Students and parents arrived ready for school and the hall was filled with blue uniforms and supportive parents and grandparents. We are definitely back in the swing of things. Students from Year 1 to 6 have enjoyed two days in their classrooms already and are getting to know their teachers and engage with their learning.

Today we welcomed our new Kindergarten students. Starting school and being in a new setting can be daunting but not for this group of students. The smile on their faces and their eagerness to go to their classrooms was wonderful to witness. Our transition programs play a vital role in preparing students to be confident in their new school setting.

I enjoyed meeting the students this morning and having a chat with the mums, dads and grandparents.
Our school leaders undertook their induction today. A special assembly was held to acknowledge the role they will play in our school as either a school leader, band captain or as a house captain. Each one of our students has been elected to a leadership position because of the qualities they display in their day to day functioning at school. This is their chance to display these qualities and to work for all students to make a difference at NPS. They will be involved in decision making, asked to participate at school and community events, talk at assemblies, run assemblies, organise materials and most of all to be the best person they can be. The role will be challenging and along the way they will undertake a journey of personal growth. Their leadership team will be part of a school team that will work together on projects. As the senior members they will provide guidance and wise words for our younger SRC representatives.

Ella Tomlinson, Eliza Weizzen, Sean Allen, Josh Soper, Bronte Ciesiolka, Poppy Smith, Lachlan Large, Matthew Penberthy

School Uniform
Narrabri Public School has a strong reputation for wearing full school uniform. Wearing a school uniform gives students a sense of belonging and allows them to feel part of our school. It is expected that student’s do wear their uniform and their broad brimmed hat. Uniforms can be purchased at Barrakets or the clothing pool at school. If you have uniforms to donate they can be dropped off at the office.

Parent Volunteers
At Narrabri Public we are fortunate to have a number of parents donate their time to help in the school during the week. Parents volunteer their time in classrooms, canteen, with gardening and coaching sporting teams. If you are able to donate your time during the week I can assure you it will make a difference for the students.

Charli Cassidy, Kaleb Teer, Lana Parkes, Josh Taylor, May Krishna, Ben Wheeler, Brock Davies, Tom Hand

Respect ● Resilience ● Responsibility ● Achievement ● Inclusion
Teacher/Parent Communication
Parent and teacher communication is encouraged at Narrabri Public School. It plays a vital link between building a partnership enabling all parties to work together with a shared understanding. If you wish to speak with your child’s teacher, please contact the school to arrange a suitable time. Any concerns regarding your child should always be directed to the classroom teacher and then the Assistant Principal responsible for that stage.

Our Assistant Principals for this year are:
- Early Stage 1- Mrs Promnitz
- Stage 1- Ms Meldrum and Mrs Irvine
- Stage 2- Mrs Allen
- Stage 3- Mrs White

Our open classroom evening will be held on Wednesday 17th February. This evening is an opportunity to gain information on what’s happening for your child within their stage and year. It also allows you to meet their teacher and the year supervisors.

There will be two sessions:
- Session 1: 6:00-6:30pm
- Session 2: 6:30-7:00pm

A sausage sizzle will be provided for those who like to dine out.

P and C Meeting
Our first P&C Daybranch meeting will be held on Wednesday at 9:30am in the Staffroom. You are more than welcome to come and join this group of parents.

Excursions
During the year, students will have the opportunity to be involved in excursions. Excursions and costs vary depending on the year group and location. This year in our senior grades students will participate in year rather than stage excursions.

To plan for excursions, particularly those that book major venues and require accommodation and bus fare we need to ask parents to make a commitment earlier to secure bookings and to assist us organising costs.

Our Year 6 Canberra excursion expression of interest note will be coming home soon. You will have time to assess whether you wish your child to take up this opportunity and then return the note to your child’s teacher.

Swimming Carnival
The war cries have started. The resounding chants echoed through the school on Friday as house groups prepared for this Friday’s carnival. All students have the opportunity to participate and parents are welcome to come along for the day. Perhaps you could dress in your child’s house colours too!!!!

Behaviour Code for Students
NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students.

In NSW public schools students are expected to:
- Treat one another with dignity
- Speak and behave courteously
- Cooperate with others
- Develop positive and respectful relationships and think about the effect on relationships before acting
- Value the interests, ability and culture of others
- Dress appropriately by complying with the school uniform or dress code
- Take care with property
- Not bully, harass, intimidate or discriminate against anyone in our schools

Schools take strong action in response to behaviour that is detrimental to self or others or to the achievement of high quality teaching and learning.

**Behaviour Code for Students: Actions**

Promoting the learning, wellbeing and safety of all students in NSW Public Schools is a high priority for the Department of Education and Communities.

We implement teaching and learning approaches to support the development of skills needed by students to meet our high standards for respectful, safe and engaged behaviour.

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**Safety**
- Model and follow departmental, school and/or class codes of behaviour and conduct
Negotiate and resolve conflict with empathy
Take personal responsibility for behaviour and actions
Care for self and others
Avoid dangerous behaviour and encourage others to avoid dangerous behaviour

Engagement

Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
Arrive at school and class on time
Be prepared for every lesson
Actively participate in learning
Aspire and strive to achieve the highest standards of learning

Uniform Shop

Have you grown this year?
Do you have uniforms that could be passed on to new students?
We are desperate for summer dresses and size 10 & 12 boys’ shirts.
Winter Jackets are only available from the school @ $55 and can be placed on lay-by now for winter.

Get in early or risk missing out.

Opening times are:
Tuesday & Thursday from 2.45 to 3.30pm
Any questions?
Call Donna on 0410342121 our very obliging co-ordinator

Daybranch P&C Meeting this Wednesday, 10th February
9.30am in the staffroom
AGM and general meeting
All parents encouraged to come along
Morning tea provided, welcome to new parents

Hey Kids
Christian Endeavour is starting up again on Wednesday, 10th February at the Presbyterian Church Hall, Balonne Street, Narrabri NSW 2390 starting at 3.30pm, finishing at 5pm. It’s for ALL Kids from Kinder to Year 6. We have games, afternoon tea, Bible story time and leadership training and craft – and it’s FREE! For more info ring Julie on 67922402

“Coaching Options”

Tennis Coaching available Monday to Friday morning/afternoon and Saturday mornings.
Private or Semi Private Lessons – 30 minutes, 45 minutes or 1 hour sessions available!
Group Lessons available catering for every age and standard!
Hot Shots Red – “Ages 4-8” - 5pm Monday, 5pm Wednesday, 9am and 930am Saturday
Hot Shots Orange – “Ages 8+” - 5pm Monday, 430pm Tuesday, 530pm Wednesday, 930am Saturday
Hot Shots Green – “Ages 9+” - 430pm Tuesday, 930am Saturday
Yellow Ball Group – “Ages 10-16” 4pm Wednesday
Build your own Hot Shots group – minimum 3 people – Timeslots available Monday to Friday 330pm to 5pm.
Friday Afternoon Junior Comp – open to everyone – 5pm to 630pm.
Adult Coaching – private, semi private or group lessons available!!
For further information contact Shane Murphy 0405151935, Facebook Narrabri Tennis or drop over to the Dangar Park Tennis Centre!!
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