On the last day of Term 1 the students at Nareena Hills Public School participated in an Easter Parade. A great afternoon was enjoyed by all with some fabulous creations displayed and paraded around the school.
Welcome back to the start of another exciting school term. I trust that everyone had a great break spending time with family and friends. This term will be yet another action packed term with NAPLAN, District Cross Country, PSSA sport, Paul Kelly Cup, Mother’s Day stall, school photos, Stage 2 excursion to the Bike Park, ICAS computer and spelling assessments as well as rehearsals for: Dance Festival, Southern Stars and Choral Festival. Schools are a great place to grow and learn!

Staff News

This term we welcome Mrs Samantha Neaves to our school. As previously mentioned Mrs Neaves brings a wealth of experience and expertise to our school, having worked as a teacher for many years. We are extremely fortunate to add another dedicated professional to our teaching team.

I would also like to welcome Mr Michael Robson who is completing his final practicum placement with Mrs Cusack and 3C. Mr Robson spent the last week of Term 1 with Mrs Cusack and 3C. He will spend the next 5 weeks at our school.

Teachers are learners too

Today the staff spent the day participating in Focus on Reading professional learning led by Mrs Brett. Focus on Reading aims to address the well documented ‘reading slump’ that occurs in Stages 2 and 3. As a staff we are excited to be developing our expertise in the area of reading comprehension as we continue to develop a whole school approach to the teaching of literacy.

Giselle Coltman

Parent Action Symbol!

If you see this symbol next to an item, then it is something that you may either have to action or note in your diary.

TERM 2 ASSEMBLIES

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All families and friends are welcome to come along to our Friday class item assemblies

Please note:
Class item assemblies commence at 2.15pm

COMING UP

District Cross Country Carnival
When: Thursday 1 May, 2014
Where: Kembla Joggers
Who: Representative students
Cost: $12

Paul Kelly Cup Regional Finals
When: Thursday 1 May, 2014
Where: Thomas Dalton Park, Towradgi
Who: Stage 3 representatives
Cost: $10

School Athletics Carnival
When: Monday 19 May, 2014
Where: Beaton Park Leisure Centre, Wollongong
Who: K - 6 students
Cost: TBA

Edmund Rice School Band
When: Friday 9 May, 2014
Where: School Hall - 12.15pm
Who: K - 6 students
Cost: Free

OC Test Year 5 2015
When: 28 April - 16 May 2014
Where: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/placement
Who: 2015 Year 5 students
Cost: N/a
School Uniform
Students and parents are reminded that students should now be wearing their winter uniform including black shoes.

School photos will be taken on Thursday 22 May and all students are expected to wear full winter uniform. Photo envelopes will be sent home with students this week. Sibling order forms can be collected from the front office.

District Cross Country Carnival
Good luck to the students representing our school this Thursday, 1 May at the District Cross Country Carnival which will be held at the Kembla Joggers oval. Children should collect their running singlets from Miss Duffy on Wednesday and be ready to leave school at 8.50am on Thursday morning. Mrs Brett and I will meet all runners in the hall. Bring plenty to drink, your hat and a T-shirt to change into as you will need to hand your school running shirt in after your race. Wishing you a great run.

Mrs Jordan

Stage 2 Big Day Out – Berry Excursion – 11th September
Children in Stage 2 will bring home an information note about the excursion we have planned for Term 3 later this week. We hope that by giving you plenty of time to pay for Berry every child in Stage 2 will be able to attend. The excursion promises to be a wonderful experience for the students and we are very excited to be able to offer such a fantastic opportunity to our Stage 2 children. The cost of the excursion is $55 which includes seatbelt bus transport to Berry, two adventure activities, lunch and morning tea.

We look forward to your support of this activity and can’t wait to see our students having a go at new and exciting activities.

Mrs Jordan and the Stage 2 team

Paul Kelly Cup
This Thursday 30 Stage 3 students will be representing Nareena Hills at the Paul Kelly Cup Regional Finals at Thomas Dalton Park, Towradgi. Students are reminded to be at school by 9:00am, wearing their sports uniform. Good luck to all the boys and girls competing on the day.

Miss Gibson

The next meeting is on: **Wednesday 21 May**
Meetings are held in the school staffroom and begin at 7pm.
New members are always welcome.

Julijana Stanojevic
P & C President

Wednesdays 9.00 - 1.30pm

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Stewart House Day reminder
A donation of $2.00 puts your family in the draw, for the chance to win a $4,000 family holiday. Please return all donations by Friday 9 May 2014 to enter this draw.

Positive Behaviour for Success
This week we will be focussing on the value of RESPECT.

The focus statement is RESPECT before and after school. Treat others the way you would like to be treated.

PBS Assembly Launch
This Friday at the school assembly, we will be launching PBS. PBS has been in place for one term and it is now time to reflect on the achievements that have been made.

There has been substantial positive feedback regarding PBS from staff, students and parents. The SRC will be surveying their peers this week and presenting the results at the assembly. If you wish to make a comment that can be generally shared at the assembly, please email glenda.cameron@det.nsw.edu.au or send it in a note to me by Wednesday.

Please come along on Friday and join the success story so far and see the first presentation of the Super Nova Awards.

Glenda Cameron

Mother's Day Stall
On Thursday 8 May, the P & C will be selling gifts for Mother’s Day. There will be a selection of gifts priced at $5 and $10. There are enough gifts for every child. After each class has had the opportunity to buy a gift, children may then return and buy more gifts for grandparents etc. Remember to bring in your money on Thursday 8 May.

P & C Fundraiser
Does your child order their lunch? Whether it is once a week or once a month, most children get the opportunity to order their lunch. If this is your child, we would like you to consider purchasing a Stickybeaks lunch wallet. Not only will you help us raise much needed money for our school, you will also be rewarded with the ease of using the lunch wallet along with helping to reduce our paper waste. Most children like to order the same lunches over and over. Why not keep your order tags in a draw and simply place the relevant tag in the zippered pocket along with the money. Stickybeaks “Lunch Wallets” come in black with your choice of pink, blue, green, red, grey, yellow or purple binding.

Please see the attached order form and return orders with payment to the P & C box in the foyer by Tuesday 13 May. Delivery will be Friday 6 June.

Glenda Cameron

School Banking
This term we are giving students, schools and our School Banking Co-ordinators the opportunity to win a share of sunken treasure found in the Lost City of Savings. Students simply need to make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 2, regardless of the value, and they will automatically be entered into the competition to win some fantastic prizes including:

Major student prize
- Five nights’ accommodation at the Sea World Resort & Water Park on the Gold Coast;
- VIP Passes for two adults and three kids to Sea World, Warner Bros. Movie World and Wet’n’Wild Gold Coast;
- Dolphin Family Aqua Adventure; and
- A $3,000 travel gift card to get them there.

Runner up student prizes
130 Toys”R”Us Gift Cards to the value of $250 each to spend on their favourite toys.

In Term 2 there are two new exciting rewards available for students who save 10 tokens. The rewards available this term are:
- Whale Shark Pencil Case
- Shark or Penguin Keyring
- Handball
- Scented Pencils

Glenda Cameron