



# Newsletter

**Aim High to Achieve**

Term 2 Week 6

Tuesday 25th May 2021

Principal - Mr T Jeff

16-30 Florabella St, Warrimoo 2774

Rel Infants Assistant Principal - Ms S O'Connor

Phone 4753 6182

Primary Assistant Principal - Mrs E Harris

P&C Meeting - Thursday 10th June 7:30pm - 8:30pm

School Administration Manager - Mrs J Mazenauer

School Banking - Tuesday

<http://www.warrimoo-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>

Play and Chat - Tuesday and Thursday  
9:30am - 10:45am

Email: [Warrimoo-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Warrimoo-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

## What's on at Warrimoo

### TERM 2

### MAY

#### Week 6

Wednesday 26th National Sorry Day

Thursday 27th School Assembly - 2M Class Item

Friday 28th National Ride to School Day - *Rescheduled*

#### Week 7

Monday 31 K-2 Zoo Excursion

### JUNE

Wednesday 2 Resilience Parent Workshop - 7pm-8pm  
*In School Hall*

#### Week 8

Monday 7th Interrelate via Zoom

Thursday 10th P&C Meeting - 7:30pm - 8:30pm

#### Week 9

Monday 14th Queens Birthday - Public Holiday

Thursday 17th School Assembly - K-1T Class Item

#### Week 10

Thursday 24th K-6 Parent Interviews - 3:15pm - 6:15pm

Friday 25th Last Day of Term 2

### NOTES DISTRIBUTED

Notes can be accessed via this link below

<https://warrimoo-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/notes.html>

### PAYMENTS DUE

<u>Excursion</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Due</u>
Stage 3	Balance up to \$367.50	16/7



# Principal's Report

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

## Semester 1 School Reports

At this time of year, as always, teachers and students are heavily involved in assessments to report on student progress and individual student learning goals. Teachers have been working hard in their stage meetings each week sharing work samples and assessments to ensure there is consistency amongst grade distributions. In Week 5, I allocated all teachers additional release from class to gather and evaluate assessment data in an in-depth manner.

Semester 1 reports will be sent home on Monday of Week 10 (21<sup>st</sup> June). If requested by the parents or classroom teachers formal Parent-Teacher Interviews will be taking place in the last week of this term (Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June). A note will be coming home in the next few weeks, outlining our process and booking system for parent-teacher interviews.

Please note that due to teaching changes that have impacted the 3/4P classroom their reports will be sent home on Friday of Week 2 Term 3 (23<sup>rd</sup> July).

If you have any concerns regarding your child's progress, please make contact with the school office to arrange a meeting with the teacher.

## Ride Safe to School Day

On the 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021 our school will be participating in the Ride Safe to School Day special event. Unfortunately, in Term 1 we were forced to postpone this event due to poor and unpredictable weather. A planned, supervised ride has been organised on the morning of 28<sup>th</sup> May from the Blue Shop to our school. Further information has been forwarded home regarding all the important pieces of information that you will be required to know in the preparation of this day.

## Premier's Sporting Challenge

Students and staff of Warrimoo Public School will be participating in the Premier's Sporting Challenge commencing in Week 6 of Term 2 and concluding in Week 5 of Term 3. Students are encouraged to participate in as much physical activity as possible. Once a day, students will have the opportunity to record and track their results at school. At the conclusion of the 10-week period individual performance results will be uploaded to the Premier's Sporting Challenge website by staff and certificates forwarded back to our school for distribution.

At Warrimoo Public School we encourage all students to live a healthy and active life. I would appreciate you sharing this message with your children at home.

## Education Week & Grandparents Day

At Warrimoo Public School we will be celebrating Education Week in Week 4 of Term 3 due to our Stage 3 students attending their camp in Week 3. For future planning, please note that the Book Character Parade, Grandparents Day, Book Fair and Open Classrooms will be held at our school on **4<sup>th</sup> August 2021** with activities running from 9-11am followed by a P&C run morning tea for the guests. Further information will be provided home as we move closer to the conclusion of Term 2.



## Cross Country Carnival

I wish to thank and acknowledge the amazing efforts and great sportsmanship of all the students who attended the District Cross Country event on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May. I also wish to thank Miss Withers and Mrs Harris who attended and supported the students on the day and the magnificent support from our parents who assisted with transportation and made up our cheer squad. Congratulations to all participants!

## National Reconciliation Week and Sorry Day

At Warrimoo Public School we will recognise National Sorry Day on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May and Reconciliation Week from Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Throughout the week, classes will participate in activities to identify the significance of Sorry Day and celebrate Reconciliation Week.



### Resilience Parent Workshop

On **Wednesday 2nd June**, we will be offering a session for parents, this is not for students, on the topic of Building Resilience in your Kids from 7pm to 8pm in our school hall. Tim Powell from the Values for Life program ([www.valuesforlife.net](http://www.valuesforlife.net)) has been invited to deliver the session where we will be focussing on practical and effective ways how we, as parents or caregivers, can help young people cope and bounce back and be resilient. Tim has a background in teaching and as a counsellor and has been presenting in schools for 20 years.

Key concepts covered in the session:

- What is resilient behaviour
- Key components in life that enable young people to connect with others, have healthy self-esteem and positively make a difference
- Practical strategies and tools that engage and value a young person that is proactive and pre-emptive
- Exploring the world of young people in Australia today and how they differ from previous generations
- Promotion of resilient factors including caring relationships, high expectation messages & meaningful participation

Thank you to all the families who submitted an EOI. Confirmation letters will be sent home on Wednesday 26/5.



### Interrelate

On the evening of **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021**, we will be offering two Interrelate Zoom sessions for parents and students to participate in. These sessions have been established and content appropriate for students of Stage 2 and Stage 3.

- Session 1: Where Did I Come From? (Stage 2 & Stage 3 parents and students)
- Session 2: Preparing For Puberty (Stage 3 parents and students)

Further information regarding these sessions will be forwarded home in the coming week. I strongly encourage you to think about attending these sessions with your child. It is anticipated that the Zoom sessions will allow you have a deep conversation with your child/children in the privacy of your own home.

### NAPLAN Online Testing – Year 3 & Year 5 Students

I wish to acknowledge the efforts of all our Year 3 and Year 5 students who completed NAPLAN Online last week. Thank you also to our teachers; Mrs Harris, Mrs McIlwhan, Mrs DeBono, Ms Farrar and Miss Withers for their support and organisation of the assessment process. Great work Warrimoo Public School!

### Queen's Birthday Long Weekend

As we move forward towards Week 9 please note that Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June is the Queen's Birthday Public Holiday. Students will return on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June.



### 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.

**STUDENT**  
**SAFETY**



### 2022 School Enrolments

Kindergarten enrolments and all other enrolments for 2022 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 2022 as early as possible. 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.



My kindest regards,

Mr Tony Jeff  
Principal





## EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!



The International Space Station (ISS) is working with the distinguished Warrimoo Public School. ISS sent wattle seeds to space. They have been in space for quite some time now. Warrimoo is about to receive alien wattle seeds these seeds have been traveling through time and space and are soon to be put in Warrimoo hands. Will our Warrimoo students grow aliens? That is the big question.

By Tom R, Liam R, Craig W

### Student Finds Little Bo Peep's Missing Sheep!

Hold up! Remember that nursery rhyme that goes

*'Little Bo Peep*

*Has lost her sheep*

*And doesn't know where to find them!'*

Yeah, that one. Well, Breaking News! Little Bo Peep's sheep have fortunately been found! And not just by anyone! The sheep were found by a fellow student at Warrimoo Public School! How? You may ask? Well, during school hours, in the middle of D.E.A.R (drop everything and read) some 'lumps' mysteriously came in and made the floor soft and bumpy. Students sat on these lumps. All but one particular child. This student was very curious and wanted to know what was behind this, so they checked under the mat. To the students' surprise, there, sitting wide eyed and scared, were some sheep! The teacher instantly dialled the number on their collars and thus, reached the owner AKA, Little Bo Peep. Somehow this story reached the news and now here. We have not documented the name of the child for privacy purposes, however, the names of the sheep were included. There was Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner and Blitzen. Sadly, Rudolph was never found. Later that day, Little Bo Peep got in trouble with Santa Claus for stealing his reindeer's names. All we know now, is that Little Bo Peep will not be receiving presents this year.

Written by Lilian.

## Sandpit Sacrifice

By Erin W, Grace G and Michael H.

Late Friday lunch Oscar, Michael, Grace, Zach, Kai, Bo, Liam R, Tom, Lily, Phoenix, Lilian and Eloise attempted to sacrifice Erin C to the sandpit gods! Everyone was chanting "SAC-R-IFICE" over and over again. How did this situation occur? A group of people decided to bury someone as a sacrifice to the sandpit gods. Erin C happily volunteered to sacrifice herself to the sandpit gods (in the school sandpit). All was going well. We were so close to sacrificing her! Until...

Two clever teachers (Mr Scott and Mrs Harris) sadly stopped us, for now... As we speak the year sixes are planning a beach day (where they all go to the same beach at the same time) to sacrifice Erin C properly to the sandpit gods.

Stay tuned for more. (Based on a true story)

## Latest News Update Big Foot Spotted Behind School!



Have you ever spotted Big Foot in the bush out in the open? Well on Monday the 24<sup>th</sup>, May at 2:21pm a student at Warrimoo Public School discovered a mysterious creature. This big creature has been described as a tall, hairy, black looking bear. He also can stand up just like a human. The student reported it to a teacher. The teacher immediately rung 001 which is the animal capture society. They then came and vivisected (dissection but the creature is still alive) the creature. Later it was classified as Big Foot.

Article by Bo, Zac, Kai, Max.

# NEWS FLASH

On Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> May we had the Zone Cross Country. It was hard work for all our runners but they pushed through. Our school had 3 people who came in the top ten. Two people came 8<sup>th</sup> and one 7<sup>th</sup>. Grades 4, 3, 2 ran 2 kilometres and Grades 5,6 ran 3 kilometres. This was a gruelling run around the magnificent Penrith Lakes, over the steep bridge and through the finish line. Congratulations to all our amazing participants.

By Oscar F



## BOB THE LIZARD HAS GONE MISSING!

Bob the lizard has gone missing! He was last seen on Warrimoo Public School's oval minding his own business, he was surrounded by cones. Every student of the school was intrigued by his appearance. The bell rang and he was left alone, soon he was removed from the premises.

Security cameras show Mr Jeff taking him after his banishment. Mr Jeff took him into his office for interrogation to find answers! We do not know where Bob is being kept, all we know now is that he is in the hands of the evil kidnapper MR JEFF!!! Kids wonder where he is today??

DOES HE, MR JEFF HAVE A VILLAINOUS LAIR??

CAN HE BE ARRESTED FOR HIS CRIME??

WHAT'LL HAPPEN TO BOB??

WILL HE BE SET FREE??

WHAT BUSINESS DOES MR JEFF HAVE WITH BOB??

WHAT CRIMES HAS HE DONE??

**FYI: Bob was cared for by WIRES before being released.**

## The Terrifying Truth!

Naomi and Eloise, two students of the class 5/6H found an old wishing well in the middle of running the cross-country track through the bush. It's made predominantly of sandstone brick and it's covered in vines. It has a large wooden bucket hanging by thick rope above the green, murky, leech infested water. A

student, given the nickname 'Barbie' from her stunning appearance, attempts to wish for long, thick hair. She tossed a gold coin into the infested water but to her horror the coin disintegrated like the water was acid. As she stared down the well in disbelief a nasty, little leech inched onto her hand and sucked her blood. She quickly flicked it off and ran away terrified to ever return to the well.

The next day she returns to school with long, thick, hazel hair. Her wish had come true! But when making wishes one must be extremely specific... or else it could backfire. Barbie had not been specific with her wish, she had simply wished for hair, she did not mention where she wanted the hair. When the class sees her, they break out laughing. For Barbie is covered in hair! She has hair on her face, hair bursting out of her shirt and even hairy feet.

The doctors said they couldn't help her so she resorted to her last option... she would go back to the well and try to wish the curse away. When she got to the place where the well was, she saw nothing but a single brick and one disgusting, little leech. She fell to her knees and cried, wishing that all the hair would just go away. The one little leech that was left, crawled up onto her leg and sucked her blood once again. She flicked it off, returned home and went to bed that night. The next day once she got to school everyone stared at her in shock. For her wish had come true, indeed all her hair was gone and when I say all of her hair I MEAN ALL of her hair. She had no hair on her head, no eyebrows, no hair on her arms or legs. NONE AT ALL.

That *true* story had an important lesson -The grass isn't always greener on the other side of the fence.

## Is this voodoo at Warrimoo school?

Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> of May a magic book was found in the Warrimoo Kids Street Library. This sounds like an ordinary everyday situation. But it's not! This book has a tawny cover with a secret lock situated on the side. The key was luckily located on a fence nearby. Once unlocked the pages of the book flipped open to reveal page 100. What strange magic does this dark, old book have inside it. Visit our Kids Street Library to find out more about this weird, wonderous treasure.

By Mia. K and Taylor. H





# PBL Winners



Last fortnight's PBL Expectation:

*We take turns.*



Week 5

Week 6



# Zone Cross Country

It was most wonderful day down at the Penrith Lakes. We found a lovely position high on the hill in the glorious Autumn sun. The students from Warrimoo Public cheered on every runner as they passed and displayed respect, collaboration and represented our community to the highest of standards. As the team teacher I felt so proud of our students and Miss Withers reported the same from the track. We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs McIlwhan for organising the school Cross Country, the information and teams to go to the zone. Without her the day would not have been possible. All the students and teachers would also like to thank our beautiful Warrimoo parents who transported our children down, cheered and supported our whole team all day. In an extremely competitive run, 3 students from Warrimoo made the top 10. Nina. D came 8<sup>th</sup> and Nina. M came 9<sup>th</sup> and Liam. M came 8<sup>th</sup>.





# Kindergarten 2022



Well it's that time again! If you have a child or know of a child who will turn 5 on or before 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022, they are eligible to start school in 2022.

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 2022) 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 2022

Male    Female

Child's Name (in full): \_\_\_\_\_

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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: \_\_\_\_\_



# Community News

## YOGA FOR KIDS CHANGING TIDES YOGA at your school.

Skills for life! What a terrific gift to give your Child

**Friday mornings 8am – 8:45 in the school hall**



In a changing and fast-paced world at present filled with chaos and confusion, and with much focus on performance, materialism and competition, yoga provides a welcome oasis of active yet mindful play and quiet times away from technology. Kids Yoga is gaining popularity as the benefits become known and witnessed.

Classes are non-competitive, non-religious and celebrate uniqueness and differing abilities in a nurturing, non-judgemental setting. With immense physical, mental and emotional benefits,

children gain tools for navigating life.

Carly has a special love of kids and has worked with children and taught Yoga for many years. She has run childcare centres both in Australia and overseas and managed both Kids Club and Mini Kids Club in Resort/Retreat settings. She has also worked in Australian schools with the Department of Education as a Special Learning Support Officer with children with special needs.

A strong advocate for Kids Yoga, Carly hopes that one day Yoga will be offered in every school.

Enquiries Phone Carly 0413 904 918

Email [Carly@changingtidesyoga.com.au](mailto:Carly@changingtidesyoga.com.au) or check out

[www.changingtidesyoga.com.au](http://www.changingtidesyoga.com.au)

# Help us turn **BREAD BAGS** into **SCHOOL PLAY EQUIPMENT**



## **Our school is taking part in the Wonder Recycling Rewards campaign this term.**

Help us collect bread bags so we can earn points to redeem on new RHSports equipment.

It's simple! All you need to do is keep your empty bread bags and send them to school with your kids! We will then place them in Wonder's pink collection box and post them off to be recycled. The more we collect the more points our school earns!

**Collections close 25th June.**

### **Tip for collecting:**

Use one empty bread bag to collect a bunch of other bags.

### **Did you know**

Our school is now in the drawer to **WIN 1 of 5** exercise circuits made from the soft plastic we collect!

## **LET'S GET COLLECTING!**



Tag Wonder on social **#wonderrecycling** to share all your recycling champion stories!

