Dear Parents and Carers,

What a great start to the 2017 school year we have had. I wish to thank all those who have welcomed me and provided assistance in this my first year as Principal at East Narrogin Primary School. It is a privilege to be at a school with such a dedicated staff and I am looking forward to getting to know as many members of the school community as possible, but apologise now if I don’t remember names straight away.

I would also like to welcome all the new families to our school, especially our Kindy children who are starting their formal education. At the time of writing this we have 240 students and 45 staff members in our school community.

In this newsletter you will find a list of all staff at the school and a calendar of special events already scheduled for this year ready to be pencilled into your diary or saved onto your phone.

New Staff

I would like to welcome the other new staff: Claire Baxtrem who is the Year 4/5 teacher; Sendra Jugov the School Psych who will be in the school on Tuesdays; Jo Cook who is the School Nurse and who will be in at different times over the year depending on the screenings that she does.

We have Jenny Sterry out on long service leave for Term One and her Year 2 class are being warmly looked after by Adele Maartens on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and Robert Gass on Thursdays and Fridays. This term we will also have Nicole Fowler our pre-primary teacher taking some long service leave and I will keep you informed of the dates and name of the replacement teacher as this becomes available.

Noongar Language

The staff and students are learning some Noongar phrases, starting with a greeting. Noongar is the Australian Aboriginal language which is local to this area and a great portion of the south of Western Australia. Within the Noongar language there are approximately 14 groups with various dialects. The school is lucky to have two Aboriginal and Islander Education Officers in Carole Kickett and Laycee Coles who will be teaching the staff and assisting students learn the Noongar language.

BEARS

BEARS stands for Be A Reading Sensation. We are starting a new initiative for the school with Jen O’Dea our Library Officer, opening the library on Wednesday mornings before school for families and children to go in and enjoy reading a book. There will be a sign in sheet so we can reward children who attend regularly. The aim of this initiative is to encourage a love of reading in our students, as reading is essential for all learning. Please feel free to stay with your child and to bring in the whole family to read together. This is open to all children across the school.
Before School Expectations
I just wish to remind everyone that children are not encouraged to be on the school site before 8.30am am as there isn’t anyone on duty to monitor their safety. Any child on site before 8.30am and who is not with an adult will be required to sit on a seat outside of the Deputy office until dismissed when classrooms are opened for children to get prepared for the day. Children are then allowed to run around and play on the basketball court and this area has a staff member monitoring behaviour. To ensure the safety of parents and little children, no sports equipment is permitted at this time.

School Board Meeting
The first School Board Meeting is scheduled for 6.00pm on Tuesday 7 February, in the school library. All members of the community are permitted to attend and observe, however may not participate unless invited to by the Board Chairperson.

P&C AGM
The first P&C meeting and AGM will be held at 7.00pm on Monday 13 February in the school library and all parents and carers are invited to come along. All positions will become vacant and at the AGM they will be asking for nominations to set up the new P&C for this year. I have heard amazing things about the outgoing P&C and wish to thank them for everything they have put together and contributed to the school. The P&C is the backbone of the school and the centre of a great community like we have at East Narrogin.

Parent class meetings
Over the next two weeks, each teacher will be holding a parent class meeting to explain how their class routines will work, what special days the children have and to answer any questions you have about how this year will run. If you require a more personal discussion about the learning needs of your child then you would need to make an appointment to talk to your child’s teacher privately.

The teachers have selected different times and days to hold their meetings to allow parents with more than one child to attend a meeting for each of their children.

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Swimming
The children started their two week swimming lessons this week and all is running smoothly. I hope they all enjoy their time in the pool as learning to swim saves lives. A big thank you to Mrs Jo Hayes, who coordinates the swimming lessons for all the schools in Narrogin.

Swim training has been arranged by Ms Lynda Herdman, the Year 4 teacher for students keen to be competitive at the upcoming swimming carnival. Children are invited to the pool with a parent or guardian on Mondays after school for free lessons with qualified swim teachers who have volunteered their time to support our students. Children and adults are required to pay entry to the pool. This training will be held from 2.40pm to 3.20pm on Monday the 13, 20 and 27 February.

Basketball Court resurfacing
Over the summer holidays the school’s basketball court has been resurfaced. This looks fantastic but is not finished. The lines will be marked in a few months when the surface has had suitable enough time to set. We have plans for a number of activities to be marked out around the perimeter to give children a lot of choice when playing.

Payment of Voluntary Contributions
Please pay your child’s voluntary contributions at the front office as soon as possible. These funds contribute to the budget that the school works with and provides your child with resources to assist learning and teaching.

Best wishes,
Helen Fiebig Principal

“Yarning With the AIEO’s”
Kaya (Hello),

Welcome back to the new school year. We both hope you all had a good holiday and are looking forwards to the year ahead. Nan Carole and I will be keeping you all up to date on what we’ve been doing and what the students have been up to around the school.

Boorda (Later),
Aunty Laycee and Nan Carole, AIEO’s
From the Deputy

A warm welcome back to all students, staff and families. We have had a smooth start to the term and we have been really impressed with our students’ positive attitudes with every student arriving to school ready to learn. It was great to see every student in school uniform and pleased to be back at school.

Welcome to two new staff to our school this year: Mrs Helen Fiebig is our new permanent Principal;

Miss Clare Baxtrem is teaching Year 4/5 this year.

Students Arriving to School early
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From Behaviour & Participation

Monday Assembly Draw
Congratulations to the following students who had their names drawn out at the Monday assembly. These students each had the chance to spin the ENEE BEE WHEEL for a reward.

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Be Respectful—Amber Furphy
Be Caring and Considerate—Jasmine Meiners
Be Your Best—Chloe Lee
Be Responsible—Riona Schmid

Attendance
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On a Lighter Note…
Parents, put the following date in your diaries! On Friday 3 March we will be having a MOVIE NIGHT on our school oval. This is to celebrate all the good behaviour from our students. All parents are invited to bring their kids and come and enjoy a FREE movie with us. The name of the movie and time of the movie will be communicated to students and parents on a later date.

Johan van Wyk,
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Meet the Chaplain

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Marty Vause, School Chaplain

Swimming Lessons Week 2
Students in Rooms 5, 6, 7, 9 and 10 are participating in lessons this week and next week. Students will need bathers, towel and goggles each day. The total cost is $41.00 and students may pay $4.10 on a daily basis.

School Hat
The School Board has recommended a school hat for our students. This is available for purchase from the uniform shop for $10.00.

Student Leadership
The Year 6 Leaders will be hosting the assembly on Friday 17 February. On this date the leadership badges will be presented to our leaders.

This year, the Year 6 students are our ENPS student leaders. The students will participate in a leadership program with Jo Hayes each week. On Friday, March 24, the Year 6 students will attend a leadership workshop in Kulin with Camp Manager Tanya Dupagne. The student leaders are eagerly planning their roles and responsibilities and are looking forward to initiating new ideas and activities in the school.

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We need your support, input and help to keep the canteen operating for these three days a week. Join us for our first meeting on Monday 13 February at 7.00pm in the school library.

Ros — Canteen Manager

From Health & Physical Education

Healthy Kids at ENPS
Welcome back to school everyone! This year we will be working closely together to ensure our Health messages are part of a common language across Health and Physical Education lessons and the whole school.
Our focus will be:
• Being SunSmart with our Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide practices. (Please bring hats every day/ apply sunscreen in the morning)
• Staying Hydrated. (Please bring water bottles every day)
• Learning and practising resiliency skills.
• Practising mindfulness techniques.

Creating Resilient Kids Together
Resilience is the ability to ‘bounce back’ from problems and setbacks.

What are the skills that develop resilience and wellbeing?
It’s important for your child to learn the personal and social skills that will help them to become more resilient and cope with problems and difficult situations that may come their way. Keep an eye open for some snippets in the coming newsletters to help develop resilience and wellbeing in your children.

This term in Physical Education I will be teaching Fundamental Movement skills with PP- Year2/3 on Wednesday and Mr Van Wyk will teach classes on Thursday. Years 3-6 will have swimming lessons, Faction Swimming Carnival, Interschool Swimming Carnival, tennis and basketball this term every Tuesday and Friday.

Please wear your hats, joggers, sunscreen and bring a water bottle for lessons on these warm days.

Thank you for your support.
Mrs Kelly Kersett-Smith (Health) and Ms Chris Pettit (Physical Education)

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Term 1, Week 4:

The envelopes for each child have gone home today These envelopes MUST be returned ASAP. even if you are not ordering photos.
If you are interested in family photos please collect an envelope from the Front Office.

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Community Notices

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KindiLink
Wer Koolangka Baal
Aboriginal play and learn sessions for Children (0-3 years).
Parents, grandparents and younger siblings may attend.
Mereny Baal Wer Kaaldajiny
Play, fun, food and learning
Free bus pick-up and drop-off.
When: Tuesday and Wednesday, Starts 14 February
Time: 9.00am – 12.00pm (midday)
Where: Narrogin Primary School
Free swimming lessons start next week and will be on every Tuesday. A pick up bus will collect and drop you off at your home. Check with your school for details

YMCA News
If you are enrolled in KindiLink there is free swimming for children (0 – 3 years) every Tuesday, from 10.00am – 12.00pm (midday). This includes swimming and games for new parents (to be eligible, parents must be 15—28 years). Parents may also complete their Bronze Swimming Medallion. Free child care is available at the YMCA if you are participating in the Bronze Medallion. For more information phone Ashleigh: 0428 115 742.

Narrogin Squash Club
Junior Pennants Competition 9 years+
Commencing: Wednesday 15 February, 5.30pm
Where: Narrogin Leisure Centre
For more information please contact:
Anthony Howe: 0455 486 234
Andrew Pratt: 0429 813 732

2017 Season Flames Netball Registration
When: Monday 13 February
Time: 4.00pm—6.00pm
Where: Narrogin Leisure Centre
Snr Fees $260 (includes entry)
Jnr Fees $220 (includes entry)
Net Set Go $110 (includes entry)
Uniform - Dress $65
Bike Pants $29
New members welcome

Narrogin Girls Brigade
When: Tuesdays
Where: Narrogin Baptist Church, Williams Road
Time: 5.00pm—6.30pm
For more information phone: 9478 1822,
email: administration@girlsbrigadewa.org.au or visit our website: www.girlsbrigadewa.org.au

Narrogin Junior Tennis Coaching
Starts: Monday 13 February (for 6 week block)
Must be 6 years & over.
Early registration is essential as class numbers are limited.
Registrations close Thursday 9 February
Call/Text: Jane on 0429 812 277 or email mjjldyke@westnet.com.au to register.

Narrogin Calisthenics Club
Mondays (Year 1—10 years) & Wednesdays (11 & 12 yrs)
3.50pm St Peters Hall Uniting Church (Opposite Skate Park)
Enquiries to: H. Lange 9882 4011