Last week K-2 students participated with enthusiasm in the Responsible Pet Program. The role play scenarios were lots of fun. All students learnt many new facts about how to approach dogs.
Congratulations to all of the students who have received their STAR, TREMENDOUS and AWESOME awards. Our Positive Behaviour for Success program is really having an impact on student engagement and learning. It’s really terrific to see the students achieving such positive results!

**Book Week – Grandparents Day**

Each week schools and public libraries across Australia spend a week celebrating books and Australian authors and illustrators. The week in part is to raise an awareness of the importance of reading and to showcase the work of many talented authors and illustrators.

Every year at Nareena Hills Public School we celebrate book week in various ways. This year we will combine our celebrations with Grandparents day. We look forward to seeing all of our students’ grandparents or special other person visiting the school on Wednesday.

**Thank you**

Your support of Darcy was very much appreciated. Just under $450 was raised by students, parents and staff to help Darcy get to Albany, Western Australia to represent New South Wales in the National Cross Country titles. Thank you!

Giselle Coltman
Principal

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**PRINCIPAL NEWS**

- **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.

**UPCOMING PAYMENTS**

- **Southern Stars Dance & Choir T-Shirt**
  - **When:** ASAP
  - **Where:** WIN Entertainment Centre
  - **Who:** Participating students
  - **Cost:** $25.00

- **Stage 3 Canberra Excursion**
  - **When:** 11 & 12 September
  - **Where:** Canberra
  - **Who:** Stage 3 participating students
  - **Cost:** $200.00 Payment by 4 September

- **Berry Recreation Sport & Recreation Centre**
  - **When:** 18 September
  - **Where:** Berry Sport and Recreation Centre
  - **Who:** Stage 2
  - **Cost:** $55.00 Payment by 21 August

**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

**Book Week Activities**

- **Book Week**
  - **Book Fair**
    - **When:** 19, 20 and 21 August
    - **Where:** School Library
    - **Who:** All families of Nareena Hills Public School

- **Book Week - Donate a book to the school**

**Grandparents Assembly**

- **When:** Wednesday 20 August
- **Where:** School Hall
- **Who:** Grandparents and Carers of K - 6 students.

**TERM 3 ASSEMBLIES**

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*This week’s assembly commences at 2pm*

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**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 on pathways, around toilets and bubblers. Walk on pathways. Wait quietly. Keep to the right. Use appropriately. Wash hands. Leave promptly.

**PBS Totem Poles**

Over the past couple of weeks the children have been busy helping Zac Bennett-Brook with the painting of the totem poles. These have been completed and look terrific. They will soon be erected at the front of the school near the flag poles for everyone to admire.

We are also building a small garden near the flag poles, so look out for a new area to admire.

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**Crunch and Sip**

The Crunch and Sip program starts tomorrow! Teachers are really excited to introduce this program to our students. We look forward to seeing everyone come to school tomorrow with a drink bottle full of water and some healthy fresh fruit or vegetables. Please do not pack sticky fruit or food that cannot be eaten in a 10 minute time period.

We are hoping to see a wide variety of FRESH fruit and vegetables being eaten during the morning session this week. Enjoy the experience.

Mrs Jordan

**Grandparents Assembly Wednesday 20 August**

This special assembly will commence in the school hall at 2pm. Visitors are invited to visit their grandchild’s classroom from 1pm. A coffee van will be in the school car park between 1pm and 2pm. For a gold coin donation, tea, coffee and light refreshments will be served outside the school library from 1.10pm. Children are invited to dress up as one of their favourite character or grandparent. Children dressing up are required to wear comfortable clothing and closed shoes.

**Spelling Bee 2014**

Congratulations to the stage finalists of this year’s spelling bee! They all did a fantastic job of spelling some very tricky words last Thursday.

- **Early Stage 1** Marissa KF, Annabelle KF, Alyssa KHT and Aaliah KHT.
- **Stage 1** Madison 1D, Juanita 1C, Alyssa 2L and Alexander 2T.
- **Stage 2** Jasmine 3C, Oscar 3/4JM, William 4K and Ebony 4K.

Further congratulations go to the Stage Champions: Aaliah, Alexander, Jasmine and Aiden.

Jasmine and Aiden will soon compete against children from local schools in a Regional Final of the Premier’s Spelling Bee, accompanied by the runners-up of Stages 2 and 3, William and Abbie.

Well done everyone!

Mrs Cope and Mrs Tuszynski
Stage 2 Berry Excursion notes – Thursday 18 September
Please forward your permission note and final payment for the Stage 2 Berry excursion by Thursday 21 August. This will help us secure the correct number of places for our BIG DAY OUT. One parent helper per class will be invited to attend the excursion. Names for this will be drawn from a hat this Thursday. Please make sure your parent helper note is returned by Thursday if you wish to go into the draw.

Parent Help needed – Thursday 28 August
As part of the Live Life Well at school initiative I am organising a series of Fundamental Movement Skills activities for the staff and students. To do this I will be using specialised work cards that require a variety of sports equipment placed into user friendly boxes. If you are free next Thursday morning from 9.15am for an hour or so I would love to meet you and start to organise the boxes and equipment. If you are able to help please email me on jo.jordan70@yahoo.com.au to let me know if you can give me a hand.

I will meet you in the hall. Thanks for your support.
Mrs Jordan

Southern Stars Dance Rehearsal
Last Friday’s rehearsal was the last one for the dancers. Our students were, as usual, excellent ambassadors for our school.
Please ensure your child receives their last note from Mrs Brett this week. Please check arrival and pick up times so everyone is “ON TIME”. Tickets are still available for all shows.

Southern Stars #webelieve2014
There are only two more weeks until Southern Stars hits the stage at the WIN Entertainment Centre on Friday August 29 and Saturday 30 August and there are still tickets available to all four shows, with Saturday night selling quickly.

The Saturday matinee is a great opportunity for families to attend and with a family ticket at $140 (two adults and two children) it’s great value too. Friday night tickets are also still available.

If you don’t have a child involved in the show this year don’t let that stop you from getting a ticket to biggest arena style show to take place in Wollongong each year.

The show has something for all ages and musical tastes, and the little ones in particular will love seeing the segment on their childhood heroes – both the traditional ones and new ones like Elsa from Frozen. Let them go!

The show is a celebration of all that we believe in, from our earliest memories right through to adulthood. We believe that you will be amazed by the talents of our public school children and that you will really love the show.

Thank you to all the businesses and individuals who have taken on our challenge to find 100 Friends of Southern Stars in August. We have nine so far including Mortgage, Peoplecare, Dion’s Buses, Danz Gallery and individuals Rae Mitchell and Jeannette and Stan Warren, Lynn and Norman Saad, and Jacqui McGee. We are still looking for more to secure the show’s future so if you or your business would like to become a friend of the show contact Sharon Buikstra 0419 402 033 or email sharon.buikstra@det.nsw.edu.au

Please support Southern Stars by getting along to the show. Buy your tickets today through Ticketmaster.
**SCHOOL NEWS**

**Too Sick to Go to School?**
Sometimes it's hard to know if your child is really coming down with something or just suffering a bout of Mondayitis.

For safety's sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice.

However, if they miraculously recover by 11:00am, ready to race around the backyard, keeping them in bed all day may send the message that staying home isn't nearly as much fun as going to school.

The School A to Z website's **Too Sick For School?** chart will help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find more parent tips on the School A to Z website.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This information has been supplied by NSW Health and is not intended to replace a visit to your doctor if anyone in your family is unwell.

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**NOTES THAT WENT HOME LAST WEEK**

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**P & C NEWS**

The next meeting is on: **Wednesday 20 August**
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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**CANTEEN NEWS**

The School Canteen will be CLOSED on Fridays for the rest of the term. We have trialled Fridays for a term, and are finding it very difficult to have volunteers on this day, I realize that a lot of families are already helping out with canteen, or have work commitments. I would like to thank all the parents for their help and support over this past term, but its not working out.

Kind regards
Sarah Allen

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