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Warrandyte Primary School's
Weekly Newsletter



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School Calendar

2017 CONCERT ANNIE JR. Friday AUGUST 4

THURSDAY 9 MARCH 2018 Prep Tours 10am

MONDAY 13 MARCH

Labour Day – No students at school

TUESDAY 14 MARCH - CURRICULUM DAY

No students at school this day

SSS Rehearsal at Macleod 9 – 2.30

THURSDAY 16 MARCH

House Cross Country 9 – 11 for Grs 3 – 6

Fun Run 9 – 11 for F – 2

FRIDAY 17 MARCH 2018 Prep Tours 12.30pm

World's Greatest Shave Day – Free Dress (dress in either purple, green, blue or pink and bring a gold coin donation (See page 7)

SUNDAY 19 MARCH

Working Bee to build fence around chooks etc

WEDNESDAY 22 MARCH

Finance 7pm and School Council Meeting 7.30pm

THURSDAY 23 MARCH

5/6 Incursion – Chris's Zoo

FRIDAY 24 MARCH

F – 4 Incursion Chris's Zoo

SATURDAY 25 MARCH

Warrandyte Festival Parade

FOWPS Stall

SUNDAY 26 MARCH

Warrandyte Festival (Kids Market etc)

FOWPS Stall

FRIDAY 31 MARCH End Term 1 2.30pm

TUESDAY 18 APRIL Term 2 commences

WEDNESDAY 19 APRIL

Photo Day

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)

FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Creativity

Achievement

Respect

Encouragement

School Council Elections

Thank you to everyone for the interest shown in the School Council. As you are well aware, we had 10 parent nominations. This is a wonderful reflection on our community which is brimming with energy and enthusiasm. Across the last week ballot papers have been posted into our 2017 School Council Election Ballot Box. I would like to acknowledge Doreen, Wendy and Cherise for their work on our School Council Elections. They have played a significant role in the ongoing organisation and preparation of nomination and ballot papers. They have also held the highly responsible role of counting the votes. Thank you for all your extra time!

At the conclusion of our School Council Ballot, I will declare the Councillors elected for 2017 – 2019 personally and then publically in our next newsletter.

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.

School Tours

In order to assist you in making this very important and exciting decision, we have arranged the following 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.

Term 1

Thursday 9 March at 10:00am

Friday 17 March at 12:30pm

Tour Dates for Term 2 will be announced later in the term. Enrolment forms may be collected from the school office or downloaded and sent to the school.

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.

Curriculum Day this Tuesday

On March 14 there will be a Curriculum Day. This is the day after the Labour Day Long Weekend. The teachers will be focusing on a school goal around maths. Curriculum Day Care is operating on this day.

Very Important to Note!



Warrandyte Primary School will **CLOSE** on **EXTREME** or **CODE RED** fire rating days.

Our Oval is Going to be GREAT!

Last weekend the second of 2 Working Bees was held. Retaining walls around the school oval were constructed. Dirt from our oval was placed behind as backfill. Plants donated by Ian Murray were then planted and mulch was spread. A drip irrigation system was also installed. So many members of the WPS community (including those present) were in awe of what was achieved! We are so fortunate to have such expertise and talent within our school community. The day was hot and dry and everyone worked very hard. Now we look forward to the next phase which will see the astro turf laid.

I took our SRC (Student Representative Council) down to the oval after our Monday morning meeting. They were absolutely stunned by the work. The SRC are currently looking into permanent soccer/football posts or goals as they feel this will be important to completing this space.



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Rick Griffiths
Acting Principal

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OVAL UPDATE

(COORDINATOR: YVETTE)

Another enormous thanks to all of the families who turned up on the weekend to dig, construct and plant on and around the new oval site. You have made a huge impact.

WARRANDYTE FESTIVAL

(COORDINATOR: WENDY)

The Warrandyte Festival is now less than one month away (March 25/26) and while the staff and students are busy getting organised for the parade and performances, the FOWPS team are busily putting together the plans for our Annual School Festival Stall. This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year (last year we made over \$5,000!) and its one of the key events that we ask all families to pitch-in for.

Once again we are running our homemade cake and biscuit stall and selling fairy floss. On Monday 20 March you will receive an info and packaging pack. We ask all families to make their favourite cake, slice or biscuit and send it to school on Friday 24 March in the packaging provided. In the meantime, start thinking about what you might like to bake for the stall (the only ingredient to avoid is cream or custard as we have no capacity to cool the products). Our gluten free products are always very popular if you are inclined to cook this way. Jacinta and Yvette will be coordinating pricing in the office on Friday 24 March so if

you have a moment to lend a hand it would be greatly appreciated.

The roster for the stall is now available in the office foyer so can all families please put their name down for one hour over the weekend. We are hoping to have 4 parent helpers per hour; 2 for the cake stall and 2 to run the fairy floss machine. WPS students are more than welcome to join their parents on duty to assist in cake sales or collecting payment. If you're not available during stall hours, we'll also need some help Friday afternoon and Sunday afternoon to setup/pull down the stall.

Keep in mind that on Saturday the parade is on from 11am to 12noon and then the WPS students perform on the main stage from 12:15 to 1pm.

If you can't get to the office to write on the roster, please text Meg on 0406949491 with your preferred timeslot from the list below and she will allocate you a 1 hour time slot or fill in the slip that comes home with your child this week.

Friday 2-3pm Labelling at school
Friday 4-5:30 Set up market site
Saturday am (9-12) selling cakes and making fairy floss
Saturday pm (12-5) selling cakes and making fairy floss
Sunday am (9-12) selling cakes and making fairy floss
Sunday pm (12-4) selling cakes and making fairy floss

Sunday 4-5:30 pack up market site

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 a ticket for \$2.

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.

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On the morning of **Sunday 19 March (9-12)** there is an opportunity for anyone in the school community to come along and help fence off the garden area next to the chickens. This will provide the chickens with a safe place to wander and will keep our student play areas clean.

Please contact the school if you are able to assist even for part of the time. Thanks.

CATHIE BROOKS.

Before & After Care News



CURRICULUM DAY

A full day of fun and frivolities is planned for the Curriculum Day next Tuesday 14 March.

All that children require is comfy clothes and their food for the day. The activities will be fun and extra food (cooking) will be provided by us! The Program operates 7.15am to 6.30pm.

NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES PLEASE.

Spaces are still available. Bookings close this FRIDAY.

ACCOUNTS

A few accounts are outstanding so please pay them promptly. **CORALIE**

Sport News



HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY/FUN RUN

Next Thursday 16 March is our House Cross Country Fun Run. The students have been doing lots of training as this is being held a lot earlier this year. Sponsor sheets were sent home a number of weeks ago as this is the annual PE/Sport fund raiser. Please try and get sponsors for per lap for F - 2 students or per kilometre for 3 – 6 students or a donation would be greatly appreciated. Students can wear house colours, times were on the information sheet that went home previously. Thank you to the parents who have offered to help already but I am still needing lots of helpers to make these events safe, particularly the grade 3 – 6s running along the river and road.

Please fill in the slip over the page and return to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY/FUN RUN
THURSDAY 16 MARCH



I am able to help at the:

(Circle only one)

Cross Country (Grades 3 – 6) YES

OR

Fun Run (F – 2) YES

NAME:

Child's Name:

Grade:

INTERSCHOOL SPORT

This week we have a HOME game against Templestowe Heights. Bat tennis and girls rounders will be at school and open rounders, softball and cricket will be at Warrandyte Reserve. Please remember correct sport uniform, hat and drink bottle. Thank you to Nat Dunkley who has been driving our equipment down for us, and to the number of parents who did the return last week. We need someone for the return again this week if someone is available please.

TERM 2 INTERSCHOOL SPORT

I am just getting in early because next term we are going to be a coach short in Interschool Sport. If there is a parent who has the time to be a soccer coach/umpire on a Thursday afternoon –please let me know. Thank you.

SALLY



Hi everybody I'm **KYAN IN 5/6R**. I'm colouring my hair for the **World's Greatest**

Shave. I'm either going *purple, green, blue or pink*.

Please make a **gold coin** donation and wear **Free Dress (dress in the colour you would like the hair colour to be) on Friday March 17** and you will see the winning colour on Monday 20 March. Thank you **KYAN**

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**

Sick Bay Laundry



Kate Riley 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

Warrandyte Community Bank Branch School Banking

Warrandyte Community Bank's Community Relationship Manager, Cheryl Meikle has spent the last month visiting Warrandyte Primary School, opening student bank accounts and providing information to parents about all the different banking products our local bank has to offer. If you missed Cheryl at school but would like to open a student banking account Cheryl and the staff would be more than happy to help. Drop into the branch at 144 Yarra St, Warrandyte. Remember, the

more banking we do at our local community bank the more funds available to return to our school and the whole community - \$2.4 million to date.

Thank you to the two volunteers who have offered to collect student banking deposits from the office and deliver to Warrandyte Community Bank, Tuesdays morning during the school term.

Dee Dickson | Community Liaison Officer

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100 Years of WPS Photos

If you were at this week's Assembly, you will have seen the large photocopies of photos dating from 1886 through to 1986 that were displayed on the walls all around the Bampi. These were put up for a recent reunion of WPS ex-students who attended the school between about 1930 and 1970. If any current WPS parents attended the school, you might like to have a look at these class photos and see if you can fill in any of the missing names. Once the photos have been taken down, they will be kept in the school Office area for the remainder of Term 1. You can ask to see them at any time before the start of the holidays. Feel free to write names on the edges of the photocopies, with an arrow pointing to each person whose name you know. I'm currently putting together photocopies of the rest of the 1980s, 1990s and 2000s class photos which will be available to review for names to be filled in over the next few weeks. Thank you. **TRACEY (SENSEI)**

Warrandyte Festival – Costumes

The Warrandyte Festival is coming up on the weekend of Saturday, 25 March. This year, the theme of Saturday's parade is celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Festival, all the way back to 1977. WPS students are asked to wear clothing from the era. So that means high waisted flares, bodyshirts and big hair. And that's just for the boys. Think 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.

As a visual reminder of the era, here's a WPS class photo from 1976. Pinafores, florals, hand knitted jumpers and checked Miller shirts were obviously 'in' too.



Reminder: Parents are asked to watch the parade from the footpath or the bank rather than join in with their child. Having adults walking amongst the students makes it difficult for the children to be seen, and it means that they don't have as many people to wave to along the way. **TRACEY**

Photos of Working Bees on 25/2 & 4/3







