WEDNESDAY 9 NOVEMBER
Gr 3/4 Campers return
WEDNESDAY 9 – FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER
Gr 5/6 Swimming continues
BOOK FAIR
FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER
Gr 3/4 Orienteering at Healesville
9.15 – 10.30am 2017 Foundation Orientation
MONDAY 14 – FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER
Gr 3/4 Swimming
MONDAY 14 NOVEMBER
Hands on Science Grades 1 & 2
WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER
Rats of Tobruk Exc Gr 6 students
THURSDAY 17 NOVEMBER
Hands on Science FCB
Sport Clinic Grades 5 & 6
FRIDAY 18 NOVEMBER
9.15 – 10.30am 2017 Foundation Orientation
WEDNESDAY 23 NOVEMBER
Ukulele Inc Grades 5 & 6 11.30am
Finance 7pm & School Council Meeting 7.30pm
THURSDAY 24 NOVEMBER
5/6 Sport Clinic
Book Buddies in Library
FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER
9.15 – 10.30am 2017 Foundation Orientation
MONDAY 28 NOVEMBER
CURRICULUM DAY
Extraordinary School Council Meeting 7.30pm
TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER
Grade 1 Dinner & Movie
WEDNESDAY 7 DECEMBER
Carols 7.30pm
FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER
Gr 5/6 Art Exc to Laneways (City)
TUESDAY 13 DECEMBER
Parent Helpers Morning Tea
WEDNESDAY 14 DECEMBER
Christmas Show for FCB, 1S, 2K & 2/3K
THURSDAY 15 DECEMBER
Bushband to Senior Citizens 11.30am
Grade Change Over Day
Reports & Portfolios go home
I would like to thank the staff who attended and compliment them on going above and beyond to ensure all of our students had a fabulous time with positive camp stories to share.

2017 Foundation Transition

Last Friday there was a great sense of excitement outside the Foundation classroom doors, where so many of our Warrandyte community have stood in front of at one time or another. A new generation of students stood outside our 150 year old stone building and could not wait to start school. The students had a wonderful time with Cathie, our Transition Coordinator, and Kylie, our 2017 Foundation Teacher. It was also fantastic to have so many parents stay for tea or coffee and a chat, in our new staff room.

Each ‘Transition Session’ will provide our Foundation students with the opportunity to familiarise themselves with school-life and give them the confidence to make a positive start to 2017. The sessions also give parents and guardians a chance to meet one another.

Next Friday, we will be introducing Scott McNabb (School Speech Therapist) and Andrea Genat (School Psychologist) to our parents.

December Report Package

In last week’s newsletter, I described how teachers across the school will be assessing and reporting as they focus on ‘the learner’ and their ‘learning skills’. Each Student Report should provide a picture of your child’s progress with comments which are individual to them.

A ‘C’ rating means that your child is at the expected standard.

Your child’s teacher draws on formal assessments, portfolio samples, ongoing observations and moderation between classes to show where they are placed on the scale. We encourage you to discuss your child’s progress with their classroom teacher.
School Council report
26 October 2016
At this month's School Council Meeting we discussed:

- Mark Flack from the Department of Education, briefed the Council on the Principal selection process.
- We will continue to actively provide content to the Warrandyte Diary, as a mechanism to inform the broader community what's going on in the school.
- We discussed gender equality in interschool sports teams. The School Council acknowledged that this is an important topic that requires further discussion.
- Donations have been received from: Rotary Club of Warrandyte ($1,000), Lions Club of Warrandyte, ($2,800) and Warrandyte Pre. 1940 Beginners Group ($500).
- A letter has been sent to Gill Binger, acknowledging her retirement and thanking her for her contribution to the school.
- A completed Child Safety Standards report was tabled for review by the Council.
- Concern was raised by OSHC, that children are having a booking cancelled, without being notified; this causes confusion when children do not turn up as expected.
- A postcard from 1907 was received by the school, from a former student of Warrandyte school (attached.) - Printed in 1907, not Posted in 1907 (See back page for postcard).

NICK DUNKLEY

Principal Selection Process Update

On behalf of School Council I would like to inform you that the Principal selection process is well underway, with the view to making an appointment to commence at the start of 2017. The position is currently being advertised through the Department of Education & Training website with a closing date for applications this Thursday 10th November, 2016.

Carolyn Curnow
School Council President

Before & After Care News

Grrreat News!!

Our curriculum day program at OSHC WILL BE running on Monday 28 November, 7.15am – 6.30pm.

Our theme is Dinosaurs.
- We will be making fossils
- Cooking rock cakes
- Having a scavenger hunt plus much more fun.

Book in quickly to avoid disappointment; we only have 4 vacancies remaining! More on the day's program available at OSHC. Your child DOES NOT have to be attending OSHC to attend this day, however you will need to complete an enrolment form.

CORALIE
Remembrance Day

Lest We Forget.

“Remembrance Day in Australia commemorates the noble sacrifices of armed forces and civilians during times of war. At the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, one minute of silence is observed across the country to mark the cessation of hostilities on the Western Front during WWI after over four years of gruesome warfare.”

For the first time we are delighted to have Poppies available for purchase. There are $1 Tattoos, $2,3,5 & 10 Poppys, $3 Wristbands and free stickers. They will be available all week from the office.

CHERISE

Henhouse Helpers

The Henhouse Helper next week is the May 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

Sport News

Regional Softball Finals

Last Thursday our amazing Open Softball team competed in the Regional finals at Waverley Softball Centre. There were two pools of 4 schools on the day, the top 2 schools from each pool went on to compete in the grand final. We won 2 of our games fairly convincingly with our strong batting and reliable fielding. Unfortunately, the other school in our pool had the State pitcher who was too strong for our team. Therefore they went onto the grandfinal and on to the State finals.

Congratulations to our team who have won through the interschool matches, the district and Divisional finals to reach Regional finals: Seth, Connor, Blake, Jack, Sebastian, Aiden, Daisy, Sarah D, Max B, Tyler, Noah F and Hugo (Grade 6).

Also thank you very much to the parents who transported and supported the students on the day: Emma Freitas, Andrea Pope, Naomi Wright and Craig Haslam.

Regional Volleyball Finals

Last Friday we had our Boys and Girls Volleyball teams competing at the State Volleyball Centre in Dandenong. Again the competition was 2 pools of 4 schools, the winner of each going through to the grand final. Both these teams have had convincing wins at both District and Divisional level. Both teams won 2 of their 3 games on the day.

CATHIE

Book Fair

A big thank you to everyone for supporting the fair. The last time to buy will be after school on Monday.

This year I am giving students the chance to win a voucher of $15 to spend at the fair. There will be 5 available, and all that is required is that they get an entry form from me and write their name, grade and their favourite book, story or author. Return the form to me by Friday and I will draw the winners at assembly on Monday. Good luck everyone!

CATHIE
which is a fabulous effort. The boys went into their last game undefeated, as was Glenferrie, the team they were playing. We won the first set, lost the second set and lost a third set 13-15 points, to miss out on the grand final. Glenferrie went on to win the grand final very easily in 2 straight sets against the other pool winner, and therefore going onto the State finals. We were sooo close and played so well, congratulations Kayla, Sarah D, Bella, Alayna, Erin, Daisy, Zoe, Jack, Connor, Seth, Charlie W, Blake & Hugo. Thank you again to the parents who transported and supported the teams on the day: Stan Constantinou, Dale Wilson, Fiona Cooper and Craig Haslam.

**Sports Uniforms**

I need all softball and volleyball uniforms returned ASAP for Sport photos.

**3/4 Orienteering**

This Friday 11th November our grade 3/4's are competing in the Eastern Region Orienteering Championships. The venue is at Westerfolds Park. Details were sent home last week, but could all students come with their snack, lunch, water bottles and appropriate Warrandyte Primary sport clothing and footwear on the day. Students are not permitted to carry water bottles on the course. Maybe a book or quiet game to play while waiting for races or for after would be a good idea. Something to sit on if it is going to be wet or a waterproof jacket. Students suffering asthma must bring their ventolin in a bumbag or something similar so it can go on the course with them.

**Lost Property**

I have never seen the amount of lost property that there is at the moment. The bin is overflowing with tops that are either un-named or labelled with students who no longer come to this school. Could you please come and check or get your child to check as I am going to do an early donation this year because of the amount.

**Warrandyte Junior Football Club**

November 20th, 9.00-11.00 am is Open Day at Warrandyte Reserve for girls thinking of playing football in 2017. There will be a training session and clinic run by coaches and a BBQ for parents. Please register your interest at:www.warrandytejfc.org

SALLY FREEMANTLE

**Performing Arts News**

It’s another busy and exciting term for Performing Arts at Warrandyte Primary School! After focusing our class time over the past five weeks on learning the recorder and ukulele, this week the students are being introduced to songs in preparation for the Christmas Carols Night on Wednesday, December 7th at 7.30pm. Please make sure you mark this date in your diaries and cross your fingers for a perfect summer evening – we would love to hold the event on our beautiful outdoor stage!
WARRANDYTE’S GOT TALENT!

Students from Foundation – Grade 6 have been encouraged to prepare a Performing Arts act to be showcased in our ‘Warrandyte’s Got Talent’ Celebration Exhibition. Auditions to select a variety of different acts from each year level will be held during Performing Arts classes and lunchtimes from next Tuesday, November 15. Those acts selected for the exhibition will be invited to perform for the school community during the second last week of term. All students who prepare an act will be invited to share their talent with their peers during Performing Arts classes. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

KIRSTY WOLTERS

Sick Bay Laundry

Fiona Spring is the lucky mum this week. She is entitled to collect the washing on Friday and make up the bed again for us.

DOREEN & CHERISE

Gill’s Retirement Celebration

Plans are underway to organise a farewell for Gill Binger in December, 2016. We would love some help with organising this special event. If anyone would like to join us please contact Fiona Young via email fiona.jon@gmail.com

Thanks in advance

Wanted

Parents and guardians, for the 5/6 Christmas Market Stall on Thursday the 8th December we are in need of your pre loved/old T-shirts in any size and any colour. Every style T-shirt will do. Bring them down to 5/6Y, room 13, or take them to Lindsay, Brianna or Leah.

Thank you and we hope to see you spring cleaning and donating those unwanted T-shirts!

Lindsay, Brianna and Leah
It’s that exciting time of year again when Warrandyte Primary School students can share their special performing arts talents with the school!

Auditions for WGT begin next week, November 14. Could all participants please note the following:

- Time limit for each act is 3 minutes for group acts, and 2 minutes for individual acts
- Please practice your act at home so you can be confident and enjoy performing at school
- Make sure you bring whatever you need for your act (costume, music, backing track, instrument, etc)
- See Kirsty or one of the Performing Arts Leaders—Mia K, Ariel and Leah F—if instead of performing during class you need to organise a lunchtime audition

Have fun preparing your act!

Mia, Ariel and Leah

Looking for Girls
To join Warrandyte Junior Football Club
Open Day
For all Girls thinking of playing footy in 2017

November 20, 9-11 am at Warrandyte Reserve
A fun introduction training session with our coaches for girls
While parents and siblings help themselves to egg and bacon rolls

Please register your interest at www.warrandytejfc.org

“It’s all about the kids”
See School Council Report for postcard story