

Narwee News

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Term 3 Newsletter – Week 5

Principal's Message

We began the term with the wonderful celebrations of Public Education Week and our school's 75th Anniversary which was a milestone filled with pride and history. The two events were an exciting showcase of talent, with outstanding performances that truly highlight the potential and creativity of all our staff and students. Thank you to all the families and community members who joined us to share in these special moments.

Thank you to students in 2/3K who designed and created amazing cards for the 75th Anniversary Celebration. Each card was a unique work of art and the thoughtful messages inside reflected kindness, gratitude and a deep appreciation of learning and memories that make our school community so strong. These cards will be cherished as a reminder of this milestone. Some of the cards and photos have been included at the back of this newsletter.

Term 3 is always a busy and productive time, filled with rich learning experiences and opportunities for students to shine. Students in Kindergarten celebrated their 100 days of school on Friday 8 August. They engaged in exciting and engaging experiences to celebrate their milestone of learning. Thank you to all staff and families that supported them in making this a memorable experience for the children. I encourage families to stay connected and get involved wherever possible. Keep an eye out for all information for our next exciting community event which will be Book Week celebrations in Week 8. Book Week learning experiences and activities will start next week (Week 5). Teachers will deliver various activities celebrating reading and literature across the week in all classrooms. We look forward to celebrating with a Book Fair and parade later in the term.

I look forward to another term of great achievements together.

Mrs Ibrahim – Principal

School Calendar

Upcoming Events at Narwee Public School

Term 3 Week 5 2025

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| Friday 22 August | PSSA – Round 3 |
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Term 3 Week 6 2025

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| Monday 25 August | District Field Athletics |
| Friday 29 August | PSSA – Round 4 |

Term 3 Week 7 2025

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| Monday 1 September | District Track Events |
| Tuesday 2 September | Father's Day Stall |
| Friday 5 September | PSSA – Round 5 |

Term 3 Week 8 2025

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| Wed 10 September | Music Festival Rehearsal and Concert |
| Friday 12 September | K-2 Mini Athletics Carnival |
| Friday 12 September | PSSA – Round 6 |

Term 3 Week 9 2025

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| Wed 17 September | Public Speaking Finals |
| Thursday 18 September | STAR Program – Kingsgrove HS |
| Friday 19 September | PSSA – Round 7 |

Term 3 Week 10 2025

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| Monday 22 September | HPGE – Kingsgrove HS |
| Tuesday 23 September | Stage 2 Excursion |
| Wed 24 September | Fund Day |
| Friday 26 September | PSSA - Round 8 |
| Friday 26 September | Last Day of Term 3 |

District Field Events

Monday 25 August 2025

If your child has been selected to represent Narwee Public School at the Georges River PSSA District Athletics **Field** Events on **Monday 25 August**, please ensure their permission note and payment of \$10.00 to cover carnival entry are returned to the school by **Wednesday 20 August**.

Students will need to make their own way to the field. Parents must drop their child off at **8.45am** and collect them at approximately **2.15pm** from **The Ridge Athletics Centre, New Illawarra Rd, Barden Ridge**. Parents are encouraged to stay and cheer on their child.

Combined Public School Music Festival

Wednesday 10 September 2025

The Senior Choir, Diamond Dance Group, Stars Dance Group and the Drumming Group will be performing at the Combined Public Schools Music Festival on Wednesday 10 September. They will need to attend the rehearsal on this day and then attend the performance at night.

All students attending have been given a permission note. Please ensure this is signed and returned to school with \$13.00 to cover the cost of bus hire for the rehearsal during the day.

Students will need to be at school at **8.20am**. Due to time restrictions we are unable to wait for students who arrive late.

Siblings of students attending the rehearsal are not to arrive at school at this time as there will be no supervision in the playground until 8.50am.

It is the responsibility of parents/carers to get their child to the performance **by 6.15pm on the night**.

Please note there will be no tickets available to purchase at the door on the night. Tickets for the night are sold out.

Student Pick Up Arrangements

Please notify the office on 9153 9756 or 9153 5578 if there are any changes to your child's after school pick up arrangements so this information can be passed on to their class teacher. This will help ensure the safety and well-being of all students.

If you are going to be late picking up your child, it is important that you **contact the school prior to 3.00pm** so that instructions can be passed onto your child



District Track Events

Monday 1 September 2025

If your child has been selected to represent Narwee Public School at the Georges River PSSA District Athletics **Track** Events on **Monday 1 September**, please ensure their permission note and payment of \$10.00 to cover carnival entry are returned to the school by **Wednesday 27 August**.

Students will need to make their own way to the field. Parents must drop their child off at **8.45am** and collect them at approximately **2.30pm** from **The Ridge Athletics Centre, New Illawarra Rd, Barden Ridge**. Parents are encouraged to stay and cheer on their child.

Dance Festival Tickets

Our Sparkles Dance Group (K-2), Stars Dance Group and Diamond Dance Group will all be performing in Term 4, Week 4 at the Bankstown District Dance Festival.

A note has been sent home with all students who will be performing at the festival.

One ticket for each family to watch the night performance is available for \$10.00. If you wish to purchase a ticket, all orders must be **in by 3.30pm on Friday 22 August**.

There will be no tickets for sale at the door on the night of the performance.

There is a limit of **1 ticket per family not per student** (children 3 years and over would require their own ticket as they must be seated and not sat on parents' laps).

Performance Details

When: Monday 3 November 2025

Time: 7.30pm – 9.15pm (approximate finish time)

Where: Bankstown Sports Club
Greenfield Pde, Bankstown

It will be the responsibility of parents/carers to transport their child to and from the venue on the night.

Due to ticket restrictions, please order 1 ticket if needed and indicate on your child's note if you would like to purchase another extra ticket in case some become available.

Tickets are allocated by the festival organiser, Narwee Public School and Bankstown Sports Club have no role in ticketing for the festival.



Student Safety

Some students are bringing sunflower seeds as lunch and recess snacks. While we understand that sunflower seeds can be a healthy snack, we have noticed they are creating some safety concerns in the playground. Seeds are being dropped in the playground attracting Ibis birds and pigeons which are getting into student lunchboxes and disturbing play spaces for students. Our school also has a **no food sharing policy**, to keep all students safe. Staff are becoming aware that students are sharing the seeds with their peers. They may cause harm to other students due to allergies and choking hazards.

We kindly request that parents limit sending sunflower seeds to help us maintain a safe and enjoyable playground environment for everyone.

School Office Hours

Please be advised office hours for Narwee Public School are from 8.45am – 3.30pm. Please be mindful that if you call outside of these hours the office may be unattended.

School Hats

School hats are available to purchase from the front office – the cost is \$15.00. Senior caps are also available for our Year 5 & 6 students for \$20.00.

A *no hat, no play* policy is implemented at Narwee Public School for all students as part of the school's Sun Safety policy. Please ensure your child brings their school hat with them every day.

If you contact the office for a hat to be put onto your account, once this has been paid, the hat will be given to your child.

Please ensure your child's hat has their name written inside to avoid it being misplaced.

Father's Day

The SRC Annual Father's Day Stall will be held on **Tuesday 2 September**.

Gifts will range from \$2.00 to \$8.00.

Let's get behind the SRC and show our dads, grandfathers and father figures how much we appreciate them by purchasing a gift for them.

All classes will visit the stall on Tuesday 2 September. Any remaining items can be purchased during break times throughout the remainder of the week.

A price list has been posted on Dojo to assist your child in making their choice about which gift to purchase.



K – 2 Science Excursion

Monday 20 October 2025

Students in Kindergarten to Year 2 will be visiting The University of Wollongong Science Museum on **Monday 20 October**.

The cost of this excursion is \$37.00 – this includes coach hire (seat-belted) and a day of activities at the university.

Please give consent and make the payment through the School Bytes Parent Portal by **Wednesday 24 September (Week 10)**. Due to booking requirements we are unable to accept late payments after this date.

As the excursion and coach hire are pre-paid, we are unable to offer a refund if your child is absent on the day.

Fund Day

Wednesday 24 September 2025

Every year for Fund Day, children use tokens they have pre-purchased to 'buy' turns on the different activities that are organised by Year 6. Activities include:

Escape Room

Face Painting

Air Dry Clay

Food Stalls

Water Pong

Spider Drinks

Photo Booth

Ice Blocks

... and much, much more!

Fund Day tokens are to be purchased in advance and will be handed out to students on the morning of Fund Day. There will also be additional tokens available for purchase on the day if students run out and wish to purchase more.

A Token order form will be sent home next week. Please ensure it is returned with the correct money to purchase tokens by **Friday 19 September** (Week 9).



Stage 2 Excursion

Tuesday 23 September 2025

Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) will be visiting the Georges River Environmental Education Centre at Chipping Norton on **Tuesday 23 September**.

The cost of this excursion is \$23.50 – this amount has been subsidised by Georges River Environmental Education Centre.

Students will need to be at school at 8.20am.

Siblings of students attending the excursion are not to be at school at this time as there will be no supervision in the playground until 8.50am.

Please give consent and make the payment through the School Bytes Parent Portal by **Friday 12 September** (Week 8). Due to booking requirements, we are unable to accept late payments after this date.

As the excursion and bus hire are pre-paid, we are unable to offer a refund if your child is absent on the day.

Swim School

Monday 10 November to Friday 21 November

Permission notes have been sent home with all students that returned the *Expression of Interest*.

The cost for the 10-day program is \$110.00 – this can be made in two payments:

Payment 1 - \$55.00 due by Friday 29 August

Payment 2 - \$55.00 due by Friday 24 October

The total price includes bus fare and pool entry each day. Swimming lessons are provided free of charge. A subsidy of \$40.00 per student attending the camp has been applied to the cost of the program.

Due to the swimming program being pre-paid we are unable to offer a refund if your child is away on any of the days.

Swim School will coincide with the PSSA Finals on Friday 14 November. As your child has committed to the swim school, the total amount of \$110.00 must still be paid.

If your child is in a PSSA team for Season 2 and they make the finals, they will need to pay the \$8.00 sport levy if they choose to attend instead of participating in the swimming scheme for that day.

Please complete your child's permission note and return it to school no later than **Friday 29 August**.



Kindergarten 2026

We are well into planning for our Kindergarten intake for 2026.

Kindergarten enrolments are now open. Children must turn 5 before 1 August 2026 to be able to enrol for next year.

Those parents who do not live in the catchment area and wish to send their child to Narwee Public School are also required to complete an 'out of area' application, which will be reviewed by the Out of Area Panel.

To enrol or to complete an 'out of area' application, scan the QR code below or go to the school website and click on the Enrolment tab at the top of the home page. The Online Enrolment System is designed to provide flexibility for parents to submit an enrolment application online and at a time that best suits them. The application can be accessed on all browsers and mobile devices including IOS and Android.



School Uniforms

As we have reached the colder months of the year, students are reminded to wear their full school winter uniform. This includes the school jacket, bottle green stockings for leg covering (for girls) and long green school pants (for boys). Students are to wear black leather shoes from Monday to Thursday with the option of wearing comfortable sports shoes on Fridays. Students who choose to wear an undergarment for added warmth are asked to ensure these garments are white without any prints.

A selection of preloved uniforms may be available and can be purchased for a small cost from the front office. Please contact the office to check availability of sizes.

The school is always happy to accept school uniform donations from any families who no longer require the size. If you have any school uniform items still in good condition, please leave them at the school office.

Birthday Cakes

We understand that students like to celebrate their birthday by bringing in a birthday cake or lolly bags to share with their classmates. With the rise in the number of students with food allergies, we ask that no cakes, lollies or chocolates be brought to school to share with other students. We suggest non-food items if you want to send anything in.

We thank you for assisting in helping us keep all the students at our school safe and healthy.

75th Anniversary Celebration



