



Noranda Primary School Newsletter

Term 3 Week 9 - 12 September 2024

Principal's Report

Dear families,

Open Night

I would like to draw your attention to our annual Open Night which is on next Wednesday evening from 5.00-6.30pm. The format of the event is:

- ◆ 5.00 - Choir performance in the undercover area
- ◆ 5.10 - Classrooms are open for students to take families through and showcase their learning
- ◆ 5.10 - Specialist teaching areas will be open with Room 16 for Languages, Science and Music rooms and Phys Ed in the undercover area following the choir. To ease congestion, please adhere to the below timetable when visiting specialist classrooms. Please visit each classroom where your family surname is timetabled.

	Science	Music	Language
5:15-5:40pm	Surnames A-H	Surnames I-Q	Surnames R-Z
5:40-6:05pm	Surnames I-Q	Surnames R-Z	Surnames A-H
6:05-6:30pm	Surnames R-Z	Surnames A-H	Surnames I-Q

Our new Out of School Care provider, OSHClub will be in attendance and can support parents to enrol in the service which will commence on the first Monday of Term 4.

Reporting to Parents

The Department of Education has provided clarification of the requirements for end-of-semester reports. In light of this information, we will be reviewing our school's assessment and reporting plan. If we identify possible changes to our current approach, which I highly suspect we will, we will share these changes with parents in Week 3 next term at an Open Board Meeting, P&C Meeting and in the Week 3 newsletter. As you may have heard in the media, this announcement was made by the Education Minister, Minister Buti last week in the interest of addressing the unnecessary workload challenges faced by teachers and school leaders of many schools' current reporting practices.

2025 Planning

To assist us with the class placement process, parents you may write to the principal outlining in detail important information you believe relevant in the placement of your child/ren. Please note this is not an opportunity to request a certain teacher for your child. The letter is to be received in the administration by the close of business 3.30pm on Thursday 9 November 2024. Requests can be in hard copy and handed to office staff or emailed to noranda.ps@education.wa.edu.au.

If you will not be returning to Noranda for 2025 please send a written note or email to the school office so that our enrolment numbers are accurate for our planning.

Free Dress

Next Friday, the last day of term, we are doing a sports-themed fundraising day. This means students are welcome to come dressed in their favourite sports team clothes or colours and bring a gold coin donation. Funds raised from this will go towards the Angkor Project.

Student Dress Code

Our School Board met last week and endorsed an update of the Student Dress Code. The Dress Code has been updated with staff, Board and Year 5 and 6 student input. The changes to the previous policy are around clarification of jewellery and footwear as well as the addition of a plain black long sleeve shirt which can be worn under student logo polo shirts. I would also like to draw parent's attention to the short, skirts and long pants section, these should be loose fitting and not active wear, we have seen an increase in students wearing bike shorts and leggings and these do not fall within the dress code. We will allow families the remainder of this year to work within these guidelines as purchases are made with everyone expected to be compliant with shorts and pants for 2025. You can see the updated policy on the school website www.norandaps.wa.edu.au

Open School Board Meeting

The next School Board Meeting will be an open meeting, and any parents are welcome to attend. The meeting is on Wednesday October 23 at 5.30pm in the staffroom. This is an opportunity for parents to gain an understanding of the Board's purpose and activities.

Angkor Project

The Department of Education WA has an opportunity for school to join with disadvantaged schools in Cambodia through the Angkor project sister school program. The purpose of this is to provide some financial and educational support for these schools and to grow the awareness and understanding in our students about challenges faced in other parts of the world, growing their civic

responsibility. In the January holiday, I visited one of these schools on an Education Department group Study Tour. During these two weeks in Cambodia, I visited various areas and taught in our now sister school for three days. In this time, I taught classes with up to 60 student per room from 7am to 5pm. Some classrooms had electricity and others did not, there were open floors, two toilets for 670 students and 20 staff and limited resources in classrooms. Most students had a pencil each and that was all. Our plan is to now do one or two fundraisers per year with funds going directly to our sister school. The funds raised on next Friday's free dress will go there as well as a second hand toy sale that we will do on Tuesday and Wednesday next week. If you have any toys your children have outgrown in good condition, please bring them to my office and we can prepare the goods for sale before school and at lunch on Tuesday and Wednesday as well as at the Open Night. Here are some photos of Ang Serey Primary School.









Staff Carpark

Please respect the signage and do not enter the staff carpark. Students should not be moving within this space because they have been dropped off or collected.

VacSwim free this Summer

VacSwim will be offered free to families for the December and January programs. In addition, where venue entry fees apply these will be free for each child participating in VacSwim. This may remove financial barriers for many families. VacSwim summer enrolments are now open and close on 16 October 2024. Further information on how to book in for free VacSwim can be found at: [VacSwim - Department of Education](#)

Kristy Harrison

Principal

**SECOND HAND TOY SALE AT
NORANDA PRIMARY SCHOOL**

FIND GREAT DEALS ON GENTLY
USED TOYS!

ANGKOR
Children Helping Children

Sale Details:
Tuesday 17/9 & Wednesday 18/9
before school, lunchtime and at
Open Night

We are selling second hand toys to raise funds
for Ang Serey Primary School in Cambodia

TOY DONATIONS PLEASE
BRING TO MS HARRISON'S OFFICE

Calendar of Events

- Breakfast Club commencing Term 4
- Running Club every Tuesday and Thursday 7.45 to 8.15am
- Noranda Nippers every Monday 9.00 to 10.00am in Room 16

Week 9

- Friday September 13 - Bush wardens at lunchtime

Week 10

- Tuesday September 17 and 18 - second hand toy sale
- Wednesday September 18 - Kindy B attend

- Wednesday September 18 - Kindy B Tabloids 1.30-3pm
- Wednesday September 18 - Parent Open Night 5.00-6.30pm
- Thursday September 19 - Year 4 Zero to Hero
- Friday September 20 - Assembly Room 12 and Kiwanis Awards
- Friday September 20 - Free Dress with gold coin donation
- Friday September 20 - Last day of term

- ***Term 4 - Week 1 - student commence Tuesday October 8***

Week 1

- Monday October 7 - Staff Development Day - no students
- Tuesday October 8 - Students commence Term 4
- Wednesday October 9 - Kindy A attend

Lost Property Box

Parents the lost property box is located in the undercover area. This is overflowing with jackets, water bottles, lunch boxes, hats, swimming goggles and so much more. Next week is the end of the term and all items will be donated to the second hand shop or placed in the bin.





Assembly 6 September - Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards.

Evie Johnson, Zieara Benato, Danny De Luca, Aria McDonald, Noah Kaliatama, Max Plant, Aivy Tran, Jackson Skyring, Nadia Slawinski, Isobel Turley, Billy Coombe, Isabella Hocking, Ali Al Lami, Zayn Hall, Mirza Parker, Liam Trevaskis, Adinae Gullotti-Woods, Fatima Panahi, Lucas Li, Yasmin Al-Lami, Levi Maloney, Aria Jalilvand, Hadith Asghari, Sana Asghari, David Loh, Mia Close, Lucas Pernechele, Lachlan Higgins, Ella Funke, Freddie Box.



Faction Tokens

Faction points are earned for positive behaviour in the classroom and the playground. At the end of each term, every student in the winning faction receives a prize.

Equal 1st Gold 36, 2nd Red 32, 3rd Green 27 and 4th Blue 17. GOLD is the winning faction for Term 3.

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