Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I trust that you are all enjoying this Indian summer that has joined us for the past week or so.

Narrabeen Lakes Markets
The Narrabeen Lakes School Markets are on again in only two weeks time. Keep Saturday 7 June free in your diary from 9am-3pm. Come along and enjoy fabulous stalls with organic, hand crafted, Australian made, Fair Trade and Indigenous products. There will also be live music, pony rides and a jumping castle for the little ones. We look forward to seeing you there.

Kindy 2015
Enrolments are now open for Kindergarten in 2015 for families in our school intake zone. Please pop into the office to collect an enrolment form and return it to us at your earliest convenience.

As our planning for 2015 is already underway, it is important that current Narrabeen Lakes families with siblings starting next year also enrol as soon as possible. The provision of our school staffing is very much dependent on Kindergarten student numbers - your early enrolment will provide us with greater clarity about the number of teachers we can expect to engage in 2015.

Dates for future school tours can also be found on our website at: http://web1.narrablks-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/tourdays.htm

Variation to Staff Development Day
As you will be aware, at the end of every school year the teachers in NSW Public Schools stay on for two additional Staff Development Days of Teacher Professional Learning. I wish to notify the school community that Narrabeen Lakes Public School is requesting a change to one of these Staff Development Days on Friday, 19 December (the last day of the school year and a pupil free day). We wish to move this day to Saturday, 13 September in Term Three. The rationale is that staff will use the Saturday to engage with the new K-6 Maths syllabus and write units of work for the school year 2015 following on from professional learning undertaken in Term Three. This request has been endorsed by the P&C but is subject to approval by the Director, Public Schools, New South Wales.

Term Fees
A final reminder that Term Two accounts for excursions and events taking place this term are due.

Dates for Your Diary
- 22 May 2014  Yr 1 Walking Excursion Narrabeen
- 22 May 2014  Zone Cross Country
- 23 May 2014  Walk Safely to School Day
- 27 May 2014  Yrs 3 & 4 Excursion “The Rocks”
- 28 May 2014  Excursion CARES Year 5
- 29 May 2014  Band at War Vets
- 3 June 2014  School Tour 9.30 am
- 4 June 2014  ICAS Science
- 5 June 2014  PCS Music Festival Rehearsals
- 7 June 2014  School Markets
- 17 June 2014  ICAS Spelling
- 22 June 2014  Dance Opera House
- 24 June 2014  Recorder Group Opera House
- 26 June 2014  School Tour
- 14 July 2014  Pupil Free/ Staff Development Day
- 15 July 2014  Students return Term Three
by Friday 23 May. Thank you for the very prompt response from those who have already paid their term accounts. So far this year, approximately 50% of families have paid their annual school fees. The fees you pay are an essential supplement to the annual funding received from the NSW DEC. The School Fee for 2014 is $95 per child ($68 for School Curriculum Materials and $27 for Technology Levy). The contribution was initially billed on the Term One account and can be paid anytime throughout the year. The School Curriculum Materials contribution assists the school to purchase classroom resources such as photocopy paper, art supplies, exercise books etc.

The Technology Levy has been introduced to meet the costs of providing a 21st century, technology focused education for our students. In particular, it pays for subscriptions to technology programs such as Mathletics, Reading Eggs and the Primary Parent Planner app. It also assists with the purchase of apps for our new iPads and the maintenance, repair and replacement of this mobile technology. Your contribution is greatly appreciated in the context of our school’s overall finances. Should you have any difficulties making these payments, please feel free to contact me.

Walk Safely to School Day
This Friday 23 May we celebrate the annual Walk Safely to School Day. This event highlights a combination of issues, among them: healthy exercise habits, public transport, the need for pedestrian safety, and environmental pollution. For further information visit walk.com.au

Reforms to P&C Federation
The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department’s website at http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/a-z/involvement.php.

Zone Cross Country
Good luck to all our students taking part in the Zone Cross Country this Thursday. We know that you will be excellent ambassadors for our school.

Student Achievement:
Archie M, 1GJ—40 Blue
Mikayla S, 5M—10 Blue
Cody P, 1H—10 Blue
Charlie R, 1H—10 Blue
Jamila S, 2AJ—10 Red
Georgia R, 3D—10 Red
Layla G, 4M—10 Red
Jasmin F, 3D—10 Green

House Points:
- Stingrays 1st 10 points
- Sharks 2nd 9 point
- Dolphins 3rd 9 points

Wishing you an excellent week,
Andy Rankin
Principal

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PITTWATER PSSA WINTER DRAW 2014
Girls—Soccer  Girls—Netball
Boys Soccer

Soccer venue listed in brackets below
Netball ALWAYS at Boondah, Warriewood

Please note the following dates for PSSA:

- 23 May  NLPS vs Wheeler Heights (Boondah)
- 30 May  NLPS vs Bilgola Plateau (Kitchener)
- 06 June  GALA DAY (to be advised)
- 13 June  BYE
- 20 June  NLPS vs Narrabeen North (Narra Nth)
- 27 June  NO GAME
- 18 July  NLPS vs Avalon (Boondah)
- 25 July  NLPS vs Elanora Heights (Kitchener)
- 01 August NLPS vs Mona Vale (Kitchener)
- 08 August NLPS vs Collaroy Plateau (Boondah)
- 15 August WASH OUT if required
- 22 August WASH OUT if required

PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION onto any relatives that may wish to see your child play.

HUNGRY CHILDREN
With the cooler weather fast approaching, many children look forward to a little extra food in their lunch boxes.

We have had a few children coming to the office still feeling hungry after finishing their morning tea and lunch.

Please discuss this with your children and ensure they have adequate food to stay nourished throughout the day.
Take 3 For the Sea Committee Presents

GO GREEN MUFTI DAY

on Thursday 29 May.

The Take 3 Committee is working on preparations to raise awareness of the Take 3 program on this day which will include:

- Mufti day with an environmental / green / sea turtle theme
- Competition for best dressed person in each class
- Encouraging everyone to bring in a rubbish free lunch
- Dedicating some time to walk the school grounds / areas and collecting rubbish for disposal or recycling.

Please note that there is NO donation required, just a willingness to help pick up rubbish around the area!

Parents can also join in by looking at the Take 3 website with their children (http://www.take3.org.au/) and discuss how you can help at home or when you are at the beach or park.

Thank you

Mr Casey and the Take 3 Committee
**YEAR 1**

We’ve had a busy start to Term Two. In the first week we had a visit from “Gil the dog” from the responsible pet ownership group. The children learned about how to look after pets, how dogs act if they are scared, angry or happy and how or when to approach an unfamiliar dog. Be sure to ask your children some of the rules.

We are learning about products and services in our HSIE cross class groups. Miss Garden has been discussing healthy and not so healthy products, and running some healthy games to keep our bodies in tip top shape. The children are painting lovely still-life pictures with Mrs Kirkland to appreciate the beauty of the simple everyday products. Mr Chapman is teaching the children about assembly manufacturing lines through music and drama - look out for some noisy robots.

Year 1 have been having a great time participating in cross number groups learning about Whole Number and Patterns and Algebra.

This week we are off to Narrabeen shops to visit Woolworths and the Commonwealth Bank.

Year 1 is lots of fun.

Mrs Kirkland, Miss Garden and Mr Chapman

**ADMINISTRATION NEWS**

Families with children only in Kindergarten or Year 1 maybe wondering why you hadn’t received a term account?

Any families of Kindergarten or Year 1 students that **had paid** their school fees before the beginning of Term Two resulted in no accounts being issued as there were no further charges for those grades for Term Two. You will note that you also didn’t get a ‘blue’ Term Two permission form for your child either but there will be one for Term Three.

We trust this clears any concerns that families may have had concerning missing communications.

Families with outstanding accounts are reminded that it would be appreciated that they are cleared by **Friday 23 May**. It should be noted that ALL excursion need to be paid for **prior** to the date of each excursion.

If paying by direct debit to the school’s account **PLEASE ensure that you include your child’s surname** and send your banking receipt details into the school’s **RED** box in the foyer the next day.

There have been a number of split families this term saying that they ‘didn’t get an account’ when they knew there should have been one for their child/children. This maybe because the account was addressed to your child’s other parent. **PLEASE ensure it is passed on and not simply discarded otherwise your child may miss out on an extremely worthwhile and enjoyable activity.**

Thank you,

Elizabeth Mackenzie

School Administration Manager

**MINI-MOS COMMUNITY FUN RUN & FAIR**

**SUNDAY 15 JUNE, 2014**

Registrations are now open for this years Mini-Mos Community Fun Run and Fair. There are three races to choose from—2km, 5km or 10km—so every family member can be involved. We are offering early bird rates for first 250 people in each race to sign up, so register soon.

**Register on the website:**

mini-mos.com
CALL FOR CHOCOLATES

Please help Narrabeen Lakes Public School make our Market Day on Saturday 7 June a success by Donating “Bite sized Chocolates for our Chocolate Wheel.

PLEASE BRING THE CHOCOLATE TO THE OFFICE.

Remember, the success of this day means a lot to NLPS!
"THE PITTWATER SHORT STORY AWARD"

Calling all keen story writers amongst our students in Years 4, 5 and 6!!

Why not take part in this competition?

**Age category:** 9 – 12 years

**Length:** No more than 500 words

**Prize:** $100 Berkelouw book voucher

See Mrs Machar in the Library for more details.
FREE two day workshop and information sessions for PARENTS/CARERS of school age students on the autism spectrum

Workshop: 2014NSWPC8 Location: Northern Beaches

The Positive Partnerships initiatives have been developed and delivered by Partnerships between Education and the Autism Community (PEAC) and funded by the Australian Government Department of Education, through the Helping Children with Autism package.

What will you learn?
As a result of participating in the workshops and information sessions as parents/carers you will gain:
- a greater understanding of the impact of autism on your child, both at school and at home
- knowledge about how to develop effective parent, school and teacher partnerships
- specific strategies on how to:
  - advocate for your child
  - support your child’s participation at school
  - develop an awareness of ongoing learning needs
- information about your local school system's processes
- opportunities to network and share strategies with other parents/carers and key community members
- opportunities for discussion around a range of topics relevant to students with an ASD and their families

Some key community representatives that support families living with autism will be identified and invited to participate in the workshop with a view to supporting a community focus beyond the workshop.

Workshop details
Venue: Bayview Golf Club
1825 Pittwater Road, Bayview NSW 2104

When: Two day workshop – Tuesday 3 & Wednesday 4 June 2014
Day 1: 9.00 am - 4.30 pm (Registration from 8.15 am)
Day 2: 9.00 am - 3.30 pm

Registration opens Monday 28 April 2014 and closes 2 days prior.
Registration may stay open until one day before the workshop if spaces are still available, but we strongly recommend that you register as soon as possible.
You will receive a confirmation of your registration.
Online registrations preferred: please go to the website www.positivepartnerships.com.au.

POSITIVE PARTNERSHIPS WORKSHOP INFORMATION LINE NUMBER: 1300 881 971
Sorry Day

Sunday 25th May 2014 - 3pm
Remembrance Walk

Aboriginal Support Group – Manly Warringah Pittwater

Members and interested members of the community, meet at Berry Park Narrabeen where a Welcome to Country will be given and small talk, then a silent walk to the Scout Hall Bilalong Reserve, Wakehurst Parkway, a journey of healing to remember the Stolen Generations, the children and their families and the meaning and repercussions of this to all Australians today. When the walkers arrive at the Scout Hall they will be greeted with a cup of tea or cold drink and refreshment.

The Day will be commemorated with:

♦ Smoking Ceremony & Welcome to Country
♦ Small hand out to all children, wrist bands etc.
♦ Boomerang painting, Craft and Jewellery making for the children with a show at the end of the day with what they have made
♦ A talk on the Stolen Generations by Robynne Quiggin, CEO of the Australian Indigenous Governance Institute (a member of the Stolen Generations)
♦ The McMinn Aboriginal Dancers and didgeridoo playing
♦ Singing by a local Aboriginal girl. She is deadly!
♦ The BBQ is going all the time and refreshment will be available throughout the day
♦ The day concludes at about 5.30pm
♦ This is a free event

An opportunity for Aboriginal People and non-Aboriginal People to come together the way it should be.

2014 Guringai Festival

“Wellness and Wellbeing for all People”

PO Box 129 Narrabeen NSW 2101  Telephone/Fax 9913 7940  www.ASGMWP.net  ABN 17 603 318 271
Friends of Narrabeen Lagoon Catchment

invite you to share this forum ..........

Guringai Heritage and Shared History

7pm Monday May 26, 2014
Narrabeen Tramshed
1935a Pittwater Rd, Narrabeen

Learn from Neil Evers and Julie Janson about proposals to erect dual signage that acknowledges Aboriginal archaeology, shared history and use of the natural environment. Hear about Aboriginal interpretive walks.

See Clair Jackson and friends show contemporary local Aboriginal artwork.

Jenny Harris will talk about the proposal for adaptive re-use of Waratah Park in relation to Gai-mariagal Aboriginal Owned National Park.

Free entry but we ask for a donation to cover costs.
Book your tickets now. Phone: 9905 2135
Email: Judith Bennett <email@narrabeenlagoon.org.au>
Free parent workshop in Warringah LGA

Understanding Bullying

Bullying in Australian schools is a huge concern for teachers, parents and students. While schools are promoted as a safe place for children and anti-bullying policies are in place, there is a gap in linking parents and school professionals to work together in understanding and providing early intervention.

This workshop will assist parents in identifying bullying, the different forms of bullying and what proactive strategies can be implemented. With appropriate support and intervention, the impact of bullying can be lessened and children can feel safe at school.

There will be 30 minutes at 8:00pm for open questions with Psychologist, Lisa Moore.

Date: Tuesday 3rd June, 2014  
Time: 5:30pm—8:00pm  
Venue: Curl Curl North Public School  
Playfair Road, North Curl Curl NSW 2099  
Cost: FREE for parents and carers*

To Register: Call (02) 8568 8200  
Bookings essential.

* Proudly supported by Dee Why RSL Club.

Your Presenter

Lisa Moore is a Registered Psychologist who has worked with children from birth to 18 years since 2001.

She has worked in Private Practice and provided counselling in schools across Sydney. Lisa supports her clients and their families with issues including anxiety, depression, behaviour management and bullying.

In addition to this, Lisa is a Presenter with Learning Links delivering programs to parents and professionals in the areas of Bullying, Resilience Building and other topics.