I thought I would share with you our school vision statement. This statement has been compiled by staff, students, parents and community groups, providing a clear direction for Narrabri Public School.

At Narrabri Public School we are committed to creating confident and successful 21st century learners through innovative and engaging teaching practices. Students are our priority and the school promotes an environment reflective of high expectations for all students.

This vision is reinforced by our core values of respect, resilience, responsibility, inclusiveness and achievement, shared and supported by our students, staff, parents and the local community of schools.

At Narrabri Public School we actively support students to connect with their learning, have positive relationships and experience a sense of belonging. Each week our Newsletter outlines events, reflects on the student achievements and school highlights.

Enrichment Programs

This term we are running several enrichment programs for students across each stage. Our enrichment programs are designed to enhance the curriculum that we offer to our students. We are supporting children to develop their love of learning and provide teaching and learning content to develop an ongoing interest.

Already we are running a number of programs for students. These programs are a unique opportunity for students to engage and participate in a learning experience that is supportive of their personal growth and learning.

This term our enrichment programs include:

- ‘Talk it Up’ speech program. This program is running throughout K-2, with a focus on articulation and communication.
- ‘Wellbeing’ program’ provides a small group instruction, enabling students to grow and be resilient.
- ‘Thinking outside the Box’ Program provides a unique opportunity to participate in literacy, numeracy and computer based project learning.
- ‘Quick Smart’ develops automaticity basic recalling number facts for the four operations and developing problem solving capabilities.
Radio Stars

Commitment and enthusiasm are words that are reflected within the school and can easily be identified in the actions of the students. Our School Leaders have done a terrific job in sharing information through our local FM radio station. Each fortnight the leaders research what’s happening around the school, prepare the information and present the information to the public. Their level of commitment to ensuring information is accurate and timely is to be commended. If you haven’t had the privilege of listening to these broadcasts tune in on Thursday 20th around 9am.

Kinder EXPO

This is always a highlight on the calendar for our school. This is the day when students who are starting kindergarten next year come along and visit the school. There is always plenty to be involved with and see and Mums and Dads come along and ask questions and meet the teachers during this time. If you know of any students enrolling next year spread the word that our EXPO is on the 22nd August from 10 am until 12 pm.

Athletics Update

The drum roll was amazing. All our students were eagerly waiting for the results after our Primary Athletics carnival on Monday. Congratulations to all students on the way they represented themselves and their houses. The carnival, although competitive is about participation and being part of a team. In order for a team to be successful it is up to all the students to take part and contribute to their houses overall point score.

The winning house this year was Wilga. Barwon won the Effort and Nandewar won the March Past.

The following students represented our school at Wee Waa on Friday are listed below. Their effort has resulted in the Narrabri District PSSA Aggregate Trophy for Athletics returning to our school and taking pride of place in the Front Office. Well done to all competitors.

Our Narrabri Public School Zone Athletics Team 2015
Isabella Suckling, Kelly Wu, Declan Rooney, Darcy Gleeson, Kaine Everson, Annalise Woodham, Chloe Irvine, Sarah Draheim, Jye Anderson, Oscar George, Elisha Soper, Amelie Johnson, Claudia Penberthy, Georgia Stuart, Cooper Hall, Miles Campbell, Ashton Smith, Millie Goulden, Toby Michell-Smith, Rhys Bower, Rhani Fewtrell, May Krishna, Josh Soper, Brock Davies, Riley Lamb

I would like to thank Mrs Quirk and Mrs Allison for their efforts in coordinating our Athletics Carnival and Mrs Quirk for organising our Zone team. Both teachers have done a great job in ensuring the day went ahead after rescheduling due to wet weather and our students had time to compete in preparation for the Zone Carnival.

Jeans for Genes

Jeans for Genes is a fundraising campaign of Children’s Medical Research Institute. Our School supported this fundraising venture and students and teachers were able to wear their favourite jeans and denim outfits. The gold coin donation made will support genetic research and help researchers discover treatments and cures, to give every child the opportunity to live a long and healthy life. Our school raised $325.00 for this very worthy cause.

Kindergarten has some very AVID readers! All are very engrossed in their books at the Town Library

Stage 1 Transport Excursion

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Assembly Awards
Yrs 3 - 6

Green Leaf – 3/4AM

English:
Lara Sunderland, Eryn Parkes, Bobby Wu, Costa Rooze, Patrick Coleman, Hayley Whittle-McGrath, Molly Michell-Smith, Lilly Williams

Mathematics:
Johnathon Charles, John Allison, Eva Simpson, Elisha Soper, Julaan Fish, Millie Bruce, Azander Key, Amelia Jones

Achievement:
Dominic Atkins, Ciara Kirkby, Mark Dennis, Temarri-Lei Green, Brooke Everson, Cody Sunderland, Georgie Milsom, Rachel Caton

Sports:
Lillian Constable, Amelie Johnson, Will Ryan, Caleb Dawson, Lana Parkes, Colby Davies, Cooper Lawarence, Sahvannah Hunt-Falkiner

Citizenship:
Campbell Gourley, Deacon Cuell, Mia Wilson, Sarah Draheim, Josh Soper, Bronte Ciesiolka, Michael McDougall, Toby Wilson

Bronze Awards
Nevaeya Dennis, Indiannah White, William McKenzie, Mitchell Wilson, Geoffrey Crean, Georgia Kirkby, Orlando Dams, Ella Draheim, Tyshayah Dennis, Cody French, Chelsi-Jo Everson

It was necessary to bring the closing date forward as it will allow me or Lorraine Scott more time to enter individual student reading records on line and to check they have read the required number of books to successfully complete the challenge. It is also a requirement of the challenge that all student reading records must be completed before, or by 21st August, 2015 and validated by a coordinator, myself or Larraine Scott before 28th August, 2015 for students to receive a Certificate during Term 4, 2015.

No late reading logs can be accepted after the 21st August, 2015 and coordinators cannot validate reading records after the 28th August, 2015.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Deb Maher Teacher/Librarian.

PBL News
Our new PBL Core Values and Logo signs are being made a Turner Signs. The PBL Team are currently very busy organising a celebration for the unveiling of our PBL Logo in week 6. Stay tuned for details and a date for the celebration. The Drama Club students will be very happy to know that their PBL plays will be shown at the celebration in week 6.

Pictured Phoenix Watt

Urgent up-date

Parents/Carers,
Please note the latest students can hand in their reading logs which is now Tuesday, 18th August, 2015. I encourage Students to hand in their reading logs as soon as they are completed and preferably before the closing date.

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P&C Daybranch Meeting
this Wednesday 12th August
at 9.30am
in the Staffroom.
All welcome!!

Notice from P&C Daybranch:
A VERY BIG THANKYOU to those Parents and Teachers who purchased pies and other yummy items in our Pie Drive Fundraiser!! We raised just over $460, which will be used to subsidise the Term 4 swimming lessons and beautifying of our school gardens.
PLEASE REMEMBER - Pick-up of pies is this Thursday, 13 August from 3 - 4pm near the school canteen.

Congratulations Georgia!
Georgia Kirkby received a letter stating that she had qualified and was invited to compete in the Dogs NSW State Junior Handler Finals to be held at the Dogs NSW grounds near Penrith yesterday. There were two rounds of judging to decide on the winners. The first round Georgia needed to take her own dog Waverly Love the Way You Lie (Frog), and if you made it through to the second round you got a swap dog which Georgia had a Boston terrier called Sweetie. The handlers were asked questions about the dog’s origin and breed and then were asked to show their dog’s confirmation and paces in a few different patterns. Georgia received a highly commended and finished in 6th place. The trip was a great experience and much was learnt.

Canteen Committee Meeting
Monday, 17th August
at 2pm
in the Canteen
Everyone Welcome!!

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DANCE WORKSHOP
With Professional Choreographer, Adjudicator and Teacher
Aleeta Northey
Credits: So You Think You Can Dance, The TV Week Logie Awards, NRL Grand Finals. A Regular judge at The Sydney Eisteddfod and Dancelife Unite
Date: Saturday 29th August 2015
Venue: Narrabri Anglican Church Hall
13 Dewhurst Street Narrabri
TIME/AGE GROUPS/PRICE:
4-7 YRS (9.00am – 10.00am) - $17.00
8-12 YRS (10.00am – 12.00) - $27.00
13+ (12.00 – 2.30pm) - $32.00
Adults (2.30 – 4.00pm) - $22.00

HAVE FUN LEARNING AND EXPERIENCE THE BEST YOU CAN BE IN DANCE JAZZ, FUNK, LYRICAL, MUSICAL THEATRE
For all Inquiries/Registrations please contact:
Aleeta: M - 0406 899 669 E – thedancespace@hotmail.com

Are You Interested In Different Cultures?
World Education Program (WEP) is inviting you to experience another culture in your own home by becoming a volunteer host family to an overseas student arriving in January 2016. Hosting exchange students gives Australian families the opportunity to share their life and their culture with young international students for a term, semester or year. January is fast approaching and our students can't wait to hear from a welcoming host family they can call their own and learn about the place they will soon call home.

Hosting Is Fun! Request Student Profiles!
Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. To help you make this important decision, contact WEP today on 1300 884 733, info@wep.org.au or www.wep.org.au to receive a full information pack for your family.

“Real humanity is shown when we care for others” - Professor Fred Hollows
The Fred Hollows Foundation is keeping Fred’s vision alive through The Fred Hollows Humanity Award which recognises Year 6 students who follow in his footsteps by showing care and compassion for others. After three successful years in the ACT the Award is expanding into NSW with the support of NSW Premier Mike Baird.
Teachers, principals, parents and members of the community are encouraged to nominate a compassionate Year 6 student through the online nomination form by August 21. It’s a great opportunity for students to be recognised outside the sporting and academic realm.
All nominees and their parents will be invited to a presentation ceremony in Sydney to announce the NSW winner.
To nominate a student and learn more about the award go to www.hollows.org.au/humanityaward