



Newsletter

Aim High to Achieve

Term 1 Week 2

Tuesday 6 February 2024

Principal	- Mr T Jeff	Email: Warrimoo-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Assistant Principal Curriculum Instruction	- Mrs L Husarek	16-30 Florabella St, Warrimoo 2774
Infants Assistant Principal	- Mrs T Drummond - Ms S Lawley	Phone 4753 6182 https://warrimoo-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/
Primary Assistant Principal	- Mrs E Harris	<u>Uniform Shop Hours</u> - online orders can be made anytime
School Administration Manager	- Mrs J Mazenauer	Monday (non assembly weeks) 2:30pm - 3:15pm Thursday (odd and even weeks) 2:30pm - 3:15pm After Assemblies



<i>Term 1—February</i>		
<u>Week 2</u>		
Wednesday	7	Swimming Carnival - Primary - Glenbrook Pool Infants Water Safety Day - Mufti
<u>Week 3</u>		
Monday	12	Infants Information Evening 6pm—7pm
Wednesday	14	Primary Information Evening 6pm—7pm
Thursday	15	1 st Induction Assembly - 2pm
Friday	16	2024 Welcome BBQ - 7:30am—8:30am
<u>Week 4</u>		
Thursday	22	P&C Annual General Meeting - 7:30pm in the School Library
<u>Week 5</u>		
Wednesday	28	BM PSSA Zone Swimming Carnival
<i>Term 1—March</i>		
<u>Week 6</u>		
Monday	4	Warrimoo Yarn-Up 3:15pm - 4:15pm
Wednesday	6	Parent Teacher Interviews “Exchange of Information”
Thursday	7	2 nd Induction Assembly - 2pm

NOTES SENT HOME

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

**P&C
Annual
General
Meeting**

When: Thur 22 Feb
Time: 7:30pm
Where: Library

Principal's Report

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

Welcome back to Warrimoo Public School for the 2024 school year! I hope that you all had a very restful, relaxing and enjoyable Christmas and New Year period and are returning to the school year energised and enthusiastic.

It is with great excitement that I write to you for the first time in 2024. I am very much looking forward to the year ahead and working alongside you and your children to achieve the very best academic, social and emotional outcomes for every student in every classroom. Newsletters in 2024 will be distributed every even week of each term.

At the conclusion of 2023 Ms Leigh Potts made the decision to pursue other directions and will not be returning to Warrimoo Public School in 2024. We hope to invite Ms Potts to a upcoming School Captains Induction Assembly so we can formally thank her. Ms Potts will be greatly missed from Warrimoo Public School and we hope that you can join us at the assembly to farewell her.



Kindergarten

On Monday of this week we welcomed the 2024 Kindergarten class and their families to Warrimoo Public School. We wish Kindergarten a fantastic start to school and congratulate them on the fantastic work they have already completed, participating in Best Start Assessment with Ms Lawley and Mrs Husarek throughout Week 1.

Anaphylaxis Students at Warrimoo Public School

I would like to shine a spotlight on a critical health topic - Anaphylaxis. Understanding this severe allergic reaction is vital for everyone, as it can affect individuals of all ages. Anaphylaxis is a sudden and severe allergic reaction that can be life-threatening. It occurs within minutes of exposure to allergens, such as certain foods, insect stings, medications, or even exercise. Recognising the signs is crucial for prompt action.

Some key indicators include; difficulty breathing, swelling of the face and throat, rapid or weak pulse, hives and gastrointestinal symptoms (nausea, vomiting).

Anaphylaxis is a serious health concern, but with awareness and preparedness, we can make a difference. Creating an anaphylaxis-aware school community is a shared responsibility. Please note that we have several anaphylactic students within the school with allergies ranging from nuts, raw egg, shell fish, penicillin, lavender, sesame seeds and black ant bites.

I respectfully request that wherever possible that you eliminate the above at school to assist in keeping all our students safe.



2024 Classes

This year we have **146** students enrolled at Warrimoo PS with 6 classes. The classes were developed after carefully considering many factors including:

- In depth discussions with the previous year classroom teachers
- Individual learning habits
- Our targeted programs
- Our disproportionate student enrolments numbers
- Historical data collected from previous years
- Our maximum class sizes for our K-2 classes
- We also endeavoured to minimise the possibility of restructuring classes later as new enrolments may occur in these classes



Classes are developed to support educationally and socially balanced groups with a differentiated curriculum to meet the needs of all our students at Warrimoo Public School. Class teachers will be providing specific class and stage information at our Parent Information Sessions.

For issues relating to your child at school, your first point of contact for any communication is your child's class teacher. If you have any further concerns, please contact stage team leaders for the class your child is in. Note: All appointments can be made through our office.

Our Team leaders (Assistant Principals) are:

- Ms Suzanne Lawley – Kindergarten to Year 2
- Mrs Emma Harris – Year 3 to Year 6
- Mrs Tara Drummond – Learning Support
- Mrs Lorraine Husarek – AP,C&I (Assistant Principal, Instructional Leader)

Classes for 2024

In 2024 classes have been named after animals using the Dharug language.

- K Wali (Possum) – Ms Suzanne Lawley & Mrs Clare Pyne (Even Thurs)
- 1/2 Dhingu (Dingo) – Mrs Ashleigh Berrell
- 1/2 Walaba (Wallaby)– Mrs Cristina Garvan
- 3 Gulamany (Koala) – Ms Julia Hutchins
- 4/5 Badang (Possum) – Mrs Kate McMahon (Mon, odd Wed & Fri) & Mrs Tara Drummond (Tues, even Wed & Thurs)
- 5/6 Girrawi (Cockatoo) – Mrs Emma Harris (Mon – Thurs) & Mrs Alison McIlwhan (Fri)

We look forward to working in partnership with students, parents and our wider community to provide an environment that encourages students to connect with each other and their community, so they can succeed and thrive.



School Support and Specialist Teams

In order for our school to operate successfully we utilise the skills of the School Support and Specialised Teams. In 2024 the following staff members will support our school.

Library - Mrs McRae (Monday & Tuesday)

Learning and Support Teachers

- Mrs Santoro (Mon, Tues, Wed & Thurs)
- Mrs O'Brien (Friday)
- Mrs Pyne (Friday)

Release from Face to Face Teacher

- Mrs DeBono (Tuesday & Wednesday)

School Learning Support Officers

- Mrs Teagle
- Ms Richards
- Mrs Marsh

School Administrative Team

- Mrs Maz, School Administrative Manager
- Mrs Pesle, School Administrative Officer

School General Assistant

- Mr Lane

School Cleaner

- Miss Lydia Tolhurst

Before and After School

- Bush Babies



Swimming Carnival

The beginning of the school year is always met with a very busy first several weeks of school setting up routines and establishing positive work habits. The school swimming carnival will take place this Wednesday, 7th February 2024, at Glenbrook Swimming Centre. The carnival is for all capable children wishing to compete in 50m races who have turned 8 or turning 8 in 2024. Detailed information has been forwarded home to parents.



If you are available to offer your assistance as a parent helper please complete the information sent home and return to the school administration office. Thank you for your ongoing support assistance.

School Access Areas

Throughout the beginning of 2024 our school has had construction of a shade sale over the fixed equipment commenced. We are looking forward to sharing this space with our school community once the work has been concluded.

Security Breaches

Over the past several weeks we have had three independent security incidents within our school where vandalism has impacted our hall and classrooms. If you see any unauthorised people within the school grounds during weekends or after school please make contact with Springwood Police on 4751 0299 or School Security on 1300 880 021.

Meet the Teacher Information Evening

Meet the teacher evenings are a fantastic opportunity to gather some important information in relation to what is happening within the school throughout the year and to meet with your child's 2024 classroom teacher. If you are available it would be lovely to see you here within the school site to gather important information from the school and your child's classroom teacher.

K Wali, 1/2 Dhingu & 1/2 Walaba -Monday 12th February 2024 between 6-7pm
3 Gulamany, 4/5 Badgang & 5/6 Girrawi -Wednesday 14th February 2024 between 6-7pm

On 6th March 2024 we will be conducting our first formal Parent Teacher Interviews 'Exchange of Information Sessions' at Warrimoo Public School. This will be a perfect opportunity for your child's classroom teacher to provide you with important information regarding your child's progress thus far. A further opportunity to meet with your child's classroom teacher will be made available to you once the Semester 1 reports have been distributed at the conclusion of Term 2. In the meantime, if you have any need to discuss issues or concerns regarding your child please contact our administration office to organise a time where the classroom teacher will get back to you.

Welcome BBQ Breakfast

On Friday 16th February 2024, we will be conducting a Welcome BBQ Breakfast to be held between 7.30-8.30am. Parents are welcome to attend with their children to celebrate having families back on school site for 2024. Please note that only students who have a parent with them will be able to attend as there will be no school supervision until 8.30am. Further information will be forwarded home to families in the coming week.

Induction Assembly

On Thursday of Week 3, 15th February 2024, we will be conducting our first induction assembly commencing at 2pm. The students being badged during this assembly will be our School Captains, Sports Captains and SRC class representatives. At the commencement of the assembly, Uncle Graeme will conduct a Smoking Ceremony on the school oval for all participating students, staff, parents and community members to attend.

All other student leaders of committees will be inducted in Week 6, 7th March 2024, of Term 1. We look forward to having visitors for these assemblies on school site once more.

Term 1 Calendar/Planner

We have included the Term 1 Planner in this edition of the newsletter. This term we already have an array of exciting events planned. Please note that at times unforeseen changes may need to be made to this planner.

Morning Supervision

Parents are reminded that supervision of students begins at 8:30am. Students should not be on school grounds until then, unless they are part of the Before School Service with Bush Babies at Warrimoo Public School, thank you.

Audiri App Communication

Important information and updated communication will be provided throughout the year via our Warrimoo Public School Audiri application.

If you have not downloaded the Audiri App on your phone or other device as yet, please follow the instructions below.

Install the App in 4 easy steps!



The free Audiri school app offers parents a convenient way to stay up-to-date with the school calendar, last-minute forms, newsletters, all school communications, and even make cashless payments. With Audiri, you can get started in just a few minutes by following these simple steps:

1. Open the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store and search for 'Audiri'. Install the app.
2. Create an account and follow the prompts. Click 'Sign up'. Enter your email address, create a password and click on 'Sign up'. A confirmation email will be sent to confirm your account. Open the confirmation email and confirm your account.
3. Open the app and click 'Add/Remove'. Type your school's name and press enter.
4. Tap the + icon to add. Now you can see your school, under My Schools & Services.



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Student Safety & Parking Patrols

Student safety is our number one priority at Warrimoo Public School. At times, children can be unpredictable and act in a 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.

Additionally, please be aware and considerate of our neighbours when parking near our school to ensure that driveways are not obstructed or blocked. Thank you for your consideration.



I wish you a very happy and enjoyable fortnight ahead.

My kindest regards,

Mr Tony Jeff
Principal



Term 1 Planner

WARRIMOO PUBLIC SCHOOL - Term 1 2024

Term	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
1	29 January Holidays	30 January Staff Development Day 1	31 January Staff Development Day 2 Kindergarten Best Start	1 February Students first day Yr 1-6 Kindergarten Best Start SCR & House Captains Elections	2 February Kindergarten Best Start	3 4 Jan
2	5 February Kindergarten Commence	6 February	7 February School Swimming – Primary Carnival / Water Fun Day - Infants	8 February	9 February	10 11 Feb
3	12 February 6-7pm Infants Information Meeting	13 February	14 February 6-7pm Primary Information Evening	15 February 1 st Induction Assembly & Smoking Ceremony	16 February 2024 Welcome BBQ Breakfast	17 18 Feb
4	19 February	20 February Scripture & Ethics Starts	21 February	22 February P&C Meeting AECG Meeting – Springwood HS	23 February	24 25 Feb
5	26 February	27 February	28 February BM PSSA Zone Swimming	29 February	1 March	2 3 Mar
6	4 March Warrimoo Yarn Up – 3:15-4:15pm	5 March	6 March Parent Teacher Interviews “Exchange of Information”	7 March 2 nd Induction Assembly	8 March	9 10 Mar
7	11 March	12 March	13 March NAPLAN	14 March NAPLAN	15 March NAPLAN	16 17 Mar
8	18 March NAPLAN	19 March NAPLAN	20 March NAPLAN	21 March P&C Meeting NAPLAN	22 March NAPLAN	23 24 Mar
9	25 March NAPLAN	26 March School Photos	27 March	28 March Easter Hat Parade Sydney West Swimming Carnival	29 March Good Friday Public Holiday	30 31 Mar
10	1 April Easter Monday Public Holiday	2 April School X-Country Carnival	3 April	4 April Silver Assembly	5 April	6 7 April
11	8 April	9 April Back up X-Country Carnival	10 April	11 April	12 April Last Day Term 1 Harmony/ Bullying No Way Day PBL Rewards Day	13 14 Apr
Hols	15 April	16 April	17 April	18 April	19 April	20 21 Apr
Hols	22 April	23 April	24 April	25 April	26 April	27 28 April

News from Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction

<https://register.gotoweber.com/rt/6473655519180514400>

Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 6 February is Safer Internet Day, an annual event dedicated to making the online environment safer for everyone. With young people among the most vulnerable in today's digital world, and a cyber attack reported every 6 minutes in Australia, it's important to teach them and one another to be safe online.

This year's Safer Internet Day theme is Connect, Reflect, Protect. Remember to always connect safely, reflect carefully, and protect yourself and others when online.

Safer Internet Day

Scan to register now for a parent workshop online -



SCAN ME

Supporting your child with online gaming

This 45-minute webinar provides an overview of selecting quality games, understanding how to reduce the risks of gaming, and how to create better gaming habits.

It is suitable for parents and carers of children and young people in primary and early secondary school.

Date and time:

7 Feb 12.30 - 1.15 pm AEDT

15 March 4:00 - 4:45 pm AEDT

Keeping your children safe online can be a challenge. Check out excellent podcasts and webinar video recordings of panel discussions to learn how you can use technology to create a safe online environment for them.



SCAN ME

Mrs Lorraine Husarek
Assistant Principal, Curriculum and Instruction