From the Principal….

A big welcome back to a much cooler term 3! Everyone enjoyed a great break, and Easter was a lovely start to the holidays.
We move into the term with many exciting events. Please remember to return interview forms for bookings. It is important for all parents to make time to discuss how their child is going.
Cross Country is only a few weeks away on Friday, 18th May. Mr Clark will have notes home very soon for students to enter from middle and upper primary.
Well done to the great start classes have made to a big term of learning ahead.

Lost Property

There is a whole pile of lost property, including hats and jumpers, even lunch boxes in the classroom foyer area. If your child is missing any items, please look in this area. Please ensure that all school uniforms are clearly named so if lost items are found we can promptly return them. With cold and wet weather already upon us, warm clothing is a necessity, we have an affordable range of winter clothes including jackets, beanies and scarves available for purchase.

Clean Up Nangwarry Day

We are having a clean up Nangwarry Day on the 8th May between 11 am and 1pm. A group of students are attending an Environmental Forum once a term in Mount Gambier and as a part of this, they had to formulate a community activity that involved the environment, hence the clean up day.
Junior students will be involved in cleaning up the school grounds and middle and upper students, the surrounding streets. Please bring a bag, gloves and tongs (if possible) to help with the day. Also, please remember safety when passing these students on the streets.
Mentoring Programme

A new programme will be starting in the school. Volunteers from the community can apply to be a mentor with a student for an hour each week. An SSO (Rosalie) will be employed as a contact for volunteers. Training for the new mentors will occur on Monday, 7th May in Mount Gambier at the Library from 9am to 3pm. This is fully paid and participants will receive accreditation for their attendance. If you would like to make a real difference in the lives of a young person at the school applications can be sought from Karyn next week.

Cross Country

When: 18th May
Where: Naracoorte Primary School
Time: 9.30am onwards
Nomination forms will be sent home soon for ages 8-13
8yr & 9 yr olds will run 1300 meters
10yr olds 1800m, 11-13 yr olds will run 2500m
Please consider carefully if you feel these distances are suitable for child to participate.

Choir

Choir with Mrs Robinson is up and running, with students from Year's 4-7 eagerly learning this year’s selection of songs. There are some vacant positions left if students from these year levels are interested in joining. Our first visit from the Festival of Music's conductor will be in Week 7.

Interview Nights

Parent teacher interviews will be held next Tuesday and Wednesday after school. A note with time preferences was sent home on Monday and needs to be returned ASAP so we can allocate and confirm times with families. Teachers are looking forward to meeting with parents to discuss progress of students. It is also an excellent opportunity to come and look the classrooms, including bookwork and displays. The district’s support person for Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander people, Anita Hateley, will be visiting the school for interviews, as a chance to meet and greet families in Nangwarry and to discuss support services available for Indigenous families in our area.
PRESCHOOL
Welcome back to Kindy for term 2. Firstly the Kindy community would like to wish our friend Christian good luck as he starts in the junior primary class this term. We would also like to welcome Annabell, Natalie and Sienna to our Kindy full time this term as well as Jordan who will be starting pre-entry with us on Wednesday mornings. This term will be a very busy term in the Kindy we are spending the first few weeks getting settled back into routines then are hoping to start exploring nature and the outdoor environment.

JUNIOR PRIMARY NEWS
As we start a new term, we are already establishing our routines. Once we put our bags away we change our readers and read to an adult. Please encourage your child to do this first thing before the bell. As we head towards the Olympics in London, we will be looking at flags of other countries.

MIDDLE PRIMARY NEWS
The Middle Primary Class have settled back into school routines really well after our Easter break, each eager to knuckle down for this term’s programme. In week 4, Year 3’s, 5’s and 7’s will be sitting the annual NAPLAN test and so we will continue to concentrate on getting ready for this. On a fun note, the class bank account currently holds $2625 worth of “Nanga’s Notes”, which means the class can now afford to purchase a sleepover this term. Students are currently deliberating whether to buy now or save the money to put towards an excursion with Mrs Marlow and Mr Clark later in the year.

UPPER PRIMARY NEWS
The upper primary class are getting back in to the swing of things, and are beginning to concentrate on NAPLAN practice. We have been learning a “secret code” for mental computation in maths, and everyone is enjoying using these strategies. Our first session of Homework club is this afternoon, and there are a good number of students who are planning to stay and take advantage of this opportunity.
A big thank you to our school community friend, Allan for donating a chocolate Easter bunny for each student at our school at the end of last term. The students really enjoy this special tradition!

Wheels Day

Wheels Day Winners!

JP—Ryan Jones
MP—Caydan Jones
UP—Katie McMillan

Best Dresses Bike—Charlee-Jean Denton