

# Alert

*Warrandyte Primary School's  
Weekly Newsletter*



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Wednesday 22 March 2017

## School Calendar

**2017 CONCERT ANNIE JR. Friday AUGUST 4  
THURSDAY 23 MARCH**

*5/6 Incurtion – Chris's Zoo 11.30 – 3.30  
F – 2 Fun Run 11.30am*

**FRIDAY 24 MARCH**

*F - 4 Incurtion - Chris's Zoo 9 – 12.30*

**SATURDAY 25 MARCH**

*Warrandyte Festival Parade 10.30 for 11start  
Warrandyte Primary students (Gr 3 – 6) on stage at  
Festival 12.30 for a 12.45pm performance  
FOWPS Stall*

**SUNDAY 26 MARCH**

*Warrandyte Festival (Kids Market etc)  
FOWPS Stall*

**WEDNESDAY 29 MARCH**

*3/4 Learning Display 2.30 – 3.30 in classrooms  
Annie Jr Meeting 2.45 – 3.30pm Music Room  
Finance 7pm and School Council Meeting 7.30pm*

**FRIDAY 31 MARCH** End Term 1 2.30pm

*Japanese Performance at Assembly*

**TUESDAY 18 APRIL** Term 2 commences

**WEDNESDAY 19 APRIL**

*Photo Day*

**FRIDAY 21 APRIL**

*Grade 6 students to visit Warrandyte High am*

**TUESDAY 25 APRIL**

*Anzac Day – No pupils at school*

**WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL**

*Finance 7pm and School Council Meeting 7.30pm*

**TUESDAY 2 MAY**

*District Cross Country*

**WEDNESDAY 3 & FRIDAY 5 MAY**

*Japanese Drumming Group here*

**TUESDAY 9 MAY – NAPLAN (Writing)**

**WEDNESDAY 10 MAY – NAPLAN (Reading)**

**THURSDAY 11 MAY – NAPLAN (Numeracy)**

**WEDNESDAY 24 MAY**

*Open Day/Open Evening*

**FRIDAY 2 JUNE - Trivia Night**

**MONDAY 12 JUNE**

*Queen's Birthday – No pupils at school*

**TUESDAY 13 JUNE**

*Grade 4 students to Currawong Bush Park*

*ICAS Writing*

*SSS Rehearsal at Macleod*

FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL

## OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Creativity

Achievement

Respect

Encouragement

**Just a reminder that students are  
dismissed at 2.30pm.**

**LAST DAY | Term 1 | Friday 31  
March**

**Worlds Greatest Shave – Or should I  
introduce Bluey?!**



Across this term, Kyan from 56R has demonstrated tremendous creativity and initiative to raise money for a cause that may be close to many of our hearts. Over several weeks, Kyan has asked the Warrandyte Primary School community to donate money for the World's Greatest Shave. But instead of shaving his head, Kyan came up with a really unique idea. Kyan asked people to choose a colour which they wanted to see his hair sprayed. Kyan asked people to donate by placing money in jars with the colour of their choice. I was hoping for purple but maybe next year. At our school assembly, Kyan announced that he had raised \$1,000 whilst sporting a blue hair do. Kyan's sister was a huge encouragement to him as she also took the challenge and shaved all of her hair off! Together, Kyan and Ashleigh raised \$2,000!!! The money raised goes to the Leukaemia Foundation.

Although research is improving survival, sadly an Australian loses their life to blood cancer every two hours. This is why we commend Kyan, Ashleigh and their family on the work they have done to help those in need.

### **School Leaders take it to Another Level!**

On Monday we had Ryan Smith attend our school assembly to acknowledge the 2017 leaders at Warrandyte Primary School. Ryan presented our school leaders in Grade 6 and our S.R.C (Student Representative Council) leaders from across the school with badges. The purpose of this assembly was to encourage and recognise these student's personal interests and enthusiasm toward making a personal difference to their school, Warrandyte Primary School. Leadership is everywhere in our lives and whilst we award our school leaders with badges we continue to promote skills and values that cannot be measured with a badge alone. These skills and values are a strong part of our Warrandyte Primary School community because we want all of our members to create, achieve, respect and encourage.

I would like to take this opportunity to formally introduce you to our Grade 6 Leaders for 2017 and ask that you all acknowledge the diversity we are encouraging throughout our leadership program. Congratulations to all of our Grade 6 Leaders in alphabetical order.

Art Leaders  
Chess Leader  
Graduation Leaders  
Hemhouse Leader  
House Leaders  
I.C.T. Leaders  
Library Leader  
Performing Arts Leaders  
School Leaders  
Science Leaders  
Survival Leaders

Currently our School Leaders, Scout and Lily, are preparing a flyer to email to five schools in our area inviting their School Captains to a luncheon in Term 2. Their idea is to discuss and share the great work they are doing as School Leaders. This is certainly above and beyond what we have seen before at Warrandyte Primary School.

Our Library Leader, Jarrah, has researched a trip to the State Library and written a proposal to Meryl to organise this for Term 2. Now we are going on an excursion to the State Library to learn about Burke and Wills as part of our History Inquiry and we will also have a tour. Well done Jarrah on this impressive display of leadership!

The Graduation Leaders, Jasmine, Phoebe, Ellie and Zara, have surveyed their parents to create a theme for their Graduation Ceremony. Just today they met with me to announce (in secret) what the theme will be. Now they are organising for expressions of interest from parents. This is outstanding.

I really want to thank the students, teachers and parents of the 2017 Grade 6 group. I have had many students arrange times to meet and discuss their ideas and plans and have frankly been amazed by their initiative and drive. What a credit to the community they are a part of.

### **ICAS Competition**

*To register your interest, please pick up an entry form at the office and return it by Friday 24 March.*

Please ensure prompt return of the entry form and payment to avoid disappointment. **Regrettably late entries cannot be accepted.**



*Competition Coordinator - Rick Griffiths*

## Prep Enrolment Forms 2018

### Enrolment for Prep 2018

Prep enrolments for 2018 are now open. To be eligible to enrol for Prep 2018, your child will need to turn 5 years of age by 30 April 2018. Enrolment forms may be collected from the school office or downloaded from our school's website and sent to the school. Please keep in mind that school tours will continue across Term 2. We look forward to sharing our outstanding teaching and learning programs with you.

### School Tours

In order to assist you in making this very important and exciting decision, we have arranged school tour dates. These will enable you to see the school at work and to ask questions of the Principal, Teachers and Students. Please call our Office Staff to make a booking. Tours will leave promptly from the school office.

### Documentation required includes:

- a completed 2018 Enrolment Form
- a copy of the child's birth certificate or passport
- an immunisation certificate (this can be added later as the vaccinations are completed)

Enrolments will be confirmed by the Principal.

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**Rick Griffiths**  
**Acting Principal**

# Friends of WPS



## Warrandyte Festival (Coordinator: Wendy)

It is finally festival week and we would like to thank you in advance for all of your support and hard work this week baking, packing and labelling cakes, organising costumes, and helping out at the school market stall. You can bring in your baked goods to the room in front of the Canteen on Friday.

Sometimes there is a call out on the Facebook page on Saturday night for extra baked goods if we are selling out so if you are an extra keen baker please check the FOWPS Facebook page on Saturday night.

The roster for the stall is attached so please have a look to check your time. Thanks again for being so generous with giving up some of your weekend.

If you have any queries regarding the roster please contact Meg or Fiona.

## EASTER RAFFLE

Leading up to Easter there will be an in-class Easter Egg Raffle. Students will be able to purchase 3 tickets for \$2 in class.

## WPS TRIVIA NIGHT FRIDAY 2 JUNE

The annual Trivia Night and Silent Auction promises to be a super night and another major fundraiser for the year. If you are in a position to donate a prize...or know someone who might, please let Meg know.

## Thanks for your support.

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## PARENTS' PRODUCTION MEETING

Over the last few weeks, Grade 6 students have been enjoying challenging themselves by singing solo and memorising acting lines during auditions for the whole school musical, "Annie Junior".

While the scene and class item rehearsals don't start until next term, planning for staging the show has well and truly begun. To assist this process, support is needed from the parent community in several areas of production, including: sourcing of props, program and performance photography, liaising with the costume hire company, fitting students for costumes and collection and return of costumes.

If you would like to assist in any way, please come along and share in a cuppa at the parent production meeting in the Music Room next **Wednesday, 29 March 2.45pm – 3.30pm.**



Congratulations to our State School Spec dancers who attended their first regional rehearsal last Tuesday at Charles La Trobe College. The students tried their best and proudly represented the school – learning five new dance routines on a very hot day! It was very exciting exploring the dynamic choreography based on this year's theme "Anything is possible". There will be two performances of the Victorian State Schools Spectacular at Hisense Arena on **September 16** (1pm and 6.30pm).

## WARRANDYTE FESTIVAL STAGE PERFORMANCES

This year there will be two stage performances by WPS at the Warrandyte Festival this **Saturday, March 25**. The State Schools Spec dancers, joined by an enthusiastic group of

students from Grades 3 – 6, will perform a hip-hop style dance. This will be followed by our Grade 5/6 Bushband led by Kevin O'Mara.

Students participating in the stage performances must assemble at the side of the outdoor stage at **12.35pm** for a **12.45** start. Please ensure your child has been to the toilet and had a drink of water prior to the performance.

*(Please note: only students who have returned their parental consent forms will be able to participate in the dance routine.)*

As the stage starting time is later this year and our younger students are often tired after walking in the parade, the Grade 1/2s will not be performing at the festival. Instead, they are looking forward to sharing a Japanese performance with the school community at the last assembly of the term.

## KIRSTY WOLTERS Performing Arts

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## Before & After Care News



This week we received letters from our new OSHC pen pals in the small mining town of Kalgoolie WA. We had an exciting time reading our letters and we are in the process of replying.

Due to the rains we are currently (thankfully) experiencing, we are doing activities around frogs/tadpoles etc.

Please endeavour to finalise all accounts before the holidays.

**CORALIE**

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## Warrandyte Festival

Don't forget the Warrandyte Festival is THIS weekend! The students have been busy and we have just handed in 215 ducks representing Warrandyte Primary School. They have been thoughtfully decorated and are ready for the big race... (Let's hope we can go back to back, after Angelina from 5/6, won last year). We've been painting banners and making decorations, so keep your eyes peeled for some amazing KISS and Star Wars themed art works. Walking in the parade is always a fun experience for everyone, although we are particularly looking forward to seeing our students (and teachers) dressed up! Here's a reminder for anyone who missed Tracey's great ideas for costumes...

*Think high waisted flares, bodyshirts and big hair... Abba, KC and the Sunshine Band or Fleetwood Mac Or you might want to go with something from the big movies of 1977 such as the original (Episode IV) Star Wars, Saturday Night Fever or Close Encounters of the Third Kind. The choice is yours. If you can't find something that screams "1977" in the local Op Shops (or the back of your wardrobe – no judgment), students are asked to wear a plain, bright coloured T-shirt and their choice of jeans, shorts or skirt.*

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STREET PARADE:

Location: Lion's Park (Next to the tennis courts/near the bridge)

Arrival Time: 10:30am

Pick up: Stiggant Street

For safety reasons, students have been told to stay with their teachers, until someone comes to collect them.

Wishing you all a fun-filled Warrandyte Festival for 2017.

**STEPH**

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## Book for Sale



This week our school is very lucky to be hosting a past student for work experience – Matilda Robertson (Tilly).

Since completing her schooling at Warrandyte Primary School, Tilly has published a book called **Everything Inbetween**. On Wednesday 22 March, Tilly shared her experiences as an author, discussing her ideas and writing with the Grade 5/6 students.

Tilly will be selling her book at school tomorrow (Thursday 23 March) for \$12. Please visit Kylie's classroom if you would like to buy a copy.

**KYLIE**

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## Sport News

### HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

We were very lucky last Thursday to be able to complete our Cross Country event, even after the amount of rain we received. Thanks for a good call from Meryl after consulting her radar and Rick changing the school program to cater for the later start. A big thank you to all the parents who volunteered to help and therefore make the event safe for all students. Congratulations to all students on their effort and encouragement of each other. The winning House will be announced after the F-2 students have completed their Fun Run. This is now being held at school on **Thursday 23 March from 11.30 - 1.30pm**. The District team has been selected and congratulations to all the students who qualified, that means finishing in the top 10 in the 8/9/10, 11 and 12 year old age groups. District Cross Country is being held on Tuesday 2 May at Ruffey Lake Park. Notices will go home before the end of term.

Could families who supported this fundraiser please return sponsor sheets and money before the end of term. Thank you.

### INTERSCHOOL SPORT

This week we have our last HOME game for this term against Milgate Primary. Cricket, Softball and Open Rounders are being played at Warrandyte Reserve, Bat Tennis and Girls Rounders are played at school. A huge thank you to Natalie Dunkley who has been transporting our equipment down to Warrandyte Reserve each week and when called last match, dropped what she was doing and came to pick it up to take it back to school. If there is a parent available to return the equipment to school this week please let me know.

Next week students will be selecting their Winter sports. We are short a Soccer coach so if there is a parent available who would like this role please let me know. Our matches next term change to the afternoon, 1.30 - 2.40pm.

### AFL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

**Footy Fun Day** - 5-8 yrs - Boys and Girls

**Skills Battle** - 9-12 yrs - Boys and Girls

**Monday 3 April** - Essendon Football Club

**Wednesday 5 April** - Wattie Watson Oval, Elwood

**Thursday 6 April** - Aqualink, Box Hill

**Thursday 13 April** - Preston City Oval, Preston

**9 - 3pm.** A day packed full of footy fun!

Register now at:

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

### STATE NIPPER CHAMPIONSHIPS

A few weeks ago Charlotte (grade 5), competed in Warrnambool at the State Nipper Championships. A number of different events make up this competition and she came 2nd in the 100m Beach Sprint. Congratulations Charlotte, what a great effort! Thanks.

**SALLY**

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## Henhouse Helpers



The Henhouse Helper next week is the **Tobin Family**. If there are any families who would love to be included on the Henhouse Roster (you get to keep the eggs) then please ring Yvette Harbinson on 0416 020 088.  
**DOREEN**

## Sick Bay Laundry



Emma Freitas is the lucky mum this week. She is entitled to come up and change the linen and return it next week all fresh for us.

**DOREEN & CHERISE**

## Active Travel Program

The Active Travel Program is an initiative which enables councils and schools to engage with each other in order to promote the active travel (walking or cycling) of students to and from school. This program enables schools to better address the health and wellbeing of students, with research indicating students who walk, cycle or scoot to school have higher levels of physical activity and improved cardiovascular fitness compared to children who don't.

In order for this program to be successful at WPS we are seeking parents who would be interested in helping with walk to school days/ride to school days and other initiatives of the program. Furthermore, in implementing this program it is anticipated that we will need to liaise with Manningham City Council in order to develop an Active Travel Plan. This will include addressing issues around traffic management, engineering and identifying safer active travel routes for students.

If you think you would have any time to put towards this terrific initiative, please see **Sarah Kelly, 5/6S**, or contact **Sally Martin** at [sallymartin@tpg.com.au](mailto:sallymartin@tpg.com.au).

Thank you.

## Hop Hop Hop Easter Egg Raffle



Tickets are on sale this week and next week. \$2 for 3 tickets.

Each class has its own 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize. Will be drawn on **FRIDAY 31 MARCH**.

**SHELLEY RIDLEY**

## Missing Hat

Can you please check under the brim of your child's school hat for the name please as this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> time in the last 6 months ours has been accidentally collected by someone else? Many thanks.

**CAIT** (Phoebe's mum 5/6S)

## Found



Purple Pokemon Tin with cards. Contact the office if you think they belong to your child.



WARRANDYTE  
NETBALL CLUB



## Anzac Biscuit Fundraiser

Celebrate this Anzac Day with  
some delicious homemade Anzac  
biscuits

\$5 a bag (includes 8 cookies)

All funds raised will go towards  
new lighting for the courts at  
the Warrandyte Netball Club.

[Order your biscuits here](#)

Pickup is Saturday 22 April 2017

DDNA Netball Courts (corner Foote &  
Andersons Streets, Templestowe) from the  
Warrandyte Netball Club tent between  
8.45am until 2.30pm

Contact Details: **Katie Taubert** Email:  
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Open Night  
Thursday 23rd March  
4-6pm and 6.45-8pm School Tours  
6.15 Information Session

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