Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I trust that you all had a very enjoyable long weekend. The term is racing by and we find ourselves with only one more week until reports go home and parent teacher interviews begin.

**Parent/teacher interviews booking online**

You will by now have received information about how to book an interview with your child’s teacher. The school is using a web-based service called schoolinterviews.com.au and booking an interview is a simple three step process. Please see the flyer in this newsletter for full instructions.

Reports go home on Thursday 19 June and interviews will be held at school between Monday 23 June and Friday 27 June.

**Narrabeen Lakes Markets**

Thank you to everyone who attended our second market day of the year last Saturday. We were blessed with perfect weather and a HUGE turnout of shoppers from the local community and further afield. Funds raised from the market will go directly into funding projects to benefit students at our school.

In a very big thumbs up for our organising team, a number of stallholders reported that this is the best organised market that they attend. Thank you to the small but highly effective team who gave up their time to help on the day – it was a great effort whether you were working in the canteen, on the BBQ, or helping in sideshow alley. Special mention must go to Lisa Gillespie, Jennifer Sheehan, and Gerri Tiller who were the chief architects of the day. We are already looking forward to an even bigger event for our next market on Saturday 6 September – put it down in your diary now, especially if you can give an hour or so of your time to assist on the day.

**School Uniform**

I must say a big THANK YOU to parents, caregivers and students because the number of students wearing correct uniform at our school is consistently high. Pride in uniform translates very strongly into pride in oneself and the school.

With the colder, wetter weather finally arriving, please ensure that your child has a jumper and a raincoat in their bag at all times. As you know, the weather can turn from mild to very cold and wet in a matter of minutes. I’m sure you can imagine, a shivering and wet student does not produce the highest standard of work!

**Dates for Your Diary**

- 17 June 2014 ICAS Spelling
- 22 June 2014 Dance Opera House
- 24 June 2014 Recorder Group Opera House
- 26 June 2014 School Tour
- 26 June 2014 School Disco
- 27 June 2014 Last Day of Term 2
- 14 July 2014 Pupil Free/ Staff Development Day
- 15 July 2014 Students return Term Three

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**Respect**

**Responsibility**

**Have a Go!**
**Bike safety**
Please remember, students riding a bike to school must always wear a helmet.

**Enrolments now open**
The office is now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2015. If you are ‘in area’ for our school, or have siblings here, and know that you will be choosing Narrabeen Lakes in 2015, your prompt enrolment would be greatly appreciated.

It may seem like months away, but having a clear picture of student numbers for Kindergarten next year will very much help the school with our forward planning and budgeting. We look forward to seeing you in the office soon.

**School Tour**
The next school tour for parents considering Narrabeen Lakes Public School for 2015 is on Thursday 26 June. Please meet me in the office foyer at 9.30am.

**Does speaking another language at home confuse children?**
Are your children fortunate enough to be growing up in a home where two or more languages are spoken? Many parents worry that bilingualism can cause confusion and even delays in learning for their children, but according to the Raising Children Network, that’s not the case at all. A good knowledge of your native language can actually help your child with learning English. Bilingual children who are read books and spoken to in their in their native language find it easier to learn to read and write in English when they get to school. More information is at www.bit.ly/1m0agnk

**Student Achievement**
Good luck to all students participating in the Mini-Mos Community Fun Run this Sunday. Thanks to Mr Alderton for organising.

**House Points:**
- Stingrays 14
- Dolphins 13
- Sharks 12

Enjoy the rest of the 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

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

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**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

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**“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.
Year 4 News

Our excursion to The Rocks enhanced the children’s understanding of life for the early settlers, as they studied 'Our Fleeting Past' and the novel 'Playing Beatie Bow'. We have also been creating artworks to celebrate NAIDOC Week.

S. Mayo & J. Phillips
BAND MATTERS

We now have 3 bands in full swing.

- TRAINING BAND - rehearses every Tuesday 3.10-4pm.
- CONCERT BAND - rehearses Wednesdays 8.10 – 9am.
- PERFORMANCE BAND - rehearses Mondays 3.10 – 4pm.

We have also created a COMBINED BAND which is Concert & Performance Bands playing together. Our Combined Band will be performing in the Northern Beaches Music Festival on Friday 20 June.

This is a very exciting event as it is our first performance this year outside of school and also the first performance for some of our band members. The Music Festival is held at Pittwater High School and we will need all our Combined Band members to be at Pittwater’s School Hall at 4.20pm and finish 5.50pm. Please allow enough time for parking. Non-performing audience members can purchase tickets at the door for $5.00 per adult, $3.00 concession or $10.00 per family. Rachel will meet our band members there. If you have any further questions regarding this event, please don’t hesitate to contact me – Tracy 0434 395 460.

Please encourage your kids to do a little extra practice at home. This will be a fun, positive music environment for our kids to enjoy their first performance together.

For the next few weeks leading up to this performance we will need all our Concert and Performance bands to be at every Monday and Wednesday rehearsals.

Combined rehearsals will be on the following dates: 11/06/14, 16/06/14 and 18/06/14.

Pick it up. Bin It. Take3 for the Sea

Implementing Take 3 at Your School

Who?

Take 3 asks everyone to simply take three pieces of rubbish with them when they leave the beach, waterway or...anywhere! Take 3 is a movement to stop the flow of marine debris into the oceans and educate everyone about this growing threat. Take 3 empowers the community by focusing on the simple things we can all do to help.

Check out the website and videos at www.take3.org.au

Contact us if you would like Take 3 to visit your school.

Why?

Across the globe, millions of tonnes of rubbish enters the world’s oceans and waterways every year to become ‘marine debris’. Over 80% of marine debris is plastic and may persist for hundreds of years, often breaking apart into smaller and smaller pieces that are entering the food chain. Marine debris pollutes every square mile of ocean and every beach on the planet. Floating plastic travels on ocean currents to pollute remote islands and become garbage ‘patches’ in the middle of the ocean. Marine debris is responsible for the deaths of up to 1,000,000 seabirds and 100,000 marine animals every year. Take 3 insists that we all must be responsible for cleaning it up and preventing more from entering our waterways.
Dear Parents,

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held from Monday 23rd June to Friday 27th June at Narrabeen Lakes Public School. A range of times is available for the interviews either before or after school, including an evening option on Monday 23 June.

You can now book interviews at times that suit YOUR FAMILY BEST. Go to http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

Enter THIS school event code. Then follow the 3 simple steps below.

When you click finish, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - check your junk mail folder if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close on Thursday 19 June at 4pm.

IMPORTANT

No Internet?
For parents that don’t have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend’s house or on their phones, parents can still make their own bookings. Parents may send a note to school with the approximate times they require, or phone the school on 9913 7077.

Interviews are strictly 10 mins and spaces are limited. Please be prompt to your interview as late arrivals can affect the next interview's start time. If you require more time or a time different to those advertised, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Need to change your interview?
Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 9913 7077
Performance Update

OPERA HOUSE

On Sunday the 22 June, the Junior Girls Hip Hop, Junior Girls Contemporary and Junior Boys Hip Hop dance groups will be performing at the Sydney Eisteddfod at the Opera House.

Students are to meet teachers at 8am near the stage door. Students will stay back stage until the event has finished. The teachers will then bring students down to the stage door again. Please make sure you see a teacher before taking your child home. We are expecting that it will finish at around 11:30.

Tickets for this event can now be purchased online at www.sydneyeisteddfod.com.au

Tickets can also be purchased on the day at the tickets at the door. We are participating in event 526.

Thank you,
Bronwyn McDougall

PCS MUSIC FESTIVAL

Students in the Choir and the Senior Hip Hop and Senior Contemporary Dance Groups will be performing Monday the 28 July at Pittwater High School. Tickets are on sale at school (order forms have been sent home). Orders must be returned by 20 June with payment to the red box. There are no tickets sold at the door.

If you have any enquiries please see Mrs. Kirkland.

Thank you,
Mrs. Kirkland
Mad hatter disco
Thursday 26 June

Put on a mad hat and join the fun!
Music, lights, prizes, karaoke!

Years K-2 disco: 5.30 – 6.45pm  Years 3-6 disco: 7.10 – 8.30pm

Access via Park Street gate only. Doors open **15 minutes before** session time. Please collect **promptly** from the school hall.

**Cost:** $5 disco only / $10 disco and dinner (2 x slices ham and cheese pizza and juice popper).

Glow bands, finger lights and flashing smiley face rings for sale on door: $0.50 - $2 each.

Please return to black box in school office by **Friday 20th June**.

Student’s full name ........................................ Class  ..............................
I enclose $5 (disco only) / $10 (disco and dinner).
I give / do not give permission for my child to receive medical treatment in case of an emergency.

Print name: ........................................ Tel: ........................................
Signature: ........................................

**Allergy information:** My child has the following special dietary or medical requirements (e.g. anaphylactic to nuts, allergic to dairy)

Helpers: We need parents to help please! Please tick time slot(s):

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