



Newsletter

Aim High to Achieve

Term 1 Week 10

Tuesday 2 April 2024

Principal - Mr T Jeff Email: Warrimoo-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

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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



Week 10		Term 1—April
Thursday	4	Silver Assembly - 2pm
Week 11		
Thursday	11	Harmony/Bullying No Way Day
Friday	12	PBL Rewards Day Last day of Term 1
		Term 2—April
Week 1		
Monday	29	SDD
Tuesday	30	Student return

NOTES SENT HOME

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



PBL FOCUS
Week 10 & 11

We encourage others to join in.



13YARN offers a free confidential one-on-one yarning opportunity for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander employees and their families, with a Lifeline-trained Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Crisis Supporter who can provide crisis support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Principal's Report

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

Last Day of Term 1

It is hard to believe that there are only 2 weeks remaining in the term. Students are doing very well with their learning, classes are very settled and students very engaged. Please note that the last day of Term 1 is Friday 12th April 2024. Students return for Term 2 on Tuesday 30th April 2024. I wish all students, families, community members and staff a very happy and safe school holiday period ahead.

Deputy Secretary Visit

On Friday 12th April, Warrimoo Public School will be very fortunate to have a visit from the Deputy Secretary, Ms Deb Summerhayes, Department of Education. This will prove to be an excellent opportunity to showcase the magnificent things that are happening at Warrimoo Public School.

Safety Riding to School

Over the past several weeks I have had several discussions with community members who have reported unsafe bike and scooter travel before and after school from our students. If your child/ren rides a bike or scooter to school can you please reinforce the importance of safety while riding, the importance of wearing a correctly fitted helmet and the need to travel at a safe speed utilising foot-paths where available. Further information can be located on the following URL <https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/roadsafety/bicycle-riders/road-rules-for-bicycle-riders>

Share Our Space

Share Our Space the school will be operational once again on Weekends and Public Holidays only throughout the school holiday period. Please note, Bush Babies will be conducting vacation care mid week, resulting the school being inaccessible to Share Our Space during this time.

Harmony & Bullying No Way Day Mufti Day

Warrimoo Public School will be celebrating Harmony and Bullying No Way day on Thursday 11th April 2024. Students are encouraged to wear something orange on the day. Further information will be released to families in the coming days.

Springwood ANZAC Day March

The local branch of the RSL is inviting the students of Warrimoo Public School K-6, to attend the ANZAC Day Parade down Macquarie Rd to the Springwood War Memorial. I will be attending the march and I would appreciate the company of as many Warrimoo Public School students alongside me. There will be teachers accompanying the students but we ask parents to be prompt when collecting their child at the completion of the service. Further information will be forwarded home to families.

Anzac Day School Assembly

The school Anzac Day Assembly will be held in our school on Thursday 2nd May from 11:30am. All parents and community members are warmly invited to attend the ceremony in our school hall.

Zing Active Dance – Term 2

Our school will be participating in a Term 2 Dance program. These sessions are always enjoyed by students with the tutors bringing a great deal of expertise to the lessons to support our school. Information was released in the School Bytes parent portal.

School Bytes

Throughout the conclusion of 2023 and the beginning of 2024, our school has been utilising the School Bytes third party application for notes and payments. In the coming weeks we will be merging many more of our systems and process across to School Bytes which will include school finance module, wellbeing module, attendance module, school reporting module, communication module along with other school-based applications. This should not have a significant impact for our community, however, staff will need to be upskilled in the usage of these modules. Please be patient with us as we transition over.

Year 5 Opportunity Class Placement Application for 2025

Opportunity classes are for primary school students who have high academic potential or who are intellectually gifted. They provide an environment where students can learn and make friends with classmates of similar ability. This can benefit a student's academic progress and wellbeing.

Opportunity classes are offered in Years 5 and 6, with parents/carers applying in Year 4.

Students who are successfully placed will usually have to leave their current school to enrol in a school with an opportunity class for Years 5 and 6. Opportunity classes are just one of the ways that we cater for our high potential and gifted students.

Testing and assessment

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered on the results of the Opportunity Class Placement Test. Students who wish to be considered for placement are required to sit the Opportunity Class Placement Test on Thursday 1st August 2024.

How to apply

Parents/carers must apply online between **Thursday 4th April and Monday 20 May 2024** at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/oc>.

You must use your own email address and not one belonging to your child. Late applications are not usually accepted.

Music Tuition Survey

In 2024, we are seeking potential opportunities for students in Year 3 to Year 6 to engage in music lessons and tuition. Please note that this will not impact the day to day operation of the school as all lessons/tuition would be scheduled either before school, during lunch breaks or after school hours. Participation in the program would incur an additional expense of approximately \$200 to \$300 per school term.

If you have not already done so, can you please take the time to complete this brief survey so the school can gauge student/parent interest so that an informed decision can be decided upon by our school management team. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/52KKVSF>

Silver Assembly

Our next Silver Assembly will be conducted in the school hall on Thursday 4th April 2024. The assembly will commence at 2pm and we will recognise all the students who have reached their Silver Award.

Easter/Fancy Hat Parade

At the conclusion of last week, we held our annual Easter/Fancy Hat Parade at Warrimoo Public School. It was so nice to welcome to our school parents and visitors to share this special day with us. Congratulations to all the students for the fantastic participation.



School Cross Country Carnival

The school cross country carnival was held today. 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 Cross Country Carnival will be held on Tuesday 14th May. 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. Further information will be sent out to parents as soon as they have been provided to our school.

School Hall Repairs

The repairs to the school hall floor have now been completed and it looks amazing. This took an extensive amount of work on behalf of the contractors, however, the results are magnificent. We hope to have the panels to the front of the hall door repaired and finalised in the near future.

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

3 Gulamany

NEWSLETTER

Aboriginal Languages in the classroom

Warami!

3 Gulamany have been enthusiastically learning Dharug Dhalang commands as part of our Aboriginal Languages program. We know how to say hello, look, listen, sit and stand. Learning this language helps us to preserve and understand our local Aboriginal Language and culture.

Did you know that gulamany is Dharug for Koala?

Number Talks

3 Gulamany engage in daily number talks to build our flexibility, efficiency and accuracy in mathematical thinking. We have been developing our skills by sharing and discussing the strategies we used to solve a problem.



Science and Technology

As part of our Science unit *Food and Fibre Production* 3 Gulamany have been investigating how technology is used to produce foods and fibres. In small groups, we were tasked with designing, making and testing a model of an irrigation system that could transport at least 50ml of water over a a minimum distance of 15cm. We had lots of fun creating our models and testing them.

3 Gulamany designing, making and testing their water irrigation models



PBL WINNERS



Week 8

Week 9



News from Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction

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

For direct links to each walk go to <https://www.bushtrackers.com.au/guides-maps>

Why do schools assess students?

Students recently undertook NAPLAN assessments in Year 3 and Year 5. These assessments are part of a toolkit of assessments teachers provide for students to create a picture of their learning and for teachers to map where to next in learning. The primary purpose of assessment is to promote learning. Assessment provides evidence of how learners are progressing according to defined standards throughout a period of learning, as well as achievement at the end of the learning period.

The frameworks for assessing students' learning are undergoing fundamental changes as we implement the English and Maths K-10 syllabi.

Three developments underpin this transformation:

- new thinking - which relates to how assessment monitors learning and supports growth,
- new metrics - represents assessment of a broader range of skills and attributes aligned to current pedagogies across literacy and numeracy, and
- new technologies - that transform assessment practices through more personalised, formative assessment and interactive online assessment tools.

These three assessment improvements, together with evidence-based teacher knowledge of best practices in learning, have seen our staff review, reflect, re-modifying and implement high quality assessment practices. When teachers collaborate to plan, design and deliver assessment they develop greater insight into where students are at in their learning.

Over the next two weeks students will complete PAT assessments in Reading and Maths. This will support teachers to identify strengths and future teaching direction for individuals, small groups and whole class focus areas. We encourage you to support your child in seeing assessments as a celebration point.

Online Maths Practice Games

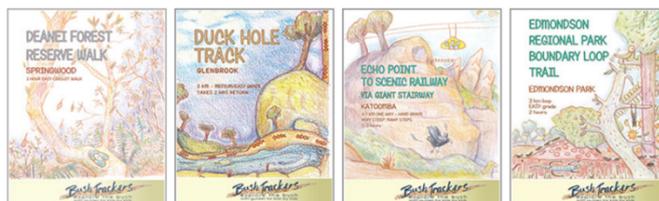


K-2 and 3-6 games to support students practice for automaticity in their number sense.

It is critical that students continually practice quick recall of number facts and manipulation of number knowledge.

Learning beyond our school ...

With the holidays approaching, you and your family may wish to take an autumn walk. Bush Trackers (NSW Parks and Wildlife) have a series of walks in our local area for you to enjoy with family and friends.



Lorraine Husarek
Assistant Principal Curriculum Instruction

P & C NEWS



Uniform Shop Help Needed



The P&C is looking for 1 or 2 people to coordinate our uniform shop from the end of Term 2.

The aim of our shop is to maintain affordable prices for our families while also raising a few extra dollars for our school community.

The role would include:

- coordinating volunteers (we already have 4 regulars)
- keeping track of stock and ordering online
 - Handling cash and Eftpos machine
- communicating with P&C, the front office, parents and volunteers

Two P&C volunteers (Kirsty and Lucy) will help with the transition during Terms 2 and 3.

*The uniform shop days can change to suit volunteer availability.

Any queries or interest, please contact our P&C Secretary (Melanie Hartmann)
(warrimoopandc@gmail.com)

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Community News

April 2024 Vacation Care Program



Week 1: Tuesday 16th April 2024	Wednesday 17th April 2024	Thursday 18th April 2024
<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>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>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> 
Venue: WPS oval, school, OOSH room. Additional Cost: \$4	Venue: WPS hall, OOSH room. Additional Cost: \$5	Venue: WPS Oval, OOSH room, hall. Additional Cost: \$2
Week 2: Tuesday 23rd April 2024	Wednesday 24th April 2024	Thursday 25th April 2024
<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>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>ANZAC DAY closed</p>
Venue: WPS, OOSH room, oval. Additional Cost: \$2	Venue: WPS, OOSH room, hall, oval. Additional Cost: \$5	Venue: WPS, OOSH room, hall, oval. Additional Cost:



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.....