District Cross Country

It was an honour to be involved with the Nareena Hills Public School Representative team last Thursday at the District Cross Country Carnival. Our school was not only outstanding on the course but also on the sidelines demonstrating great sportsmanship.

The top 5 competitors in each age race were selected to represent Central Wollongong at the Regional Carnival.

Students from our school who will compete at the regional carnival are: Caitlyn, Clementine, Isaac, Alexander, Alyssa, Ned and Darcy.

The Regional Cross Country Carnival will be held on Friday 30 May at Cambewarra (Nowra).

Good luck to everyone representing Central Wollongong.

Mrs Jordan and Mrs Brett
What a great PBS assembly we had last Friday! It was truly wonderful to hear the school community’s thoughts on Positive Behaviour for Success. The skits, art work and songs were all well done with some very important themes and messages. Thank you to the PBS team for their coordination of our launch.

Staff News
In a few weeks Mrs Larkin will take maternity leave pending the birth of her new baby - a very exciting time for all!

Mr Jesse Fisher will take over class 2L. He comes very highly recommended and we are fortunate to have another great professional join our team.

Sport
Congratulations to all of the students who represented the school in the District Cross Country and the Paul Kelly Cup. What a talented bunch of kids we have at Nareena Hills Public School!
They will now compete at the regional cross country carnival to be held at Cambewarra.

A huge thank you to Mrs Jordan, Miss Gibson, Mrs Duffy and Mrs Brett for their commitment to sport at our school. Thank you to the wonderful parents and students who were great cheer squads at both events!

Giselle Coltman
Principal

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

Mothers Day Stall
When: Thursday 8 May, 2014
Where: School Hall
Who: K - 6 students
Cost: Gifts cost $5-$10

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

PPP Parenting Program
When: Thursday 8 May 2014
Where: Meet in the office at 8:30 am
Who: Enrolled parents
Cost: Free

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

OC Test Year 5 2015
When: Applications open 28 April - 16 May 2014
Where: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/placement
Who: 2015 Year 5 students
Cost: N/A
Term 2 School Uniform
As previously advised the uniform for Term 2 and 3 is full winter uniform. Students should not be wearing coloured jumpers or jackets.

Lowes has ordered more school ties. Our school tie is a tartan tie, there seems to have been some confusion regarding the school tie!

School Photos
Students will wear their winter uniform for school photos. Parents are reminded that payment envelopes come to school on photo day, 22 May. The school does not collect photo money.

NAPLAN - Years 3, 5 and 7
Please ensure that your children arrive at school prior to the 9:00am bell.

Tuesday 13 May
Language Conventions and Writing tests

Wednesday 14 May
Reading test

Thursday 15 May
Numeracy test

16 May
Last day for students to sit catch up tests.

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 before and after school. Be on time. Play safely. Walk promptly to pick up areas. Wait quietly. Use pathways.

Stage One Excursion
This week Stage 1 students will bring home a permission note about an excursion we have planned for Monday 26 May. The excursion will cost $7.50 and will include a guided tour of the Illawarra Museum as well as a heritage walk from Market Square to Belmore Basin. We are very pleased to be able to offer this opportunity to our Stage 1 students. The knowledge gained on the excursion will support their understanding of our current Human Society and Its Environment topic, ‘Families: Past and Present’.

Mrs Tuszynski

Junior Band Camp Years 4 - 6
The 2014 Junior Band Program will be a 3 night, 2 day residential camp from Sunday 25 May to Tuesday 27 May at Stanwell Tops Conference Centre.

This program prepares students to become a part of performing ensembles and orchestras. The total cost of the program is $200. The due date for application has been extended.

Students who play one or more of the following instruments and who can read music to at least a grade 2 level should consider taking part in this camp. Strings, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Baritone, Keyboard, Electric/Acoustic Guitar, Bass Guitar, Percussion and Drums.

The application form and camp information can be found on the regional arts website www.southernarts.com.au or please see Mrs Cameron.
Stage 2 Bike Education Excursion
This week a letter will be sent home with the Stage 2 children inviting them to the excursion planned at the Bike Education Centre at the PCYC at Lake Illawarra. The visit compliments our unit of work this term on Road and Bike Safety. The cost of the excursion is $22.50.

3C will attend the excursion on Tuesday 27 May. 4K will go on Wednesday 28 May and 3/4JM will have their special day on Thursday 28 May.

Please return the permission note to your child’s class teacher and the money to the silver money box by Tuesday 20 May. Each class will be taking one parent helper.

We are looking forward to a fun and educational day.

Mrs Jordan and the Stage 2 teachers.

Paul Kelly Cup Regional Finals
Last Thursday Nareena Hills students participated in the Paul Kelly Cup Regional Finals. It was a beautiful day at Thomas Dalton Park, with students playing three games each in pristine conditions. All students played well as a team all day, and displayed great sportsmanship.

Well done Nareena Hills!

Miss Gibson

Scholastic Book Club
Issue 3 of the Scholastic Book Club was distributed to students last week. Orders can be returned on Friday 9 May and Monday 12 May. Orders are to be placed in the Silver Collection Box in the foyer before 9.30 am on these days.

NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

To avoid your child’s disappointment, please ensure the order is in a sealed school envelope, clearly marked with the child’s name, class and Book club on the front, with the correct money, or a cheque made payable to ‘Scholastic Australia Pty Ltd’. Credit card payments can now be accepted for any amount. (Fill out the slip on the back page with appropriate details). Orders received accumulate points that go towards new books for our great Library.

Stewart House Collection Bag reminder
Please return all donations by Friday 9 May. A donation of $2.00 puts your family in the draw, for the chance to win a $4,000 family holiday. Please consider donating to this fundraising drive which helps needy families in the Illawarra.

P & C Fundraiser reminder
Stickybeaks “Lunch Wallets” come in black with your choice of pink, blue, green, red, grey, yellow or purple binding. Each wallet costs $10. Orders with payment to the P & C box in the foyer by Tuesday 13 May. Delivery will be Friday 6 June.

P & C Mothers Day Stall reminder
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.

School Athletics Carnival
The school carnival to be held at Beaton Park is for students aged 8 - 12 years old (Years 2 - 6). A carnival for our younger students will be held at school.
## Notes Sent Home Last Week

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## School Song

**Chorus**
Nareena Hills, 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**

## Noticeboard Items

### PCYC Blue Light Disco
All PCYC Wollongong Blue Light events are drug and alcohol free and supervised by Police Officers. Tickets available at Wollongong, Bulli and Lake Illawarra PCYC. For more information call Wollongong Police Citizens Youth Club on 42294418.

### World Education Program (WEP)
WEP Australia is a not-for-profit student exchange organisation. We are now looking for volunteer host families interested in welcoming an exchange student into their home and family in July. For more information phone 1300 884 733 or email sylviakelly@wep.org.au

### Learning Difference Convention

### Bunnings Wollongong Mothers Day Family Night

### Student Exchange Australia New Zealand
Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit organisation. Host families needed in June/July 2014. For more information phone 1300 135 331 or email www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student