**Safety Concerns Coming To and From School**

Recently, I had to have a chat with some children who were riding their bikes/ scooters to and from school. A couple of them didn’t have helmets and on one occasion, I had a bus driver report to the front office that a child was narrowly missed by the bus as they flew through the intersection on their bicycle without looking.

I must ask all parents to have a chat to their children regarding safety, road rules and general sensible options when they are travelling to and from school.

I also ask all parents and community members to assist the school by not parking in the car park or using this area as a drop off point. This will also help out with safety risks.

My biggest fear is making a phone call to a family informing them of an injury to their child because they weren’t safety conscious.

**ICT improvements to the School**

Over the holiday break, our school in conjunction with our ICT department have commenced stage one in making the school completely wireless. We have commenced putting in the infrastructure into some of the buildings. This will allow all classrooms to access the internet, school & department servers as well as allow all children to be on a device at the same time.

This will provide greater opportunities for children at Narooma PS to access 21st Century learning technologies and lessons keeping our children up-to-date with the latest developments in education and learning.

ICT are looking at configuring the system in the not-to-distant future so we can start looking at classrooms accessing this facility. Next year, we will continue fundraising to complete the work as cost is a factor in completing the entire school all at once.

I will keep the community informed of any developments that arise in relation to this project.

**Well Done Anna!**

One of our Year 6 students was instrumental in organising the fundraiser for MND last weekend at Kianga Beach. Congratulations Anna Rogerson for all of your hard work.

I am led to believe that the day rose over $2000. This is a remarkable feat!

**Year 5 Berry Camp.**

Year 5 student will be traveling to Berry Sport & Recreation Camp for this entire week. They will complete many wonderful activities and get to experience opportunities most probably haven’t had before.

I hope they all have a great time and I look forward to seeing the photos which we will put on our Facebook page when they come back to school.

**Special Swimming Scheme**

Just a reminder, our two week swim school program started today. This program is an excellent program teaching children water safety and building children’s confidence and self-esteem.

Hopefully, all children remember their costume, towel and other essential items.

**Staff Information.**

Mrs Leanne Kenna has taken long service leave which commenced today Monday October 13 and she will be returning to her duties on Friday November 7. During this time, Mr Daniel Roberts will be taking the Wallabies class.

Mr. Roberts is definitely a familiar face within the school and he will ensure the teaching and learning programs for the Wallabies will be implemented without any interruptions.

Thankyou,
Paul Sweeney
Principal

**Kindergarten 2015 Teddy Bears Picnic**

Thursday, October 16th
11.45 am to 12.45 am.

**P & C Annual Fundraiser**

We are running our annual fundraiser where we are giving you the opportunity to have your child’s artwork placed on your choice of calendar, diary, cards, mousemat or iphone cover.

Order forms have been sent home.

Prices: Calendar - $14
Diary - $18
8 pkt cards - $14
Mousemat - $14
Iphone 4/4s and 5/5s covers - $15

Please ensure all orders and money are returned your child’s class teacher by this Friday, October 17th.

**BookClub**

Welcome back my little bookworms.

Issue 7 is out and please return orders by Thursday, October 16th with money, name and class.

Cheers
Emma 44 767232.

**SRC**

The SRC raised $350 which will be donated to Bear Cottage and Breast Cancer Research Institute. Special thanks to Cameron Rowley of Narooma Electrical who volunteered his services to lighting up the Disco and to Dave Moore for donating his time and equipment.

**Term 4 Whole School Assemblies**

Week 2 - Band to present an item.
Week 4 - Kingfishers
Week 5 - Possums
Week 6 - Dolphins
Week 8 - Stingrays.

**Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER)**

Students from our school will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $20 per student under the parliament and Civics Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.
Year 6 Excursion
A reminder that all money needs to be paid by this Friday, October 17th.

Spring Bush Dance
Saturday, November 1st
6 pm to 10.30 pm
Tilba Halls
Tickets $25
Children $10 (5 - 16 years)
Family $50 (adults and 3 children)
Pre-schoolers free.
Includes spit roast, live music and dancing.
Tickets from Tilba School, Pams Store.
For enquiries phone 44 737210.
Supper $2 per person.
Great prizes to be won.
All proceeds to Central Tilba P & C.
For catering purposes all tickets need to be purchased by October 28th.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD
Please Note: The NSW Department of Education and Communities does not endorse any product or service.

Narooma and District Little Athletics 2014/2015
Registration fees are 1st child - $85, 2nd child $75, 3 or more children $55 per child. You will be able to register on tomorrow and Tuesday, 21st at Bill Smyth Oval from 5 pm.
For all other registrations enquires please contact contact Brad Cummins (Registrar) on 0413 292 208.

Landcare Adventure For 12 - 14 Years
Starting on Friday, October 24th at 5 pm and finishing on Sunday, October 26th at 1 pm.
Bike and bush journey to The Crossing from Bermagui.
2 nights in a train carriage bunkhouse, plus a day of land care and building projects, an adventure trail and a canoe journey home.

Milo Into Cricket
The first session of this seasons Milo cricket will be held on Friday, 17th October from 3.15pm till 4 pm on the school oval. All boys and girls aged between 6 and 11 are welcome. Registration will take place on the same day. The sessions will be held weekly on Fridays from 3.15 pm to 4 pm concluding on December 12th. The cost will be $60 for all participants which will include backpack, bat, ball, hat and shirt. Please contact Dean Friskin on 0407 702 662 for any further details.

Upcoming Cricket Season
Under 12’s
Registration of Under 12s cricket will be held at the school cricket nets on Friday, October 17th. Our first training session will commence at 4.14 pm and run for approximately one hour.
For further information contact Dean Friskin on 0407 702 662.

Get Your Kids Into The T20 Action
Milo T20 Blast gives girls and boys the opportunity to play fun games of cricket in an active and social setting, just like their big bash league heroes. It’s loads of fun and everyone gets a go at developing their batting, bowling and fielding skills whilst playing in tennis.
Plus all kids receive a bonus player when they register.
Register today at T20blast.com.au

Moruya Junior Touch Football Competition for 2014
Slight change to competition start. Trial games Monday, October 13th at Gundary Oval, Moruya at 4.30 pm.
First competition day will Monday, October 20th with times tba.
Competition will be mixed for ages up to 16 years old.
Registration days will be today and Wednesday, October 15th at Gundary Oval between 4 and 5 pm or come early on October 20 to register at 4 pm.
For more information contact Dave 0438 136 719 or Nigel on 0409 916 369.
Come along sign up make new friends and have fun.

Narooma Redbacks Soccer Club Presentation
The Narooma Redbacks will be holding their Presentation Day 11.30 am to 2 pm, Sunday, October 26th at Dalmeny Oval.
There will be a sausage sizzle, giant slide and trophies for all players. See you there!

Performance Opportunity For Our Talented Young Musicians
A special Junior Club Muzo is being held on Friday, November 14th commencing at 6 pm.
We have an hour and half opportunity to showcase our amazingly talented students.
Club Muzo is held at Club Narooma (on the flat) every second Friday night of the month, except for this month and January, 2015 commencing at 8 pm.
It is a wonderful celebration of local talent. Come and celebrate!!! Call Mrs Antill on 44 763048.

Narooma Nippers Registration Day
Sunday, October 19th
10 am to 2 pm
More information available on the website.
naroomasurfcub.org.au

2014-2015 Family Energy Rebate
Apply before midnight, June 16, 2015.
What Is The Family Energy Rebate? The Family Energy rebate helps cover the cost of energy bills for NSW households with dependent children. In 2014-2015 the rebate gives:
* A $150 credit on electricity bills for eligible applicants who hold an account with an electricity retailer.
* A $165 direct payment to nominated bank accounts for eligible applicants who live in a residential community (caravan or mobile home park) and receive electricity from the park operator.

Am I Eligible For The Rebate? To be eligible you MUST:
* Be a NSW resident; and
* Have been assessed by the federal Department of Human Services (DHS) as being eligible for the Family Tax benefit (FTB) A or B at any time during the 2013-2014 financial year, and have received an FTB payment in respect of that eligibility; and
* Be an account holder of an electricity retailer, or a long-term resident of a residential community (caravan or mobile home park), whose name appears on the electricity account for supply to her or his principal place of residence.

What Do I Need To Do Before I Apply? Before you apply, here’s a quick checklist. Have you:
* Lodged your tax return for 2013-14 with the Australian Taxation office or informed the Department of Human services (DHS) if you are not required to lodge a tax return?
* Received confirmation from DHS as to your eligibility for Family Tax Benefit A or B for 2013-2014?

HOW TO APPLY
* ONLINE - it takes just two minutes to submit an application. Processing starts immediately. Visit: https://applications.fer.trade.nsw.gov.au/
* PAPER - download a form from the website, complete and submit by email, fax or post.

* Use this form if you receive your electricity from the operator of the residential community where you live. For more information and Assistance.
Phone - Service NSW 13 77 88
Email - fer.program@trade.nsw.gov.au