From the Principal ....

During the next few weeks staff will be analysing all current student learning data and planning for teaching and learning programs into Term 2. Families will also receive their child’s effort report prior to the holidays. I know that we shall have some very proud boys and girls and parents as children have been showing continuing and increasing perseverance and effort in learning. As always, I encourage our teachers, learning support staff and parents/caregivers to keep in regular contact about children’s learning. Our combined positive efforts contribute greatly to success in learning.

We hosted a wonderful Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) day last Wednesday starting with a brief chat with some parents about PBL processes and plans for future changes in PBL. Thanks to those parents who came along and we look forward to talking more about our ideas. If you had a chance to come along to our PBL assembly you would have been delighted to hear our new PBL song! The choir performed beautifully and we all had a go at learning some of the words about our 4 school values – be responsible, safe, respectful and be a learner. Congratulations to our 12 special PBL gold merit award recipients! I felt very proud reading out the special comments from teachers about these children. We certainly have wonderful young people in our learning team at NPS. After a yummy free sausage sizzle for lunch, the children and staff enjoyed activity groups. Loads of fun was had by everyone and I hear from the children and staff that we need to do it again next term! Save-the-date: Tuesday, 8th April at 10:00 for parents to come along and contribute ideas for changes to our PBL processes. More information will follow at a later date.

Thank you to Mrs Curry, Mrs Michelle Smith and all the boys and girls in the school choir for taking the time to go along and perform at the John O’Brien Festivals’ ANZAC tribute concert on Saturday. I have heard some very positive comments from community members and visitors to Narrandera about the children and their performance. I have also had congratulatory comments about the children’s lovely art work on display in East Street. Well done boys and girls!

Have a most enjoyable week.
Susan Ruffles
Class News - KL
It has been a busy start to school life for all of the students in KL. They have been learning a great deal and have settled into the routine well. In maths we have been doing lots of counting and learning about patterns. We have been reading every day with vast improvements to be seen already.
If you are available to come in any day between 12:15 and 1:15 for our groups then that would be fantastic.
Notes were sent home last week indicating that all kindergarten students will be performing at this Friday's assembly. It would be great to see as many relatives and friends there as possible for what will be a very entertaining dance!
Below are two photos; 1. of Hannah Beer and Lyla Meredith using iPads as part of our technology lessons and 2. the whole of Kindergarten preparing for our big performance at Friday's assembly.
Paul Lucas – KL Class Teacher.

Class News - 5C
Merit winners last week were Kobe French, Annika Tye, Jakaila Warren and Cooper Papa. Our lucky raffle winner was Shauna McHale-O’Keeffe.
Our maths times table this week is 6’s. The children have found this one quite challenging and it is obvious that lots of revision is required. Our topics for this week are multiplication/division and angles.
Friday is National Day of Action against bullying and violence. In class we have been investigating what bullying is, who is likely to bully and strategies of how to deal with bullies. Although this subject is addressed regularly it is good to have a set day to encourage discussion and look at the issues.
Please remember to send in a piece of fruit for your child. They may say that they don’t eat fruit, well they do at school. Thanks again to Lyndall Ireland who regularly sends in fruit with Ella to share.
Kerryn Cassidy - Year 5 teacher.

LIBRARY NEWS
The Book Fair was a huge success!!! We were able to purchase $685 worth of fantastic books for our wonderful Library. Thank you to everyone that made purchases as it benefits everyone at our school. Lots of Book Fair prizes were handed out to finish the fair.
Book Fair voucher winners
Poster winners
Wesley Bamblett, Emily Tallon, Shauna O’Keeffe, Colby Rankin, Khan Ozsoy, Tahila Gilbert, Lauren Wickes, Jacob Brewer, Isabelle Ewers, Tenison Godden-Lee, Poppy Brown, Bryce Hickson, Denver Miller, Ella Baxter and Trinity McDuff.
Brooke Absolom – Library Administrator.

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**Fun Run**
A reminder that all Adidas School Fun Run fundraising money and forms must be returned to the front office by this Friday, 21st of March, 2014 so that orders can be sent away in the hope of having prizes returned to the school in time for our cross country on Friday, 11th of April.
Thanks for your co-operation, Paul Lucas.

**Class News – 1D**
Students in 1D enjoying their weekly class reward.

Jobe, Samuel, Charlee and Kane with the biscuits they made.

Carla and Darinda modelling playdough.
Shelley Day - 1D Class Teacher.

**YEAR 5/6 FOOD STALL FUNDRAISER**
Each Tuesday students of Years 5 and 6 will be holding a fundraising food stall. The first food stall will be on Tuesday, March 25. Treats will be for sale from 11.30am.

**COMMUNITY EVENTS:**
**Junior Basketball** - Junior basketball will be the same as last week except Intermediate boys. There will be 5 teams in this division and each week there will be a team that has the bye.
This week the team with the bye is Team Green.
Team Green players are Taj Trengrove, James Smith, Noah Bolton, James Kerr, Lachlan Kerr, Blair Robinson, Khan Ozsoy and Will Rivero.
These boys will not need to play this week.
Also there will be no Senior Girls this week due to School Social.

**NIFNC Junior Rego & Jumper Presentation Night** – Thursday, March 27, 2014 from 5.30pm. Contact Katie on 0429 720 686 for more information or dietary requirements.

**DON'T GIVE UP MATEY**
YOU'RE ALMOST THERE!
- Ian Lucas

**Ian Lucas Memorial**
Bike Ride and Hike
Sunday, March 23
9.00am Grong Grong Sports Club
Registration at Grong Grong and Matong from 8.00am

Riders can complete a course from Grong Grong to Matong and return or any part of the course they feel comfortable in tackling. Walk to be held concurrently to Bundidgery Channel and back.

Prices - $20 per adult, $10 per child, $50 per family.
Morning tea and lunch included in entrance fee. Morning tea and lunch available for purchase on the day for non-riders and non-walkers. Primary school age children to be accompanied by an adult.
More information – Phone Brian Gawne – 0427 487 505 or Dave Currie – 0427 279 110.
KH & 2H NEWS !!

In KH we have been learning about colours and about the weather. We made coloured rainbows out of magazine cuttings and coloured streamers, to show the things we have learnt. In our Monday afternoon reading time, 2H happily came and helped kinder finish our rainbows. They look amazing !!!