World's Greatest Shave

Important Dates
- Tuesday 24/3: School Banking
- Boys Cricket Match
- Thursday 26/3: Athletics Carnival K-6
- Friday 27/3: Superstar Assembly
- Saturday 28/3: Earth Hour 8:30 pm
- Tuesday 31/3: School Banking
- Thursday 2/4: Easter Events

Great Work
This week I dropped in to Reading Recovery and saw Alex from 1B working well with Mrs Spierings. I had some students visit to show me their great work. Bella, Byron, Charlie, Airlei, James, Chelsey and Jed from 4G showed me their persuasive writing. Luke, Daisy, Ali, Ashley and Jackson from KS visited to show me their completed wheelie cards and Maya and Lewis from KT shared their great writing. Well done to Sebastian from KD for improved work habits and Brianna, Caitlin, Izzy and Annaliese from KD visited to show me their fantastic writing. Congratulations to Ruby, Stephanie, Gabby, Matisse, Claire, Nina, Elizabeth, Cooper and Jaden who have all achieved 100 dojo points.

Congratulations also to Eli 5/6M for being selected in the Sydney North Basketball Team to compete in the State Carnival at Wollongong next month, a fantastic achievement.

Thank You
Thank you to Phil and Fiona Bryant for their 17 years of support to the students, staff and community of Niagara Park Public School. At our AGM on Tuesday evening, Sharyn Brownlee Central Coast P&C President, presented Phil and Fiona with their P&C Life Membership in recognition of their support to our school. Thank you Phil and Fiona for making our school a better place.
Shave for a Cure
Our Shave For A Cure fundraiser last week was well supported by our students and our community. Lindsay, Cooper, Eli, Mr Dawkins and Mr Briggs were sponsored and shaved their heads and our students supported the fundraiser with their crazy hair and a gold coin donation. The school managed to raise $730.10. Together with private sponsorships, the participants have raised over $2,000.00. A fantastic effort! All the money raised will go to the Leukaemia Foundation. Thank you for your support.

Boys Cricket
Good luck to our Boys Cricket team who are playing against Wamberal Public School on Tuesday 24th March at Wyoming. Thanks to Mr Briggs for coaching our team.

P&C Executive and Positions
I am very pleased to announce the following positions for our P&C for 2015.
President: Robert Blandford
Vice Presidents: Julie Munro and Dannielle Stonestreet
Secretary: Laura Debnam
Treasurer: Kylie Wanner
Assistant Treasurer: Karen Mitchell
Clothing Pool Coordinator: Kim Sneddon
Clothing Pool Assistant: Kylie Haverkamp
Event Coordinator: Bec Rumsey
Event Committee: Robert Weston, Lisa Eadie and Jo Lia
Finance Committee Representative: Kylie Wanner
Merit Selection Panel Representatives: Katherine Bolton, Jo Gates, Kim Warrant, Kim Sneddon and Ellen Woodbridge
Canteen Committee: Michelle Johnstone, Kim Warrant and Nicole Tkac
Non-local Enrolment Panel Representatives: Kim Warrant and Jo Gates
Public Officer: Kylie Wanner
Regional Council Delegates: Katherine Bolton, Michelle Groves and Michelle Johnstone

A huge thank you to our amazing out-going executive. Thank you for your time, energy and continual commitment to our school over the years. You have really made a difference.

I’m sure our new executive is keen and excited to support our school and your children in 2015.

Met North Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to our swimmers who attended the carnival at Homebush. They did an awesome job and represented our school with pride. Special thanks to the parents for their support and assisting with transport.

Easter Hat Parade
The P&C are coordinating a Easter Raffle and Easter Hat Parade fundraising event. Easter is now fast approaching and our Easter event will be held on Thursday 2nd April, at 9:15 am and includes a parade from our students with their hats and a raffle of many wonderful prizes. Students are asked to make a paper/cardboard hat or decorate an old hat/cap at home with an Easter theme and bring it to school on the day of our Easter event. We are kindly asking students to donate a chocolate Easter egg or anything relating to Easter so we can make some wonderful prizes for our Easter raffle and egg decorating competition. The more donations we receive, the more prizes you may receive. Donations are being collected at the Canteen.
School Visitors/Volunteers
Each day we have numerous volunteers and helpers at our school and we value the help and support you provide to our students and staff. In the best interest and safety of our students, please assist us by signing in at the front office and collecting a visitors badge and complete the “Prohibited Employment Declaration” if you have not already done so this year.

Athletics Carnival
Our Athletics Carnival will be held on Thursday 26th March. This carnival will take place at Mingara Athletics Field and will be for all students K-6. Please return permission notes and money to your child’s class teacher.

Canteen Closure
The school Canteen will not be open on Thursday 26th March as all students will be attending the Athletics Carnival. Should the Carnival be postponed due to wet weather, an app notification will be sent out notifying the Carnival is off and the Canteen will be open.

Have a great weekend.

Adam Boulus
Principal

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Next Thursday 26th March is our K-6 Athletics Carnival at Mingara and we are in desperate need of some parent helpers to assist with time keeping. If you are able to help out on the day, even for a short time, could you please email Mrs Gibson at sarah.gibson26@det.nsw.edu.au.

Included in this week’s newsletter is the Years 2-6 program of events for the day. Kindergarten and Year 1 will have a slightly different program. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sarah Gibson
Sports Coordinator

P&C NEWS
Easter Hat Parade, Egg Art Display and Raffle - Our Easter Hat Parade and display of Egg Art will be held on Thursday 2nd April. We are requesting donations of Easter eggs and Easter items. The majority of these eggs and items will be used for raffle prizes with 12 prizes being made from the donations for the Egg Art winners. All donations can be delivered to the school Canteen please. We are also requesting donations of cane baskets for displaying the raffle prizes.

The Easter Raffle tickets have already gone home. If you would like additional ticket booklets, please return the yellow slip from your ticket book to the class teacher. Additional books will be returned via your child.

Mother’s Day Present Wrappers - If you are able to help wrap Mother’s Day presents, please contact Julie on 0432 112 919 or collect presents from the Community Room (demountable room near the top gate next to the Guide and Scout hall) on the afternoon of Tuesday 24th March. You will be provided with the present, paper and ribbon, which you can take home to wrap and return the wrapped present to the Canteen. Any help would be greatly appreciated, thank you.

Clothing Pool News - Due to a change in our Clothing Pool coordinator, the days of opening will change as from Term 2. The new hours will be:

- Monday afternoon 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm
- Thursday morning 8:30 am to 9.30 am

If you are able to assist in the Clothing Pool, please contact our new Clothing Pool Coordinator, Kim Sneddon on 0419 630 119 or email nppctreasurer@gmail.com

Cooler weather is coming! If you need long pants for boys ($19.50) or trackpants ($15.50) they are available at the Clothing Pool, as are zip jackets and sloppy joes for $25.00 each.
The Athletics Carnival is next week. If you require a sport house shirt, these are available at the Clothing Pool for $5.50 each.

**Aussie Farmers Direct** - Our school has teamed up with **Aussie Farmers Direct** to raise funds! Aussie Farmers Direct provides a home delivery service of **100% Australian owned and grown produce**. You can conveniently shop online from the comfort of your own home and wake up to an esky full of fresh produce or a weekly delivery of bread and milk, it’s up to you. Every time you shop with Aussie Farmers Direct, they will donate a portion of your expenditure to our school - it’s that easy! To start shopping please visit: [AussieFarmers.com.au/FundraisingOffer](http://AussieFarmers.com.au/FundraisingOffer).


Katherine Bolton  
P&C Vice President

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

It is common sense to take a method and try it. If it fails, admit it frankly and try another. But above all, try something.

*Franklin D. Roosevelt*

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Lisarow Public School**

Lisarow Public School is holding their Country Fair tomorrow, Saturday 21st March from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at McDonalds Road, Lisarow. There will be numerous stalls including cakes, craft, books, pick a ticket, side show alley, showbags, rides and much more.
Amazing 1M

1M has had a wonderful and very productive start to 2015. They have been working hard every day and their learning is a product of this. Throughout the day, literacy and maths groups are incorporated for students to engage in a variety of learning activities such as iPads and concrete / hands on learning opportunities. 1M has enjoyed listening to stories including The Potato People and Puffling and they have used these stories as opportunities to extend their writing skills and engage in creative experiences. As well as literacy and maths, 1M has looked at their school and local environment and they have redesigned the school through drawings and sculptures.
Six things you may not have known you can do from your phone!

1. You can let us know from the School App that your child won’t be at school today or let us know why your child was absent.

2. You can check the calendar to see what’s on at school today, tomorrow or for the rest of the term.

3. You can read the Wayamadi (the latest one or previous ones)

4. You can easily access the latest notes that have gone home.

5. You can let us know if you’ve changed any details, such as mobile phone numbers, address, etc.

6. If you would like to request a meeting with your child’s teacher - use the school app!
**ATHLETICS CARNIVAL PROGRAM**


9.30 am       Assemble in Sports House Groups

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| 1. 800 metre – Finals       | 1. Long Jump                |
| (a) Junior Boys/Girls      | (a) Junior Boys/Girls       |
| (b) 11 Year                | (7,8,9,10 years)            |
| (c) 12/13 Year             | (b) 11 Year                 |
|                            | (c) 12/13 Year              |

| 2. 100 metre – Finals      | 2. High Jump                |
| (a) 7/8 Year Boys/Girls    | (a) Senior Boys/Girls       |
| (b) 9 Year Boys/Girls      | (b) 11 Years                |
| (c) 10 Year Boys/Girls     | (c) Junior (7,8,9,10 years) |
| (d) 11 Year Boys/Girls     |                             |
| (e) 12/13 Year Boys/Girls  |                             |

| 3. 200 metre – Finals      |                             |
| (a) Junior Boys/Girls      |                             |
| (7,8,9,10 Years)           |                             |
| (b) 11 Year                |                             |
| (c) 12/13 Year             |                             |

Kindergarten and Year 1 will have novelty events organised for them.

1.45 pm - Completion and Clean Up

2.00 pm – Buses Arrive

**IF YOU ARE TAKING YOUR CHILD HOME WITH YOU, PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT THEIR NAME IS MARKED OFF WITH THE TEACHERS STANDING AT THE GATE.**
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