Our School has students who are highly allergic to NUTS and NUT PRODUCTS
We seek your co-operation in trying to keep our school NUT FREE

Leeton School Dental Clinic
The School Dental Clinic is available for all children aged from 0–18 years of age. We encourage all parents to make an appointment for your child to have a full dental check. Treatment at our clinic is FREE to all children who have a Medicare card. To make an appointment please telephone our call centre on 1800 450 046

We hope to see you soon!!!
Sue & Cleo.

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Term 1, Week 5

From the Relieving Principal ............

It is very exciting and pleasing to see the learning that is taking place in our classrooms. Every time I walk into one of our classrooms everyone is engaged in their learning which is fantastic. Well done boys and girls, an excellent start to the year.

Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to the staff and students who participated, organised or helped at the LNPSSA swimming carnival last Friday. Once again the willingness of our parents being able to help on these occasions was fantastic. Everyone involved, including the other schools have noted that the day was very successful. Well done!

Infants Water Carnival and Picnic
I am really looking forward to the infant’s water carnival and family picnic on the 6th of March. This is a fun day that our infant students can share with their friends and families. There is always lots of laughs and giggles and of course lots of water! We hope all our families can attend this fun event.

PLP
By now the majority of our families would have had a meeting with their child’s/ren teacher/s to discuss and make learning goals. If you have not had this meeting with the teacher could you please contact them ASAP to make an appointment?

Regards
Joanne Stamakakatos – Relieving Principal.

Calendar of Events

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For more information call Briana Bryon on 0412280276

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Narrandera Events:

Community Events:
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Road Safety - Currently there are two Road Safety events coming.

GLS Workshop
When: Wednesday 4 March 2015 6pm-8pm
Description: Narrandera Shire Council is conducting a free workshop for parents and supervisors of learner drivers. The two hour course, Helping Learner Drivers Become Safe Drivers, offers parents and supervisors hands-on advice on how to provide the most effective driving practice for learner drivers.

Location: Narrandera Library, East Street, Narrandera
Contact: Council’s Road Safety Officer on 0448 623 049

Child Restraint Checking Day
When: Saturday 7 March 2015 9.30am-11.30am
Description: Narrandera Shire Council is conducting free Child Restraint Checks at Kiesling Lane. Parents and carers of young children are invited to come along and find out more about the child restraint laws and to get their child restraints checked for correct installation by qualified Roads and Maritime Services approved fitter on site.

Location: Kiesling Lane, Narrandera
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If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards - Steph Puntoriero, Road Safety Officer, Narrandera and Leeton Shire

Junior Basketball - Narrandera Junior basketball will commence this week. Boys will play Wednesday - Juniors Yrs 1, 2 & 3 at 5pm. Intermediates Yrs 4, 5 & 6 at 5.50pm. Senior Boys Yrs 7+ will play at 6.40pm this week. Due to football we will discuss an alternate day. Girls will play Thursday - Juniors Yrs 1, 2 & 3 at 5pm, Intermediates Yrs 4, 5 & 6 at 5.50pm and Senior girls at 6.40pm.

If you haven’t already registered and are interested in playing please turn up on your respective day and time slot.

Registrations are $50 per player and can be paid off. Game fees are $3 per game and are to be paid weekly at the Kiosk.

We need help from parents in the way of coaches, bench duty and referees. If you can help please let Lee know.

Aussie hoops will commence next Thursday at 4pm.

PBL
Our PBL focus for week 5 and 6 is from the ‘Be Respectful’ value. We are focussing on being respectful in the way we speak to others. This includes how we say things, not just what we say. Students ‘caught’ speaking nicely will be given ‘You Beauts’. In Week 6 we will be reminded about respecting equipment, in the class and in the playground. Equipment must be looked after and returned to where it was taken from.

Some children are getting close to bronze, silver and even gold stars. Children are reminded that when they receive enough credits for their next level it must be approved at a PBL meeting where staff can voice their approval or concerns over behaviour.

Kerryn Cassidy.

This newsletter is produced with the support of the following local businesses:

4B Blog
WOW it is week 5 already, how time flies when you are having fun. We have been busy creating an awesome prop for the Book Fair which is on in our school starting Monday 2nd of March. We have been very busy writing up a storm. We have been using some very interesting stimulus pictures and writing about the 100 year celebration of the ANZAC’s.

We are getting lots of stickers on our Lolly Jar as part of the Library borrowing reward system and there could be lots more on there, so remember that our borrowing day is Thursday. However if you have a book at home you can return it any time during the week, just bring it in.

Just a friendly reminder to have all your equipment ready for learning in the classroom, pencils and erasers are the main supplies needed, also that they are clearly marked.

It has been great getting to know all the parents and students whilst doing the PLP meetings. If I have been unable to speak to you, please contact the front office to arrange a time.

Many Smiles

Miss Brettschneider – 4B Class Teacher.

Class News – 6C
Students have been very excited about beginning their work relating to ‘Charlie and the Chocolate Factory’. The students have selected their own activities to work on from the ‘Rubric’ which allows for a range of learning styles. They are required to organise their equipment needed for their own learning.

Merit winners last week were Bryce Hickson, Drew Matthews and Damon Jarvis. Raffle winner was Bella Beaumont. Our maths topics this week are addition/subtraction; we are revising trading, and also decimals relating to money. Our times table this week is 7’s.

In Science we have begun to look at electrical circuits and how they work. This week our focus in HSIE is on a storm. We have been using some very interesting stimulus pictures and writing about the 100 year celebration of the ANZAC’s.

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Clean Up Australia Day
This Friday, February 27, our school will be participating in “Clean Up Australia”. Each class will be given an area around the school grounds to clean up. If you have gloves available could you please send them in with your child?
Thank you – Miss K. Brettschneider.

Class News - 3M
I’d like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has made the effort to come in for a PLP meeting in the last few weeks, it has been wonderful to meet some of you and discuss your child’s learning goals! Please keep sending in fruit and a water bottle with your child every day, it is much appreciated.

Some of our students enjoying literacy groups...

Coby & Thomas
Adam & Ky
Shania, Isabella & Xavier
Destiny, Aaliyah & Mia

Danielle McConnell - 3M Class Teacher.

JOHN O’BRIEN KIDS DISCO
Friday 13th March
Dress-up if you dare!
Kindergarten to Year 6
Upstairs at the Narrandera Ex-Servicemen’s Club.
Refreshments available.

Time: 5.30pm to 7.00pm
Entry: $5
Class News - 3J

3J has started learning how to play ukuleles this term. We are enjoying the challenge of learning how to play this instrument, how to look after them and how to tune them. Learning a musical instrument is very beneficial for our other learning too. Here are some ways that learning to play an instrument can help us:

- Increases the capacity of your memory;
- Refines your time management and organisational skills;
- Teaches you perseverance;
- Enhances your coordination;
- Helps you with mathematics;
- Improves your reading and comprehension skills;
- Sharpens your concentration;
- Fosters your self-expression and relieves stress;
- Boosts your listening skills;
- Teaches you discipline; and
- Promotes happiness in your life and those around you.

(adapted from effectivemusicteaching.com)

We look forward to sharing with you our new musical skills in the future!

Karla Jamieson - 3J Class Teacher.

Class News - 4D

WOW, Week 5 already! 4D have been doing some fantastic learning in the classroom. The reading strategy we have been focusing on is visualising. We have been listening to the words that authors are using, picturing the image in our minds and then drawing them down on paper. We have also been using this to make our own writing more interesting by using more descriptive language. Today we will be doing a different type of visualising and creating a story by using Aboriginal symbols.

In maths we have been focusing on addition and subtraction. If you haven’t heard it yet, ask your child to sing you our subtraction song!

I would like to send out a MASSIVE thank you to Malakye’s Mum, Jessica, who brought me in 10 rolls of contact to cover all the student’s books in the classroom. Thank you very much! This will keep Miss Dunn busy for a while! 😊

If you haven’t booked in a time for a PLP meeting for your child, please expect a call from me tomorrow!

Please remember our door is always open, so feel free to drop in!

Miss Bianca Dunn - 4D Class Teacher.
**LNPSSA Carnival Wrap**

Last Friday, 20th of February, we held the LNPSSA Swimming Carnival at the Lake Talbot swimming complex. Students from Narrandera Public, Leeton Public, Parkview Public and the small schools of Yanco, Wamoon and Whitton-Murrami attended the carnival. All students demonstrated magnificent sportsmanship and there was a lot of encouragement from everyone. Thank you so much to all parents who came down to the pool and helped out with time keeping or were there for the kids. All our students swam their little hearts out. Heath Chappell and Bradley Hutchison were runners up champions in their age group. Later this week the students will be notified if they were successful in gaining a position at the next level in Albury, which will be held Monday the 9th of March. Many thanks again to all the parents and staff that assisted me in the organisation and running of the swimming carnival. It would not have run so smoothly without your assistance.

Many Smiles

Miss K. Brettschneider.
NARRANDERA PUBLIC SCHOOL INFORMER

NPS BOOK FAIR!

DATE: MONDAY 2ND MARCH
UNTIL FRIDAY 6TH MARCH
TIME: LUNCHTIMES AND AFTER SCHOOL
PLACE: NPS LIBRARY

LOTS OF BOOKS, POSTERS, COOL STATIONERY ITEMS
AND LOTS MORE AVAILABLE WITH PRICES STARTING AT $1.00

Every purchase helps our School buy more great books for our School Library.
Everyone is welcome!!!

2015 NSW PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

Once again, students are able to participate in the “NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge”. The challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more, and to read more widely. The Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students in Kindergarten to Year 6. The PRC starts 2nd March 2015 and students must complete a set amount of reading to meet the challenge by 28th August, 2015.

K – Year 2
25 PRC books plus 5 others
Year 3 – Year 4
15 PRC books plus 5 others
Year 5 – Year 6
15 PRC books plus 5 others

It would be wonderful to see as many of our students as possible participating in the challenge this year. To do so you first need to complete the attached permission slip and return it to the Library as soon as possible.

Please see me if you have any further questions.

Happy reading!

Mrs Brooke Absolom

* * * * * * * * * * * Please return by Friday, 27th February, 2015 * * * * * * * * * * *

“2015 NSW PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE” Consent Form

I hereby consent to ________________________________ of class ______ participating in the 2015 “NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge”.

__________________________
(Signature of Parent or Guardian)

_____ / _____ / 2015

Please return this permission slip to Mrs Absolom in the library by Friday, 27th February, 2015.