

Narwee News

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Term 4 – Mid Term Newsletter

Principal's Message

Term 4 has been off to a busy start. This term is jam packed with a range of exciting school events, programs and end of year happenings for our students and the school community. Save the date flyers have been posted on our electronic school sign and dojo to stay on top of important dates. The School Bytes calendar will also include a scheduled school term planner. Our staff have been working hard to prepare for end of year activities including Kindergarten Orientations, Christmas Walk, Family Night, Presentation Day, End of Year Celebration, Year 6 Farewell and end of year events. This year, we will hold an opportunity for parents and carers to attend another Parent/Teacher interview in Week 10, following the publication of the Semester Two School Reports in Week 9. We look forward to seeing our school community supporting us at some of these events and programs.

Important School Information

School Playground Upgrade

I have been collaborating with the Department of Education School's Infrastructure and have recently been notified that the application for a K-2 playground safety upgrade will commence in the coming weeks. Work will include resurfacing of the hard play surface in the K-2 playground and adding a concrete bed to the current undercover seating area where dirt is exposed. Completion of this work will move the project of equipping this large outdoor space with a covered structure for shade, learning and other school programs. We are excited as we start to move along with these projects.

Permission to Publish from 2026 Information

Notes were sent home with all students from Kindergarten to Year 5. This note needs to be returned for every student. Permission is sought to allow the school to publish information about your child for the purpose of sharing his/her experiences at school, informing the school and broader community about school and student activities and school programs. The school will only publish this

information on our website, Facebook page and school newsletters.

Change of Return to School Dates 2026

All students return to school in 2026 on Monday 2 February. If your child is not returning on this date due to alternative holiday arrangements, please notify the school. A copy of holiday tickets would need to be presented to ensure your child is counted as returning in 2026.

Leaving School in 2026

If you are moving house or if your residential circumstances have changed and you are no longer in the catchment area and your child will not be returning to Narwee Public School in 2026, please return the note sent home with your child with the correct information for next year.

Alternatively, if your personal details including phone number, address or emergency contacts have changed, please notify the office so these details can be updated on our systems.

World Teachers' Day

Friday 31 October was World Teachers' Day. This was a day to recognise the dedication and commitment of our teachers and the important role they play in helping students achieve their potential. I extend a big thank you to the dedicated teachers and staff at Narwee Public School. Thank you for your hard work and efforts in making a lasting impact on our students every day.

Research Opportunity – Digital Anxiety Intervention for Children 8-12 Years

Dr Chloe Lim is a researcher in the Child Mental Health team at Black Dog Institute. She is sharing with schools an opportunity to be part of something that will make a difference for children and families.

The team has developed a digital program that aims to help children aged 8-12 years (and their parents) develop strategies to manage their anxiety independently. Families are invited to take part in a nationwide randomised control trial

research study to evaluate ways to optimise this intervention.

If this research may be of interest to you and your family, please refer to the information flyer on the last page of this newsletter for further details about the research.

Social Media Age Restriction

From Wednesday 10 December 2025, many social media platforms will be required to prevent Australians under the age of 16 from creating or maintaining accounts on certain age-restricted services. The changes aim to protect children from pressures and risks they can be exposed to while logged in to social media accounts.

The eSafety Commissioner is leading the implementation of the law. They are responsible for identifying platforms and supporting the community with information and resources.

Under 16s will still be able to see publicly available social media content that doesn't require logging into an account. There are no penalties for young people who use age-restricted platforms or for their parents and carers as the responsibility is with the platforms.

We encourage you to access eSafety's resources and support for families on their website and register for one of the upcoming webinars for parents and carers:

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/about-us/industry-regulation/social-media-age-restrictions/webinars>

Mrs Ibrahim – Principal

School Office Hours

Please be advised office hours for Narwee Public School are from 8.30am – 3.30pm. Please be mindful that if you call outside of these hours the office may be unattended.

School Swimming & Water Safety Program

Monday 10 November to Friday 21 November 2025

Just a reminder that swim school will commence next week. Students attending the swimming program will leave the school at 11.20 and will return by approximately 1.00pm.

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



School Calendar

Upcoming Events at Narwee Public School

Term 4 Week 4 2025

Friday 7 November	PSSA
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Term 4 Week 5 2025

Monday 10 November	Swim School
Tuesday 11 November	Swim School
Tuesday 11 November	Remembrance Day
Wed 12 November	Swim School
Wed 12 November	Kinder Orientation
Thursday 13 November	Swim School
Thursday 13 November	GRC Primary Links Program
Friday 14 November	Swim School
Friday 14 November	PSSA Finals

Term 4 Week 6 2025

Monday 17 November	Swim School
Tuesday 18 November	Swim School
Wed 19 November	Swim School
Wed 19 November	Getting Ready for High School Information Session
Thursday 20 November	Swim School
Friday 21 November	Swim School

Term 4 Week 7 2025

Wed 26 November	Christmas Walk
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Term 4 Week 8 2025

Tuesday 2 December	High School Orientation Day
Wed 3 December	Be a High Schooler for a Day – Stage 3
Thursday 4 December	Transition to High School – Kids Helpline Session
Friday 5 December	P&C Jersey Day

Term 4 Week 9 2025

Wed 10 December	Presentation Day
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Friday 12 December	Semester 2 Reports Published on School Bytes
Friday 12 December	Stage 3 Be Kind Online Kids Helpline Session

Term 4 Week 10 2025

Monday 15 December	End of Year Celebration
Monday 15 December	Stage 1 Parent/Teacher Interviews
Monday 15 December	Year 6 Farewell
Tuesday 16 December	Year 6 Graduation Assembly
Tuesday 16 December	Stage 2 Parent/Teacher Interviews
Wed 17 December	Stage 3 Parent/Teacher Interviews
Thursday 18 December	Year 6 Special Day
Thursday 18 December	Kinder Parent/Teacher Interviews
Thursday 18 December	Family Night
Friday 19 December	Talent Show – Students Only
Friday 19 December	Last Day of School

SCHOOL
HOLIDAYS

School Uniform Donations

Pre-loved school uniforms purchased from Yeronga can be donated to the school if your child has grown out of them. Please drop them into the school office. All donations are gratefully accepted.

Kindergarten Orientation Sessions

We have one more Kinder Orientation morning that will take place on **Wednesday 12 November** commencing at 9.20am and concluding at 10.30am.

Children will spend time in the Kindergarten classrooms and parents will join an Executive for an information session.

COUNTDOWN TO
KINDERGARTEN!

Enrol Now for Kindergarten 2026

We are well into planning for our Kindergarten intake for 2026. If you have not enrolled your child for Kindergarten next year, now is the time to complete the application process.

Kindergarten enrolments are being accepted for next year. Children must turn 5 before 1 August 2025 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, go to the school website and click on the enrolment tab at the top of the home page.

Leaving Narwee Public School

Planning for the 2026 school year is well underway. To assist us in this process, could you please complete the note that was sent home with all families if your child/children will not be returning to Narwee Public School next year or will be returning late to school in 2026. Please ensure this is returned to your child's class teacher by **Friday 8 November**.

Presentation Day



Last Day of Term for 2025

Just a reminder that the last day of Term 4 is
Friday 19 December.



Christmas Walk



K-2 Home Readers

Could all parents of Kindergarten to Year 2 students please ensure your child's home reader is returned to school by **Friday 5 December (Week 8)**. If you have lost your child's home reader a \$15.00 replacement fee will be charged.

Thank you to all parents for your on-going support shown towards our Home Reading Scheme this year. We look forward to your continued cooperation and support for our reading scheme next year. We would like to say a big thank you to the parents who have helped in 2025 with changing books over for our students each week.

Important Information

Parents are again reminded that supervision of students does not begin until 8.50am.

No student should be left at the school gates unsupervised before this time.

Parents need to make alternative arrangements for childcare before school. 3 Bridges offers Before School Care in the hall. They can be contacted on 1300 327 434 or 0422 389 986 during service hours.

Yeronga School Uniforms

Just a reminder that Yeronga School Uniforms are online. Simply click on the Narwee Public School logo to enter the online store at:

www.yerongauniforms.com

For further enquiries please call 9759 1555

Year 6 Farewell

This year the Year 6 Farewell will be held at Canterbury Leagues Club, Blueberry Function Room on:

Monday 15 December 2025

from

6.00pm - 8.00pm

The Farewell will be for all Year 5 and 6 children. As Year 5 children have been in classes, sporting teams and shared numerous experiences with Year 6, many friendships have been formed. Therefore, it is a fitting tradition for Year 5 to farewell Year 6 at this event.

The cost for Year 5 students is \$30.00 – this amount has been subsidised.

There is no cost for Year 6 students as the Farewell is being funded from money raised throughout the year.

If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and will be attending the Farewell, please sign their permission note and return it with the money (**Year 5 only to pay**) by **Friday 21 November**. You can also pay through the School Bytes Parent Portal. Your early attention to this would be much appreciated so that we can finalise all arrangements.

There is a bistro in the club if parents wish to have dinner while the Farewell is taking place.



Family Night

You are invited to Narwee Public School's

Family Night Celebration

Thursday 18 December 2025
5.00pm - 7.30pm

Join us to celebrate the 2025 school year and all our achievements at Narwee Public School.

Pack a picnic rug and relax on our spacious school oval in front of the Liongi Havili Learning Centre (weather permitting) with your family.

Entertainment will be from our talented students with backing by the Kami family.

Bring your own food / snacks.

Hot food / snacks will also be available to purchase on the night.

We look forward to seeing you there

P&C News

JERSEY DAY FUNDRAISER

Wear your favourite teams jersey to school!



Get ready to show off your team spirit and help raise money for a great cause.

Date: Friday 5th December (week 8)

Donation: Gold coin donation

All funds raised will go towards the P&C to provide Narwee Public School with water stations!



Giving Tree

GIVING TREE

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS

As part of Narwee Public School's Christmas Walk that is taking place on Wednesday 26 November, the students of Narwee will be presenting toys that will be donated to families in need over the Christmas season.

The SRC will be choosing a charity in the coming weeks to donate the gifts to. The chosen charity will then distribute the toys on behalf of Narwee Public School to children and families.

All toys need to be given to your child's class teacher.

We ask that these gifts be left unwrapped and new. These donations do not need to be expensive as we are trying to teach the children that Christmas is a time of giving and caring for others.

Please do not bring in second-hand toys.

All gifts need to be handed in by Friday 21 November (Week 6). There will be a prize for the class that has the greatest participation.

We thank you for your co-operation and hope that you support this worthy cause.

Bambini Health

ALLIED HEALTH 2026

Narwee Public School are working in partnership with Bambini Health to provide additional services and support to students in Allied Health Therapy in 2026.

Services include: Occupational Therapy & Speech Therapy.

These sessions will be delivered at school on **Thursdays**.

Services offered will be via:

- Parent pays
- NDIS Funding

Families can claim back any rebate on a Medicare Plan or through Private Health Insurance.

To find out more about the service, contact the school office on 9153 9756 or visit the website below:

<https://www.bambinihealth.com.au/>

Or use the QR code below to register:



Attendance Information

NSW Department of Education

Every Day Matters

Days missed = years lost

If your child misses as little as **1** day per week

they will miss **8** weeks of school per year

which adds up to over **2.5** years missed over their school life

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:

- Learn
- Strengthen friendships
- Build skills through fun

Scan the QR code to learn more

Research Opportunity

Courage Quest Plus

Help test a new digital program for children experiencing anxiety and worry

In Australia, 1 in 14 children experience anxiety that interferes with their daily lives

yet only **19%** receive appropriate care

Our researchers are working hard to change this. We recently developed a digital program for parents and their **children (8-12 years old) who experience anxiety** called **Courage Quest**. We want to improve this program and better understand how to best support children with anxiety.

We are inviting you to be involved in a study testing Courage Quest with some extra features, to understand how to improve the way we help children cope with their anxiety. Participants will be reimbursed for their time completing research surveys at the end of the study.

If you have any questions, please contact the research team at couragequest@blackdog.org.au.

Sign Up Here

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Girls Cricket Information

Girls just want to HAVE A BLAST

Get into Woolworths Cricket Blast

It's a fun active program for girls, whether it's your first time with a bat or you're a backyard Cricket star!

St George All Girls Cricket Blast

Hurstville Oval
Begins Every Wednesday 22nd October- 12th November
3pm-6pm
FREE

Register Via QR Code or Contact brad.denlow@cricketnsw.com.au

JOIN YOUR NEAREST CLUB

Play Cricket

PROUDLY PRESENTED BY

Woolworths

CRICKET AUSTRALIA

GIRLS SMASH

Weeknight games

All equipment provided

60 minute sessions

Fun and fast-paced

Easy rules

No helmet or pads required

Girls Smash Series - St George

Wed 12th November- Wed 17th December 2025
5:00- 6:00pm each week
Hurstville Oval
Only \$69.50 for 6 weeks

Come & play this 60min fun, fast cricket game with your friends!

Register via QR code or contact ben.garratt@cricketnsw.com.au

For more information, visit: cricketnsw.com.au/slash-smash-series/girls