

Term 1– Week 9

26 March 2025



Denise Toohey – Principal

Grandfriends and Pink Stumps Day

This Friday 28 March, the students and staff will warmly welcome the Narromine community to our Grandfriends and Pink Stumps special showcase mini-concert commencing at 9.30am in the school hall. Join us for open classrooms with Pink Stumps activities, family biscuit decorating and morning tea (tea/coffee/cold drink supplied for the Grandfriends), following the performances. Activities will conclude at 11.30am for the students to return to class. The SRC will be selling pink cakes/slices and all things yummy to raise money and awareness for the McGrath Foundation.

PBL Positive Behaviour for Learning

Our values of respect, honesty and responsibility are being embraced by all students. Staff are rewarding the positive behaviours of our students with PBL Super Val tickets. These tickets are collected and put in the barrel for the reward draw at our whole school assemblies. Students accumulate points to participate in the 100-point reward days and class reward activities that take place throughout the term.

NAPLAN

Year 3 and Year 5 students have completed their NAPLAN assessments for 2025. I'd like to recognise and celebrate the way in which the students tried their hardest and applied

themselves to answering each and every question. It was a big few days with students completing Writing, Reading, Conventions of Language and Mathematics papers. Thank you to the staff who made the experience so doable for the students.

Mobile Phones at School

Students are discouraged from bringing mobile phones to school. If your child does need to use a phone before or after school, they are asked to drop the phone into the office for safekeeping throughout the day and collection after school. Student mobile phones are not to be used on the school site.



TRANSITION TO HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION SESSION

Have you ever
wondered how high
school works?

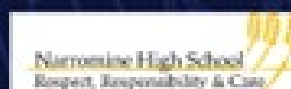
Are you interested in
learning about the
quality learning
taking place at
Narromine High
School?

Are you keen to be
informed about your
child's next learning
adventure into Year 7?

Take the opportunity
to ask questions and
learn more about
what Narromine
High School has to
offer in a friendly
environment at the
Narromine Public
School library.

Monday
31 March at 6pm

**Narromine Public
School Library**



It's never too early to make an informed decision about your child's education

Denise Toohey – Principal continued

Narromine High School Information Evening – Monday 31 March 6pm

NPS are inviting all Stage 3 students and their families to come along and enjoy a barbecue and information session with the staff from Narromine High School at our school library. This is a great opportunity to ask questions and seek more information about high school generally and Narromine High School specifically, all while in the familiar surrounds of the Narromine Public School grounds.

Kindy Playdate – Tuesday 1 April 3-4pm

The Kindergarten students and their families are being encouraged to come along, mix, mingle and have some fun at a Kindy Playdate on Tuesday 1 April. Students will have the opportunity to 'free play' in the playground from 3-4pm while families can meet and connect with each other. We hope to see all our families getting to know each other on this learning journey.

Easter Hat Parade – Friday 11 April 12-1pm

We welcome all our K-2 families to come along and enjoy the creative display of our K-2 students in the annual Easter Hat Parade. The NPS P&C will draw their famous Easter Raffle at the conclusion of the parade, with tickets on sale at the door and from the canteen or via the Qkr app from Monday 31 March.

Bikes and Scooters

Lots of children enjoy riding their bicycle or scooter to and from school and it's a great way for you to join them to stay active. Parents and carers are responsible for their child's safety on the way to and from school.

Teach your children to be safe riders by always:

- wearing a correctly fitted and helmet,
- using a well-maintained bike or scooter,
- following the road rules, and
- riding to and from school together.

KINDY PLAYDATE

Narromine Public School invites

Kindy students and their families

to a playdate and barbecue in the school playground.
Meet and mingle with the other Kindergarten families while the children enjoy free play in the playground.





Time 3-4PM Date Tuesday 1 April

RSVP to 6889 4566



A guide to correctly fitting a helmet

Always wear a helmet when you ride or skate

	Can you place just two fingers between your eyebrows and your helmet?		Can you fit just two fingers between the helmet strap and your chin?
	Do the straps join in a 'V' just below your ears?		Has an adult checked your helmet?

NSW Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW: [Information for parents and carers about safety on wheels: The law and safety advice for bicycles, foot scooters, skateboards and rollerblades](#)

Have you downloaded the School Bytes App?

Complete and submit digital permission notes, make online school payments, find school news, submit attendance and more on the app.



ROAD SAFETY INFORMATION

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR CHILDREN'S SAFETY WHEN THEY ARE TRAVELLING TO AND FROM SCHOOL.

Ride a bicycle safely

As younger children are still developing the skills needed to ride alone, the safest place to ride bikes, scooters and skateboards is within fenced areas.

Until children are at least 10 years old they should ride away from vehicles and driveways. As they are learning to ride it is important to ride or walk alongside them and talk about how to be a safe bicycle rider.

Children between 10 years old and 12 years old should ride away from busy roads.

Children under 16 and adult riders accompanying and supervising them may ride on the footpath, unless there are signs specifically prohibiting cycling.

Teach your children to be safe bicycle riders by getting them to always:

- follow bicycle road rules including:
 - ride to the left on footpaths
 - give pedestrians right of way on footpaths
 - watch out for cars entering or leaving driveways
- wear a correctly fitted bicycle helmet – it's the law
- wear bright-coloured clothing such as a vest so other road users can see them.

For further support

Go to the department's Road Safety Education program at education.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-education or visit education.nsw.gov.au and search for road safety education.

For older children, think carefully about the following when judging their ability to ride on their own:

- How safe is the travel route?
- What are their riding skills like?
- How aware are they of their surroundings in the traffic environment?
- How well can they manage unexpected hazards?

Your school will have procedures about students bringing bikes onto school grounds. Ensure your children follow these at all times.



School Breakfast 4 Health Program

One day per week, Foodbank will provide all students with a nutritious breakfast. We are still encouraging students to have breakfast at home. However, students will be able to enjoy a healthy breakfast whilst practising their language and social skills such as serving their own breakfast, packing away after eating and having social dining experiences with their peers. The weekly conversation topics are linked to our Positive Living Skills program, part of Positive Behaviour for Learning, and are listed below for you to discuss as a family.

Week 9	If you could go anywhere in the world right now, where would you go?
Week 10	What is your favourite thing to do when you are with your friends?
Week 11	Reflecting on the term, did you reach your goals or are you working towards them?

Sport

PSSA Cricket

The first of the PSSA Knockout team competitions are underway. The NPS cricketers faced Condobolin last week and despite outstanding leadership and dedication the team was defeated by a more experienced side. Their commitment and perseverance were commendable, showing great courage against a formidable pace attack. **Jock Webb - Cricket Coach**



Harmony Day

Students and staff wore orange on Friday in support of Harmony Day, the celebration that recognises diversity and brings together Australians from all different backgrounds. Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. Students participated in in-class activities around these themes.



Stage 3 Challenge Day Excursion

Stage 3 participated in Challenge Day Camp where we played games that challenged us to work as a team and communicate clearly with each other, in order to solve problems. We completed four activities during the day. The first activity involved us carrying cups of water using string to fill a bucket. The second activity required good communication to flip a tarp over while your group stood on it. During the third activity, we had to show persistence as we moved a ping pong ball across small pieces of paper without dropping it. The last activity gave us an opportunity to show leadership as we directed each other through obstacles while tied together. We finished the day competing in several rounds of tug of war and enjoying lunch in the park. Thank you to the Stage 3 teachers for organising the day. We are very excited to strengthen our teamwork and communication skills at the overnight Challenge Camp next term. - Sommer Booth

Stage 3 Challenge Day Excursion



Term 1 Calendar

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
W9 Term 1 24 ● 3:00pm - 4:00pm 📅 P&C Meeting	25	26	27	28
		🏏 Gob NAR Rugby League trials ● 10:00am - 11:30am 📅 Gobondary/ NARRAF Rugby League	📅 Science and Engineering Challenge ● 9:45am - 2:30pm 📅 Science and Engineering Challenge ● 9:30am - 2:30pm 📅 Supported Learning Water Confidence	● 9:00am - 10:45am 📅 Pink Stumps Day - SRC Cupcake Stall ● 9:30am - 11:30am 📅 Grandfriends and Pink Stumps Day ● 11:20am - 1:20pm 🏊 Y 3-6 Swimming for Sport
W10 Term 1 31 ● 9:00am - 10:30am 📅 SL K-2 Excursion to Mumblepeg Orange Orchard ● 9:30am - 11:00am 📅 P&C Music Mondays ● 6:00pm - 7:00pm 📅 Narromine High School Information Evening	April 1 🏏 PSSA Rugby trials ● 3:00pm - 4:00pm 📅 Kindergarten Playdate	2	3	4
		🏏 Gob NAR Netball trials ● 11:00am - 2:30pm 📅 Gobondary/ NARRAF Netball Trials		🏏 Gob NAR Cricket gala ● 10:30am - 11:00am 📅 K-2 Performance Senior Citizens Week ● 11:20am - 1:20pm 🏊 Y 3-6 Swimming for Sport
W11 Term 1 7	8	9	10	11
			🏊 PSSA Swimming @ Homebush ● 6:00pm - 8:00pm 📅 3-6 Social	🏊 PSSA Swimming @ Homebush Term 1 end ● 12:00pm - 1:00pm 📅 Easter Hat Parade ● 2:00pm - 2:30pm 📅 PBL Easter Draw



NPS P&C

EASTER RAFFLE

Drawn at the K-2 Easter Hat Parade
Friday 11th April

Tickets: \$2 each
On sale at the canteen OR the QKR App

THE CLASS WITH THE MOST DONATIONS WINS A PRIZE!

PLEASE DONATE
We are kindly asking families to donate Easter Eggs & anything 'Easter' themed to our raffle & drop them off to the canteen.



NARROMINE PUBLIC SCHOOL

EASTER HAT PARADE

ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND
FRIDAY 11 APRIL AT 12PM | SCHOOL HALL



NPS MOBILE FREE ZONE

Students are NOT permitted to have mobile phones at school.

If parents/carers deem it essential for students to travel to school with mobile phones, then they can be handed to the school office in the morning before school and collected at the end of the school day.



**NO
MOBILE
PHONES**

Tuning In To Kids 2025

Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

A six session parenting program for
parents of children aged 3 to 8

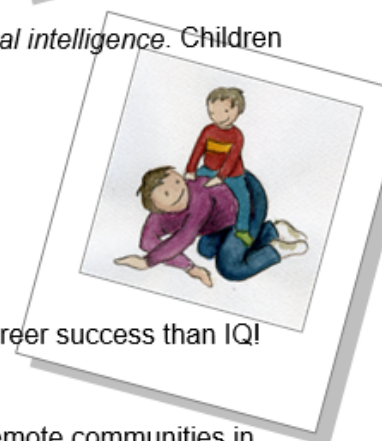
Would you like to learn how to:

- be better at talking with your child?
- be better at understanding your child?
- help your child learn to manage their emotions?
- help to prevent behaviour problems in your child?
- teach your child to deal with conflict?



Tuning in to Kids shows you how to help your child develop *emotional intelligence*. Children with higher emotional intelligence:

- have greater success with making and keeping friends
- have better concentration at school
- are more able to calm down when upset or angry
- tend to have fewer childhood illnesses



Emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ!

Who is it for: Parents (both very welcome) who live in Rural and Remote communities in Western NSW Local Health District. If too many people are interested we will create a wait list for our next program.

Where: Via interactive live video link with psychologists from the Rural Psychology Service based in Western NSW Local Health District. You can join in from home with a computer or tablet with camera and microphone.

When: 6 weekly sessions during each of the 4 school terms in 2025. It will likely be on a Tuesday or a Thursday morning (10am to 12 noon) and one term may have an evening group instead of the morning group.

Contact: WNSWLHD-RuralPsychology@health.nsw.gov.au and give your name, phone number and message that you are interested in Tuning In To Kids.