

# NARACOORTE SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## Responsibility Resilience Pride Opportunity



### From the Principal .... Sharing the good news!

Recently I attended the DECD Leaders Conference at the Adelaide Convention Centre with over a thousand principals and pre-school directors from across the state. The purpose of the conference was to ensure all leaders are clear about South Australia's vision to build a stronger future for our children by making our education system world class, and how we are going to achieve that collaboratively. The children who have started reception this year will complete their SACE in 2030, and enter a workforce that is rapidly evolving and the skills and knowledge needed to be successful will be vastly different from today. It is therefore critical that schools work together with parents, family and communities to ensure a future focussed system that empowers all learners.

Our staff has recently devised our 2018 Site Improvement Plan, which provides a narrow and deep focus on improving student learning. All teachers and SSOs have developed, in conjunction with their mentor, a performance development plan that reflects our focus on improving *number fluency* and *reading comprehension*. Teachers in turn are working with every student to set classroom and individual goals with students that are directly related to these two focus areas. At the upcoming three way conferences, your child will be sharing their most recent *reading goal* with you, as well as talking about ways you can support them to reach this goal. I have included later on in the newsletter an overview of our school targets for this year; if you would like to view the Site Improvement Plan in its entirety, please visit the school website.

### Field Days

What a great day out Mrs Brighton's and Miss Holland's class had at the Lucindale Field Days last week. We had several children who came away with prizes from the mailbox competition - congratulations! A big thank you to Matho for driving the bus, John for helping out and parents Kylie Allen, Sharon Patrick, Lisa Grady and Kim Benfield who assisted on the day.

### Harmony Day

While the official Harmony Day was yesterday, children from Naracoorte and surrounds are celebrating in the town square tomorrow with a combined schools' concert. The concert will start at 10:30 for any parents



### Diary Dates

#### Friday 23rd March

Harmony Day

#### Sunday 25th March

9.00am Working Bee

Tuesday 27th march

Easter Presentation

#### Thursday 29th March

10.30am Bounce & Bop

2.15pm Early dismissal

#### Friday 30th March

GOOD FRIDAY Public Holiday

#### Month of April

Autism Awareness Month

#### Sunday 1st April

EASTER SUNDAY

End of Daylight Savings

#### MONDAY 2nd April

EASTER MONDAY Public Holiday

#### 3rd April - 5th April

Student, Parent Teacher Conferences

#### Thursday 5th April

10.30am Bounce & Bop

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#### Friday 6th April

12.15pm Primary Assembly

KidsMatter Afternoon

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and family members who would like to help us celebrate this special day.

### Working Bee

Families who are rostered on for this term's Working Bee on Sunday have received their invitation, but as always, anyone is welcome to attend on the day! We have lots of jobs as usual, including preparing the upper primary nature play area, fixing the creek and re-doing the mud play wall in the sand-pit. As always we will feed you with a sausage sizzle after all your hard work- we hope to see you between 9-12!

### Farewell

Over the last two weeks we have had to say a sad farewell to two of our families - to Elsie and Will Thring and family who are moving to the Adelaide hills and to Sophia Majellano who has relocated to NSW. Thank you for being part of the NSPS family and we wish you all the best at your new schools. Please keep in touch!

### Numeracy

On my visits to classrooms I am so excited to see the level of engagement and confidence shown by children in all classes in numeracy lessons. Quick Think Maths starts every lesson and is an opportunity for students to practice familiar concepts and become more fluent and accurate. Teachers and SSOs support learning teams to ensure students are working within their zone of development and to ensure they are provided with intellectual challenge and stretch. QuickSmart and TwoSmart interventions occur three times a week for identified students for extra experience and practice with mental computation. Here are some photographs of children working confidently and capably in mathematics.



### Proposal for Bus changes

We invite your written feedback on the proposal to change the route of buses that currently travel to all three government schools each day. Please find a copy of the letter from Ashley Smith in regards to the Elderslie, Hynam and Wrattenbully buses travelling to Naracoorte South Primary school and terminating at the high school. For our children, this will mean that students on these buses will arrive at school at 8:30am rather than around 8:20am and will board the bus shortly after school finishes. Currently some children wait up to half an hour after the end of school to board their bus. I have spoken with staff and Governing Council and to support these changes happening at the start of term 3 2018, we will need to adjust our school times by

ten minutes, with lessons starting at 9:00am and school getting out at 3:25pm.

Please email,

Kirsty.Lush598@schools.sa.edu.au or write to me with any feedback you may have around this proposal by the end of term.

*Kirsty*

### Assembly Dates

**Fridays**

**Primary 3-7 @ 12.15pm**

**Wk 10 - 6/4/18**

Room 10 are hosting & rooms 9, 12 & 14 sharing work





### Deputy News

#### KIC

The KIC Exec ran a very successful F-7 meeting this week. They have made a change to the format of these meetings by giving each class a common agenda item to discuss. This ensures that all classes have discussed the item and can have a conversation about it at the meeting. This week we discussed how our "new look" intention assemblies are going. We spoke about positives and points to consider. It was a great experience for all children and it really connected the KIC committee at a whole school level. From here I will share the information they have come up with at staff meeting. It has provided a deeper level of connectedness and action to our meetings. Next fortnight we will be discussing the use of Pokemon cards and BayBlades.

#### Wipe Out Waste

On Tuesday we were lucky enough to have Jo from KESAB and Natasha from Natural Resources come and visit the school. Room 10 worked alongside these lovely ladies to complete a bin audit. The whole school was also treated to a performance designed to teach our students how to REDUCE, REUSE and RECYCLE. The students were very interested to see the results from the audit and are committed to making some changes to reduce the waste at NSPS. Some children are already making changes to the way they bring food to school. It is wonderful to see them so passionate about this topic. Room 10 children even managed to reduce the waste from their lunch boxes to one small (15cm bin) in ONE DAY! An amazing achievement. Soon you will begin to see some changes around the school as we work together to implement a waste program which works the best for our school.

#### Waste Challenge

As I have mentioned previously we have joined the Waste Reduction Challenge for schools. As we have now been well informed about how to reduce the waste that is going into our landfill bins, we are optimistic that this will reduce over the next few weeks of the challenge. Even if we don't win a prize, the journey of learning we are taking is incentive enough to make some changes! As we discuss these matters as a staff and school we will keep you informed about some ways you can help from home ☺ There will be some handy tips coming home via Facebook and in the newsletters. The biggest change you can make straight away is considering lunchbox packing. Are you able to put yoghurt into a tub each day instead of buying smaller containers? Put sandwiches into a sandwich keeper rather than wrap them in plastic? A small change in your routine can make a massive impact over the course of a year ☺

#### EAGS

The EAGS group are a very passionate group this year and have already begun discussing many projects. This week they have cleaned out the Environment Centre and researched buying worms to help us use more of our scraps. They will also produce fertiliser we can use in the garden beds. EAGS have also instigated our involvement in Earth Hour again. Even though it is on Harmony Day we will still put aside some time to save our planet ☺ From 9-10am we will unplug and use no electricity (with the exception of fridges and backup computers). In this time classes will continue activities (with a few adjustments for the lack of technology) and also discuss why we are taking part in Earth Hour. After the hour is up we hope classes will continue to focus on the importance of saving energy. Turning lights off when we leave rooms and unplugging electrical items that are not being used is a great start ☺

I hope that families are able to join us at the Harmony Day celebrations on Friday ☺

Kym



#### Roster

Tuesday 27th March	*
Wednesday 28th March	*
Thursday 29th March	C Maney
Friday 30th March	GOOD FRIDAY
Tuesday 3rd April	*
Wednesday 4th April	M Durston
Thursday 5th April	*
Friday 6th April	S Patrick

If you are able to help on any of these days we would love to see you.

Glenda Herron  
Canteen Manager

#### Coles Sports for Schools

The Coles Sports for Schools program is back for 2018. You can help our school earn a range of sporting equipment by shopping at Coles Shell Roadhouse, Naracoorte or any Coles store from now until 3rd April 2018.

How it works:

**Step 1** - For every \$10 spent at Coles, you will receive one Sports for Schools voucher.

**Step 2** - You then place the vouchers in the box at the Coles Shell Roadhouse or bring vouchers to school, placing them in the collection bin provided in the office.

**Step 3** - Every voucher you donate to our school can be redeemed for leading brand sports equipment.

#### Wipe out Waste

[www.wow.sa.gov.au](http://www.wow.sa.gov.au)

#### Start a compost collection at school or home.

Many food scraps can be put into a compost bin, which is good for your garden and stops this valuable resource being sent to landfill.



*Counsellor Chat*

# HARMONY DAY

The official Harmony Day is on the 21<sup>st</sup> of March this year, however, our school and community have chosen to celebrate it on Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March. Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity – a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. The message of Harmony Day is **'everyone belongs'**, the Day aims to engage people to participate in their community, respect cultural and religious diversity and foster sense of belonging for everyone. It's a time to come together with friends and family and through schools, workplaces and our wider communities to celebrate our diversity.

Our school is participating in the Combined Schools Event in the town square on Friday at 10.30am where local schools and pre-schools will each share a performance before everyone coming together at the end for a combined routine. A big thank you to Phoebe Fisher who is not only one of our teachers but is also a wonderful choreographer and has organised the special dance our school will share on the day. Lots of our students have been attending rehearsals and have been very committed to practicing their dance ready for the performance on Friday.

There is also a Community Picnic with Floating Paper Lanterns which starts at 6pm at the swimming lake for families to attend. It would be wonderful to see lots of our families come to both events to celebrate the wonderful diversity in our school and community. Everyone is welcome!

Orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Day and we ask that the students wear some orange on the day. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect. Australians can choose to wear something orange on Harmony Day to show their support for cultural diversity and an inclusive Australia.

*Samantha Power* ☺

Australia is a vibrant and multicultural country — from the oldest continuous culture of our first Australians to the cultures of our newest arrivals from around the world. Our cultural diversity is one of our greatest strengths and is at the heart of who we are. It makes Australia a great place to live.

*School Fees 2018*

Just a friendly reminder that your second instalment of \$100.00 is due by the end of this term, 13th April. If you could make arrangements to have this finalised it would be appreciated.

Payments can be made by cheque, cash, credit card or online.

BSB: 105 043

A.C Number 185337240

Please put your surname in details and forward an email to

Cheryl.kramm9@schools.sa.edu.au to confirm payment.

If you have any queries, don't hesitate to contact me on 8762 2977.

Cheryl Kramm

Business Manger

*Fundraising*

Thanks to our helpers who sold raffle tickets out the front of Morris' Bakery last week. Raffle tickets are due back on Monday. The baskets will be made up Monday night so keep those donations coming in. Raffle is drawn on Wednesday.

On Thursday all the Foundation - Year 2 students will be involved with a Easter Egg hunt collecting items along the way, with a surprise in their classroom to finalise.

Honey orders will be at school next week sometime. Keep an eye on facebook for the actual arrival date.

*Belinda Neal*

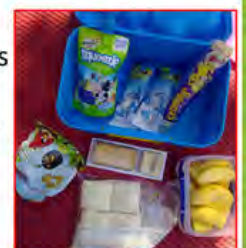
*Parent Fundraiser*

**Wipe out Waste**

[www.wow.sa.gov.au](http://www.wow.sa.gov.au)

**Pack only what is realistic to eat.**

Many children have excess food which ends up uneaten in bins. Discuss **what** and **how much** your child is likely to eat at school or preschool.





*PCW Corner***The Power of a Smile**

Often we underestimate the power of a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around. As I walk around the school, saying good morning to students and staff as we start the school day, one of the most important things that I endeavour to do is smile.

A genuine smile says I am glad to see you! So often children have something which they believe is important to tell you, (often to an adult they are interrupting us) so we do not really listen to what they are saying.

A smile costs nothing:

The average adult smiles around 20 a day, happy adult smiles around 40 times a day, children smile around 400 times a day. Let us as a community smile more, give honest compliments and become active listeners.

*John Stayte*  
PCW



## 6 FACTS ABOUT SMILING

- #1 Smiling releases endorphins
- #2 Smiling is known as an expression of happiness across all cultures
- #3 Smiling is actually contagious
- #4 Babies start smiling in their sleep as soon as they're born
- #5 Smiling can reduce your blood pressure
- #6 There are 19 types of smiles all expressing different emotions

The Happsters - We're like hipsters but happier  
[www.happsters.com](http://www.happsters.com)

## A Smile

A smile costs nothing, but gives much,  
It enriches those who receive,  
without making poorer those who give,  
It takes but a moment,  
yet the memory of it may last forever.  
A smile creates happiness in the home,  
fosters goodwill in business  
and is the sign of friendship.  
It brings rest to the weary.  
cheer to the discouraged,  
sunshine to the sad,  
and is nature's best antidote to trouble.  
yet a smile cannot be bought,  
begged, borrowed, or stolen;  
For it is of no value to anyone else  
unless it is given away,  
Some people are too tired  
to give you a smile.  
Give them one of yours  
No one needs a smile as much  
as those who have none to give.



## ALPHA Shows



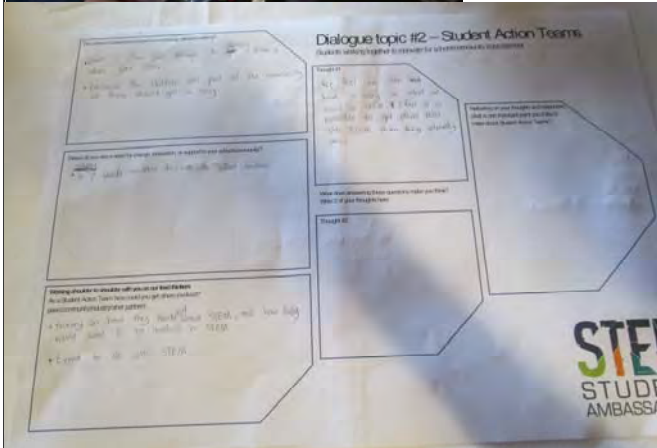


### STEM Student Ambassadors



On Wednesday Zach Pope and I attended the STEM conference as ambassadors of the South School with many other representatives from the South East district. We talked about the STEM system and chatted about how the teacher can be the student and the student can be the teacher. We participated in many different challenges and activities. One of the challenges was to make a ping pong ball launcher. We made a 3-D design with limited products, it was a really fun activity. This is an ongoing exercise through-out the year with different camps and conferences. Zach and I are excited for the experience. We both would like to thank Mrs Lush and Mrs Shepherd for the great opportunity and Nikki for taking us.

*Trixie Crouch  
Room 14*



### Think U Know by Room 13

*I thought the cyber safety talk was very important because some kids were using apps they aren't meant to use until they are 13. Chloe*

*Yesterday Steph and Kim from SA Police visited to talk to the year 3-7 students about cyber safety. We learnt lots about being safe online like how old you should be to use different apps and how to take photos that don't tell people we don't know any personal information. Steph and Kim also showed us how to have a safe username and password.*

*Kid's shouldn't use Road Blocks because it's not private and anyone can talk to you, which isn't safe. Ollie*



*I've learnt that kids shouldn't use You Tube until they are 13. Ciara*

*I learnt to be careful with my usernames and passwords. Also don't show where you are in a photo. Dylan*

*I found out you need to be 13 to use snapchat. Sienna*

*I learnt that some games are really dangerous for kids. Ali*

*Instead of using normal You Tube you could use Kids You Tube. Kendra*



### Room 10



Archie - I liked the mail boxes we made, twitter bird, dinosaur Jad and a fox.

WOW - I learnt how to sort our rubbish into 15 types of rubbish



Wipe Out Waste



Jack - I liked doing the blue Yakka trail and playing laser tag at the Field Days. WOW - Seeing how much rubbish is going into landfill.



Harry - The field days was fun because you got lots of stuff on the Blue Yakka Trail. WOW - Now I have lots of containers in my lunch box and so I don't have to go to the bin lots of times.

Max - Laser tag and buy stuff, like an ice-cream was my favourite thing at the Field Days. My laser tag score was 52. WOW - We watched a video know how to recycle properly.

### School Sport

Football, including Back Oval, and Netball forms have gone home. If you have missed any of these please see the office. Competition will start in Term 2, but some practice will take place after Easter. Watch out for further information.

Thanks to Ginny Harvie for organising NetSetGo for our younger students interested in Netball. This program will be run at school on Monday 3.30 - 4.30pm. Register on line. Any queries please speak to Ginny or any of the office staff.

### Field Days



Maisy—I liked the police display because we got a photo on the police bike. WOW - I enjoyed sorting out the rubbish because we could see how much recycling we had.

Taylor - I liked the ANZ mascot at the Field Days.

Kirra - I bought a splat ball for \$2.

Mason - Watching the motor bikes and laser tag was fun at the Field Days and the Blue yakka trail WOW - Room 10 sorted out the rubbish and put it into the piles. They told us what to do with the rubbish.



## Small Heroes. BIG Dreams.

Start date:	Time:
30th April 2018	3.30pm
Length of program:	Age group:
1 hour	Reception - grade 3
Cost:	
\$54.00	Register now: <a href="http://netsetgo.asn.au">netsetgo.asn.au</a>



# HALL OF FAME

Jonah Mathie for being kind and caring towards his class mates.

Ziva Carter-Pevitt for always trying her best during numeracy and demonstrating a great understanding of skip counting.

Jacinta Williams for always using the Golden Rule 'Treating others the way you would like to be treated'

Sid Ebert for always being generous with your time and attitude towards others. Your smile and sense of humour are a joy to have in our classroom.

Matilda Lush for working very hard at school and at home on her reading. It is so exciting to see you remembering and working out new words in books all by yourself.

Max Lush for being caring, helpful and inclusive of others. You are a great friend to all Max!

Alex Bounds for demonstrating maturity to take on extra work to improve his own learning and when working hard to stay on task during class time.

Muzammil Rezaie for applying himself in all areas and displaying a positive attitude towards learning new things.

CJ Sopha for working and concentrating hard to break words into syllables.

Dylan Thomas for working independently on his mailbox design.

Jake Stewart for being enthusiastic and displaying high effort levels in all activities so far.

Amelie Nancarrow for being enthusiastic and actively involved in classroom discussion in all activities.

Harry Clark for writing a well structured and engaging narrative.

Biance Wallace for being a fantastic member of the class! Always showing organisation and kindness.

Masoma Panahi for her concentration levels and effort in maths tasks where she has shown great confidence to work through problems.

Kane Skinner for trying hard to have a "Growth Mindset" and keeping a positive attitude.

Owen Herrod for working well in a team during investigations and always being kind and helpful to everyone in the classroom

Lincoln Ebert for making a very creative and exciting story in book making.

Ava Cother for being brave to write independently. I look forward to reading more of your stories.

Winnie Schinckel for concentrating and working very hard in reading lessons. Winnie is now reading lots of words and some books all by herself.

Leon Amonoy for improving his school fitness, now working hard for the whole school day and also for showing some super speedy basketball skills with Matho on Wednesday.

Georgia Pope for showing confidence to have a go at writing independently. I like your persistence in trying to spell new and challenging words.

Lochie Dolphin for displaying a positive attitude in all learning areas and setting himself personal challenges to extend his learning.

Riley McMullan for showing persistence in maths when learning new concepts and taking on challenges to extend his learning.

Abi Newson for her work with the four operations in maths.

Isaac Richards for being a good buddy and helping others in class.

Sienna Porter for her improvement in her concentration during mindfulness activities.

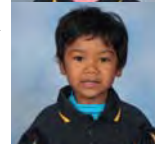
Willow Edwards for producing a very thorough exposition on unsustainable palm oil.

Amity-Mei Negri for helping a friend with their reading and being supportive

Jack Grady for being brave and overcoming nervousness in his learning.

Mazhar Mir for consistently completing his reading homework.

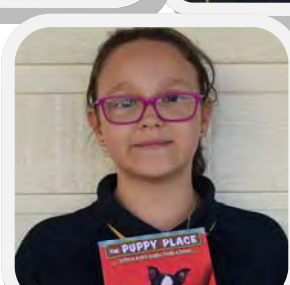
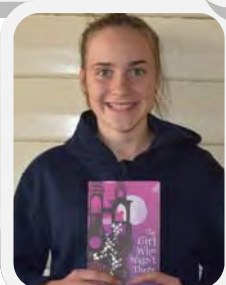
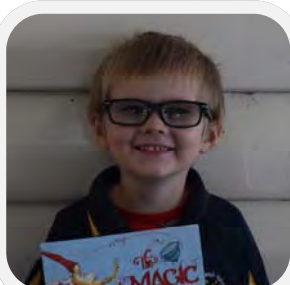
Kendra Bilston for being a friendly and helpful student who consistently tries her best with her school work.





### Happy birthday to ...

Abbey Wallace who was 6 on 9th March  
 Silas Osborne who was 5 on 14th March  
 Phoebe Sneath Douglas & Isaac Richards who were 10 on 17th March  
 Tyler Edson who was 10 on 19th March  
 Taya Brunt who was 12 on 20th March



**HARMONY DAY**  
 Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018

**Combined Schools Event**  
 10.30am at the Naracoorte Town Square  
 Local Schools & Pre-Schoolers to perform  
 All coming together at the end for a combined routine

**Community Picnic with Floating Paper Lanterns**  
 6pm at the Naracoorte Swimming Lake  
 BYO Picnic tea or Canteen Available  
 Write a wish on your floating paper lantern

**EVERYONE BELONGS**  
[www.harmony.gov.au](http://www.harmony.gov.au)



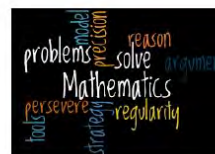
## Number Fluency Target

At NSPS, we will improve all students' number fluency and as result see an increase in 15% of students achieving the standard of education achievement in numeracy. All of our students will achieve medium to high growth in numeracy in 2018.

Task design and moderation will ensure intellectual stretch and challenge is provided for all students. Quick Think Maths sessions will take place at the beginning of every numeracy lesson. Teachers will ensure Formative Assessment occurs daily to allow them to 'check in' and 'act' and respond to the learners' needs at the time.

#### Interventions include

- QuickSmart and TooSmart delivered three times a week with identified year 2s, 5s and 6s.
- Small group instruction with students identified through NAPLAN, PAT-M and SENA assessments
- Learning teams to extend and intervene when required



## Reading Comprehension Target

At NSPS, we will strive for every student to be reading at their chronological age. We will see an increase of 15% of students achieving the standard of achievement for reading and reading comprehension and 100% of students will achieve medium to high growth in reading this year.

We will explicitly teach and give opportunities for meaningful practice of the Big Six of Reading through guided reading, with every student participating in a guided reading session at least once a fortnight. Children will set their own reading goals with teachers through reading conferences and using data from running records.

#### Interventions in reading include;

- Mini-lit
- Multi-lit
- Targeted phonics instruction
- Reading Squads
- Book club



## Community News

### Messy Church

Naracoorte Anglican Church invites you to Messy Easter on Tuesday 27th March. 3.30pm - 5.30pm. For families of all shapes and sizes. All Welcome. Further information - Margie Mott 8762 2114

### Easter Fete

The Bool Lagoon Hall Easter Fete is on Saturday 24th March. 11.00am to 4.00pm. Bool Lagoon Road, Bool Lagoon. Old fashion children's activities. Special Guest—George the Farmer from 11.15am . Large variety of Market Stalls, produce, home baked goods wine tasting, cut flowers, competitions, raffles and much more. FREE ENTRY All proceeds go towards maintenance and running of the Hall.



### PRESENTS: the Grand Opening of our New Clubrooms

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April @ 2 Playford Dr West (opposite High School)**

**11.45am** Come and Try Hockey - ages 5+ (sticks will be provided)

**1:00pm** Official Opening

**2.15pm** First game of the season commences

**5:30pm** Stay for tea and watch games under lights

Canteen and bar facilities available. Strictly no BYO.

For further information please contact: Anne Freeman – 0428828991

[naracoortedistricthockeytreasurer@hotmail.com](mailto:naracoortedistricthockeytreasurer@hotmail.com)

Box 530 Naracoorte SA 5271

[www.naracoortehockey.com.au](http://www.naracoortehockey.com.au)

Teams are still looking for players across all junior and senior grades, so if you might be interested please contact us and we will help find a club that will suit you.

### Senior's Month

Would you like to be involved in reinvigorating the Every Generation Festival (Seniors Month)? We are looking for people to help plan this year's Every Generation Festival which is usually held in October. If you are interested come along to the Naracoorte Public Library at 11.00am on Thursday 5 April to find out more or express your interest by contacting Naracoorte Lucindale Council (8760 1100)

### Women's Wellness Group

Body Image Workshop Women's Wellness Group with Jenni Eyles, Styling curvy, (Stylish, sassy and a little bit bad). Covers confidence, body image and styling tips. Includes hand-outs and small gift. Finger food and a glass of wine on arrival. [www.stylingcurvy.com](http://www.stylingcurvy.com) Location: Naracoorte South School, Cedar Ave Cost: \$50 member, \$65 non member Time: 6pm For more information, contact Karen 0419 829 416

## High Tea

The ILC are holding High Teas to raise money for students to go to Cambodia. We would like to welcome you to our **High Tea**.

Location: 157 Smith Street

Bookings is essential.

This High Tea will be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm- 4pm  
\$20 p/p.

Bookings essential

RSVP 87622011 by 20th March

### Menu

*Baby Scones with jam and cream*

*Salmon Tartlets*

*Fruit Tartlets*

*Variety of finger sandwiches*

*Melting moments*

*Tricolor Canapés*

*Chocolate Cupcakes*

*Tea and coffee*

## Dance Performance

Lift Dance Theatre "Con Tempus" Direction by Alan Todd and Choreography by Phoebe Fisher. Premiere youth contemporary dance company in South Australia Cost: \$5 Children, \$8 Student/Concession, \$12 Adults, tickets available at [www.trybooking.com/UGOJ](http://www.trybooking.com/UGOJ) Time: 6.30pm Location; Naracoorte Town Hall Wednesday 11th April

## NDIS Workshop

**10th April 2018**

**From 11am – 1pm**

At Limestone Coast Training, 73 Smith Street Naracoorte, South Australia 5271

**Your NDIS journey**

In this session we will talk with you about the current progress of the NDIS and the information you as a carer need to enter and maintain the person you care for on this scheme. The focus in this session will be on the carer journey rather than that of the person who is accessing the NDIS.

Sandi and Maria will be presenting a workshop designed by Carers SA for Carers.

Remember booking are essential

Please call us on 8742 8700.





DECD Transport Services Unit  
Level 11, Education Centre  
31 Flinders Street  
Adelaide SA 5000  
Ph: (08) 8226 3872

Dear Principals,

I refer to our recent meeting and discussions in relation to Department for Education and Child Development (DECD) school bus services, which travel to schools within Naracoorte, and in particular the designated school of right for primary aged students who reside south of Naracoorte.

As you would be aware, a decision was made by the Ministers Delegate during the 2007 school year that at the start of 2008, the designated primary school of right for students on the Wrattenbully, Hynam and Elderslie Road school buses, would be Naracoorte South Primary School.

Approval was also given by the Ministers Delegate that that existing primary aged students using the buses who had enrolled at Naracoorte Primary School at that time (along with their future siblings), would be supported by DECD with free transport assistance to complete their schooling at Naracoorte Primary School. The above mentioned buses were also approved to be phased out from travelling to Naracoorte Primary School as the numbers declined.

As the initial eligible primary aged students and the majority of their siblings have now completed their schooling at Naracoorte Primary School, it is proposed that the Wrattenbully, Hynam and Elderslie Road buses are withdrawn from travelling to the Naracoorte Primary School at the end of Term 2 2018.

As from the commencement of Term 3 2018, the buses will travel into Naracoorte South Primary School, then to Naracoorte High School, where the official contracted bus routes will terminate.

Whilst there will still be numerous Naracoorte Primary School and Sunrise Christian School students who will still require transport assistance across town to attend their school of choice, this will require a private arrangement (possible fare paying bus service) between the school and school bus operator/s to enable these students to continue to travel from Naracoorte High School to attend their school of choice.

I would be pleased if you would consult with your Governing Council and parents in relation to proposed changes to bus services in the Naracoorte area and advise me in writing of comments and/or ramifications that are raised in relation to the proposals.

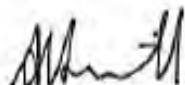
Any decision to implement changes to existing DECD provided school bus services will be made by the Ministers Delegate following consultation, and subject to approval, it is intended that any changes will be implemented at the start of Term 3 2018.

In regards to the Moyhall Road bus route, given that the Stewarts Range and Moyhall Road bus routes were amalgamated in 2017 (and the school of right for students on these buses was NPS and NSPS respectively) the Moyhall Road bus will continue to travel to the

Naracoorte Primary School and Naracoorte South Primary School. This arrangement will however be reviewed at some stage in the future.

As discussed and agreed at our recent meeting, the Naracoorte South Primary School will also take over the management and responsibility of the Wrattenbully, Hynam and Elderslie Road school buses at the start of term 3 2018.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ashley Smith', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ashley Smith  
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## Internet Safety Tips for Parents and Carers:-

- All internet enabled devices (iPad, phone, iPod, Xbox) **SHOULD** be in a common area of the house **NOT IN THE BEDROOM!** Need an alarm - buy a clock radio!
- Parental monitoring is vital – walk past and see what your child is doing, who they are talking to and what sites they are on....be aware if their mood changes. This is NOT invading their privacy at all...it is parenting in the digital space
- Make sure there is no response to rude or harassing comments. (keep a record in case of further investigation)
- Advise your student/child to immediately exit any site that makes them feel uncomfortable or worried. Basic protective behaviour principles apply.
- If harassment continues....the current accounts can be deleted and a new one started. The new account details should only be given to a selected few.
- If receiving harassing messages on social media - have the sender blocked & report to the site.
- If you have found inappropriate content about your child or one in your care on a website or are informed about this situation please contact the ISP and or Police or advise the parent to do so a.s.a.p.
- Have a family internet contract and set house rules about what information your child can put onto websites or share with others, where they go online and what they do. You (adult) need to be in charge.
- Be aware the majority of children **WILL NOT** tell a parent/teacher if bullied or harassed online for fear that they will lose internet access!! NEVER threaten total disconnection!
- Make sure that your children understand that they will not get in trouble if they tell you about a problem.
- Parents must learn about the internet with their child – get students to share their knowledge of the internet with their parents in a fun environment
- Spend time online with children, just as you would with many other activities such as sport, board games and walking the dog - learn and explore together
- Install filters and other monitoring/blocking software to minimise dangers. This is already done in schools but homes should have up to date filtering software installed at home.
- Know the sites they are accessing to ensure suitability. Filters **CAN** sometimes fail to protect and can be bypassed by a 'tech savvy' child.
- Learn the lingo so that you can decipher some of the content if required. Advise parents to do the same.
- **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCHANGE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION!**
- Children Under 13 **ARE NOT ALLOWED** on Facebook, Instagram, Kik, SnapChat, iTunes and many more. Don't support your child to break the rules & they won't be the only one without these accounts. Learn to say NO!
- Social Networking Profiles **MUST BE SET TO PRIVATE**. Use all the security settings available to make the site as safe as possible.
- Social networking site friends should be people that your child knows in real life. This is one way to reduce possible risks. Anyone can be anyone online.
- Teach children that information on the internet is not always reliable.
- Very close supervision for young children is recommended. There should be a limit to the number of people kids talk to online and the parent/carer should know who they are too. approved.
- Whatever your children use, you must use as well. Set up accounts on the same sites to ensure that they are suitable and the interactions appropriate. Engage with them online. This also allows you to know how these applications work.
- If your child is playing online games it is **YOUR** responsibility to make sure that **YOU** know how to play the game too in case of problems. Play online games together.
- Do not let young children 'google' aimlessly with no supervision. Children need to be taught about search engines and how they work.
- The internet and the various applications are a lot of fun and a wonderful tool.....maximize the benefits and surf safely together!

***Please note that this list is by no means exhaustive and that there is no guarantee that adherence to these tips will provide 100% protection or safety for those using the various applications of the internet.***