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### PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

#### ANZAC SERVICE

My thanks to the SRC and Mr Cherubini for a moving and appropriate ANZAC service held last Friday. The members of the SRC were outstanding in the parts they played and Mr Cherubini’s organisation and support played an important part in making the day a success.

I’d also like to acknowledge and thank Lieutenant Commander Ross Bowden (father of two of our students) for his ongoing involvement in our ANZAC assemblies. His address on Friday gave a very real perspective to the continuing meaning of ANZAC, and I thank him for re-organising his busy schedule, enabling him to be part of the afternoon.

#### VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Most schools, and ours included, rely heavily on the generosity of their community through the Voluntary Contribution program. Our contributions for 2011 will be unchanged from last year – $30 per student or $60 per family (with two or more children attending our school). If you would like to support the school in this way, please put your contributions in an envelope (with your name and class on the outside and marked ‘Voluntary Contributions’) and drop it in the collection box on Tuesdays or Thursdays.

I know that most families would like to help, but finding this amount of money in one hit can be a little hard. To help this, we have organised a split payment method for this year. Families can pay $20 per term (for family contributions) or $10 per term (if you have only one child attending our school).

We, and the students, are grateful for these contributions, which, for 2011, will be entirely directed to maintaining the resources found in our school Library.

#### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Just a reminder that our school photographs will be taken tomorrow (Tuesday). Please make sure you have returned your packages (with money) by tomorrow.

It looks like the weather is going to be a little on the cool side and as we have stipulated ‘summer uniform’ for the students, please make sure your child has something warm that can worn over the uniform.

‘Sibling’ photographs will be taken after our class photos.
NAPLAN
The National Assessment Program and Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will occur next week (Tuesday – Thursday). All students in Years 3 and 5 will be able to sit the assessments. A note giving general information about NAPLAN will go home with all our Year 3 and 5 students later this week. If any parent has a concern about the assessments, please give me a call.

OUR P&C
At the last Wednesday of last Term our P&C met to, among other things, elect its officers for 2011. The P&C’s new executive is –

President – Alison Errey  Secretary – Andrew Edwards
Treasurer – Natalie Nicastri  Vice President – Catherine Hanes & Jason Giobbi

Thank you to these parents for taking on these jobs and I look forward to working with you over the year.
With a change in Executive I’d like to acknowledge the outgoing members of the previous executive – Danielle Pierce (President), Amanda Cox (Secretary), Doug Hearne and Jason Day (Vice Presidents – Jason stepped down mid way through 2010). These parents (as well as Natalie and Catherine, who have continued on this year’s executive) worked long hours to support our school. My thanks to you all.

WORK AROUND THE SCHOOL
We still have some areas of the school cordoned off due to continuing work on our roofs (the wet days during the break meant that all the work couldn’t be completed before we returned). Could you help us by reminding your children not to pick up any loose material within these areas (bits of screws, small metal scraps from roof sheeting etc).
Over the next couple of weeks (weather permitting) we will see three of our demountables leave the school and the areas where the demountables stood cleaned up for future playing areas.

Bob Long
Principal

What Notes Went Home Last Week (28 March – 1 April)

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ANZAC 2011
On the afternoon of Friday the 29th of April Nareena Hills Public School held their ANZAC Ceremony to remember the ANZACs. It was a solemn occasion where students from the SRC gave speeches on the values shown by the ANZACs and the proud legacy started by them. I wish to thank Tayah and Thomas for being the presenters on the day and all the SRC students for their informative speeches. Lastly and most importantly the school extends their gratitude to the continued support given by Lieutenant Commander Ross Bowden from the Royal Australian Navy who gave a speech on the continuing meaning of ANZAC Day.

On the morning of Friday the 29th of April Nareena Hills PS SRC students represented the school and our community at the formal ceremony held in Wollongong. I take this opportunity to thank the parents who gave of their time in transporting the students to the Wollongong Epitaph for that formal ceremony. A special mention and thank you goes to Amy who represented our school by reading out the Ode as part of that formal ceremony. She made us all proud.

Mr D Cherubini and Mrs M Fraser.
EASTER HAT PARADE
The Easter Assembly was a great day. The students were very ‘eggcited’ and therefore a little noisy due to the limited space. However, their happy little faces and their great Easter hats were a sight that brought smiles to all. I wish to thank all concerned for all their hard work in making it a success. This includes all the parents who packed all the Easter Egg Baskets, the teachers for their assistance and preparing the students for their items, the students for their excellent performances and their creative efforts in making their Easter Hats. Lastly and most importantly a huge thanks to Amy and Jonah who were the presenters and ran the Assembly on the day.
Mr Cherubini.

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL
Congratulations everyone for your support, excellent behaviour and outstanding sportsmanship at the school Cross Country Carnival that was held last term. The beautiful weather, parent helpers, AFL and the Dragons Development Officers all helped make our day very successful.

Good luck to the District Cross Country team who will represent our school on Friday 20 May. Please return permission notes to 5/6JP, and money to the silver money box on Tuesdays & Thursdays.

A very big thank you to Mrs Pinfold who arranged the Year 6 fundraising canteen. The canteen raised $354.10 which is FANTASTIC. The “Borgo” ice-creams were very generous providing a few free boxes for us to sell.

Well done and thank you once again for a super day.
Mrs Jordan

DANCE FESTIVAL EXCURSION
Today all students have been given a dance festival excursion note as it was previously attached with the Term 1 Week 10 newsletter and it is apparent that many parents did not view it in the email. Please return by Tuesday 10 May.

NOTICEBOARD ITEMS
The following community information is available on the School Noticeboard:
Half price Gymnastics Program at Beaton Park
4th Annual Artists with Autism Exhibition

BOOKCLUB
Orders from the previous order will be going home this week.
The March issue of the Scholastic Book Club will be distributed to students this week. Orders can be returned on Friday 6 May and Monday 9 May. Orders are to be placed in the Silver Collection Box in the foyer before 9.30am on these days.
To avoid your child’s disappointment, please ensure the order is in a sealed envelope, clearly marked with the child’s name, class and Bookclub on the front, with the correct money, or a cheque made payable to ‘Scholastic Australia’. 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.

P&C NEWS 2.5.11
Uniform stall - outside the Hall after Assembly on the following dates:
4th May, 1st June, 3 August, 7 September, 2 November, 7th December.

Canteen Roster
WED 6-April Grace, Teresa, Kathy and Janine.
THUR 7-April Kristy, Emma, Kathryn, Rebecca.

Important Canteen information.
Thank you to all those people who have volunteered to keep our Canteen open on Wednesday and Thursdays, unfortunately we did not receive enough volunteers to open an additional day (Friday) for this term. Therefore the canteen will only be open on Wednesdays and Thursdays until further notice.

**School Song**
The P&C is developing a school song, utilising the skills of Gordon Dugan. Gordon is a musician, educator, composer and a father at our school. The song will encourage children to be proud of their school and the lyrics will be about school values, where we have come from, and where we are going. Parents, staff and students are invited to pop their suggestions in the P&C box or email suggestions and lyrics to: nareenahillspandc@hotmail.com

**Calendar of P&C Meetings**

With thanks,
P&C