

Narrabeen Lakes Public School



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2025 Kindergarten Term 4 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome back to our final term of Kindergarten! We hope you had a refreshing holiday and are ready for a term full of learning ahead. Term 4 is always a vibrant and eventful time and we are eagerly looking forward to the many exciting activities and opportunities ahead.

THE SOUNDS OF THE WEEK

This term, we will be revisiting key sounds, including split digraphs (also known as the magic 'e', as in "gate" and "bite") and vowel combinations such as ai/ay (as in "play"). Additionally, we will introduce new sounds like oy/oi (as in "soil"), ou/ow (as in "flour") and ea/ee (as in "sheep"). Our focus will be on helping students recognise these letter combinations and understand the sounds they produce, enabling them to confidently apply this knowledge in both reading and writing. Throughout the term, students will also be introduced to a variety of Tricky Words to further enhance their literacy skills.

NEWS

Kindergarten will continue to present their news the same as previous terms. Please see the separate news note for more information about the topics for this term.

HOME READING

Our home reading program will continue in Term 4. Books are exchanged on Fridays, please ensure your child's maroon reading bag is packed in their bags every Friday. You will also receive a Home Reading booklet, please refer to the information on the front of this booklet for information on how it can be used. The booklet includes the Tricky Word sheets that should be practised each week throughout the term.

Reading at home should be a successful and positive experience. Children need a lot of practice to develop their reading skills to the point of fluency. 10 minutes of daily reading at home with a supportive adult can make all the difference. This will enable the students to demonstrate how to apply their lettersound knowledge to reading simple texts. Guessing words from a picture or from context should not be encouraged. When your child gets stuck on a word, please encourage them to sound out an unknown word. Books can be read several times to build confidence and fluency.

HOME READING LOG

Please keep recording your child's reading in their Reading Log. The log should be kept in the maroon reading bag. If your Home Reading Log has been misplaced, just let us know.

CLASSROOM ROUTINES

Monday KB – Science

KH - Science and Music

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Tuesday KB – Library and Music

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Friday Home reader swapping

Sport (please wear sports uniform) K-2 assembly (odd weeks of term only)

ABN: 18 246 198 266

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

12/11 - School Mini Fete (run by Year 6)

11/12 - Presentation Day

19/12 - Last day of Kindergarten

END OF YEAR ACTIVITY

On the last day of term, K-2 students will enjoy an exciting Ninja course morning, organised by the 'Be Skilled, Be Fit' program. The event will take place at school during regular hours. Please ensure students wear their sports uniform to fully participate in the activities.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

In Term 4 we move back into our summer uniform. Please ensure that all uniform items are clearly labeled with your child's full name. This includes school hats which are worn whenever the children are outside. Please note that without a hat, your child will play under our shade structures. If your child is unable to wear the correct uniform please write a note for the teacher. School uniforms can be purchased directly from the school uniform shop or online at https://www.narrabeenlakesuniformshop.com.au/.

We look forward to a fantastic final term in Kindergarten and celebrating all of the learning successes your child has had this year with you.

Warm regards,

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