



Narrabeen Lakes Public School

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2024 Kindergarten Term 3 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 3! We hope you had an excellent holiday and are ready for another term of exciting learning ahead. There is a lot happening this term and we are looking forward to inviting parents and carers into our classroom for both the 100 Days of Kindergarten and Education Week celebrations. Our K-2 Olympic sports day is scheduled for later this term which the students have been patiently waiting for.

THE SOUNDS OF THE WEEK

This term, we will be learning these sounds: ck, ll, ss, ff, sh, qu, ee, z, zz, ch, v, x, y, th, oo, ng, wh, ay. We will be focusing on the sounds that these letter combinations make in words and how to use them when reading and writing. Students will also be introduced to a number of Tricky Words throughout the term.

NEWS

News will continue over Term 3 and a separate note with more information about the fortnightly topics will be provided. Our school public speaking competition will run in **Week 6**, for more information about this, please refer to the information note sent home at the end of Term 2.

HOME READING

Our home reading program will continue in Term 3. Books are exchanged on Fridays, please ensure your child's maroon reading bag is packed in their bags every Friday. You will also receive a Home Reading booklet, please refer to the information on the front of this booklet for information on how it can be used. The booklet includes the Tricky Word sheets that should be practised each week throughout the term.

Reading at home should be a successful and positive experience. Children need a lot of practice to develop their reading skills to the point of fluency. 10 minutes of daily reading at home with a supportive adult can make all the difference. This will enable the students to demonstrate how to apply their letter-sound knowledge to reading simple texts. Guessing words from a picture or from context should not be encouraged. When your child gets stuck on a word, please encourage them to sound out an unknown word. Books can be read several times to build confidence and fluency.

HOME READING LOG

Please keep recording your child's reading in their Reading Log. The log should be kept in the maroon reading bag. If your Home Reading Log has been misplaced, just let us know.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

In Term 3, we continue to wear our winter uniforms. Please ensure that all uniform items are clearly labeled with your child's full name. This includes school hats which are worn whenever the children are outside. Please note that without a hat, your child will need to spend recess and lunch times under the shade structures, restricting their much-needed play time. If your child is unable to wear the correct uniform please write a note for the teacher. School uniforms can be purchased online at <https://www.narrabeenlakesuniformshop.com.au/> and these will be delivered to your child's class.

CLASSROOM ROUTINES

Monday KB – STEM
KW – STEM

Wednesday KB – Library and Music
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Friday Home reader swapping
Sport (please wear sports uniform)
K-2 assembly (odd weeks of term only)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

02/08 - 100 Days of Kindergarten celebration
08/08 - Education Week open day
19/08 - Public Speaking Competition commences
21/08 - Year 5 hosting a cake stall
29/08 - Book Parade
23/08 - Last day of the Premier's Reading Challenge
30/08 - Fathers Day Stall
09/09 - K-2 Olympic Games Sports Day

REMINDERS

- The playground is supervised in the morning from 8:40am. If your child is regularly coming before this time they should be enrolled in Before School Care. Please see the office for information.
- The area outside the Kindy classes is OUT OF BOUNDS in the morning. We are very close to Pittwater Road, and it is unsafe for children to be near this area, even with their parents. It is NOT supervised by teachers. Please take your children to the main playground to find and play with a friend.
- Our gates automatically open from 8:30am until 9:20am and 3:00pm to 3:40pm. If you need to come to school outside of these times, you will need to use the intercom to gain access. Please be reminded that all gates are locked throughout the day. Once the front gate closes at 3:40pm, you will need to leave via Park Street before our crossing guard locks it at around 4pm.
- Bikes, scooters and skateboards in the playground are not permitted to be used at any time during the day by students or adults. We ask you to respect our school expectations and push or carry these forms of transport when you enter the school gates.

We look forward to another fantastic term at NLPS ahead and continuing to celebrate the learning successes with the Kindergarten students!

Warm regards,

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