



Newsletter

Aim High to Achieve

Term 1 Week 8

Tuesday 19 March 2024

Principal -

Mr T Jeff

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Curriculum Instruction

Mrs L Husarek

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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



<u>Week 8</u>		<i>Term 1—March</i>
Thursday	21	P&C Meeting - via Zoom 7:30pm
<u>Week 9</u>		
Monday	25	NAPLAN ends
Tuesday	26	School Photos
Thursday	28	Easter Hat Parade - Mufti Day - 9:15am School oval
Friday	29	Good Friday - Public Holiday
<u>Week 10</u>		<i>Term 1—April</i>
Monday	1	Easter Monday - Public Holiday
Tuesday	2	School Cross Country - 9:30am
Thursday	4	Silver Assembly
<u>Week 11</u>		
Friday	12	Harmony/Bullying No Way Day PBL Rewards Day Last day of Term 1
		<i>Term 2—April</i>
<u>Week 1</u>		
Monday	29	SDD
Tuesday	30	Student return

NOTES SENT HOME

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



Principal's Report

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

Farewell Miss Potts

During the Week 6 2nd Induction Assembly we farewelled Miss Potts from Warrimoo Public School. Miss Potts has been an amazing and dedicated member of our staff for a lengthy period of time. At the conclusion of 2023 she made the very difficult decision to move on from our school. On behalf of students, staff and parents I thank Miss Potts for her service to Warrimoo Public School and Public Education.



School Photos

School photos for 2024 will be held on Tuesday 26th March at Warrimoo Public School. All students are reminded to wear their full summer uniform;

Girls: Summer dress or green shorts and school polo with black shoes

Boys: Grey shorts and school polo with black shoes

Further information will be forward home to families today.

2024 NAPLAN Online

The NAPLAN online process is well underway at Warrimoo Public School. We are scheduled to complete the assessments at our school by Thursday of this week. I would like to acknowledge the amazing effort and sensible approach on display from our Year 3 and Year 5 students. Additionally, I would like to thank the staff for their ongoing support in setting up the computers on a daily basis to ensure a smooth running of the assessments.

P&C Hot Cross Bun Day

The Warrimoo Public School P&C donated their time on Monday to run a Hot Cross Bun special canteen day. Thank you to the volunteers for assisting and making this an enjoyable day.



Easter Hat Parade

The school Easter Hat Parade will be conducted on Thursday 28th March from 9:15am on the school oval. We warmly invite our community to come and assist us in sharing the fun day. If you are planning on attending please bring a chair or picnic rug to ensure you have something to relax and enjoy the parade on. Further information has been released and added to this newsletter.



Clubs at Warrimoo Public School

The year has started well and many students have hit the ground running with additional activities and clubs at Warrimoo Public School. Students who hold leadership positions in the school have been conducting their responsibilities with great support of our school, often giving up their own time in the playground to support others. Additionally, dance groups have commenced rehearsal for the upcoming dance festival later in the year. Ms Lawley and Mrs Berrell have been working with students during lunch times supporting the Shutter Bugs cameral club and LEGO club.



Camera Club



LEGO Club

School Cross Country Carnival

The school Cross Country Carnival is scheduled for Tuesday 2nd April following the Easter long weekend. Further information can be found in the SchoolBytes portal.

School Travel Passes

Students who require a School Opal card or travel pass but have not yet applied need to apply or update their details as soon as possible at <https://transportnsw.info/tickets-opal/ticket-eligibility-concessions/school-student-travel/update-school-travel-pass>.

In the Opal network, students should travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card.

New Student Opal cards (including new Term Bus Passes) will be sent to the student's nominated postal address within two weeks of their application being approved.

Attendance Matters

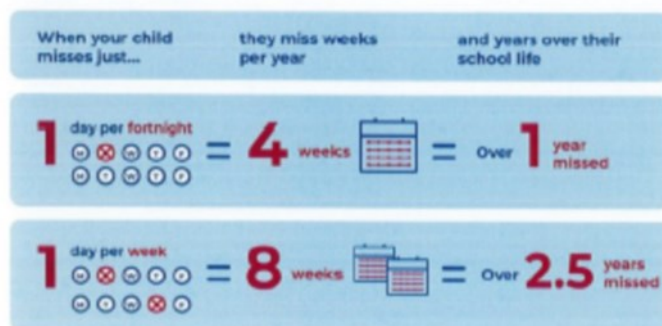
Regular attendance helps students to:

- 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.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



2025 School Enrolments

Kindergarten enrolments and all other enrolments for 2025 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 2025 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.

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

Mr Tony Jeff
Principal



1/2 Walaba Class News

We have been excellent mathematicians this term exploring such things as patterns, area and length. We have many fun hands on learning experiences and have been working on developing our estimation skills.



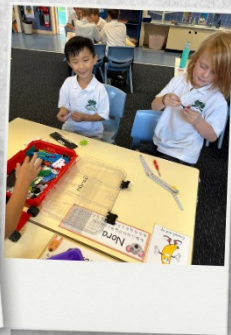
With some recent hot weather 1/2 Walaba have had some superhero workouts with Supergirl, Batman and Spiderman.



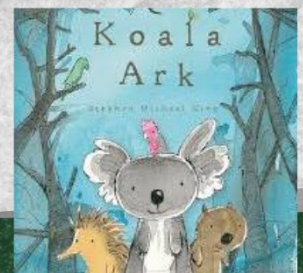
1/2 Walaba



We have been working on developing a variety of skills on a Friday afternoon. Some activities include our dramatic play corner which allows students to role-play everyday events, write shopping lists and apply maths skills with money. Meccano and Lego help to develop creativity and fine motor development. STEM activities including Clip circuits allow students to explore how electric circuits work.



We have been doing some fabulous work in 1/2 Walaba and the talent is outstanding. Here is some of their wonderful Koala art-in-progress based on the book Koala Ark. Too cute not to share!



PBL WINNERS



Week 6



Week 7



FANTASTIC!



Dharug Dhalang

Over the last fortnight, students from Kindergarten to Year 6 have been introduced to some of the basic sounds used in the Dharug language (ng, dy, dy, rr, r, ny). These are supported by lots of drills to practice our pronunciations. It is super tricky learning new sounds that our mouths are not used to saying, however we will improve each week with practice.

We've also been learning some basic phrases and commands.

Warami

Hello



Budyari
Naady'unya

Good to see you



Ngaya
giyara....

My name is...



Naabawunya

See you later



Commands are supported with hand signals to provide visual cues. It's a great way to support our learning. We will share these over the next 2 weeks.



Yiya (pronounced - *iya*)



Biyal

News from Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction

Jump onboard the webpage of links to support learning

<https://wpslearners.weebly.com/maths-student-links.html>



Decodable readers available for students to practice their target phoneme can be found on Literacy tab. An easy to search tab is the Halfpint Kids page - scroll down on the page to find books in phoneme categories.



Maths games with dice and cards can be found on Maths page of the website. Videos on how to play games are attached.

Games have a short video to explain how to play for parents, grandparents and older siblings!



5 Moves to 100

Concepts covered: Place Value and addition

Equipment: Dice (6 sided), paper and pens

Good questions to ask while playing: "What are you hoping to roll?"; "How did you work that out?"

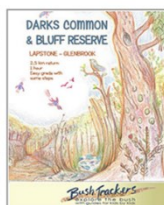
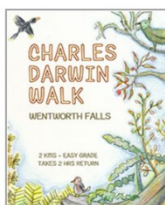
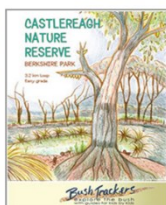
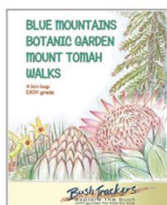
Thanks to Rob Vingerhouts for teaching me to play this game.

Learning beyond our school

Learning about our environment surrounding where we live and play is a great way to connect with Country.

Bush Trackers (NSW Parks and Wildlife) have a series of walks in our local area for you to enjoy with family and friends. In Term 2 we will be encourage students to notice and wonder about their local area's flora and fauna! Watch this space - More to come on this great challenge we have ahead !

Scan the QR codes below and take the time to explore our little spaces of wonder in the Blue Mountains and surrounds.



ABORIGINAL LANGUAGES Curriculum

At Warrimoo Public School, we believe in the power of education to foster understanding, respect, and appreciation for diverse cultures and languages. As part of our commitment to promoting inclusivity and cultural awareness, we are excited to highlight the importance of learning First Languages - Dharug curriculum being delivered from 2024.

Aboriginal Languages Curriculum offers a unique opportunity for students to delve into the rich tapestry of Indigenous history, culture, and contributions. By learning these languages, our students not only develop linguistic proficiency but also gain valuable insights into the worldview, customs, and traditions of Indigenous communities.

Here are some key reasons why learning Aboriginal Languages is integral to our educational mission:

- **Cultural Enrichment:** Learning First Languages allows students to forge meaningful connections with Indigenous cultures, deepening their appreciation for the diversity of human experiences.
- **Heritage Preservation:** Many Indigenous languages are endangered, making their preservation a matter of urgency. We have named this for our students as "Awakening the Language". By learning and promoting First Languages, our students become stewards of Indigenous heritage, contributing to its revitalisation and perpetuation.
- **Empowerment and Identity:** learning Aboriginal ancestral language is a source of pride and empowerment for our community, strengthening students' sense of identity and belonging.
- **Interdisciplinary Learning:** Aboriginal Language education provides interdisciplinary opportunities, integrating elements of history, linguistics, anthropology, and cultural studies.
- **Global Citizenship:** Proficiency in multiple languages prepares students to navigate an interconnected world and promotes cross-cultural understanding.

By incorporating First Language education into our curriculum, we aim to cultivate compassionate, culturally competent, and socially responsible citizens who value and respect the linguistic and cultural diversity of our world.

Together, let us embrace the journey of learning First Languages as a step towards building a more inclusive, equitable, and harmonious society.

Learning a language

How bilingualism

- brain development

boosts your brain



Stimulate brain development - Learning another language helps develop essential areas of children's brains. It also helps them to think more creatively, connect ideas and solve

Improve memory, concentration and numeracy skills
Learning another language strengthens children's memory for sequences and their ability to concentrate and build connections.

Evidenced informed research states learning a language improves overall performance at school - Learning another language is associated with excellent, long-term academic results. Studies show that in the world's highest-performing school systems, all students in all year levels learn one or more languages.

Lorraine Husarek
Assistant Principal Curriculum Instruction



YOU'RE INVITED TO

WARRIMOO PUBLIC SCHOOL'S

EASTER HAT PARADE



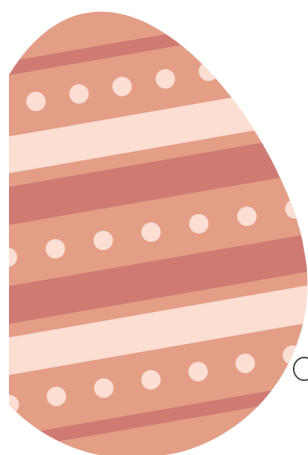
When: 9:15am - Thursday 28th March

Where: The school oval.

Wear your most creative, hand made
Easter hats, and be ready for a
cracking good time!

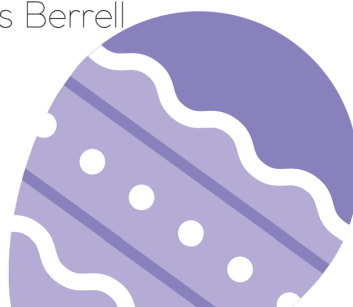
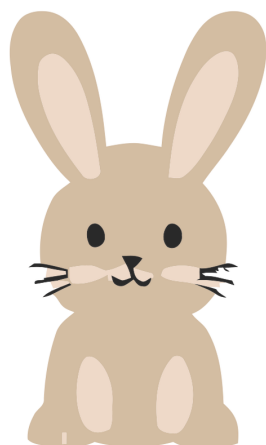
Students are invited to wear Mufti on
the day.

Parents and families are invited to
attend. Bring along a picnic chair to be
seated during the parade.







Hop to it!

-SRC and Mrs Berrell



Community News

April 2024 Vacation Care Program		
<p>Week 1: Tuesday 16th April 2024</p> <p>COMIC BOOK: Create and draw your own comic book story. Using pre-printed comic pages. Create characters or use characters from your favourite movie.</p> <p>Biscuit Decorating: Decorating milk arrowroot biscuits with coloured icing, lollies and marshmallows</p>  <p>Venue: WPS oval, school, OOSH room. Additional Cost: \$4</p>	<p>Wednesday 17th April 2024</p> <p>Sewing Activity: Sew your own mini bag. All materials supplied. Pre-holed felt for ease of sewing.</p> <p>Canvas Painting: Use your imagination to create an abstract piece of art on canvas- using faces and facial expressions as your inspiration or use masking tape to create your own abstract art piece.</p> <p>Venue: WPS hall, OOSH room. Additional Cost: \$5</p>	<p>Thursday 18th April 2024</p> <p>Tent building and scavenger hunt: Children can have fun and enjoy building tents together and go on a scavenger hunt in natural environment.</p> <p>Excursion to Possum Park: for lunch Children and staff will walk to Possum Park to eat their lunch and play on the park equipment.</p>  <p>Venue: WPS Oval, OOSH room, hall. Additional Cost: \$2</p>
<p>Week 2: Tuesday 23rd April 2024</p> <p>Building lego competition: Spend the morning building a lego creation and be in the running to win a prize!</p> <p>Movie & games afternoon: Enjoy watching a movie or playing board or card games with friends.</p>  <p>Venue: WPS, OOSH room, oval. Additional Cost: \$2</p>	<p>Wednesday 24th April 2024</p> <p>Beading and loom bands: Make your own loom bands, keyring and jewellery using a variety of different and colouring beads including letters.</p> <p>Biscuit Decorating: Decorating milk arrowroot biscuits with coloured icing, marshmallows & lollies</p>  <p>Venue: WPS, OOSH room, hall, oval. Additional Cost: \$5</p>	<p>Thursday 25th April 2024</p> <p>ANZAC DAY closed</p> <p>Venue: WPS, OOSH room, hall, oval. Additional Cost:</p>



April 2024 Vacation Care
16th-18th April, 23 and 24th April.
We are closed on ANZAC day 25th April.
Operating Hours 7.30am - 5.30pm

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

Bush Babies OOSH has been providing before & after school care at Warrimoo Public School since May 2020. We pride ourselves in providing a safe and fun time for all involved. Vacation Care is a new addition we offer to our local community. The costs displayed are additional to the cost per day, and if we get many children taking part, we pass on the lower per-head cost for Incursions.

Incursions / Excursions

All children who are enrolled in Vacation Care Program are required to participate in an excursion/incursion if this occurs on the child's booked days. For excursions, a permission form is required. Any additional fees will be automatically charged to your account. Excursions may change due to weather. Can you please, email or tell an educator if your child/ren will be absent on any days that they are booked in especially on excursion days?

Email, Call or text us: 0491754 286
director@bushbabieschildcare.co.au

COST: Full fee is \$66.50 per day with additional cost for incursion/excursions. Bush Babies OOSH is approved and offers Child Care Subsidy on fees and additional costs.

***SUNCARE** – Sun protection is important to us at Bush Babies OOSH & Vacation Care. Children must apply sunscreen between the hours of 9am and 4.30pm as required by Bush Babies Sun Protection Policy & the Sun Smart APP (which determines UV rating – a rating of 3 and above requires sun protection).

What to bring?

Please ensure your child/ren bring the following items every day.

FOOD / DRINK – Children are required to bring morning tea & lunch. We will provide afternoon tea. We cannot heat/reheat children's food. We strive to be a nut-free service. Please send a drink bottle with your child.

HATS / SHOES – All children must have a hat to play outside.

It is also essential that all children wear enclosed shoes. Sneakers & socks are the best option.

CLOTHING – Children should wear seasonally casual clothes & a jacket or jumper as it can get cold quickly. Spare clothes can be sent for messy/water play.

SUNCARE – Sun care is very important to us at Vacation Care. The children will be required to apply sunscreen while in care. If your child requires sensitive sunscreen or you would like to pack their own, please feel free to pack it in their bag and let a staff member know. *see left

Toys – Children are welcome to bring their own toy or book to use during the day, especially in wet weather. Please NO ELECTRONICS

PLEASE LABEL ALL BELONGINGS.

ASTHMA / MEDICAL HEALTH PLAN

If your child has Asthma / Medical conditions, please provide a medical condition plan from your Doctor unless we already have this at OOSH.

MEDICATIONS – All medication must be in the original package with your child's name printed. Please leave medication with an educator with completed Medication Authority Form. (NOT in your child's bag).

BOOKINGS – Spots are limited please enrol by emailing the office.

director@bushbabieschildcare.com.au Or by phoning (02) 4753 6822

An enrolment form must be completed for all new child/ren and please advise of any changes to details.

OOSH Mobile is 0491 754 286 for any last-minute absences.



Excursion Form – Parent Authorisation

Dear Parent's,

Please complete this form, which must be signed by a parent/guardian for **children** who will be attending the excursion. Please complete the empty fields, sign and return to an educator, alternatively via email or via the online permission form.

First Child's Name	
Second Child's Name	
Third Child's Name	
Reason for child transportation	Visit the local Park
Date of excursion	Thursday - 18 April 2024
Departure Address	16-30 Florabella St, Warrimoo NSW 2774 (OOSH building)
Destination Address	18 Arthur St, Warrimoo NSW 2774 (Possum Park)
Activities	Play on equipment and explore local grounds & picnic
Transportation means	Walking
Departure Time	11.30am
Return Time	2.00pm
Anticipated number of children	25-30 children
Anticipated number of educators	2-3 educators
Anticipated number of adults who are not educators (students/volunteers)	0
Ratio of Educators to Children	1 : 15
Any requirements for safety restraints required by law	N/A

Permission: I hereby give permission for the child/children listed above to attend the excursion detailed in this excursion authorisation. I understand that a risk assessment for this excursion will be available for viewing at the centre on the day of the excursion and that the service has written policies and procedures for excursions and the safe transportation of children. These are all available on request.

Name of Authorised Parent/Guardian:	
Relationship to Child/Children:	
Date:	
Signature: (Actual or online signature required)	



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OOSH / VACATION CARE ENROLMENT FORM / COMPLYING WRITTEN AGREEMENT

CHILD INFORMATION

In Confidence

First Names: Surname: Gender: Age:
 Date of Birth: Centrelink Child Reference No. (CRN):
 Other names that child is known by: Year at School:
 Address:
 Postcode:

Does this child attend Bush Babies OOSH before & after school care:?

Please nominate what your attendance at Bush Babies OOSH Vacation Care will be:-

Attendance Days & Times Required

Are Usual Days Flexible: Y / N

Week Start	Monday 25/09/23	Tuesday 16 April 24 Comic Books & Biscuits	Wednesday 17 April 24 Bag Sewing	Thursday 18 April 24 Building Tents	Friday 29/9/23
Arrival Time	Closed				Closed
Pick Up Time					
Notes				If your child is coming today pls sign Excursion Form.	
Week Start	Monday 2/10/23	Tuesday 23 April Lego & Games	Wednesday 24 April 24 Beading & Biscuits	Thursday 25 April 24 ANZAC Day CLOSED	Friday 6/10/23
Arrival Time	Closed			Public Holiday	Closed
Pick Up Time					
Notes					

Fees :- Fees will be charged for the individual day sessions of care provided under this agreement. Please note that fees may vary from time to time. Any variation will be notified via email.

Please Sign:

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Mother/Guardian 1 Full Name: Mobile:

Email:

Address:

Father/Guardian 2 name: Mobile:

Email:

Address:

I Confirm that the information already supplied on the formal Enrolment Agreement/Complying Written Agreement is still current. If any details change, I will notify Bush Babies directly via email. These include but are not limited to:- Authorised people to act in your presence. Eg. Pick up & be emergency contact details. Medical/Health issues, Court orders, PG Rated films & shows, photo's etc.

I agree for my existing Direct Debit details to be adjusted to pay for Vacation Care Days.

I agree to notify Bush Babies in writing if any of these details change.

Parent Sign: Parent Name: Date:



Abstract Portrait Painting with local author Lawson

Monday 22nd April
10am - 12pm
Mid Mountains Neighbourhood
Centre Lawson
Ages 6-12yrs

Abstract Portrait Painting

Join Sharon from Loose Parts Press to create self-portraits, with a focus on capturing feelings and ideas, rather than realism. Enjoy Sharon's reading of her book "What Is It?"

No Cost. All materials provided.

Bookings Essential Via:



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Build-a-Mind Workshop 3D Printing Blaxland

Thursday 18th April
1pm - 3pm
Lower Mtns Neighbourhood Centre
Blaxland
Ages 10+

A hands-on 3D printing workshop. In this workshop you will be learning the basics of 3D design and printing by creating your own custom name tags, 3D characters or other objects. We'll be using tinkercad to design our name tags. Our other items will be hand made using 3D pens.

Bookings Essential Via:



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Build-a-Mind Workshop Lego Robots Blaxland

Thursday 18th April
10am till Noon
Lower Mtns Neighbourhood Centre
Blaxland
Ages 7+

Young learners will explore the exciting world of robotics with Lego, build and program their own robots using Lego bricks, motors and sensors. Through fun and interactive activities they will learn the basics of programming and how to use sensors to control their robots' movements.

Limited Places

Bookings Essential Via:

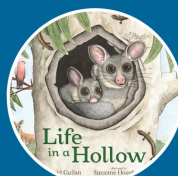


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Connect with Nature Walk with BMCC Environment Rangers Lawson

Wednesday 17th April
10am - 12pm
South Lawson Parklands
Wilson Road

Nature storyline, walk and craft

Join Gill as she reads 'Life in a Hollow' followed by a walk where you can discover where our native animals find homes in the bush, then get creative with craft.. Bring a rug and lunch and stay after for a family picnic.

No Cost. All materials provided.

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