Dear Parents,

This week, we’d like to acknowledge all the great work that the students have been doing as part of the NAREENA HILLS PUBLIC SCHOOL’s A NUT AND EGG AWARE SCHOOL initiative. We are proud of their achievements and look forward to seeing their continued progress.

**AWESOME BADGES**

A huge apology to Koben (Awesome Award) whose name was incorrectly spelled in Week 3 newsletter. Last week the following students received their Awesome Badges:

- **Stage 3 Water Survival Challenge**
- **2015 Kindy playdate**
- **2015 Kindy playdate**
- **Stage 3 Jamberoo Excursion**
- **Christmas sing-a-long**
- **Combined Scripture Service 10 -11am**
- **End of Year Presentation Assembly**
- **Year 6 Farewell Dinner**
- **Stage 2 Excursion Surf Education - Sandon Point**
- **Have-A-Go-Show**
- **Reports home**
- **Last day of school for students**

**DIARY DATES**

- **Student Banking**
  - Thursday
- **Canteen**
  - Wednesday, Thursday
- **Assembly**
  - When advertised
- **7 November**
  - Stage 3 Water Survival Challenge
- **14 November**
  - Craig Riddington Surf Survival Stages 2 & 3
- **17 November**
  - 2015 Kindy playdate 9.15am on school oval
- **27 November**
  - 2015 Kindy playdate 9.15am on school oval
- **9 December**
  - Stage 3 Jamberoo Excursion
- **10 December**
  - Christmas sing-a-long
- **11 December**
  - Combined Scripture Service 10 -11am
- **12 December**
  - End of Year Presentation Assembly
- **15 December**
  - Year 6 Farewell Dinner Lagoon Restaurant Disco at school
- **15 December**
  - Stage 2 Excursion Surf Education - Sandon Point
- **16 December**
  - Have-A-Go-Show
- **16 December**
  - Reports home
- **17 December**
  - Last day of school for students

**AWESOME BADGES**

- **Early Stage 1**
- **Stage 1**
- **Stage 2**
- **Stage 3**

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement.

Best wishes,

Principal: Giselle Coltman

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School Newsletter

A NUT AND EGG AWARE SCHOOL

Friday 7 November 2014

Term 4 Week 5, 2014

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PRINCIPAL NEWS

Congratulations 1D and Miss Duffy for your entertaining assembly item. Watching the final product of hours of teaching is one of the most rewarding aspects of teaching. I am always in awe of the talent of our students and teachers. 1D you were superb!

Instrumental Concert
It was an absolute pleasure to attend the Instrumental Concert in the school hall on Wednesday night and listen to the musical talent of our students.

The Year 2 recorder group were outstanding. As were all of the individual student items.

Special mention to Mr Kerin for setting the scene upon arrival.

Thank you to Mrs Jones for her organisation of the evening and her work preparing the students.

Staff Car Park is Out of Bounds
The staff car park has always been out of bounds for students and parents. Please ensure that students enter and exit the school using the correct entrance.

Child safety is the number one priority at our school.

Parents are reminded that all students are expected to use the school crossing and that the school car park remains out of bounds. Please assist us to avert a school tragedy.

Giselle Coltman
Principal

CLASSES 2015

The enrolment or loss of just 1 or 2 children makes a significant difference to the number of classes and staffing allocation. Currently we are 2 students short of forming a 13th class for 2015.

If your children will NOT be returning to Nareena Hills Public School in 2015 could you please contact the school so that we can continue to plan for our class structure in 2015.

As you are aware when deciding on the classes for any year, the teachers at Nareena Hills Public School attempt to obtain as much information as possible; number of teachers; number of classrooms; number of children; needs of children etc. Teachers then begin the process of determining class placement for all students.

For this reason parents are given the opportunity to state in writing any reason that they may have which could affect the placement of their child in the 2015 classes. I hope you understand that the process of class placement is a very rigorous process involving many factors. Teachers take a long time to work out the best class placement for your child. While you may not agree with that placement I can assure you the process is very involved and quite lengthy taking into account the needs of all students.

While you have your child at the centre of placement, the teachers have 310 students to consider.

If you have any issues you would like me to consider please drop a note in to me at the Office (address it to Mrs Coltman – ‘Confidential’). Please return notes no later than Friday, 21 November.

Please be aware that requesting particular teachers for your child is very flattering, but will not be taken into consideration for class placement in 2015.

RADICAL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have gained their Radical Award.

Their award will be presented at the assembly on 21 November 2014.

KF Annabelle
IC Annabelle, Emma, Sydney
ID Amarli
Positive Behaviour for Success
This week we will be focussing on the value of RESPONSIBILITY.

The focus statement is *Do what you know is right.*
This week PBS lessons will be about responsibility in the classroom, the library and the computer lab.

Be an independent learner. Complete tasks. Be prepared. Look after property. Move around the area safely. Think and ask questions.

Protect your password. Be cyber safe.

2015 Rocket Competition
Thank you for the excellent response we have had so far to this competition. If you are in Kindergarten to Year 5 please place your entries for the 2015 Rockets in the box located in the office by next Friday (14 November).

The PBS team will be judging the Rockets in Week 7. We are going to find it very difficult to select three winning entries as the standard of the Rockets so far is outstanding. Keep up the great work and thank you for your interest and enthusiasm.

Year 6 Space Station design
Year 6 children are invited to decorate and design our Space Station. Please place your ideas in the green box in the office by Friday 14 November. The PBS team can’t wait to see your designs.

Congratulations to the following students who have gained their Awesome Award. Their award will be presented at the assembly on 21 November 2014.

KF       Darcie, Henry, Harry
KHT      James, Tyler, Rylee, Kaden, Tyler, Simona
IC       Natalia, Darcy, Joshua, Liam
ID       Billy, Ben, Tahlia, Cassie
2L       Julia, Ruby, Sierra, Bria, Alyssa, Harrison, Caleb, Lily
2T       Lucas
3C       Byron, Fletcher
3/4JM    Elizabeth, Eryn, Oscar
4K       Darcy, Joshua, Grace, Sade, Audrey, Alanah, Ella, Tahlia
6B       Darcy, Jeddah, Massimo, Miles, Callum

On Wednesday 5 November at 7pm, our annual Instrumental Concert was held in the school hall. It was a wonderful night, showcasing the musical talents of our students on the piano, violin, guitar, drums and recorder. The children thoroughly enjoyed entertaining their teachers, family and friends. It’s so important for our students to be provided with an array of skills in which to excel.

Thank you to those people in our school community who attended. You were a fabulous audience! I would also like to thank the following Nareena Hills staff for their hard work and support in making the night possible: Mrs Relf, Mrs Darling, Mrs Cameron, Mr Kerin, Mrs Rickersey and Mrs Coltman.

Julie-Anne Jones

I went overseas to Spain for a month to train with a club called Espanyol. I went very well and I really enjoyed the experience. I was too young to be selected in a team but they want to see me in 2 years, so maybe I’ll be selected when I’m older.

All the kids were very nice but I couldn’t understand them. It was the best adventure ever.

I love football and will be training very hard so maybe one day I’ll be a Spanish soccer star!

Ben
Congratulations to Sydney of 1C who will be performing in ‘Annie’ at the Roo Theatre for the next three weeks. Sydney has the role of the orphan ‘April’ and she will be acting, singing and dancing.

I am looking forward to watching her perform this week, as are many of her 1C class friends.

Sydney can be seen in the performances on the following dates:
- Saturday 8 November 7.30pm
- Thursday 13 November 7.30pm
- Saturday 15 November 2pm
- Wednesday 19 November 7.30pm
- Friday 21 November 7.30pm and Saturday 22 November 7.30pm.

Mrs Cameron

Nareena Hills Public School

Veggie Market

Tuesday mornings outside the library. Freshly picked vegetables from our school garden. Prices range from 50 cents - $2.00. All produce grown without chemicals.

Mrs Relf

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**SCHOOL NEWS**

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| **Jamberoo - End of Year Excursion** |
| When: Tuesday 9 December |
| Where: Jamberoo Action Park |
| Who: Stage 3 students |
| Cost: $40.00 (Season member $13.00) |

| **Surf Education - End of Year Excursion** |
| When: Monday 15 December |
| Where: Sandon Point Beach |
| Who: Stage 2 students |
| Cost: $28.00 |

| **Year 6 Farewell** |
| When: Monday 15 December |
| Where: Lagoon Restaurant |
| Who: Stage 3 students |
| Cost: $35.00 |

| **Year 6 Farewell Disco** |
| When: Monday 15 December |
| Where: School Hall |
| Who: Year 5 students |
| Cost: $5.00 (to be brought in after 2 December) |

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**SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES**

This week’s assembly commences at 2.30pm

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The next meeting is on: **Wednesday 19 November**  
Meetings are held in the school staffroom and begin at 7pm. New members are always welcome.

Julijana Stanojevic  
P & C President

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A reminder that we are now selling Banana Smoothies at lunch time for $2 and fresh popcorn for 50c a bag.

**WEDNESDAYS 9.00 - 1.30PM**

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<td>Patsy Moate, Debra Tagliapietra, Hanan Saddi</td>
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<td>Kelly Lazicic, Cindy Churchin, Maree Muller, Alannah Tagliapietra</td>
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Stage 1 had a very exciting day at the zoo on Friday 24 October. It was quite a long day, but all students upheld our school values.

The most popular part of the day for each class was as follows:

- **Year 1C** Marsupial night house, seal show and the souvenir shop.
- **Year 1D** Reptile House, especially the komodo dragons, seal show and the ferry trip.
- **Year 2T** Souvenir shop, bird show and the seal show.
- **Year 2L** Bird show, red pandas and the penguins.

Here are a few photos from the day.

Mrs Cameron

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Please join us on Monday 17 November and Thursday 27 November.

Meet in the playground on the school oval at 9.15am.

Bring sunscreen, hat, morning tea and a drink. On Thursday 27 November, the children can practice purchasing from the canteen.

Contact the school office or Mrs Christian for information in case of poor weather.
SCHOOL SONG

Nareena Hills
Living, Learning and Caring,
Nareena Hills, Nareena Hills,
Helping each other we learn to live.

Verse 1
We live between the Mountains,
And the deep blue sea,
We come from many places,
From all around the world.
We welcome everybody,
To come and learn with us,
To care, respect, this Ancient Land, That joins us all as one.

Chorus

Verse 2
We study in the classroom,
To feed enquiring minds,
We strengthen hearts and bodies,
By playing games outside.
We're growing in our confidence
We'll take the world by storm,
And face the future without fear,
With hope and cheerfulness

Chorus

Lyrics by Gordon Dugan and Catherine Hanes
Music by Gordon Dugan

SURF EDUCATION

Surf Education – Rip Awareness Program is coming to our school on Friday 14 November. Please join us and learn skills to keep you safe on the beach this year.

Have you been caught in a rip?
Can you spot a rip?
Do you know how to survive a rip?

“On average more people die each year by drowning in rips than any other natural disaster, including bushfires.”

Surf Educators International (SEI) are the leading experts in Surf Safety and aim to provide the best practice education course, surf skill course to countries worldwide.

Please join us on Friday 14 November from 12.00 – 1.00 (Stage 2) or 2.00 - 3.00pm (Stage 3) to learn about important Surf Safety Awareness information from one of their SEI experts.

Parents and Community members are very welcome.


SURF EDUCATION EXCURSION

A Stage 2 Surf Education excursion to Sandon Point Beach has been arranged for Monday 15 December 2014. The full day excursion has been arranged to allow students the opportunity to participate in a Surf Awareness and Surf Skills program. The program will cover important surf and water safety messages and provide a healthy and active learning experience.

The practical component follows the Surf Education Rip Awareness program theory session being held on Friday 14 November.

An information note has been sent home with the details of our excursion. We hope to see all stage 2 children attending this excursion as it is going to be lots and lots of fun.

Mrs Jordan