Dear Parents and Members of the School Community,

I excitedly welcome you back to the 2015 school year! I am thrilled to inform you that we have had a super start to the 2015 school year. The preparation and planning that has taken place, by staff, to ensure a smooth start to the year is most obvious and outstanding, and the enthusiasm for the year ahead that has accompanied that planning is infectious. A great start!

Our student numbers are currently at 260, 15 more than anticipated and therefore, we should expect more funds to come into our school following the Census this Friday 13 February. It is crucial that students attend school on Friday to give a clear picture of our student make-up and therefore, we receive funding appropriately.

We have welcomed 46 new students this year, including 30 Kindy students! To our new families, I thank you for selecting East Narrogin Primary School as your chosen educational institution. The calibre of staff at East Narrogin Primary School is outstanding, so too is the quality of education they provide and the rapport they build with students. All staff tailor their curriculum to ensure all students are provided with the best possible opportunities to succeed and achieve, regardless of ability or style of learning. I look forward to seeing many of you in our classrooms witnessing for yourself our staff abilities, and encourage you to become a partner in your children's education, both at school and at home.

As I conveyed at our 2014 Book Awards, East Narrogin Primary School is moving from imagination to action and putting ideas to work. Innovation does not have to mean we will be the best in the world, it means constantly introducing change to our organisation that aligns with our values. Innovation is a process and if you continue to move with us on this journey you will observe your students increasing their willingness to put their imagination to work and striving to transform the images, hopes and dreams they have for themselves into a reality. I look forward to seeing many of you in our classrooms witnessing for yourself our staff abilities, and encourage you to become a partner in your children's education, both at school and at home.

In order for our students to provide themselves with every opportunity to learn, we ask that requirements on the student booklists be purchased. I ask that those that are yet to purchase student stationery ensure these items are purchased in a timely manner, as failure to do so will hinder the progression of student learning. The Voluntary Contributions and Charges were made known to families at the conclusion of the 2014 school year and we warmly invite payment of these contributions.
From the Deputies

Leadership
This year the Year 6 students are our ENPS student leaders. The students will participate in a leadership program with Jo Hayes and the class teacher every fortnight. On Friday 27 March the Year 6 students will attend a leadership conference in Bunbury. This excursion will cost each student $35. An excursion note will be given out in Week 3.

The student leaders are eagerly planning their roles and responsibilities and are looking forward to initiating new ideas and activities in the school.

Attendance
There is strong evidence in research showing high attendance equals stronger school results. It is important students maintain strong attendance patterns to support school achievement. We encourage all students to aim for 90% or higher with their personal attendance rates.

Students Arriving to School early
The school does not provide supervision prior to 8.30am in the morning. Students must go directly to their class upon arrival after 8.30am to prepare for the day.

Swimming Lessons
We have received positive feedback from our community regarding swimming lessons being in the first 2 weeks of Term 1. Students from Years 3-6 have been participating in lessons and these will end on Friday 13 February. Parents/Carers please ensure payments for swimming lessons have been finalised this week.

New School Hat
The School Board has recommended a new school hat for our students. This is available for purchase from the canteen for $10.

Leadership Assembly
The Year 6 leaders will be hosting the assembly on Friday 27 February. On this date the leadership badges will be presented to our leaders.

Joanna Hayes & Johan van Wyk
Deputy Principals

From the Principal (Cont)

Our School Board is a significant governing body within our school, with supportive, active members seeking to actively engage and assist in the progression of our school. The Board will meet next Tuesday 17 February from 6pm in the library. Please consider joining our Board and learning the intricacies of how a school runs, and becoming involved in decision making that improves the educational opportunities provided to your children.

The Term Planner has been included in this week’s newsletter and as you can see there are many offerings for students, and opportunity for you to be involved in events and support your students.

As always, I welcome your feedback on all aspects of the school, and look forward to receiving it again this year.

“You don’t make progress by standing on the sidelines, you make progress by implementing ideas.”

Kate Wilson
Principal, East Narrogin Primary School

Narrogin District Sports Association
The first meeting of the Narrogin District Sports Association for 2015 was held at East Narrogin PS last week. In attendance at this meeting were multiple representatives from East Narrogin PS, St Matthews PS, Narrogin PS and Williams PS. At this meeting a formal invitation was extended to Williams PS and Darkan PS to join our interschool sporting events. The invitation was warmly received and as a result our interschool sporting events will now see four teams competing. This arrangement will commence with the Athletics Carnival later in the year. We look forward with great anticipation to welcoming Williams PS and Darkan PS, as a combined team, to our competition and as a result further strengthening the competition for our students.

Also tabled and discussed at the meeting was the grouping of students for our interschool events. After a lengthy discussion outlining the pros and cons of age groups and year levels, a collective decision was made to introduce year levels, from this year onwards, at the Swimming Carnival. The next meeting, being held late in Term 2, will see further discussion about the grouping of students for all other interschool events. The outcome of these discussions will once again be disseminated via school newsletters.

All schools are most excited about the positive and progressive direction our association is heading in!

Should you wish to have any of this information further clarified please do not hesitate to contact the Principal of your school.

Kate Wilson
Principal
East Narrogin PS

Jonnada Simpson
Principal
St Matthews PS

David Harrison
Principal
Narrogin PS

Lynda Herdman, Room 7

Swimming Faction Carnival Practice
Monday of Week 3 and Week 4 there will be swimming carnival practice at the pool from 2.40pm to 3.20pm. Three swimming instructors have kindly donated their time to help our swimmers. You will be required to pay pool entry, but there are no further costs.

Swimmers must have passed Stage 4 to be able to compete in the swimming carnival races. If you have goggles please bring them so you can practise wearing them before the carnival.

Any queries please contact Lynda Herdman at school or on (08) 98814973.
**Kick Start to Crunch & Sip**

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In 2015, the program celebrates its 10th birthday. In 2005, 42 schools signed up and most of these are still participating. Since that time many more schools have got involved.

Students have consumed about 22 million serves of fruit and veg in that time. With every Crunch&Sip students receive beneficial nutrients for growing and learning.

It's a great opportunity for students to have a healthy snack and rehydrate with water. Only fruit, veg and water are allowed. Thanks to these breaks, the piece of fruit in your child’s lunchbox always gets eaten – it doesn’t come back home again looking worse for wear!

**Crunch&Sip Budget Tip:** Pack fruit or veg in season for a healthy snack that’s cheap!

Watch out to see which Wheatbelt schools receive a ‘Golden Carrot’ Award for their long term involvement in the program later this year.


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**From the Canteen**

Welcome back to all families for 2015. The menu has remained the same as last year and is attached to the newsletter.

Volunteers are most welcomed in the canteen everyday. If you would like to help out and see what’s happening please feel free to pop in anytime.

Thank you to Lois Hodges and Ros Lockwood for your support this week. Your child will receive a free ice-cream and you will earn passport points for your family.

Thank you to Ann McLeish for the kind donations of watermelon. The children loved it. Any donation of excess fruit and veg is greatly appreciated.

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**Uniforms**

The uniform shop is open from 8.30am—1.00pm at the canteen. Lunch orders will take priority before school begins.

Families wishing to order a faction polo shirt, to be worn on a Friday and at carnival days, are asked to order them before Friday 20 February please.

**Second Hand Uniforms**

Just a reminder that second hand uniforms are available from the canteen and all donations are greatly appreciated.

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**Go Health!**

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Community Notices

**Narrogin Squash Club**
Junior Pennants Competition 9yrs+
Commencing Wednesday 18 February at 5.30pm
Narrogin Leisure Centre
For more information please contact:
Anthony Howe 98811718/0429106120
Andrew Pratt 98813732

**ENPS P&C and ITalkTravel Narrogin**
The ENPS P&C have aligned with ITalkTravel on Fortune St Narrogin to help raise funds for the P&C and also keep business local when booking your next travel expedition be it a large overseas trip or a simple overnight stay in Perth, Albany, Bunbury etc.

It’s simple, ITalkTravel will donate $200 to the P&C in return for the P&C advertising their association with ITalkTravel and getting school and community members to “Like” ITalkTravel on Facebook and also subscribe to their online newsletter.

ITalkTravel will also donate a percentage of any booking made through the ITalkTravel website or directly in store with their travel agents when you (the customer) mention East Narrogin Primary School P&C. It is hoped that, through our broader network of family and friends all utilising the services of ITalkTravel when making any travel bookings the P&C will establish a “royalties” type passive income source.

This is a WIN WIN system for all involved so please get on board and support ENPS P&C through supporting ITalkTravel a locally owned and staffed company who also have branches in North Perth & Kojonup.

**Cuballing Music Festival**
Free Event, B.Y.O
Where: Cuballing Cricket Grounds
When: Saturday 21 February 2015
Time: 6.00pm—10.00pm
Main acts include: Julie Kember & the Spinfx Boys, Kerry Ryan, Gus McKay plus Local Talent.
Food and drink vans available.
Bring you picnic blankets and chairs

**Narrogin Calisthenics Club**
Tinies Classes (Kindy, preschool and Year 1)
Start Date: Monday, 9 February, 2015
4.00pm—5.00pm
Sub Junior Classes (Year 2, 3 and 4)
Start Date: Thursday, 5 February, 2015
4.00pm—5.30pm
St Peters Hall—Uniting Church
Contact: (08) 9882 4011

**Upper Great Southern Hockey ASSOCIATION**
Are your hockey skills a little rusty after summer?
The come to the Smarter Than Smoking Hockeyroos Junior Hockey Clinic
**Starring:** Georgie Parker, Kellie White, Rachael Lynch, Kate Jenner and Georgia Nanscawen.
**When:** Saturday 7 March and Sunday 8 March
**Cost:** $15 per session or $40 for all three sessions
**Where:** Narrogin Hockey Turf
Session 1 – Hockey Skills
Saturday 4.00pm – 6.00pm
Session 2 – Evening Meal with the Hockeyroos
Saturday 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Session 3 – Hockey Skills and Autographs
Sunday 9.00am – 11.00am
Please book by Monday 2 March 2015 or when full to Rodney (Rocket) Johnson on 0409 625 428 or rodrocket7@bigpond.com

**Babakin Primary School 1915—2015**
All past & present students, staff, parents and community members are invited to join us to celebrate 100 YEARS of history and quality education at Babakin Primary School.
**When:** Saturday 28 March 2015 starting at 9.30am
Licensed Bar open from 5.00pm—10.00pm
If you would like to RSVP please collect appropriate forms from the front office (ENPS). If you have any further queries, please contact Sharon Crombie on 0429 652 032 or email babakinps100@yahoo.com.au

**Australian Mouthguards are coming to Narrogin**
ONE DAY ONLY, NO SECOND CHANCES!!
**When** : Saturday 21 February
**Where**: Hockey Club Rooms
**Time** : 11.00am - 3.00pm
**Cost**: Start at $95.00
(When claimed through medical fund, you pay about $30)
Payment: CASH or CHEQUE ONLY (No EFTPOS)
Enquiries please phone Karen Fazey on 9881 4785 after 7.00pm

**Aussie Hoops**
Aussie Hoops commenced on Friday 6 February 2015.
For more information contact Chris Eales on (08) 9881 4788

**Cake Stall**—Saturday 21 February—Town Hall Piazza
All Proceeds to Ovarian Cancer Awareness

**TBALL**
**COMMENCES:** Tuesday 10 February
**ENDS:** 24 March
**TIME:** 4.30 pm to 5.45pm
**AGES:** 5years to 12 years
**COST:** $70.00 per child (includes fruit)
Register now as places are limited.
**MORE INFORMATION:**
Contact Chris Eales: (08) 98814788
Email: Christine.eales@ymca.org.au
ENPS Pre-Season Comp!

Well, the 2015 AFL footy season is almost upon us, and we know that you are all itching to give away some money and maybe win some big prizes in the ENPS Footy Tipping Comp...

But before that happens, we thought we’d get into the swing of things by holding a Pre-Season Competition this year for the NAB Cup. The rules are so simple even Mr Darvall can understand them...

○ Simply nominate which team will WIN the NAB Cup FINAL, and by how many points.
○ Hand in your nomination ticket with your $1 entry fee to the office or your teacher.
○ Enter as many times as you like before the halfway point of the comp (last day Wed, March 11).
○ The winner(s) will be the tipper who names the correct team and is closest to the points margin.
○ Winner(s) will receive 75% of the prize pool, with the rest going towards school activities.

I believe that the NAB Cup winning team will be ____________________________________________ by ________ pts.

Name: ____________________ Ph: _______________

Please write clearly. If your writing cannot be understood we will be unable to process your ticket.

The actual AFL season starts on Thursday, April 2. This year we aim to have at least 60 people participate in the ENPS Footy Tipping Comp. Remember that any and all profits are donated straight back to the school! Everybody WINS!

But also... We want to be a part of this year’s ENPS Footy Tipping Comp, and have the chance* of winning lots of money. Hmm? Oh yeah - we want to help the school out as well, I suppose...

We would like to purchase ___ Footy Tipping books at $30 each, payable by Round 4. Bargain!

Name(s): ○ ____________________ ○ ____________________ ○ ____________________

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* If your tipping skills are like really, really bad then you probably won’t win a lot of money, but what am I supposed to do about it, hmm?
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