Advent Pageant and Christmas Celebrations:
We all enjoyed participating in the Advent Pageant last Friday with St Joseph’s and Narrandera Public School. It was nice to get together as a group to celebrate the Christmas Story as we lead into the festive season. Our classes will all be commencing our Christmas craft activities this week and on Friday, 28th we will be participating in the East Street Christmas Party. We have been learning some special Christmas songs to perform on the night.

Year 2 Swimming School:
Mrs Ash, Lauren and Grace are very impressed with the progress students are making at swimming School. As this is the second week they are looking for a big effort from everyone.

Year One Museum Excursion:
Year One students visited the Parkside Cottage Museum yesterday afternoon as part of their H.S.I.E. unit on ‘Families, Past and Present.’

Taronga Zoomobile:
Today we had a visit from Ryan the Teacher, Keeper and his mates Bumpy the Shingle Back Lizard, ZeeZee the Bearded Dragon, Cogger the Spotted Python, Ash the Possum, Zincky the White Lipped Tree Frog and Jindi the Echidna from the Taronga Zoomobile.

Library Borrowing:
This Friday will be our last borrowing day for the year, Mrs Steward will then be wanting all our books returned for stocktake before Christmas.

Skoolbag App:
The feedback we have had from parents about the new Skoolbag App has been very positive. Alerts, newsletters and other school notifications are all easily accessible through this App. Attached to this newsletter is the installation instructions for those parents who have yet not utilised this application.

Advent Pageant down East Street:
All students participated in the Advent Pageant down East Street last Friday. They all looked wonderful in their costumes.

Week 8, Term 4
25th November, 2014

What’s happening at Narrandera East

Week 8
24/11/14 2nd Week of Yr 2 Swimming School
25/11/14 Zoomobile
27/11/14 Fruit Day
28/11/14 Library Scripture Sport

Week 9
02/12/14 Teloca/Nursing Home visit
04/12/14 Gold Afternoon Tea Fruit Day
05/12/14 Scripture Sport

Week 10
06/12/14 Presentation Day
11/12/14 Corowa Excursion -Yr 2 Fruit Day
05/12/14 Scripture Sport

School Photos
The school photos have arrived and can be picked up any time from the office.

Presentation Day Raffle
Don’t forget the P&C are again running a raffle to be drawn on Presentation Day. Prizes include a large John Deer Tractor, a ‘Scratches Tree’ and a Hamper. Parents are asked to donate a Scratchie and/or goods for the Hamper. Items can be left at the office.

Awards for Week 7, Term 4

Kindergarten:
Zak Lange - being a quiet and well behaved class member
Renae Croft - enthusiasm in music and dance activities
Zahli Ivanoff - enthusiasm in music and dance activities
Thomas Choy - 100% attendance for 2014

Year 1:
Tom Wickes - excellent helping out with the computers
Zoe Ewers - great work in L3 groups
Zayley Brewer fantastic story writing and making interesting books
Chloe Luck - 50 nights home reading

Year 2:
Marcella Close for writing an amazing story about ‘Lightning Jack’
Mackenzie Mauer - for writing a great story about ‘Lightning Jack’
Ellenor Croft - for writing a great story about ‘Lightning Jack’

Happy Birthday
Sam Williamson who turns 7 on the 28th
Mahlie Ingram who turns 6 on the 1st.
NEIS Calendar of Events 2014

**Week 8, Term 4**

Dear Parents,

Narrandra East Infants School has purchased an additional communication package called 'Skoolbag' to help keep you more informed with happenings in and around the school.

Skoolbag is a free app you download onto your smart phone or smart device and receive notifications from the school with any information you may need. The app is available from both iTunes for iPhones or iPads and also from Google Play for android devices.

To download it just search for Narrandra East Infants School. You should come up with a green app with our school logo on it. As I said it is free to download.

There is a brochure attached to this note to tell you how to go about downloading the app onto your device.

In the early stages we will not be delivering the newsletter this way but we will be sending out reminders about school events, bus times for excursions, school notes etc.

The content will be controlled from the front office and you will not be inundated with useless information or notifications.

It is our intention to keep you all better informed about what is going on at school including last minute news such as an excursion bus being 30 mins late for example. Because this is delivered straight to your smart device you should receive the notification immediately rather than having to wait until you are home or at the school to be informed.

Please let us know if you need any help

Karen Babbs
Principal

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**Griffith Excursion Reminder**

Don't forget that on Monday, 15th December, all students will be travelling by bus to Griffith. They will be leaving the school at 9.15am sharp and travelling to Griffith to watch the movie 'Paddington Bear,' have lunch, then go Ten Pin Bowling. The cost for this excursion is $35.00 per student.

If you have not already done so please fill in the permission note below and return it to school as soon as possible.

Child's Name: ___________________________________________

I give permission for my child(ren) to travel by bus to Griffith on Monday, 15th December to see the movie Paddington Bear and go Ten Pin Bowling.

Enclosed is $35.00 to cover the day's bus and activities.

Signed: ________________________________________