Dear students and families,

Welcome to the 2015 school year!

We have had a wonderful start to the year, with new equipment and resources brought in across the school. We now have an interactive whiteboard placed in every teaching space across the school. Some classrooms have had internal and external blinds strategically located to keep the summer sun and heat off east/west facing windows, and reducing the glare on the whiteboards.

We have welcomed 14 students to the Naranga School community, and we hope that each of them has a positive and engaging educational experience during their time here.

It looks like the hot weather is on the way again, so please remember to help us keep your child safe and well at school by providing lots of drinks and fruit, and sending in a hat with a brim.

Everyone in our school community is welcome to join us at our weekly school assembly which takes place at 9am every Wednesday.

Term 1 is a busy time, and we have some time set aside for parents to attend Student Support Group meetings. Please keep the calendar, below, to remind you of these important dates for your diary.

If you have any questions or concerns as the school year starts, please feel free to call us any time between 8:30am and 4:30pm on 9788 2222.

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School Council Elections

We would like to advise that there are two, 2 year, School Council Parent vacancies available on the 2015 School Council. If you would like to nominate either yourself or someone else please contact the office for the appropriate form. Nominations close at 4.30 pm on Monday 16th February. If voting is required, the ballot will commence on Monday 23rd February. Please refer to the attached information about why Parent membership is so important. For further information please contact Carol Henshaw the Business Manager at Naranga School on 9788 2222.

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK RAFFLE
At this week's Assembly we held our first SWPBS Raffle. This is a school wide raffle to recognize students who display our values and meet expectations. Students can receive tickets from staff for doing the right thing. All of the tickets go into our new raffle bin and a STUDENT OF THE WEEK will be drawn each week. Congratulations to Lochlan for being the first winner of 2015. Lochlan has consistently shown a positive attitude and is also a member of the school recycling team. Lochlan works hard to collect paper for recycling each week. Well done Lochlan!

NARANGA EXPECTATIONS
We are...

Safe
We are...

Respectful
We are...

Responsible
We are...

Learners

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
Lochlan

Environment Week Festival

Sunday 15th March 2015 11 am—4 pm

At the Briars 450 Nepean Hwy Mount Martha Free Activities for the whole family go to www.morningtonweek.com.au for info
This week your child will start cooking and maybe for the first time. They will learn new skills that will assist them throughout their lives and hopefully help them make better choices about the foods that they choose to consume.

In small groups they will be preparing, cooking and sharing delicious Lunchbox recipes, healthy snacks and interesting and delicious meals.

Students are encouraged to try different foods and flavours and sometimes this can be a struggle I hear you say. I am often told by a child “I don’t like pumpkin or broccoli”. Sometimes on its own, pumpkin is boring but if roasted and added to a creamy pasta sauce it can become exciting.

I explain to students that their taste buds are continually changing and they will become more adventurous to try different food. Adding certain ingredients will help to change flavours in foods. All recipes will be passed onto the children throughout the term, via their teachers and also accessible on the school website.

With health issues such as obesity and diabetes it’s important to educate our children about real food, where it comes from and how to prepare it.

I hope to hear your feedback about the children’s experiences as we go.

Michelle Athiniotis
Home Economics / Kitchen garden Specialist

Humid weather and regular rainfall over the holidays made ideal growing conditions for our plants in the kitchen garden.

Over the holidays our garden has been very productive. We had two gigantic marrows weighing 3 and 6 kilograms. Tomatoes are in abundance. We picked over 2 kilograms. We also have eggplants growing. Our fruit trees are also doing well. The fruit will be ready to sample during autumn and winter.

Students who have Home Economics sessions will have the opportunity to regularly visit the garden to identify different plants, observe them growing and harvest produce. They will sample fruit and vegetables in their natural state or incorporated in weekly recipes.

The zucchinis and tomatoes were bottled to make relish and pickles that can be purchased from the school office for a gold coin donation.
A Warm Welcome Back From SP

It has been a very busy start to term one as the VCAL students in SP had already started their program this year during the January holidays. Students started their Certificate Two in Warehousing and Logistics at Peninsula Food Alliance in Seaford, where students pack food, sort clothing and complete written module work. Students receive hands on experience working in a warehousing environment, preparing them for future pathways into the workforce.

Whilst it has only been a week since we have been back at school it has been a very exciting start to the year as students in both VCAL classes begin to prepare for the Chisholm TAFE Taster courses, which are being introduced this year down at Frankston Chisholm TAFE every Thursday. Students have the opportunity to participate in courses including: Hair and Beauty, Patisserie, Floor and Wall Tiling to name just a few.

Students have already started to complete outcomes for their VCAL Certificate, as they have begun their Independent Living skills unit of work, Certificate Two in Business and ICT and will begin a unit on Leadership and Motivation. We have a very busy, exciting and fun filled year ahead of us with some wonderful learning opportunities for students. All the best to everyone!!

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