



Newsletter

Aim High to Achieve

Term 1 Week 4

Tuesday 20 February 2024

Principal -

Mr T Jeff

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Curriculum Instruction

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

Primary Assistant Principal -

Mrs E Harris

Uniform Shop Hours -

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 4</u>		
Thursday	22	P&C Annual General Meeting - 7:30pm - 8:30pm in the School Library
<u>Week 5</u>		
Wednesday	28	BM PSSA Zone Swimming Carnival - Glenbrook Pool
<u>Week 6</u>		<i>Term 1—March</i>
Monday	4	Warrimoo Yarn-Up 3:15pm - 4:15pm
Wednesday	6	Parent Teacher Interviews "Exchange of Information"
Thursday	7	2 nd Induction Assembly - 2pm
<u>Week 7</u>		
Wednesday	13	NAPLAN commences - Year 3 and Year 5
<u>Week 9</u>		
Monday	25	NAPLAN ends
Tuesday	26	School Photos
Thursday	28	Easter Hat Parade
Friday	29	Good Friday - Public Holiday
<u>Week 9</u>		<i>Term 1—April</i>
Monday	1	Easter Monday - Public Holiday

NOTES SENT HOME

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



PBL FOCUS

Week 4 & 5

We keep our
hands and
feet to
ourselves.



Principal's Report

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

Kindergarten

I would like to congratulate the 2024 Kindergarten students for the magnificent way that they have started their educational journey here at Warrimoo Public School. It is an absolute joy to see their enthusiasm for learning and eager faces at the beginning of the day.

Primary Swimming Carnival

The 2024 school Swimming Carnival was held on Wednesday 7th February at Glenbrook Swimming Centre. We were extremely fortunate to get through the day so successfully with such beautiful weather. I would like to thank the students for their magnificent effort, all staff for their hard work in preparation of the day and the parents for supporting our school. The Zone Swimming Carnival will be held on Wednesday 28th February. We wish the Zone competitors all the very best and I am certain they will represent Warrimoo Public School to the best of their ability.



Infants Water Safety/Play Day

The Infant students of our school remained at Warrimoo Public School and participated in the Water Safety/Play Day while Primary students were at the Swimming Carnival. Many positive stories from the day have been shared by both students and staff. We thank all the students for their magnificent behaviour on the day. Well done Warrimoo!



Security Breaches

On multiple occasions, on weekends since the middle of January, we have had 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.

2024 NAPLAN Online

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a point in time assessment of literacy and numeracy skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and in life. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in the annual NAPLAN tests in writing, reading, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

Our school will be participating in NAPLAN Online between 13th and 25th March 2024

Students can use the public demonstration site to familiarise themselves with the types of questions and tools available in the NAPLAN Online tests. If you have any questions about NAPLAN Online, exemptions or withdrawals, please contact your child's teacher.

<https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

Welcome BBQ Breakfast

Last Friday we held our annual Welcome BBQ at Warrimoo Public School. I would like to sincerely thank the many parents, students and staff who participated in the day. It was lovely to have such an outstanding school community event.



Induction Assembly

On Thursday 15th February the School Captains, House Captains and SRC were inducted into their position for 2024. I am certain that as the year progresses they will represent our school with fantastic leadership skills. Well done students!

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.



School Captains



House Captains



P&C Meeting

The firstly P&C meeting for the year is scheduled for Thursday 22nd February between 7:30-8:30pm in the school Library.

Attendance Matters

Regular attendance helps students to:

- develop a sense of belonging
- develop maintain friendships
- be more engaged at school
- progress with their learning
- be more aware of career and life options.



Every day counts. Missing just one day a fortnight can amount to four weeks of lost learning over a year. Over their school life. This can equal one year of missed learning.

School & Community Charter

NSW Public Schools work to create positive environments for students, staff and the entire school community that support student learning.

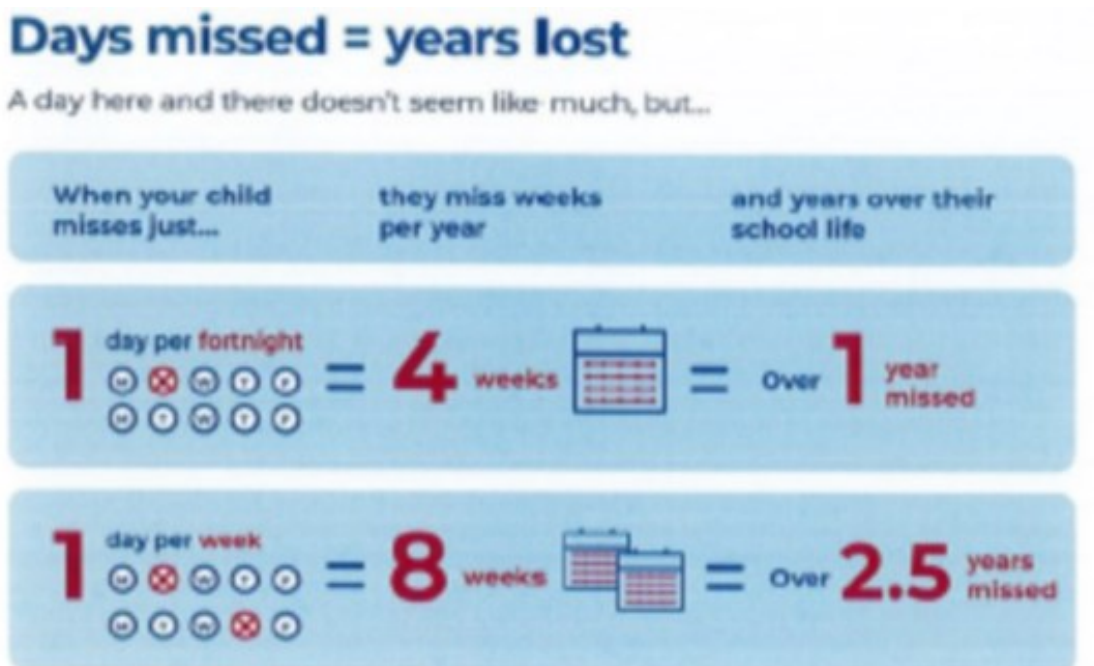
The School Community Charter outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools to ensure our learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive.

If you would like to know more about the charter follow the link below.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/school-community-charter>

I wish you a very happy and enjoyable fortnight ahead.
My kindest regards,

Mr Tony Jeff
Principal



K Wali News

Kinder Wali has had an exciting start to their big school journey! We embarked on a search for the elusive Green Sheep, discovering it cleverly hidden in our own classroom. We have been busy practicing our fine motor skills through a variety of activities including cutting, painting, drawing, writing and other fine motor tasks. Inspired by beloved literature such as "The Rainbow Fish," "Where is the Green Sheep," and "Baa Baa Black Sheep," K Wali have created some wonderful artworks. We have participated in Water Safety Day, further enriching our learning experiences. With so many engaging activities packed into just 10 days, we are eagerly anticipating our upcoming 100th day celebration!





PBL WINNERS



Week 2

Week 3



amazing



2024 Swimming Carnival



News from Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction

Number sense is critical for all students – it does not come from a lesson but rather repeated practice of number skills – counting on, doubling, 10 more 10 less. There are great ways you can support your child at home with Number Sense by playing games

- CAR GAMES** - double the number plate of the car in front
- Find a number plate larger or smaller than the previous person
 - Add 10, 20, 100 to the number plate you find
 - Counting games – find a car that starts with 1 then continue on

I SPY PRODUCTS

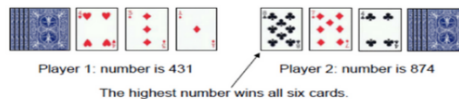
- Players:** 2
- Materials:** Deck of cards, face cards worth ten, Ace worth 1 or 11
- How to Play:** Deal out the entire deck of cards in a 13 x 4 array. *Example does not show the entire array due to space.*



CAR GAMES - - One player challenges the other to find two cards that – add to make a number or multiply to make a number. This can vertically or horizontally! The player removes these when they find them and places two new cards from the deck. Then swap roles.

PLACE VALUE NUMBER BATTLE

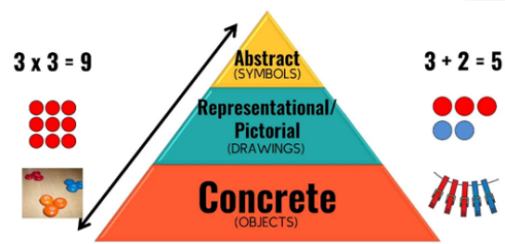
- Players:** 2
- Materials:** Deck of cards with the faces cards and 10s removed, Ace worth one
- How to Play:** Players split a deck of cards and simultaneously flip over their top three cards to create a 3-digit number. Players may move the cards and place them in any position of the number they wish. The highest number wins all the cards.



Increase the number of cards to flip if you want to work on larger numbers.

A very common misconception is that manipulatives are for little kids, and once students get to 3rd grade or so, manipulatives are no longer needed. Nothing could be further from the truth!

Concrete learning is necessary whenever students are introduced to new concepts.



Lorraine Husarek
Assistant Principal Curriculum Instruction

P & C NEWS



WARRIMOO P AND C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 22 FEBRUARY 2024

Our first P&C Meeting for the year is our AGM this Thursday
22nd February 2024.

The P&C is about people just like you – parents, care-givers
and community-minded people who want to help their
school.

P&Cs work very closely with the school, building a stronger
school community where all children benefit.

Our wonderful volunteers of the P&C run the uniform
shop, mothers day stall, fathers day stall, Grandparents
Day morning tea, Get Ready Weekend, Election Day BBQ,
school discos, Athletics Carnival canteens and much much
more!

All the fundraising money raised at these events gets
directed straight back into the school.

Are you interested in contributing your thoughts on school
policy? Do you have a spare hour or two when you can
help out in the uniform shop or canteen or an upcoming
event?

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU THERE!

How can you help?



P & C News

P&C ROLES

President

- Leads the Warrimoo P&C Association.
- Acts as a spokesperson for the P&C and ensures good communication with the School.
- Chairs two meetings held during school terms, usually in Weeks 2 and 4 of each term.

Vice President/s

- Supports the President and steps into the role when the president is unable to chair meetings and/or leads at various fundraising events.

Treasurer

- Part of the P&C Executive
- Bookeeper of all P&C funds
- Organises insurance and the yearly audit
- Organises all documents for the yearly audits.
- Provides a report/update at P&C meetings

Secretary

- Part of the P&C Executive
- Prepares and circulates P&C meeting agendas
- Records and circulates P&C meeting minutes
- Maintains an action list from meetings
- Monitors the P&C inbox and responds to emails

Canteen

- Days and times to be confirmed following the AGM.
- As needed food shopping for produce
- Small amount of food prep
- Sell the produce
- Clean various kitchen areas after use

Uniform Shop

- Receipt and care of uniform donations
- Ordering of new uniforms
- Stocktake of current uniform stock
- Sell uniforms on select days and times (confirmed following AGM)

Events

- Be part of the fundraising sub-committee
- Organise or help at one of the planned events for 2024
- Specific events/dates to be confirmed following the AGM

Various

- **Grants**- Search for and apply for available grants
- **Social Media**- help run/monitor the facebook page
- **Play&Chat**- run/help at the play and chat playgroup (Tuesdays)

Still not sure how to be involved? Be part of our casual volunteer list. If an event is coming up, we will reach out and see if you can help!

Email warrimoopandc@gmail.com

Community News



BLAXLAND HIGH SCHOOL

OPEN NIGHT 2024

**Tuesday, March 5
6:00 - 7:30 pm**

6:00pm - Information session in the Performing Arts Centre

6:30 - 7:30 - Open classrooms

Open Night is an opportunity to tour the facilities and meet current staff and students.



02 4739 4655
<https://blaxland-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

3 - 9 Coughlan Rd
Blaxland, 2774



Free workshop

2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Katoomba, NSW



Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register



This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



Tuesday & Wednesday
12 & 13 March, 2024
9:30am - 2:30pm



Katoomba RSL
86 Lurline Street
Katoomba NSW 2780

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided



Interpreters available upon request

During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

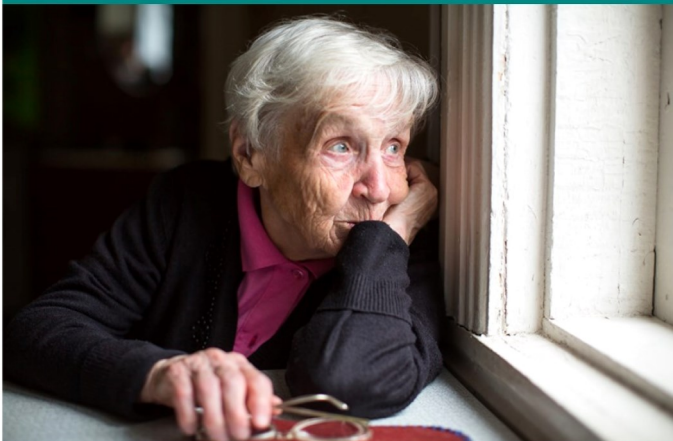
For more information or to register visit:
<https://www.positivepartnerships.com.au/PC>
amacrae@positivepartnerships.com.au



For help, call:
1300 881 971

This initiative is funded by the Australian Government Department of Education through the Helping Children with Autism package. The views expressed within this program do not necessarily represent the views of the Australian Government or the Australian Government Department of Education.

We are looking for mums, dads & carers who may have a couple of spare hours per week or fortnight!



Blue Mountains Food Services is looking for volunteers for our social support program, to spend time with a fellow community member - having a chat & a cuppa or going on outings, such as shopping or to a cafe. We have people ready & waiting in all areas of the Mountains. Full training is provided & all costs are covered. If you think you can help, please call Jane on 4759 2811.



Blue Mountains Food Services
Supporting our community

Warrimoo Public School needs volunteer Ethics teachers!

"I get as much out of it as the children do - it's so rewarding"



If you have a spare hour every Tuesday 10:00am-11:00am during school term, why not use it to help develop a future generation who have strong ethical reasoning skills and know how to have respectful discussions?

No previous teaching experience is needed. Full, free training, all lesson materials and ongoing support provided by Primary Ethics.



If you want to help our students access this valuable program, contact our Ethics Coordinator Lachlan on:
lachlan_cumming@bigpond.com
or visit: primaryethics.com.au/volunteer



Parenting Programs TERM 2, 2024



Program	Date/Time	Location	Register
Tuning in to Teens Six week program that supports you to help your adolescent develop emotional intelligence.	Every Monday 13th May - 24th June 6:30pm - 8:30pm **Except 10th June Kings Birthday holiday**	Online via ZOOM	Phone 4720 6500 groups@gatewayfamily services.org.au
Circle of Security Eight week program that helps parents form secure relationships and stronger bonds with their children.	Every Wednesday 15th May - 3rd July 6:30pm - 8:00pm	Nepean Christian School (Puggles Preschool) 836 Mulgoa Road MULGOA	Phone 4720 6500 groups@gatewayfamily services.org.au
Better Sleep for Kids & Babies Four week program providing tips and advice to promote better sleep for kids and babies.	Every Monday 13th May - 3rd June 6:30pm - 8:00pm	Online via ZOOM	Phone 4720 6500 groups@gatewayfamily services.org.au



Our parenting programs are funded by DSS and DCJ and are offered FREE to residents of Penrith and the Blue Mountains LGAs.

Phone 4720 6500 or groups@gatewayfamilyservices.org.au



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Term 2
2024
MULGOA

Circle of Security Parenting 8 week parenting program - FREE to register



Circle of Security Parenting helps parents develop secure relationships and stronger bonds with their children.

The Circle of Security course helps parents and carers of children aged 0-12 years learn:

- How to help your child feel more confident and secure
- How to help your child manage their emotional responses
- How to better understand your child's emotional needs



build stronger parent/child bonds



learn positive parenting skills



promote secure attachments

DATES:
Wednesdays 15th May - 3rd July

VENUE:
Nepean Christian School
Puggles Preschool
836 Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa

TIME: 6:30pm - 8:00pm

COST: FREE

REGISTER NOW



Register at 4720 6500 or groups@gatewayfamilyservices.org.au



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Term 2
2024
ONLINE

Tuning in to Teens Parenting Program

6 week parenting program - FREE to register

Tuning In To Teens is a 6 week program that supports you to help your adolescent develop emotional intelligence.



The goal of the program is to help parents teach and support their teenager to understand and express emotions in appropriate ways.

The program will cover:

- Foundations of emotion coaching
- Connecting and emotional acceptance
- Building connection and showing empathy
- Dealing with teen worry, sadness & anger
- Emotion coaching now and in the future



Help your teenagers understand and regulate their emotions



Develop a closer relationship with your adolescent children

DATES:
Monday evenings
13th May - 24th June
(except Kings Birthday 10th June)

VENUE:
Online via ZOOM

TIME: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

COST: FREE

REGISTER NOW



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Better Sleep for Kids & Babies

4 week interactive workshop for parents - Online via ZOOM

Workshop tips and strategies to promote better sleep for your babies and children.

It's every parent's dream to achieve that elusive goal - the perfect night's sleep.

This interactive 4-week online program provides parents/carers with the opportunity to learn tips and strategies to support better sleep habits.

This small group provides the perfect space for parents to workshop their child's sleep issues.

During this program you will:

- Learn what affects you and your baby's sleep
- Understand the safe sleep guidelines
- Workshop solutions for individual scenarios
- Troubleshoot your current sleep issues
- Explore concerns about your child's sleep

Group facilitator Jennifer Helm is a Lactation Consultant, Midwife, Child and Family Health Nurse, and Early Parenting Coach.

Program details

Where: Online via ZOOM

When: Mondays
13th May - 3rd June
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Cost: FREE

For registrations and more information contact:

Phone: 4720 6500

Email: groups@gatewayfamilyservices.org.au



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