



Newsletter

Aim High to Achieve

Term 2 Week 6

Tuesday 2nd June 2020

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What's on at Warrimoo

JUNE

WEEK 7

Monday 8th Public Holiday
Tuesday 9th Year 5 2021 OC online applications open

WEEK 9

Friday 26th Year 5 2021 OC online applications close

JULY

Week 10 3rd Last Day of Term 2

TERM 3

Week 1

Monday 20th Staff Development Day (no students)
Tuesday 21st Students return

NOTES DISTRIBUTED

Notes can be accessed via this link below
<https://warrimoo-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/notes.html>

If your child or an immediate family member is being tested for Covid-19 please notify the school immediately



2021 Kindergarten enrolments are now being taken
Please see enrolment form in newsletter



Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Return to Face-To-Face Teaching

We have now officially completed our first week back to face-to-face teaching. It has been so wonderful watching the students returning to school with such positive attitudes. The energy in the classrooms and the playgrounds is incredible. The message of maintaining distance and keeping hygiene habits up are still being actively reinforced across the school. As a school, we really do appreciate the magnificent support that the entire community has demonstrated throughout this difficult and challenging period of time.





Drop Off & Pick Up Responsibilities

We continue to request that all children are dropped off from the front gate of the school and picked up in the same location in the afternoon. This is a requirement of the Department of Education regarding social distancing. Once we move out of the current restriction, parents will be encouraged and invited back into the school to conduct drop off and pick up. Thank you for your understanding and consideration regarding this request.

Warrimoo Yarn-Up

On Thursday 18th June Warrimoo Public School had scheduled a Warrimoo Yarn-Up to be held at the school. Unfortunately, due to the current climate of social distancing we have been forced to cancel this gathering. As a school community we hope to hold the next Yarn-Up on Thursday 17th September in Week 9 of Term 3.

Changes to the opportunity class placement process for 2020 Year 4 students

The 2021 Year 5 opportunity class placement process was put on hold in April 2020 due to the COVID-19 situation.

We now have a revised and simplified timeline for the OC placement process to ensure that students and families can have certainty about their placement as soon as possible.

The changes include:

- A new date for online applications. Parents must apply between 9 June 2020 and 26 June 2020. Late applications cannot be accepted.
- A new test date - Wednesday 16 September 2020.

To ensure fair and consistent assessment of students across New South Wales, students will be offered places based only on their test results this year – there will be no school assessment scores.

There will also be no opportunity for appeals given the tight timeframes.

For further detailed information I encourage you to visit <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

Queen's Birthday Long Weekend

As we move forward towards Week 7 please note that Monday 8th June is the Queen's Birthday Public Holiday. Students will return on Tuesday 9th June.

Student Safety After School

Over the past week the students at Warrimoo Public School have been released at the conclusion of each day in a staggered manner. With the Infants children departing the school at 2.50pm to avoid congestion at the front gates I have noticed that some of our students are moving onto the road, climbing the front fence and playing on the island out the front of the school. Please have a discussion with your child regarding the need for safety at all times during this period as I am fearful that a serious accident could occur. Thank you for your anticipated support regarding this matter.

Student Safety & Parking Patrols

Student safety is our number one priority at Warrimoo Public School. At times, children can be unpredictable and act in manner out of character. Florabella St, as I know you're more than familiar with, is a very narrow street with limited parking before and after school. Please be aware that the signage regarding parking is for the safety of all our children and that Springwood Police do regular inspections of our school area. Below I have attached a photograph of some of the signage in case you are unfamiliar with them. I appreciate your consideration and support regarding this matter and I am certain you too would echo my sentiments about keeping our children safe.



2021 School Enrolments

Kindergarten enrolments and all other enrolments for 2021 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 2021. 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.

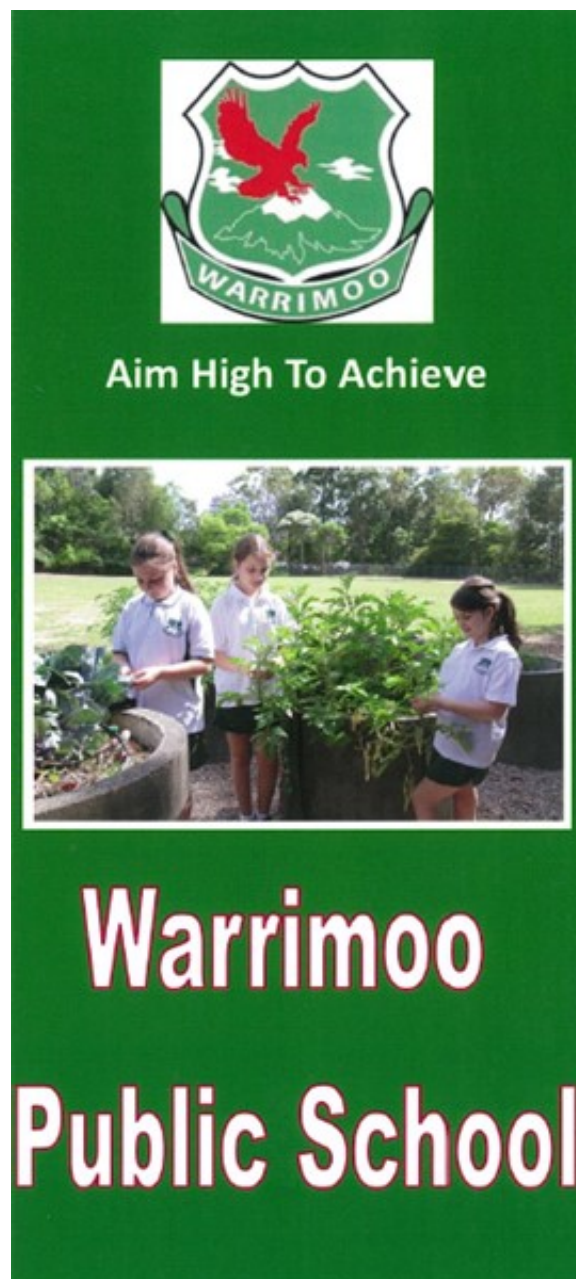
Promotional Flyer Letter Box Drops

At Warrimoo Public School we are committed to providing the very best opportunities for the students within our school and the wider community. We are currently taking proactive measure to increase and improve our profile within Warrimoo. The school has developed an information flyer and we are looking at having it distributed throughout our school intake boundaries. We are requesting the support of our families in assisting our school with a letter box drop throughout the community of Warrimoo. If you are interested in strapping on your shoes and walking some of the streets it would be greatly appreciated. If you can assist please make contact with Mrs Maz in the school administration to discuss which streets you may be able to support with. Thank you in advanced for any support you may be able to offer.

I wish you a very happy and enjoyable fortnight ahead.

My kindest regards,

Mr Tony Jeff
Principal





RETURN TO FULL TIME ONSITE LEARNING

FROM MONDAY 25 MAY 2020



All children return to their own class with their teacher.

All children to bring their own drink bottle and pencil case.

Drop and Go in the mornings and Take and Go in the afternoons.

Face-to-face teaching resumes.

Continuation of enhanced hygiene and cleaning practices.



Parents/carers not permitted on the school site.

No meetings with teachers/staff. Email the school or ring the office - we will get back to you.

Do not send children to school if they are unwell.

No canteen facilities available.

No gatherings of adults.

Thank you for your cooperation.

National Sorry Day

NATIONAL SORRY DAY

National Sorry Day is held on the 26th of May each year to acknowledge and recognise the members of the Stolen Generation.

The Native Hibiscus was chosen to symbolise the scattering of the Stolen Generations and their resilience to the policies of Australia. This flower was adopted because it is found widely across Australia and it is a survivor. Its colour denotes compassion and spiritual healing.

(<https://www.kimberleystolengeneration.com.au/>)

At Warrimoo Public School,
we say

Sorry



We Are Sorry

To the Stolen Generation we say sorry
To all Indigenous people of the Darug and
Gundungurra we say sorry
From all the Australians we say sorry to all
Indigenous people.

By: Bonnie



Warrimoo Public School's 2020 National Sorry Day Artwork

Inspired by Lee Hampton's 'Lest We Forget' art piece, Warrimoo PS students were invited to participate in the meaningful journey of creating a hand crafted Native Hibiscus for our special collaborative National Sorry Day artwork.



Lest We Forget
by Lee Anthony Hampton

The idea of any artwork that Lee Hampton creates is "to connect people, have them see the issues we all face but allow them to dissect it in a non-confrontational way, which allows for peaceful discussions and hopefully inspires people to make changes". (Lee Anthony Hampton)

Our National Sorry Day artwork was not only inspired by Lee's piece 'Lest We Forget' but was also created with a similar idea in mind – connecting people, allowing for peaceful, deep and meaningful discussions for everyone of all ages, and inspiring others to learn, grow and make proactive and positive changes. Just like Lee Hampton's work, our artwork has lots of symbolism embedded throughout.

The background of our artwork is the Aboriginal flag. This not only represents the First Australians, but recognises the 2020 NAIDOC theme: Always Was, Always Will Be.

The hands that make up the sun are layered. This layering represents our deep history and the many events that have taken place over the years to the present. The layers represent the Stolen Generation as well as the many voices that continue to grow, reach out and work together for shared future. The act of placing a hand on someone's shoulder shows compassion, warmth and understanding which is also represented by the hands that make up the sun .

National Sorry Day marks the beginning of National Reconciliation Week. In 2020, the National Reconciliation theme is 'In this Together' which is also represented in the many layers and circular linked hands – a circle is ongoing, never ending and always ready for a positive change.

Students created their own Native Hibiscus in a medium of their choice, because we all have a choice to make a difference. With each individual effort, we acknowledge the impact that each and every one of us can make that leads to a more positive future for all – because we are All in this Together. Each native hibiscus is important and symbolises resilience, survival and healing.

If you look closely, you can see a little bee that one of our Stage 2 students added innocently to our work. Bees work together for the entire colony, not just for personal gain. They spread pollen from flower to flower, just as we can spread kindness from one person to another. This little bee 🐝 sealed perfectly the theme for this year's Reconciliation Week theme, 'In this Together'



A collaborative artwork by the students at
Warrimoo Public School, 2020

National Reconciliation Week

In this together

National Reconciliation Week
2020

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.
(Reconciliation Australia, 2020)

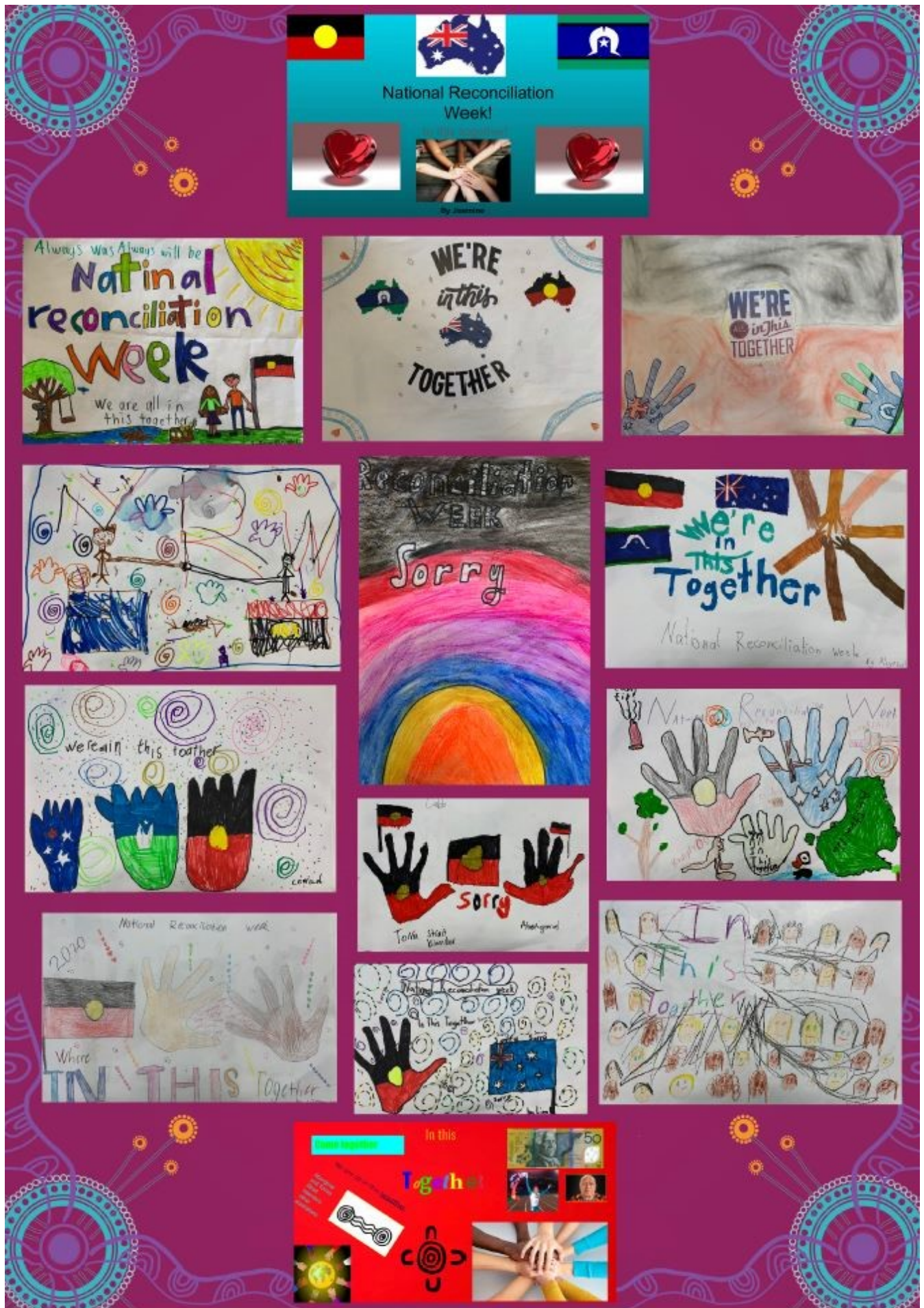


Students at Warrimoo Public School have participated in a variety of class activities to celebrate Reconciliation Week.

Stage 2 students drew inspiration from this year's official NRW poster created by Biripi/ Bunjalung artist Nikita Ridgeway and created their own version of the 2020 theme 'In this Together'.







In this together

National Reconciliation Week
2020





Kindergarten 2021 Expression of Interest Form

<i>New Student Details</i>	
Family name	
Given name/s	
Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Date of birth	
Parent details	Name: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female Contact Phone Number:
Parent details	Name: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female Contact Phone Number:
Address	
Student's citizenship details	Australian Citizen <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If No please specify _____
Sibling enrolled at another NSW Government School (This helps us with our enrolment process)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes name of school _____
Sibling name	_____
Sibling date of birth	_____
Sibling gender	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Office Use Only	
In school catchment area	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If No out of area form to be given/completed
Date received	

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