Congratulations Boys!

Congratulations to Thomas Hodge and Coupar Woods who were selected to play in the South Coast AFL team which will play at the State AFL Championships in Term 2 at Blacktown.

Both Thomas and Coupar continue a strong representation of children from Narooma P.S. who have represented the South Coast at State Sporting events over the past three years!

Well done boys!

District Soccer Trials

As reported last newsletter, Jack Westoll, Joe Driscoll, Curtis Carlson, Byron Lonsdale-Patten and Thomas Hodge trialled for a position in the Eurobodalla District Boys’ Soccer team in Ulladulla last Friday.

I am pleased to report that Byron Lonsdale-Patten and Jack Westoll were successful in gaining a position. This means that they will play next term in the South Coast Championship hoping to gain a position in the South Coast team!

Well done Boys!

South Coast Tennis Trials

Also, as reported last newsletter, Sophie Foster and Jemma Laurie trialled for a position in the South Coast Tennis team in Ulladulla last Wednesday.

The competition was extremely strong and unfortunately our school didn’t get anyone selected into this squad.

Bad luck girls!

District Netball Trials

The school has selected three teams of girls to participate in the Gala day and to trial at Broulee on Wednesday for the Eurobodalla District Netball team.

The girls selected are...

Team 1 – Emily Hudson, Elli Beecham, Abbey Dawson, Makayla Morris, Karissa Sydenham, Piper Smith, Rhianna Woods and Jemma Laurie.

Team 2 – Sarah Spooner, Kanoie Holland, Erica De Heaume, Sami Dawson, Sienna Anderson, Emily Bate, Danielle Bunney and Teagan Nicholson.

Team 3 – Ebony Davis, Jumara Moore, Milaina Café, Erin Harvey-Mauger, Minnie Lloyd-Bolt, Emily Wray, Bayley Hordpenko and Lucy Woolnough.

Good luck girls!

District Rugby League Trials

The school selected Byron Lonsdale-Patten, Tyrese Thomas, Oscar Carr,Jerry Mason, Hayden Rapley and Coupar Woods to trial in Ulladulla on Friday for a position in either the Under 11’s or the Open’s Rugby League side.

If successful, these children will be in the District team which will play for a position in the South Coast Team early in Term 2.

Good luck boys!

Roll Audit

Last week, our school had our rolls audited by the Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO). This is a timely reminder for the school to reinforce the procedures associated with attendance.

1) Children who are absent from school for any reason need to have an explanation note upon their return. After children have returned to school for 3 days without a note, this absence becomes ‘unexplained’ or ‘unjustified’. Our school recorded a higher than expected ‘unjustified’ percentage in 2014 of 35%. One of our school targets this year is to reduce this percentage.

2) Our school had a higher than anticipated number of students who fell below the 85% attendance rate, which is just acceptable for the year. The Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO) identifies students with attendance percentages below 85%. Parents may be asked to explain why their child has missed so much school. Schools are instructed to liaise with parents to ensure children have genuinely acceptable reasons for absences.

3) Our school also has identified too many children with patterns of coming late to school. Children who are continually late to school miss out on important learning time and start each morning behind. Parents need to come into the office area to sign their children in late to school otherwise this partial absence is ‘unexplained’ or ‘unjustified’. Patterns of continual lateness or ‘unjustified’ partial attendance will also be monitored by the HSLO.

To avoid having notes sent home, please ensure your child has an explanatory note for any day they are absent ready to be handed to their class teacher on the first day they return back from their absence.

Teacher Professional Learning

A team of our teachers will be attending a wonderful Professional Development opportunity this week titled HOW2Learn. HOW stands for Higher Order Working to Learn.
which will help keep our teaching and learning programs within the school at the cutting edge ensuring quality outcomes and opportunities are experienced by the children.

Mrs Stebbing, Mrs Hodge, Mrs Osgood and I will be attending this three-day course in Wollongong from Tuesday-Thursday.

If the community needs to contact the school, please see either one of the remaining Assistant Principals, Mrs Murphy or Mrs Giblett.

Paul Sweeney
Principal

2016 Enrolment Year 7 Narooma High School
Expression Of Interest Forms
Forms were given out to Year 6 students last week.
Please complete the forms as soon as possible and return them to the class teacher.
Please note that forms should be completed and returned even if your child may be attending another school in 2016. Forms due back by Friday, March 20.

Scripture, Dhurramah and Ethics Classes Update
Classes are held each Thursday between recess and lunchtime.
Students elect to attend Scripture, non-Scripture or Ethics classes. Ethics classes are full.
Aboriginal students are invited to attend Dhurramah classes with Miss Thomas.
Classes for Term 1 will finish on Thursday, April 2 and will resume in Term 2 on Thursday, April 30.
If you have any queries concerning these classes, please contact Therese Short.

WSA Thursday, 1.55 pm
Koalas will present their item.
Week 10 item will be presented by Penguins.

Year 5 Book Covering
Year 5 have a new literacy resource which contains paperback readers.
Please contact Mrs Giblett if you can assist with covering the readers.

School Website
Find us by Googling Narooma Public School home.
If you wish to make an online payment for any activity, click on Our school in top banner, then Online Payments (bottom item of lefthand menu) and follow the instructions from there.

Foyer Display
The items on display in the foyer this week are supplied by Sharks and Whales.

Uniform News
The P&C Uniform Shop will be taking orders for winter stock from March 23 to April 2.
All orders need to be paid for when the order is placed.
Volunteers are needed to keep the uniform shop open on Mondays and Wednesdays, 9.00-9.30am. If you can help, please phone Jo on 0457186204.

Election Day BBQ
The P&C has approval to operate a BBQ and cake stall at the Narooma Polling Booth at the Leisure Centre on March 28. The BBQ will operate from 8am to 6pm.
Donations of cakes and slices will be much appreciated. These can be dropped off at the Leisure Centre any time during the day.
Volunteers are needed to run the stall. Please phone Jo on 0457186204.

P & C Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser
Order forms for hot cross buns went home today. Please return orders and money to the school by Wednesday, March 29th.

Book Club
Books have arrived!
Any problems phone Ginny on 44 767119.

You are invited to attend the
Mums’ & Booris’ Group
Monday, March 30
Narooma Public School SACC room 12.00pm - 2.00pm.
Light lunch provided. Bring a hat and water bottle.

Narooma Public School P & C
Easter Egg Basket Raffle
Tickets need to be returned to school by Tuesday, 24th March.

Warm Up For Winter
QUOTA Narooma invites you to a one of a kind fashion parade. Saturday, March 28 Montague Room, Club Narooma 1.30pm for prompt 2pm start. $15.00 includes afternoon tea and a chance for a lucky door prize.
All proceeds to Nardy House, a facility for people with profound physical and/or intellectual disabilities.

NSW Fisheries Kids’ Fishing Workshop
Tuross Head
Tuesday, April 14
8-14 year olds.
Bookings essential. Phone 42 208484 or 0438 245 190.

Break the Mould
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