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A message from Miss Edwards

WELCOME TO NSPS!

A big warm welcome to our new students Mahbob Tawfiq, Skyler and Caleb Venables. We hope you enjoy your time at NSPS.

STUDENT FREE DAY

On Monday our staff participated in Day 2 of the Berry Street Educational Model where we unpacked positive relational classroom management strategies that promote on-task learning. We walked away feeling inspired and motivated to try out some new strategies in the classroom that promotes high engagement.

NATURE PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT

Our Nature Play development is underway – how exciting!

I am so grateful for our community and everyone that has been contributing to this project so far.

A huge thankyou must go to:

Browny for donating his time to demolish and remove our old nature play area

Matt Gericke for donating crane hire to remove our sandpit shade structure

Ben Obst and the Rokebrand family for organising a wood chop at the Rokebrands farm in Edenhope Ben and Mary Obst, Mon and Damien Crossling and Mario Palma for spending a Sunday cutting, collecting logs and delivering to school

Eliza and Simon Mulraney for cutting, collecting logs and delivering to school

Bec Henschke and Henschke Industries for the donations of the limestone

James Heffernan, Darren Callaghan and the Special Projects committee for disposing of the old wood pile. We really appreciate this support, because without everyone working together we wouldn't be able to provide these facilities to our students. **THANKYOU!**

IMPORTANT DATES

22/5 Open Day 10am
22/5 Open Night 6pm
27/5 - 31/5 Reconciliation Week
5/6 Kindy Transition BBQ









Maths Targets

Last week you would have received your child's Term 2 Maths Fluency Target they are working towards. As a school, we are really excited to introduce this initiative to further enhance our students in mathematics. These targets will be set on a termly basis and will serve as personalised goals for each student to strive towards. By setting individualised targets, we aim to provide students with clear objectives to work towards, empowering them to take ownership of their learning and track their progress over time. It is important to emphasise that these fluency targets are not intended to add pressure or stress to students but rather to provide them with achievable goals and support to reach their full potential in mathematics. Our ultimate goal is to create a supportive and nurturing learning environment where every student feels valued and encouraged

To support our Targets we need your help! Here are some ideas you can try at home to support your child's Maths Fluency: (Thanks to Mrs Cappa for putting this together!)

We would highly encourage parents and caregivers to do a couple of activities each week with your child to compliment the work we are doing at school. Some activities include:
Skip counting... What comes next?
Movement (Star jumps skip counting by 5s etc)
Spend time on a certain focus until student understands it (skip counting by 9s and flash cards by nines until they master it)

Quiz at meal times (What is 9x4? etc.)
Older sibling teaching younger sibling. Or ask child to teach parent/caregiver

Younger years - use concrete resources e.g Teddies, toys, food etc. to add, count and group Telling the time!

Cooking together

Games that include totalling and adding up or multiplying together (dice)

Ask your child about games they play in their classroom, get them to teach you!

Ask your child's teacher for any resource cards that may be of help to your child.

xappy Birthday

Axel Brown who was 9 on 1st April
Autumn-Reign Smith who was 6 on 3rd April
Charlie Haynes & Rory Newell who were 8, Patrick
Clark who was 10 & Leon Amonoy who was 11 on 4th
April

Jensen Hawke who was 7 & Lucas Sinclair who was 12 on 5th April

Benji Skinner who was 5 on 9th April Meena Akbari who was 6 on 12th April

Wyatt Moffatt who was 6 & Kylade Te-Huia Newby who was 7 on 13th April

Callum Boden who was 6 & Chevy Hampel who was 10 on 15th April

Jona Mitchell who was 11 on 16th April

Mursalin Rezai who was 8 & Noah Bilston who was 10 on 17th April

Troy Turner who was 8 on 21st April

Oscar Marcus who was 6 on 24th April

Serina Hicks who was 6 on 26th April

Oscar Inthavongta who was 9 on 29th April

Jade Tanner who was 6 & Mohammad Karimi who was 11 on 30th April

Nevaeh Edson who was 11 & Nate Harris & Edward Heffernan who were 12 on 1st May

Claire Starke & Jacob Nel who were 10 on 5th May Noah Smith-Bradshaw who was 10 on 7th May

Becca Garrigan who was 12 on 9th May

Dustin Skinner who was 7 on 12th May

Millie Cherrington who was 12 yesterday, 15th May





to excel.



My name is Belinda Sturges, and I am the new Deputy Principal here at NSPS. I have been working within the Education setting for the last 10 years and over this time have held many different roles including teacher, Senior Leader of Teaching and Learning and most recently a Deputy Principal role at another site focused around intervention, inclusion and Special Education. I have been on maternity leave for the past 7 months and am transitioning back into working life. I have had an amazing first two weeks here at NSPS, with everyone being very warm and welcoming and I am enjoying getting to know all of the students and families.

KIC INTENTION ASSEMBLY

As you all know, each fortnight we have our KIC Intention assembly to pass on information, share birthdays and set our whole-school focus for the coming weeks. Our Intention for this fortnight is Repect. I think this is a fabulous one to kick off the start of the term with, so what does this mean? Respect is a way of treating or thinking about something or someone. Over the fortnight our KIC representatives will be encouraging students to think deeply about this and consider what this looks, feels and sounds like in our everyday life (school, home, the yard, sport etc).

We encourage you to open up this conversation at home as well and join us in our intention focus over the next fortnight. Today I asked two of our KIC Leaders what Respect means to them, here is what they thought:

Indy – "Respect is being kind to everyone and respecting everything around us, no matter if they're not the nicest to you".

Eddie – "You don't have to like everyone but you still need to respect what they're doing and saying and helping them even if you're not friends with them".

Alongside this we have a few birthdays to catch up on with our birthday books. Over the coming weeks we will be handing out our April and May books, so keep an eye out for them!

KIC GRIP CONFERENCE

On Wednesday, the 5th of May, the KIC Executives went to the GRIP Leadership conference in Mount Gambier. We came back with amazing ideas to share with our school to make it an even better place. There were over 40 schools attending the conference. We learnt new ways to handle different situations and ways we can improve our school. GRIP stands for Generosity, Responsibility, Integrity, People. There were many different sections that were held to teach us about the different ways on how to become a better leader.

The KIC Executives Indy, Eddie, Lacey and Alexis





Sport Spotlight





Well done to these students for participating

Congratulations to all of our runners who participated in SE Cross Country on Friday.

We had 30 runners represent NSPS and we are so proud of all of you for giving your best!

Some top 10 superstars: 2nd Winnie Schinckel 4th Ethan Cother 7th Myah Jaensch

A big thanks to Mr Cother for all of your organising and Matho for driving the bus.

Thanks to Naracoorte Primary School for putting on a great day!

Harry Heffernan Lexie Jones Eliza Norcock Makenzie Bell Palace Gnys Frankie Crossling Hilary Schinckel Lincoln Ebert Hine Kinita Winnie Schinckel Eddie Dolphin Tariro Chambara Skyler Venables Lawrence Moffatt Joel Slotegraaf Mackenzie Harris Patrick Clark

Tyler Polkinghorne Charlie Haynes Nakoa Gnys Troy Turner Hudson Bell Maggie Crossling Lulu Burns Myah Jaensch Floise Lawrie Hazel Norcock Hugo Wood Ethan Cother Darcy Crocker Isaac Marshall Bruce Freeman Braxton Jaensch

SAPSASA ATHLETICS

On Friday, week 1 of term 2, Alexis, Azmat, Makenzie B, Lacey, Hilary, Winnie, Harry, Eddie and Patrick headed to Bordertown to compete in the districts SAPSASA trials. We were fortunate to have great weather and a successful day out trying our best in a range of nominated track and field events. Six students were selected to travel to Adelaide in September, to represent the Upper South East District at the states SAPSASA Athletics event. The following students were selected:

Mackenzie Bell – 100m, Shot Put

Harry Heffernan - Relay

Eddie Heffernan - Shot Put

Lacey Foale - High Jump, Relay

Alexis Flint - 1500m

Patrick Clark - High Jump

Congratulations and well done to everyone who participated. We wish those all the best who are travelling to Adelaide in September, and we cannot wait to hear how you go!









SAPSASA NETBALL / FOOTBALL

Recently, students from our school have participated in football and netball carnivals, trialling in the hope of representing the Upper South East in upcoming state carnivals this term.

After numerous trials we have Eddie Heffernan participating in the Boys Football team with Lincoln Ebert a reserve for the team.

The netball team has three participants from our school making the squad. Lacey Foale, Asha McMullan and Skyler Venables selected. Millie Cherrington is a reserve for the carnival.











Mothers Day and Special Persons Day











Last Thursday, we had a wonderful celebration for Mother's Day and Special Persons Day. We welcomed not only the amazing Mum's in our lives but also those who play important roles like aunties, cousins, grandparents, step-mums and sisters. They all joined us in our classrooms where our students showed their love and appreciation through activity with them, this including pampering (massage and nail painting), card making, bead making and a campfire cook-out. Following this, we gathered for morning tea, which was a special time for us to thank and appreciate those who look out for us and help us, and we loved every minute of it. A huge thankyou to Sophie Owen from the Coffee Pitt and to Mary Obst and families who donated baked goods and their





time to support this.



Wellbeing with Miss Cope

MINDFULNESS

Building on from the last few weeks of information on Mindfulness, we have a new building block activity over in wellbeing. Students have been enjoying trying to create the puzzles with the blocks. This takes lots of concentration and focus and an excellent way to be mindful on the moment. Sometimes getting out into nature is also a great way to be mindful and there are plenty of great things you can do outside and practice mindfulness while you do them.



Thank you to the church for their generous donation of food for some of the families in our community. Mr B and I will be able to deliver some hampers of food. We are so appreciative of our wider community and their support of our school, students and families. Please reach out if you or your child needs support, my email is jessie. cope810@schools.sa.edu.au or you can call through at the office to talk to me or contact me through Seesaw.

Thank You

Bounce and Bop Mother's Day Edition

We were overwhelmed with the families and toddlers who joined us for our very special 'Bounce and Bop Mothers Day Edition' full of laughter, smiles, dancing and fun. Longridge residents also joined in on the action, which was super special. We love connecting with our community and would like to thank everyone who came along. Bounce & Bop is a half hour session of rhymes, songs, movement and stories in a fun filled, friendly environment followed by a play and a chat. The activities aim to encourage early Literacy and Numeracy skills through Music and Movement. Parents and their child/ren from birth- 4 years are welcome, every Thursday during the school term at 10am in the hall.





NATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL SAFELY

DAY

On Friday we participated in the National walk to school safely day, what a wonderful morning for a walk it was. Thankyou to Naracoorte SAPOL for meeting us at the gate and to the parents and staff who joined us for our walk.













MATHS GAMES

IN ROOM 7

An important part of our maths lessons is engaging with games, building our knowledge and confidence with basic number skills, at the start of each lesson. Through completing engaging math games, it has helped to build positive mathematical mindsets, while developing skills. Here are some of our favourites in room 7...

My favourite maths game is Get Out My House because you can knock someone out the house. - Oliver

> My favourite maths game is Blast Off because it is fun. - Annie

My favourite math game is
Get Out My House because I
love trying to win and letting
my friends win. - Maggie

I enjoy maths games because it makes me like having maths. - Jessica



I like the 'Defend-It' Digi Games because we get to choose the numbers on the touch screen – Charlotte



My favourite maths game is Around The World because we say the number of our 'friends of ten' and I sometimes get it right and I sometimes get it wrong. - Saami



My favourite math game is Addition Snap because I like trying to win all the time. - Hudson

My favourite maths game is Around the World because you get to guess the number or skip count in 5s. - Sarah My favourite math game is Strike because you can times, add or take away. -Hazel

I like maths games because they are fun. - Ada My favourite game is Snake, because you can use coloured pencils to cross out the answer. - Eloise



I enjoy playing math games because they are a fun way to learn. - Elora

Please reach out if you are after some maths games for home!

Community News



Interested in Table Tennis?

Are you a pro? Or just starting? We can accommodate to any level

Contact Kevan Addicott at 0447615215 for more infomation





Do you Play a Musical Instrument?

Calling all young musicians
Join us and other aspiring musicians
for our Monday night rehearsals.
Naracoorte Lucindale
Concert Band
Monday Nights
starting 27th May 2024
6.30 - 7.30PM

Every young musician benefits from playing in a Band. It helps them to develop their musical skills on their chosen instrument.

Naracoorte Town Hall

Contact - Sonja Gooding Instrumental Music





megan heffernan.





Circle of Security Parenting

DELIVERED BY MEGAN HEFFERNAN,
PAEDIATRIC OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST AND
CIRCLE OF SECURITY PARENTING FACILITATOR

DATES:

This group runs for 8 weeks - Thursdays commencing Thursday 16th May 2024

TIME:

1 – 3pm

Naracoorte Showgrounds, Members Boardroom

At times, as parents we may feel lost or without a clue about what our child might need from us, and making sense of what feels like challenging and baffling behaviours adds to the exhaustion.

Imagine what it might feel like if you were able to make sense of what your child was really asking from you. The Circle of Security Parenting program is based on decades of research about how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened.

To connect with some of the foundations of this program, please click the link below and scroll down to an introductory video.

https://www.circleofsecurityinternational.com/ resources-for-parents/

Please also feel encouraged to explore the Circle of Security International website, in particular the parent blog which is something I find many parents relate to, and view Circle of Security International on Facebook and Instagram.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM:



Understand your child's emotional world by learning to read their emotional needs



Understand how your child may communicate these needs through their behaviour



Support your child's emotional regulation



Support the development of your child's self esteem

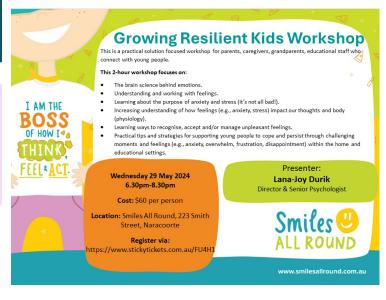


Experience more confidence and clarity in how to respond to your child's needs



Honor your innate wisdom and desire for your child to experience security in their relationship with you and others

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER, EMAIL MHEFFERNAN.OT@GMAIL.COM







PRINCIPAL TOUR

We invite prospective 2025 families to our Principal Tour. You will have the opportunity to meet our leadership team, our students, our staff and learn all about our NSPS Community.

WEDNESDAY 22ND MAY 10AM OR 6PM SESSIONS

Naracoorte South Primary is a community school. People matter here. We educate the whole child in partnership with their families and the community, valuing the unique story each child brings to our school.

SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER





School Calender

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
29/4 wk 1	30/4 10am Learning Together	1/5 KIC to GRIP Conference	2/5 10am Bounce & Bop	3/5 SAPSASA Athletics
6/5 Wk 2	7/5 10am Learning Together Playgroup Netball Carnival	8/5 SAPSASA Netball Carnival	9/5 10am Bounce & Bop Mother's Day morning	10/5 SE Cross Country @ NPS Walk to school day
13/5 wk 3 STUDENT FREE DAY	14/5 10am Learning Together Playgroup 6pm Real Schools parent information session	15/5 YELP in Mt Gambier 1pm State Opera	16/5 10am Bounce & Bop Newsletter	17/5 Circus Elements performance
20/5 wk 4 National Volunteer Week 6pm Governing Council	21/5 10am Learning Together Playgroup	22/5 10am Open Day 6pm Open Night	23/5 9:00am Primary Assembly 10am Bounce & Bop	24/5 9:15am JP Assembly
27/5 wk 5 Reconciliation Week	28/8 10am Learning Together Playgroup	29/5	30/5 10am Bounce & Bop	31/5
3/6 wk 6 Alpha Shows	4/6 10am Learning Together Playgroup	5/6 Kindy Transition BBQ	6/6 SAPSASA Cross Country 10am Bounce & Bop Newsletter	7/6
10/6 wk 7 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	11/6 10am Learning Together Playgroup	12/6 SAPSASA Soccer trial	13/6 10am Bounce & Bop	14/6
17/6 wk 8 6pm Governing Council	18/6 10am Learning Together Playgroup	19/6 SAPSASA Soccer trial	20/6 Kindy Transition 9:00am Primary Assembly 10am Bounce & Bop	21/6 Kindy Transition 9:15am JP Assembly
24/6 wk 9 SAPSASA Netball	25/6 10am Learning Together Playgroup	26/6 Lion's Mad Minute @ Lucindale	27/6 10am Bounce & Bop Newsletter	28/6
1/7 Wk 10 NAIDOC Week	2/7 10am Learning Together Playgroup	3/7	4/7 10am Bounce & Bop	5/7 2:15pm Early Dismissal