encouraged the achievement of others.

When I reflect on the students, mums, dads and carers who are part of our school, I already know that we have local heroes in our midst. Think about the people who are part of our school and contribute and share to make our school the amazing place it is. These are our local heroes. Maybe during the remainder of this week we should acknowledge someone who has been a hero to you.

Book Fair

I am interested to hear from any students who can assist in answering this question- ‘What can books do for you?’ Perhaps we can put the responses in next week’s newsletter.

I have included my 5 reasons telling ‘what books can do for you?’

1. Books allow us to experience new things.
2. Books stimulate the imagination and encourage creative thinking.
3. Books share the power of words to inspire and learn from.
4. Books open new worlds to explore.
5. Books create a sharing time with others.

Uniforms

I have recently spoken with the children regarding the wearing of our school uniform. A uniform gives us a sense of belonging together and helps create an identity for our school. Our school is encouraging students to wear the blue school uniform.

School Fees

Each year the school sends out an invoice to families asking them to assist the school through payment of our Voluntary School Contribution. These contributions help to provide a variety of resources that are utilised by the students of the school. If you are able to make this contribution, it would be
appreciated or if you wish to find out more about this contribution please call in and ask at the office.

Marion Tame - Relieving Principal

Week 3

Monday, 27th July
K-6 Assembly 2:30 pm
Education Week Commences
NAIDOC Week Commences
Book Fair in the Library

Tuesday, 28th July
Year 2 Transport Excursion
NAIDOC Celebration 12pm-1pm
High School Transition Parent Information 4:30-6pm
P&C Uniform Shop open 2.45-3.30 pm

Wednesday, 29th July
Year 1 Transport Excursion
Infants Assembly KY
Bronzie Party
Student Banking

Thursday, 30th July
Education Week - open classrooms 11:30-12:20
Education Week Assembly 12:20-1pm
P&C Uniform Shop open 2.45-3.30 pm

Friday, 31st July
Boys Regional Softball Trials

Week 4
Monday, 3rd August
PRIMARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
School Council Meeting at 7pm

Tuesday, 4th August
PIE ORDERS MUST BE IN TODAY
P&C Uniform Shop open 2.45-3.30 pm

Wednesday, 5th August
CAKE DAY – Stage 1 to bring cakes
Primary
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ICAS Competition
21 of our students completed the International Science Competition – Congratulations to all who participated and to the below students who received Distinctions, Credits & Merits!
DISTINCTION - Sofia Fawcett, Bobby Wu, Will Ryan
CREDITS – Olivia Verrier, Tom Ryan, Millie Goulden, Chloe Irvine, Alexander Mison, Harley Petrovic, Ben Wheeler
MERIT – Sahvanah Hunt-Falkiner

WHITE CARDS
1st
Brock Davies, Kaleb Milsom

BRONZE AWARDS

Reminder: Premier’s Reading Challenge

The 2015 Challenge runs from the 2nd March to 21st August, 2015.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge concludes on the 21st August.
Students can enter their reading record on line with parental assistance, or students can hand in their reading log to me and I will enter it on line for them. Please remember this must be done before 21st August, leaving time for Mrs Scott and myself to validate all reading records.

Students will receive a Premier’s Reading Challenge certificate in Term Four of the 2015 school year.

Many thanks for your cooperation in this matter. Deb Maher.

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IMPORTANT REMINDER – Orders close NEXT Tuesday, 4th August
Pie Drive Fundraiser
Daybranch P&C is holding a pie drive fundraiser this year in the winter months, so that you can get a supply of yummy pies and other warming food items! The school receives a percentage of the sales, which will go this year towards items such as the Life Education program in Term 3, Swimming in Term 4 and beautifying our school grounds.
**Orders and money are due to the front office by Tuesday 4 August 2015.**
Pick-up of pies will be Thursday, 13 August from 3 - 4pm near the school canteen. Thank you for supporting our Fundraising Drive!

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**Book Fair**

Narrabri Public School’s annual Book Fair will be held in **Week 3** during **Education Week**.

**WHEN:** Monday 27th July through to Thursday 30th July.

Parents, Grandparents, Carers and students are all welcome to come along and buy a book.

**Books will be sold** at these times on
**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday** and **Thursday:**

Before school from 8.30 – 9.am

Recess from 11.25 – 11.40

Lunch from 1.10 – 1.45

**WHERE:** School Library

At the Book Fair students can purchase:
- Fiction and Non Fiction books
- Posters
- Diaries, colouring and activity books
- Variety tray items such as pencils, pens and rubbers.

Prior to the Book Fair students have had the opportunity to complete a wish list after viewing books and stationery items in their weekly library lesson or lunch hour. We look forward to seeing you at our Book Fair.

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**Canteen News**

This week is going to be a busy one in canteen so anyone who can spare some time to help, we would love to see you.

Tomorrow we help celebrate NAIDOC Week with the provision of morning tea for guests.

On Wednesday, there is a Bronzie Party to prepare for and Thursday we are busy with Education Week celebrations!

On Thursday the P&C will be providing a sausage sizzle lunch but there will still be lunch orders from canteen. You can order recess and come and see us for a treat as well we are having a mini “Red Day”. I haven’t ordered anything in but we are going to use up the left over lollies and drinks from earlier days.

Sour straps, wicked fizz, zing drinks and some chocolates will be available Thursday lunchtime only – NO order and $1.00 limit per child.

**Canteen Roster**

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Thank you
Kim Owens
Canteen Supervisor

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