

Newsletter

### Thursday 3rd August 2017 - Term 3

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# Principal's Report

Dear students and families,

The term has started well and it is hard to believe we are into August. The cold weather seems to be getting colder. It is a timely reminder to send your children to school with extra warm clothing. This week is our second week of the swimming program and the feedback from students is overwhelmingly positive. It is a great program and the benefits cannot be under estimated.

Today Our Naranga Active group is taking part in the Aerobase State Championships in Parkville. It will be a big day with nine other special schools taking part amongst many other schools. Ten of our students from the junior section of the school have been practicing for two terms of a Thursday at lunch times. They were very excited when they left this morning.

This term our school is focused on sustainability. As part of this program our school is having a waste free lunch tomorrow. This will be an ongoing theme to help us all develop habits to reduce waste.

As you can see we continue to have varied and valuable learning experiences at Naranga School.

Shaun Bacon Assistant Principal

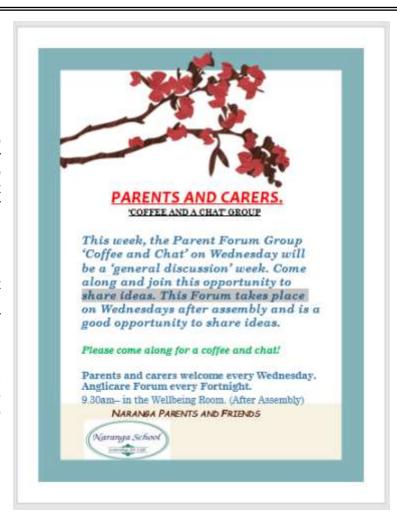
# WASTE-FILEE LUNCH DAY

## **TOMORROW - FRIDAY 4th AUGUST**

Today our students have been working out what they can bring for their waste-free lunch tomorrow. Please discuss this with your child and help them decide what goes in their lunch box.

Tomorrow we will ask each student to open their lunchbox and see what is in packaging and what is 'waste-free'.

Thank you for your help in reducing waste in our school!



### **Term 3 2017 Important Dates**

9am every Wednesday—School Assembly

Tuesday 8th August—School Council Meeting 6.15pm Wednesday 16th Aug—STUDENT FREE DAY Wednesday 20th Sept—School Concert Friday 22nd Sept—Last Day of Term 3 finish at 2pm

Please remember that you are always very welcome to join us for our **whole-school assembly** at 9am every **Wednesday**.

There will be a morning tea after assembly each week at 9.25am for ALL PARENTS & FRIENDS in the Welfare Room.

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# School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support

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### BE SAFE ❖ BE RESPECTFUL❖ BE RESPONSIBLE❖ BE A LEARNER

#### Star Student Raffle

This school wide raffle celebrates students who display our values and meet expectations. Our winners for week 3 were Sam, Sahn and Dylan. Congratulations!







#### Star Class

JS1 doing Sign of the Week at Assembly, showing Auslan for 'ASSEMBLY'.



### Senior Commendations



Super Seniors this week are Ashley, Jarryd, Rory, Toni, Kane, Josh, Jayde, Dominic, Lucy, Maddie, Connor Liam, Jessica, Lochlan, Chris, Gina and Ammy.



# Book Fair



Naranga School has registered for the Woolworths Earn & Learn program.

Please remember to collect the stickers and send them back to Naranga School.

Woolworths

#### PARENT OPINION SURVEY OPENS NEXT WEEK

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at each school.

It is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey will be conducted **online by ORIMA Research Pty Ltd** and only takes **15 minutes** to complete. The survey can be accessed via desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time within the fieldwork period from **Monday 7**th **August to Sunday 27th August.** 

Approximately 50 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. Parents who are randomly selected to complete the survey will receive instructions on completing the survey next week.

The survey is conducted online. I would be happy to provide computer access at school for any families who are selected for the survey but who do not have internet access at home.

For further information, please ring me on 9788 2222 or visit:

<a href="http://www.education.vic.qov.au/school/teachers/management/improvement/Pages/performsurveyparent.aspx">http://www.education.vic.qov.au/school/teachers/management/improvement/Pages/performsurveyparent.aspx</a>

Kai Pukarinen

## Being eSmart @ Naranga

Being eSmart is a big part of Naranga computer classes where there is an ongoing focus on computer safety. The term 'computer' is not just PCs and laptops, it includes tablets, phones and the internet too. Health and safety has become an essential feature of all Australian work places and schools. We are a lucky country.

We are supported in our computer health and safety by the Alannah and Madeleine Foundation who run the eSmart program for schools, of which Naranga School is a member. Being an eSmart school is all about creating a culture of safe computer use.

Every term there is an eSmart committee meeting to discuss our issues around being eSmart at Naranga. Last term, this meeting was run with parents at the Wednesday Forum Group with morning tea. It was great to learn how safely many of our families use their electronic technologies at home. Our parents show interest in their children's computer gaming and other online activities; and the wifi is often turned off at night and during the working day.

This term the eSmart Committee Meeting will be held next Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> of August at 3.30, in conference room 2. If you

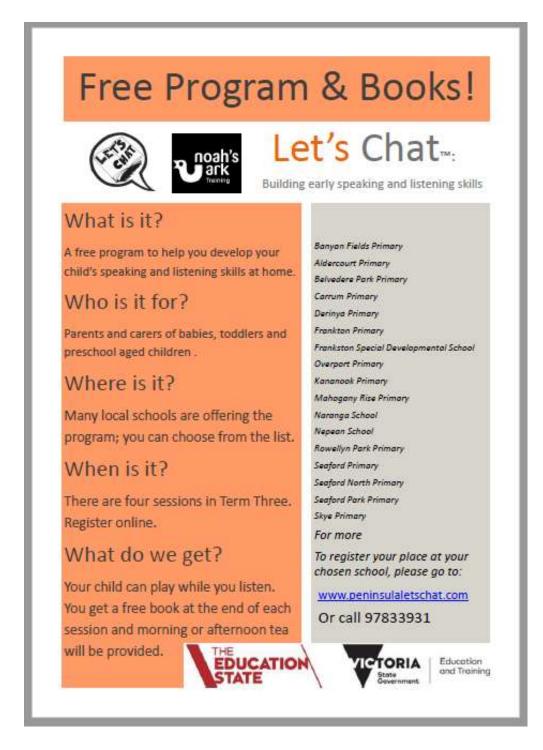


would like to attend you are more than welcome and if you would like more information please contact Peter Meehan at school on 9788 22222 or email at meehan.peter.j@edumail.vic.gov.au.

### Meals on Wheels







Narangabites are back!! We bake on Fridays. Get your orders in by Thursdays for fresh Narangabite biscuits for your pooch.'

NameClass	7 60
\$1 for 1 small bag of bites	.7
2 big Narangabite bikkies for 50c	1
Made specially for your favourite pooch: No preservatives: Eat Fresh or freeze for later.	

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