



# NARELLAN VALE NEWS

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## Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you and your children managed to enjoy the holiday break and get some much needed rest and relaxation!

We have had a few recent staffing changes that I would like to share with you. Firstly congratulations to our newly appointed Deputy Principal, Suellen Mair. Suellen was successful at gaining this position through the Merit Selection process. Suellen's most recent positions have been as Assistant Principal and Relieving Principal at Prairie Vale and Sackville Street Public Schools. We welcome Suellen to NVPS and hope you are able to join us at our next P & C meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> August to meet Suellen. A special thank you to elected Parent Representative Panel member Sharyn Brooks for serving on the panel and giving up her time to be involved in the selection of our Deputy Principal.

It is with mixed emotions we farewell Mr Matt Ryan at the end of next week as he recently gained a promotion as Assistant Principal -Oran Park Public School. Mr Ryan will be sorely missed and we thank him for all he has done for Narellan Vale over the past years. Miss Beth Darby will be responsible for teaching 2/3M when Mr Ryan leaves. We also welcomed Miss Aimee Phillips to NVPS and 3A as Mrs Anderson's replacement during the last week of Term 2.

Thank you to the volunteers who helped out at our recent Book Covering morning on the last day of term! We appreciate your help in keeping our new books in tip top shape.

I have been super impressed with the Eco Teams commitment to recycling and this is another reminder to continue to send in any plastic bottles, drink containers and aluminium cans. Mrs O'Meara and the eco warriors are working hard to promote this initiative and we can all easily help!

Michelle Sarjana  
PRINCIPAL

## 2018 DATES TO REMEMBER

July 27 <sup>th</sup>	National Tree Planting Day for schools
29 <sup>th</sup>	National Tree Planting Day
31 <sup>st</sup>	ICAS English
August 6 <sup>th</sup>	NED Show (YoYo sales)
7 <sup>th</sup>	St George Dance Eisteddfod
	BYOD Information session
8 <sup>th</sup>	K-2 Athletics Carnival
9 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Assembly
	Community of Schools Showcase
13 <sup>th</sup>	Science Fair
14 <sup>th</sup>	ICAS Mathematics
	Science Incursion K-6
15 <sup>th</sup>	Science Incursion K-6
16 <sup>th</sup>	Science Incursion 3-6
29 <sup>th</sup>	Author Visit
	Book Fair
30 <sup>th</sup>	Book Parade
	Book Fair
31 <sup>st</sup>	Gala Day 1
September 14 <sup>th</sup>	Gala Day 2
21 <sup>st</sup>	Gala Day 3

**EDUCATION WEEK**

Education Week is being launched for the students on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> August with a special visit from The NED Show. This character education assembly promotes positive attitudes and encourages students and staff to do their best every day. Please see more information on the note attached.

Remember to keep Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August in your diaries as this is our special Science Expo from 11am. A separate information note is being sent home this week. We look forward to seeing as many parents, carers, grandparents and friends at this event as possible. Your children will be sharing their science learning with you in fun and exciting ways and we will even have our Elizabeth Macarthur High School friends here too!

**ICAS COMPETITIONS**

Congratulations to the following students on their recent achievements in the UNSW Global ICAS Science Competition and the Digital Technologies Competition. Thank you to Mrs Goodhew for coordinating these competitions.

**Science****Distinction**

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**Credit**

Freya W	6W
Callum G	5/6S
Ben D	5/6S
Angelina B	5/6S
Jenna S	5/6S
Jaden A	5/6S
Laila S	2/3M
Edmund C	3/4B
Indiana A	3/4B
Oliver W	2R
Daniel T	2/3M
Ryan H	2R

**Merit**

Sunny M	5/6S
Joshua B	6W
Lachlan W	4EM

Phoebe L	4EM
Kai N	3/4B
Jack G	3HT

**Digital Technologies****Distinction**

Freya W	6W
Alyssa M	6H
Ben D	5/6S
Joshua B	6W
Hamish F	3A

**Credit**

Jackson W	5/6S
Lachlan W	4EM
Hayden M	3A
Isaac J	3A
Edmund C	3/4B
Joshua C	3A

**Merit**

Dylan K	5/6S
Sarah G	5/6S
Olivia P	4EM

**Participation**

Kyle Y	6H
Sunny M	5/6S
Mason HK	6W
Anthony T	5/6S
Cooper S	5M
Harry NM	5T
Ayva W	4/5G
Keira M	4J
Lydia W	3HT
Jack G	3HT

**SPECIAL SAVE THE DATE**

Please keep the 9<sup>th</sup> August 2018 free for the Annual Community of Schools Showcase of performing arts. There is both a matinee and evening performance.

Mrs Easey is coordinating this event together with Miss Kristy Pugliano from Elizabeth Macarthur High School. NVPS Pink Dance Group, Signing Choir and Stage 1 Dance Group will be performing.

**WHO IS WHO**

My name is Suellen Mair and I am the newly appointed Deputy Principal at Narellan Vale Public School. I have taught in South West Sydney schools for the past 14 years ranging from preschool to year 6. I would like to say thank you to all the students, staff and community members who have made my first week at NVPS a welcoming experience.

On my first day I was taken on a school tour by the Eco Warriors team where I learnt about recycling, reusing and reducing. I also got to see the wonderful gardens and outdoor learning spaces that have been established around the school and I look forward to watching them develop over time.

On the weekends, I love to spend time with my family, read and walk my two dogs. I love learning how to cook new recipes, especially ones that have chocolate in the ingredients list. I'm a foundation member of the NSW Swifts Netball club and I also support the Sydney Swans and West Tigers.

I advocate for public education and believe that quality teaching promotes excellence, integrity and develops lifelong learning skills. I enjoy the dynamics of working in an ever-changing education system and I firmly believe that all students can succeed in their own learning journey. As the Chinese proverb says, *'Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere'*.



My name is Mrs Woods. I have been teaching for 22 years and I love watching the children in my class each year grow and learn. The most rewarding part is watching students be kind to each other and encourage each other to be amazing! Other than school and work I have 3 beautiful children and we love to do lots of things together.

We read, play video games, go to the park and enjoy swimming together. I also love travelling and I have a passion for exploring new places and seeing new things. My favourite destination in the world is Africa and would love to go back one day. I love cheetahs and giraffes and seeing them in a natural environment is breathtaking!

**STATE KNOCKOUT RUGBY LEAGUE**

Congratulations to the Senior Boys State Knockout Rugby League team. They didn't secure a spot in the grand final but they played very well and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship on and off the field.

**PYJAMA DAY**

Thank you for participating in the Epilepsy Foundation fundraiser. Our pyjama day was a huge success as we raised almost \$850. We can't wait to plan another fundraiser for you.

**Student Parliament Representatives****NATIONAL TREE PLANTING DAY**

National Tree Planting Day is Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> July for schools and our eco warriors are involved in planting trees at school. Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> July is National Tree Planting Day. Please encourage your children to look after the trees you may have at home or in nearby parks. Plant a shrub or two at home!

**BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) INFORMATION SESSION**

Year 3 are commencing BYOD this term. There will be an information session for interested parents on Tuesday, 7 August at 4.00pm in the staffroom. Note to follow.


Mr Peters  
ICT Co-ordinator

# CLASS OF THE WEEK 3/4B



We've rounded off a busy term with a lot of fun learning about the first settlement at Botany Bay. They learnt about the conditions on the Endeavour, bush medicine and built their own aboriginal shelters (Gunyas).

In maths, 3/4B have been investigating the square metre and estimating and comparing different perimeters with the same area inside! Look how many students we can fit sitting and standing in 1 square metre!



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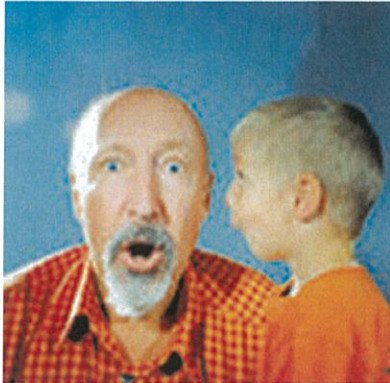


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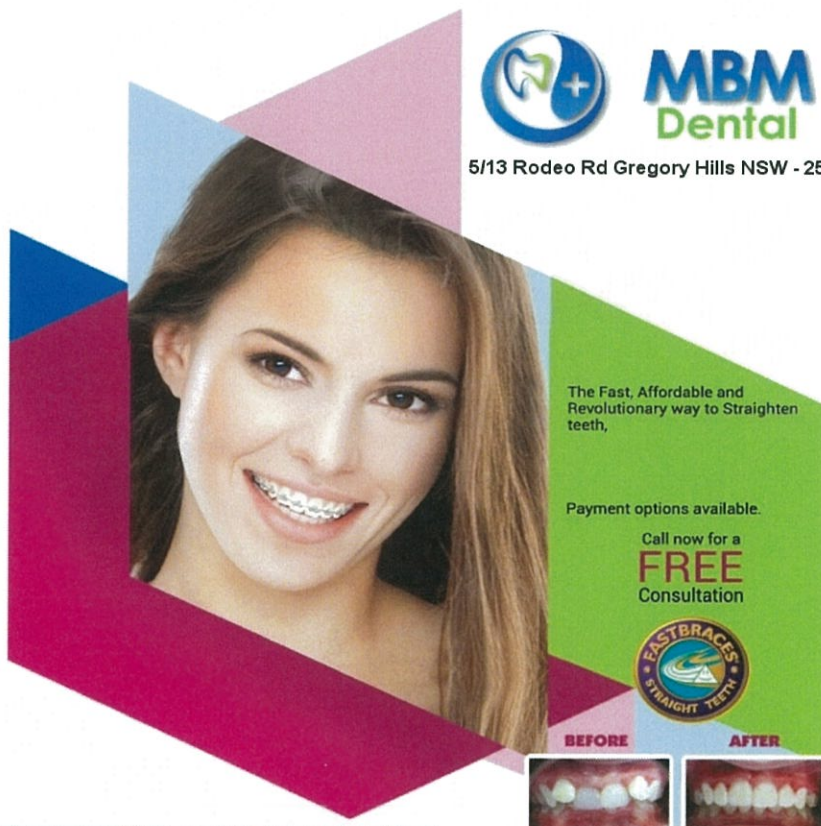
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