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Principal's Message

Dear Parents. Carers and Friends,

Welcome to our Term 4 Week 4 newsletter.

Plans are well underway for 2025 and I seek your support if you have friends or neighbours who are yet to enrol their child/children in school. Teachers work in teams to allocate students to 2025 classes and then these lists are reviewed by the leadership team. We do ask that you respect teachers' decisions and reasons for matching students with teachers and peer groups based on learning and social needs. There is no need to write letters or emails.

We are very excited to announce that our Lorikeet Garden has been upgraded and we need to thank Bunnings, our P&C, Ian Stephenson and Kylie Dyball for this amazing transformation. I hope you take the time to visit the Lorikeet Garden when you are visiting for our Showcase Assembly or when you are next up at school.

I am always delighted by our student's enthusiasm for learning and their initiative and recently Boyd S. shared his robot creation with me and the whole school at assembly. (See photo further on). Year 3 shared their figurative writing with me and K/1D and 1H shared their writing with me.

Our local MP Sally Quinell visited NVPS last week and was delighted with our new Lorikeet Garden.

KAT Ambassadors will again take part in the termly meeting in the city and both Mrs Ng and myself will be accompanying the children.

Our first Kindergarten Orientation was held 22nd October and we welcomed our new learners who will be our 2025 Kindergarten students. We look forward to the next two sessions.

On Friday 1st November we participated in a First Nation Gala Day and we had our First Nation students in 3-6 enjoy the day with other local schools at Narellan Sports Hub. Ms Grainger supported these students on the day!

Michelle Sarjana PRINCIPAL

2024 DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 4

Nov

15th Zonka Day 20th Whole School Assembly 27th P&C Meeting/Dinner

Dec

3rd Yr 5 High School Taster
Day
Yr 6 High School
Orientation
9th Yr 6 Farewell
10th Parent Helper Afternoon
Tea
11th Presentation Day
12th P&C Mufti Day

13th Yr 6 Beach Day 18th Last day of 2024

On behalf of the Narellan Vale family, together we pay respects to our Elders past, present and emerging.
We learn and grow on the lands of the Dharawal people who are the traditional custodians of the land on which we learn upon.

We promise to care for the flora and fauna of the Dharawal lands. We acknowledge all members of the Narellan Vale community. 8th November 2024 Term 4 – Week 4

SPECIAL CREATIVE & PRACTICAL ARTS



An invitation was sent home early this week inviting parents and carers, grand parents and friends to our Special Creative and Practical Arts Showcase Assembly on Wednesday 20th November at 1.30pm.

There will also be an opportunity to view the wonderful art display immediately after the assembly that will be displayed in Area B. We hope to see you all at our showcase!

LIBRARY INFORMATION



Library borrowing concludes at the end of Week 6 which is Friday 22nd November. If your child has any library books at home, please send these in.

LOST PROPERTY



Our lost property collection is growing. Please check near the library if your child has lost an item of clothing or a hat.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



A gentle reminder that unfortunately, parents are not able to use the service driveway which is the first driveway before arriving at school. This needs to be always kept clear in the interest of safety.

2025 ENROLMENTS



It is nearing that time, and we ask any parents who have children five or turning 5 before 31st July 2025, to complete an enrolment form for kindergarten 2025 via the Narellan Vale Public School website.

Enrolments for 2025 are now due and we have already received a lot for kindergarten next year. If your neighbor or friend has a child starting next year, please complete the online application ASAP. Orientation details will be sent out soon.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON PICK UPS



Due to the high school finishing earlier on Wednesdays, we find ourselves unable to open the gate until 2:55 PM. As a result, we kindly request that you limit the collection of your children on Wednesdays between 2:30 and 2:55pm.

We understand that this change may require some adjustments to your usual routine, and we sincerely appreciate your cooperation and understanding as we work to ensure the safety and smooth operation of our school community.

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PLANNING FOR 2025



As we are in November, we are organising staff and classes for 2025 and would appreciate you informing us of any leave at the start of the school year that you may be taking or if you are leaving NVPS. Remember to spread the word too that Kindergarten enrolments are filling fast so please enrol any children turning 5 years old before the end of July 2025. Please call the school to discuss your child's readiness if you have any questions.

ICAS 2024



ICAS is the internationally recognised gold standard in academic competitions

supported by the University of Sydney. It is sat by over 10 million school students from 16 000 schools across 41 countries and has been operating since 1981. It recognises academic performance with fun and engaging questions designed by psychometricians, education measurement experts and experienced teachers to test students' higher order thinking skills. ICAS also provides rich insights into students' strengths and weaknesses, helping teachers to accelerate learning and unlock student potential.

Award Categories:

High Distinction = The top 1% of participants
Distinction = The next 10% of participants
Credit = The next 25% of participants
Merit = The next 10% of participants
Participation = For all remaining participants

Our school received the following Award Categories:

- **English** 2 Distinctions, 3 Credits and 3 Merits
- Writing- 2 Distinctions, 3 Credits and 2 Merits
- **Spelling** 1 Distinction, 2 Credits and 3 Merits
- Mathematics 2 Distinctions, 3 Credits and 2 Merits
- Science- 3 Distinctions, 3 Credits and 4 Merits
- Digital Technologies 2 Distinctions, 2 Credits and 1 Merit

Principals Awards go to the highest scoring student in the school for a particular subject area.

We congratulate the following students for receiving a Principals Award:

- **English** Curtis U (2C) and Jake D (2C)
- Writing Elisabeth L (6W)
- **Spelling** Mohith GP (2C)
- **Mathematics** Anderson L (3/4G)
- Science- Teerapat K (5T)
- **Digital Technologies** Anderson L (3/4G)

SCHOOLBYTES



School Bytes is now becoming more familiar as the platform for permission and excursion information/payments. We hope you are finding this user friendly.

Please help our wonderful Office staff by ensuring any deadlines for payments are met.

The team is often extremely busy and can feel overwhelmed by managing the different payments for excursions, incursions, and Gala Days.

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Moving forward there will be NO LATE payments accepted! I thank you for your understanding regarding this matter as we work together to help our very friendly office team staff!

SKOOLBAG/AUDIRI APP



Our Audiri app can be downloaded through the App Store and Google play. The app allows the school to send out alerts and reminders to the whole school as well as individual grades. The app has many features including school calendar, notes, sports days, assembly days, links to our canteen and uniform shop for online ordering and price lists, P&C information including our sponsors plus much more. You can set up push notifications to alert you for your child's grade.

LORIKEET GARDEN





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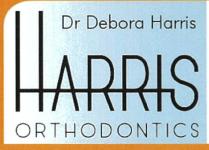
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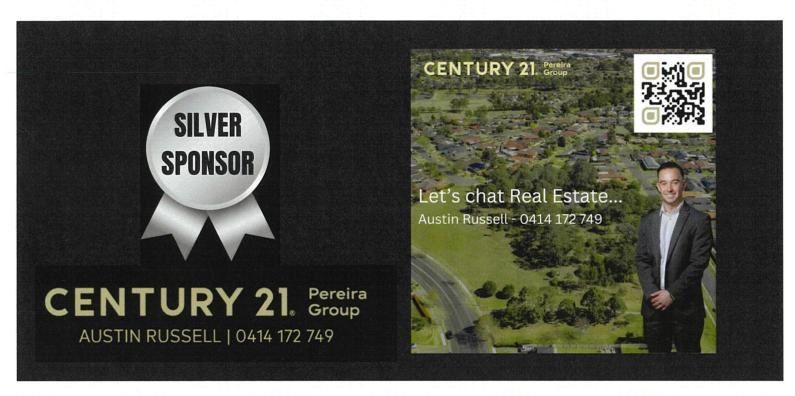
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