

WARRIMOO PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

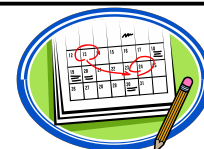


Term 4 – Week 3
Tuesday 29th October 2019
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REMINDER PAGE



CALENDAR – Term 4 - 2019

Term 4

Week 3

Saturday 2nd Nov...

P&C Spring Fair
4pm – 8pm

Week 4

Thursday 7th Nov...

School Assembly –
2-1M Class item – 2pm

Week 5

Wednesday 13th Nov...

2020 Kindergarten

Parent Information Evening – 6pm-7pm

Wednesday 13th Nov ...

P&C Meeting – 7.30pm

Thur 14th Nov – Fri 15th Nov...

Collaroy Excursion –
Stage 2

Friday 15th Nov...

Kindy 2020 Transition # 1
9:15am – 10:45am

Term 4 continued

Week 6

Thursday 21st Nov...

School Assembly –

KD Class item – 2pm

Friday 22nd Nov...

Kindy 2020 Transition # 2

9:15am – 10:45am

Week 7

Friday 29th Nov...

Kindy 2020 Transition # 3

9:15am – 10:45am

Week 8

Tuesday 3rd Dec...

Helpers Morning Tea –

11am - 11:30am

Thursday 5th Dec...

Principal Assembly



PAYMENTS DUE

*** CASH PAYMENTS COLLECTED ON WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS ***

*** BEFORE 10AM ONLY ***

ALTERNATIVELY PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE VIA EFTPOS AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR ONLINE 24HRS A DAY 7 DAYS A WEEK VIA THE ONLINE PARENT PAYMENT 'POP' FOUND ON THE HOMEPAGE OF THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

PLEASE NOTE: We are unable to receive monies after the stated final payment dates, as listed below.

If there are any difficult circumstances in regard to any payments by the due date, for excursions / incursions please do not hesitate to contact the school.

EXCURSION / INCURSION

AMOUNT

FINAL DUE DATE

*** Collaroy Overnight Excursion – Year 3 & 4

Balance up to \$185

Thursday 31st October

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

2020 Captain Speeches

On Monday of this week, the Year 5 students who are running for the School Captain positions in 2020 presented their speeches to the school. Following the session students from K-5 had the opportunity to vote for the candidates to represent them next year. I would like to congratulate all candidates who participated in the process as the speeches were very professionally constructed and presented with magnificent sincerity and skill. An announcement will be made later in Term 4 informing you of the Warrimoo Public School leadership team for 2020.

African Drumming & Dancing

The African drumming and dancing program commences this Wednesday. This is a fantastic opportunity for students at our school to engage in the high energy and enjoyable sessions for the next consecutive 6 weeks. I am certain that I will be able to report back to the community in coming newsletters with many photos and positive feedback.

The WarriMO World's Greatest Shave & Movember Fundraiser

Throughout the month of November many staff members will be participating in fundraising efforts for 'Movember' and 'The World's Greatest Shave'. Collaboratively as a school we will raise funds to improve the outcome related to men's health in Australia and across the world and blood cancers like lymphoma, leukaemia and myeloma. Some of the activities that staff of Warrimoo Public School will take part in are as follows;

- Walk or run a total of 60km throughout the month of November
- Grow a moustache throughout the month of November
- Mr Jeff will have his head shaved during a school assembly by the student who raises the most money throughout the month of November.
- Mrs Harris will have her head coloured during a school assembly by the student who raises the second highest amount of money throughout the month of November.

If a student donates money to these very worthwhile causes, their name and picture will displayed in the RFF classroom window as an ambassador for Movember and World's Greatest Shave.

The SRC members in each classroom will collect donations daily and record the amount donated on a class list. All money raised throughout the month will be evenly divided between the two charities.

Come on Warri**MO** Public School let's get **MO**tivated throughout the **MO**nth of **MO**vember!


MOVEMBER® &



Interactive Panel Installation

I am very excited and pleased to announce to the community that throughout Wednesday and Thursday of this week we will be having new Interactive Panels installed within every classroom across the school. These new panels will replace the old and problematic Interactive Whiteboards currently being utilised. We are aware of the ever changing need for current and reliable technological equipment within our school and are committed to continue to provide the resources to improve student outcomes and learning opportunities. Additionally, our school is in the process of preparing 6 new laptop computers to be part of the next portable computer bank within our school. While updating equipment can be expensive and time consuming we will continue to budget and plan for improved equipment across our school into 2020 and beyond.

Staff Professional Learning – Spirals of Enquiry

At Warrimoo Public School it is important for us all to be learners. This message is not only reflected by the children but also the staff of our school. This coming Thursday, the teachers of Warrimoo Public School will be participating in a Spirals of Enquiry session led by Mrs Harris. As an Infants team (12pm-3pm) and Primary team (9am-12pm), teachers will identify data within Mathematics and select an area

that may require a focused intervention across our school and create a plan to implement, in the aim of improving the skills and abilities across the school. Later in the term teams will meet once more to share results and identify whether the hunch related to Mathematics was improved. The collective efficacy of all staff will undoubtedly improve student outcomes at our school.

Shelter in Place Bushfire Emergency Drill

As I am sure you are fully aware the fire season has commenced with many fires burning across the weekend in the mid north coast of our state. Throughout Week 4 of Term 4, will be taking the opportunity to practice our shelter in place procedures here at Warrimoo Public School. Emergency drills are an extremely important component in keeping the students and staff safe at Warrimoo Public School. Please follow up this drill with your children at home and discuss the importance of being prepared and remaining vigilant about the threat of bush fire.

P&C Spring Fair

As we approach the end of Week 3, the P&C team are working very hard preparing for the Spring Fair on 2nd November 2019. Please take the time to read more about this fantastic event within this newsletter and support our P&C who support your children.

Change in Weather Conditions

Now that we have officially experienced some warmer weather I feel it fitting to briefly remind students to pack plenty of drinking water for each day, wear the appropriate school summer uniform and to ensure they have a hat on their heads and sunscreen on their skin at all times when outside the classroom. Our aim at Warrimoo Public School is for all students to learn how to remain sun safe and hydrated at all times. Please reinforce this message with your children at home.

2021 Selective High School Applications

The Selective High School application process has now opened for students moving into Year 7 in 2021. For important dates there is further information within this newsletter regarding Selective High School in 2021. Please be advised that all 2021 Selective High School applications are due to be completed online by no later than 11th November 2019. Please note that this is for Year 5 students in preparation for High School in 2021. All applications must be completed online as there are no opportunities to submit paper copies. Please follow the online link for further details

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

2020 School Enrolments

Kindergarten enrolments and all other enrolments for 2020 are currently being taken. In order for us to prepare our classes and ensure that equitable class numbers are maintained it is essential that we have all the information needed leading into 2020. If you know of someone who is enrolling at Warrimoo Public School and has not yet done so, could you please pass on our school details? Additionally, if you have children in Kindergarten to Year 5 and are planning on moving at the end of the year, that information is important also.

I wish you a very happy and safe fortnight ahead.

Kind regards,

Mr Tony Jeff

Library News

Library lessons

Author studies

In term 4 library lessons we are having a closer look at some of the fabulous authors whose books we have in our library. The research and activities the children do will also contribute to an authors display on the library walls. Kindergarten to year 4 are working collaboratively, while our senior students are being given the opportunity to study an author of their choosing.

Borrowing

All classes have the option to borrow books during their library lessons. Our school is very lucky to have an extensive library collection to choose from. In our fiction section, students have the choice of picture books, junior novels, early chapter books, novels and graphic novels just to mention a few. Students can also borrow from the non-fiction collection on topics that interest them such as cars, horses, reptiles, kids cook books, drawing books, dinosaurs, pets and lots more. Please encourage your child to take advantage of this and borrow books on their library days. They do need a library bag to borrow. This is to keep our books safe so that they are there for students to borrow for years to come.



3/2W with their library bags and Julia Donaldson's books ready for their author study.

Library News



The PRC for 2019 finished towards the end of term 3. All infants students and the vast majority of primary students completed the PRC and will be awarded their certificates in the coming weeks. Participation in the PRC exposes students to quality literature that is age appropriate. Through the process of completing the challenge, many students discovered new favourite books and authors, as well as developed their love of reading. All the students are to be commended for their effort and commitment.

Mobile Library

The Mobile Library is open during the second half of lunch on Wednesdays. It is run by our dedicated Library Monitors who take it in turns to open the Mobile Library each week. The collection is updated and rotated regularly, and all students are welcome to read the books at lunch time or to take them home. *The Mobile Library is different to our school library- Students do not need a library bag, there is no process for borrowing, and books can be returned when you are finished them- without a set time limit.* So please make use of this wonderful resource!

Happy reading
Mrs McRae
Teacher Librarian

Well Done Swimmers!

What a fabulous School Swimming Scheme!

We would like to congratulate the students who have just completed the intensive swimming program. The students participated in survival activities, as well as distance swimming and stroke correction. Every child made great progress and will be presented with their "Certificates of Achievement."

On day 1, 9 children tested as being able to swim 25 metres using the correct freestyle stroke. By day 9, 21 children achieved swimming 25 metres confidently, with 20 swimmers achieving 50 metres and completing the program. Those who started as non-swimmers developed confidence and are now able to propel themselves through the water with many achieving a 10 metre swim. Also, 41 students can now confidently swim 50 metres in a chosen survival stroke, in case of an emergency.

The instructors commented on our students' very positive attitudes and engagement throughout the two-week program. All students should be proud of their progress and swimming achievements, as well as their behaviour.

Miss Withers and Mr Dewhurst





Education

High Performing Students Team

Applying for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in **2021**

Thinking of applying for
a government selective
high school for Year 7
in 2021?

You must apply online at:

[education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7](https://www.education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7)



Key Dates

Application website opens:
8 October 2019

Application website closes:
10 pm, 11 November 2019
You must apply before this deadline.

Test authority advice sent to all applicants:
27 February 2020

Selective High School placement test:
12 March 2020

Placement outcome information sent
overnight on:
4 July 2020

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

Parents should check the website at [education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc](https://www.education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc) regularly throughout the application and placement process.

Please check the website for information before you contact the Team.

The Selective High Schools placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team*.

Contact Details:

High Performing Students Team, NSW Department of Education
Email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au
Telephone: 1300 880 367
Fax: 02 9266 8435
Postal Address: Locked Bag 53, DARLINGHURST NSW 1300
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/772251106301086/>

Please Note:

* In this document, the High Performing Students Team is referred to as the Team.

'Parent' is defined under the Education Act, 1990, as a 'guardian or other person having custody or care of a child'



Kindergarten 2020



Well It's that time again! If you have a child or know of a child who will turn 5 on or before 31st July 2020, they are eligible to start school in 2020.

We need to know these numbers early so that we have correct staff and accommodation. Please fill in the form below (or give it to a friend or neighbour to complete if they have a child eligible to start school in 2020) and return it to school as early as possible.

Thank you for your support



Office Staff

Attention: Office Staff
(Please return to the school office)

Kindergarten Enrolments 2020

Child's Name (in full): _____ Male Female

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Home Telephone Number: _____ Mobile Number: _____

Email: _____

Siblings at School (if applicable): _____ Class: _____

Siblings Date of Birth: _____

I would like any correspondence addressed to:
Miss / Ms / Mrs / Mr / Mr & Mrs (please circle): _____

Postal Address: _____



P & C News

Facebook: Warrimoo Public School P&C

Email: warrimoopandc@gmail.com

Next P&C Meeting –

Wednesday 12 November 2019, 7.30 – 9.30 pm, in the Library

All parents and citizens welcome! See behind the scenes; Have your say; Help out

Please join the **Warrimoo Public School P&C Group** on Facebook to receive messages about how you can help to support all the children of Warrimoo Public School.

Canteen

Tuesday – over the counter sales, so please send your children with some money to spend.

Help needed, even just an hour. The kids love seeing their parents in the canteen! Please contact Kirsty on 0414 337 967 to volunteer on Tuesdays.

Friday – My School Lunchbox orders <https://myschoollunchbox.com.au/>

Volunteers needed to help sort the orders for 45 minutes (12.30 – 1.15 pm) on Fridays this term. Please contact Emma on 0418 476 093 to volunteer on Fridays.

If you can help on Fridays, 1 - 2 pm – we'd love to be able to sell milkshakes and Quelch sticks (ice blocks) at lunch time. Really simple. Please contact Kirsty 0414 337 967.

Uniform Shop

Open Thursdays of School Assemblies, 2.30 - 3.15 pm

Uniform Order Form and details: Contact: warrimoopsuniformshop@gmail.com
<https://warrimoo-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/what-we-offer.html>

School Banking

Drop deposit books into the box at the Office on **Tuesday Mornings**

P & C News



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our biennial **Spring Fair** is on **Saturday 2 November, 4 - 8 pm**. This is the P&C's major fundraiser for the year and will feature inflatable jumping castle, obstacle course, market stalls, games, food and drinks and musical performances. We hope to see the whole school community there!

Here's how you can help:

- RAFFLE** – Each child will bring home a book of tickets this week. Please sell them and return the stubs and money to school by Friday 1 November. See Skoolbag App for a list of 50+ prizes!
- WRISTBANDS** – Pre-pay for unlimited access to the jumping castle and obstacle course - \$10. See Skoolbag App for online payment details.
- VOLUNTEERS** – still needed to for one-hour shifts to staff the various P&C fundraising stalls. See rosters on the wall at the school office, or the P&C Facebook Group.
- DONATE** – 2 litre ice cream containers with lids to the school office please.
- DONATE** – **Good quality** items you'd buy yourself for the Op Shop Stall. Clothing for all ages, good books and toys, complete boardgames and puzzles, bric-a-brac. Contact Kirsty 0414 337 967.
- DONATE** – Cakes / slices / biscuits for the cake stall. Please drop them in to the school on the day, before 3pm. Please label what type of cake/biscuit it is and consider giving a list of ingredients.
- DONATE** – Chocolates or lollies for our chocolate coin toss game. Please drop them in to the school office.
- SHARE** – please invite your friends via our Facebook Event “Warrimoo Spring Fair 2019”

Many Thanks from the Warrimoo Public School P&C

**Many hands make a successful fundraising event –
thanks!**