



NAREENA HILLS PUBLIC SCHOOL

HILLS HIGHLIGHTS

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Week 4, Term 4

29 October 2012

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COMING EVENTS

Tuesday 30 October	- Life Education
Wednesday 31 October	- Life Education
Wednesday 31 October	- School Assembly – Communication 2.30 pm
Thursday 1 November	- Stage 2 Camp
Friday 2 November	- Stage 2 Camp
Friday 2 November	- Responsible Pet Program
Monday 5 November	- Kinder Orientation - Evening Parent Session 6.30 pm
Wednesday 7 November	- School Assembly K/1HB Class Item
Friday 9 November	- PSSA Sport
Friday 9 November	- Remembrance Day
Monday 12 November	- Kinder Orientation - Student Session/ Parent Seminar
Wednesday 14 November	- Kinder Orientation - Student Session /Parent Seminar
Friday 16 November	- PSSA Sport
Friday 16 November	- Sydney Schools Spectacular Rehearsal
Wednesday 21 November	- Sydney Schools Spectacular Rehearsal
Thursday 22 November	- Sydney Schools Spectacular Performance
Friday 23 November	- Sydney Schools Spectacular Performance
Friday 23 November	- Teddy Bears Picnic 12.15 for Kinders & New Kinders
Saturday 24 November	- Sydney Schools Spectacular Performance
Wednesday 28 November	- Kinder Playtime 9.15 am - Play Equipment

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Last week, students from 1/2T, 2G and 2/3F performed at the Instrumental Festival. I would like to congratulate all students for their excellent behaviour and wonderful performance. Congratulations to Mrs Jones for her outstanding work with the students.



I would also like to congratulate Miss Sciberras and 1B for their class item at last week's assembly. Well done to everyone!



Mrs Cheryl Thompson will take Long Service Leave beginning next Monday 5 November and will be replaced by Miss Nicole Edwards. Mrs Thompson will return to school on Friday 30 November.

School Activities – Parent Survey HAVE YOUR SAY.

Nareena Hills has a long tradition of participation in extracurricular activities. For example, in 2012 we participated in the ISER Dance festival, State Dance Festival, Southern Stars, Choral Festival, Instrumental Festival, Schools Spectacular, Futsal, Paul Kelly Cup, PSSA sport etc. While these extracurricular activities are wonderful opportunities for the students at the School,

these activities often take place at the expense of core teaching and learning, in literacy and numeracy. In my first year at the School I have noticed that the amount of time out of class to attend rehearsals, performances, and sporting events coupled with the costs to participate have led to many frazzled teachers, parents and students.

I appreciate the time and effort that teachers, parents and students put into all of the activities mentioned and value each and every one of the extracurricular activities. However, part of my job is to ensure that the School has the right balance between time spent in class on teaching and learning, and participation in extracurricular activities. With this in mind, I ask you to please complete the attached survey. The results will enable me to make informed decisions regarding participation in extracurricular activities for next year.

Please complete the attached survey and return to the RED SURVEY box in the front office no later than Friday 9 November.

Parent Workshop- What Your Child Needs From You: Creating a Connected Family

This workshop has been cancelled but will be offered again next year.

Assembly

This week's assembly is a communication assembly and will start at 2:30 pm.

P&C News

Family School Camp Out – November 10

Attached is a flyer with information regarding the last P & C fundraiser for 2012. A family camp out has been organised for Saturday November 10 in the school playground. Please support this fun filled evening!

Giselle Coltman

Principal

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following children who have achieved their Gold Certificate status-

<i>Kanthica</i>	<i>Grace</i>	<i>Luke</i>
<i>Annaliese</i>	<i>Daniel</i>	



These certificates will be given out at the Assembly 7 November

Congratulations to the following children who have achieved their Silver Certificate status -

<i>April</i>	<i>Holly</i>	<i>Sophie</i>	<i>Sade</i>
<i>Aiden</i>	<i>Roman</i>	<i>Alex</i>	<i>Alyssa</i>
<i>Ethan</i>	<i>Ted</i>		

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What Notes Went Home Last Week (22 October – 26 October)

Note topic	Who got it?	When was it sent?
Term 4 PSSA Sport	Students in Yr's 4-6	Mon 22 October

Selective High Schools: Applications for Year 7 Placement in 2014

Students in Year 5 2012 intending to apply for a Year 7 placement in a selective High School in 2014 need to complete an application prior to **16 November 2012**.

On line applications may now be completed following the link below:

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/learning/k-6assessments/shsplacement/onlineapp/index.php>

Paper applications are now available from the Front Office.

MSP SOUTHERN STARS PHOTOS

On display in the Front Office are group photos of the choir and dancers taken at Southern Stars if you would like to make an order please send \$12 to school and MSP will collect orders on Thursday 1 November.

PRE-LOVED UNIFORMS

At next week's Kinder Orientation we would love to have a good range of pre-loved uniforms for the new parents to purchase. If you have any good quality uniforms, especially in the smaller sizes, we would be very happy to receive them. Please leave donations in the canteen or with Alex in the Front Office.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD ITEMS

Host Families for Student Exchange
Lowes – Special Uniform Sales Evening – Tuesday 13 November
City of Wollongong Giving Tree
City of Wollongong Bikers Toy Run



CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday 31 October: Michelle Tozzi, Amanda Schipp, Kathy Shipp, Chris Finley
Thursday 1 November: Natalie Bruncker, Megan Arthur, Janine Lukasiak, Vanessa Schuldt

Members of our Green Team Working in the gardens

