



WARRAGUL NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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CALENDAR 2018

Thur	16 Aug	Parent Club meeting at 2.30pm
Fri	17 Aug	NO BUSES RUNNING Years 5 & 6 Footsteps Dance
Sun	19 Aug	Tournament of Minds full dress rehearsal Public Speaking Zone Final
Fri	24 Aug	Dress up day for Book Week Years 5 & 6 Footsteps Dance Senior Assembly
Sat	25 Aug	Tournament of Minds Final
Tues	28 Aug	Father's Day Stall
Thur	30 Aug	Werribee Zoo excursion
Fri	31 Aug	Years 5 & 6 Footsteps Dance
Tues	4 Sept	Chesterfield Farm excursion
Wed	5 Sept	Hooptime
Thur	6 Sept	Musical Soiree at 6.30pm
Fri	7 Sept	Year 2 Sleepover

TERM THREE ASSEMBLIES

Friday 24 August - Years Three to Six

Friday 7 September - Foundation to Year Two

Principal's Report

Lions Junior Public Speaking Competition

The Warragul Lions Club once again invited Warragul North Primary School to become involved in the competition this year. Consequently early in the term, Mr Ron Payne, an accomplished public speaker and member of the Lions Club District Council, attended our school and spoke to students. Mr Payne informed them about the competition and how it is conducted over five levels from school level to district final level. He also told the students about the skills a good public speaker uses such as using voice effectively by varying the volume and pace. Mr Payne explained the scoring system used and the topics for 2018.

Following Mr Payne's visit students wrote their own speeches and were able to nominate to participate in the school level competitions. On Friday 3rd August the school competition was conducted with three independent judges adjudicating. The children who competed were Abby (3/4M), Ella (3BC), Matilda (3CO), Oscar (3/4M), Pippa (4PH), Emileon (4PH), Eliza (3/4M), Jaya (4CU), Georgia (5PS), Zhara (5JA), Zara (5JA), Angus (4/5T), Mia (6BR), Tyler (6PR), Acacia (6BA) and Alice (6BA).



Principal's Report *cont.*

It was most pleasing to have so many students keen to participate and we congratulate each student on having the courage to prepare and present their speech.

Progressing to the next level of competition, which is the club level where students from local schools compete against each other, were Angus, Zhara, Jaya and Pippa. The dinner meeting was held by the Lions Club of Warragul on Wednesday evening the 8th August and was attended by students involved in the competition, family supporters and school representatives.

All participants spoke on their particular topic with great expertise. Zhara, Angus, Jaya and Pippa can be justly proud of their achievements as they spoke with confidence, excellent expression, tone and volume variation and had thoroughly researched their topics.

The parents and school representatives were thrilled and excited that Angus, one of our students, was selected as the Year 5/6 winner. The Zone Final will be held on Sunday 19th August and we wish Angus well as he prepares for the next level of competition.



Staff Professional Learning



On Thursday 2nd August staff continued to deepen their knowledge and understanding of the instructional model 'The Art and Science of Teaching'. Dr Janelle Wills powerful presentation obviously engaged and interested staff throughout the day. I am positive this powerful professional learning will have a beneficial

effect on teaching and student achievement throughout the remainder of the year and beyond. This instructional model has been a focus throughout our School Strategic Plan 2015 - 2018.

National Support Staff Week

The week of 13th to 18th August is National Support Staff Week. I would like to take the opportunity to recognise the excellent work of our Education Support staff at Warragul North Primary School. Education Support staff include administration staff, integration aides, I.T. staff, our librarian and the Outside School Hours Care team. Thank you for the great work you do on a daily basis to assist our teachers, children and parents.

Corinne Collins
Principal



Warragul North Primary School Values



School Values

Literacy

Engagement

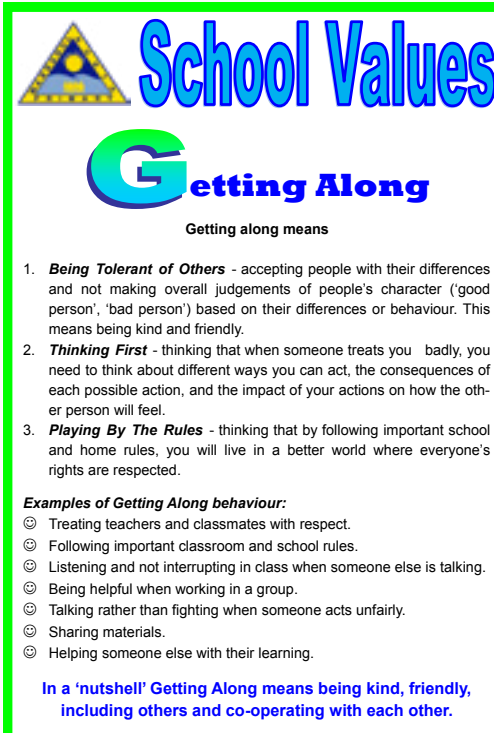
Achievement

Respect

Numeracy

Integrity

Getting Along



School Values

Getting Along

Getting along means

1. **Being Tolerant of Others** - accepting people with their differences and not making overall judgements of people's character ('good person', 'bad person') based on their differences or behaviour. This means being kind and friendly.
2. **Thinking First** - thinking that when someone treats you badly, you need to think about different ways you can act, the consequences of each possible action, and the impact of your actions on how the other person will feel.
3. **Playing By The Rules** - thinking that by following important school and home rules, you will live in a better world where everyone's rights are respected.

Examples of Getting Along behaviour:

- Ⓢ Treating teachers and classmates with respect.
- Ⓢ Following important classroom and school rules.
- Ⓢ Listening and not interrupting in class when someone else is talking.
- Ⓢ Being helpful when working in a group.
- Ⓢ Talking rather than fighting when someone acts unfairly.
- Ⓢ Sharing materials.
- Ⓢ Helping someone else with their learning.

In a 'nutshell' Getting Along means being kind, friendly, including others and co-operating with each other.

ENGAGEMENT – *Foundation – Lexie (0MU)*

ACHIEVEMENT – *Year One – Noah (1DE)*

RESPECT – *Year Two – Riley (2TB)*



School Values medals were awarded at assembly on Friday 10th August to Noah, Lexie and Riley. Congratulations!

'FOR THE RECORD' 2018

You will have noticed that your school account has the inclusion of a \$30.00 contribution for your family's copy of our school magazine 'For the Record'.

'For the Record' is a fantastic record of school events; has photographs of every child at the school on 'photo day'; a list of every child attending Warragul North Primary School just prior to the printing of the magazine and an item from every student attending the school on 'For the Record' submission day.

Should you wish to receive a copy or copies of the school magazine, then the cost must be paid by **FRIDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER**. Only those families who have paid for the magazine by this deadline will receive a copy. No extra copies will be printed beyond those paid for and ordered.

We look forward to presenting this year's magazine to you on the last day of school for 2018.

Mrs Ann Burton
'For the Record' Co-ordinator

2019 FOUNDATION (PREP) ENROLMENTS



Enrolment forms are available from the school office for families wishing to enrol a child for 2019 in Foundation (Prep). Please enrol siblings as soon as possible to ensure all children are included in the

orientation program which will commence early in Term Four, and to assist with class planning for 2019.

CHESTERFIELD FARM EXCURSION



The Foundation children are looking forward to their upcoming excursion to Chesterfield Farm on

TUESDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER

Please make sure your child's permission form and payment has been returned by the due date of Monday 21st August.

SAME DAY NOTIFICATION OF UNEXPLAINED STUDENT ABSENCES

Overview:

The new School Attendance Guidelines specify that from the end of Term Two government schools must contact parents/carers as soon as practicable on the day of an unexplained student absence.

Protecting the safety and well-being of children through the reporting and monitoring of absenteeism is the responsibility of both parents/carers and schools. Parents/carers have an obligation to notify the school of their child's absence and schools are required to notify parents/carers on the day of an unexplained student absence. This responsibility needs to be underpinned by shared understanding and expectations about the procedures for the promotion, monitoring and follow-up of student attendance.

Clear communication and building a positive and collaborative relationship between schools and parents is critical to the successful implementation of same day notifications. In addition, in order to implement this requirement, it is essential that schools have accurate and current parent/carer contact details.

Notify the school of your child's absence:

- Protecting the safety and well-being of children through the reporting and monitoring of absenteeism is the responsibility of both parents / carers and schools.
- Please remember to text the school's absence reporting line on 0447 503 536 by 11.00am if your child is going to be away or late for school so your child's absence can be recorded correctly.

Same-day notification of unexplained student absences:

- Our school will text you by midday on the day if a student is not at school and you haven't notified the school as to why.
- If you are notified by the school that your child is away without a reason, please reply to the text as soon as possible to let us know why your child is absent.
- If we cannot reach you because we don't have your correct contact details (i.e. disconnected number, message notification fail) then we will make contact with your emergency contacts held by the school.

A friendly reminder: Please remember it is your responsibility to contact us to provide an explanation for your child's absence from school, and where possible, please inform us in advance of upcoming absences.



P.E. 'Wall of Fame'

Every week in Physical Education one student from the Junior (Years 1/2), Middle (Years 3/4) and Senior (Years 5/6) school is rewarded with being named the P.E Wall of Fame champion for that week.

The P.E Wall of Fame champion is a student who has shown great determination, effort, encouragement, sportsmanship and resilience during their Physical Education class.

Mrs Lisa Pyle, Mrs Deb Magyar and Ms Karyn Porch
Physical Education Teachers

Term Three - Week 3 Champions

Junior



Chance (1/2K)

Middle



Kaylee (2TB)

Senior



Bradley (4PH)

Term Three - Week 4 Champions

Junior



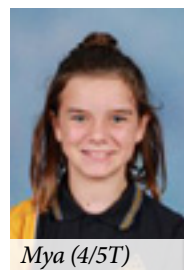
Kayli (3BC)

Middle



Sophie (6BR)

Senior



Mya (4/5T)

Canteen Roster

PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO LACK OF VOLUNTEERS THE CANTEEN WILL ONLY OPEN ON WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS.

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEER
Wednesday 15th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Jess McGenniskien
Thursday 16th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Rachel Wanigavtharana
Friday 17th August	9.00am to 10.15am	Angela Brown Elvira Honey
Wednesday 22nd August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Julie Henshall
Thursday 23rd August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Jess McGenniskien
Friday 24th August	9.00am to 10.15am	Tracey Armstrong Ricky McKerrow
Wednesday 29th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Terri Wilks
Thursday 30th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	
Friday 31st August	9.00am to 10.15am	Tracey Armstrong Ricky McKerrow



Hello from the *Acorn Room*



In just about every household where there are children going to school, there is the chaos and challenge of getting out the door in time! It can leave everyone feeling stressed and hassled. You are not alone! Staying calm and being organised will help you all feel more positive about the day ahead. Here are just a few tips:

- ☺ Create a list (or pictures) of things kids need to get done
- ☺ The rule is kids must do their jobs before they can play

- ☺ If jobs are completed before a set time (e.g. before the oven timer goes off), the child gets a reward/ earns points towards a reward
- ☺ Be organised yourself e.g. prepare lunches the night before, get up earlier than the kids
- ☺ Use humour e.g. talk gibberish, sing a song, become a tickle monster who only works on children in school uniform
- ☺ Hang in there. Things do get easier. And I hope you can have some fun along the way!

Mrs Sheryn Cutler
WNPS Chaplain

Warragul North Primary School offers chaplaincy and pastoral care to students and families in the Acorn Room on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

News from the *Art Room*

In our Threads and Textiles unit, students from Foundation to Year Six have been learning about related vocabulary and a range of threading, knot tying, sewing and finger knitting skills. The creativity and enthusiasm of the students is infectious and the artwork displays around the school are bright and colourful.

If any families have any wool at home that they no longer need we would be very grateful if it could be donated to the art room.

Mrs Shelley Roberts and
Ms Jo Draisma
Visual Arts Teachers

Right: Artist of the Week awards were presented at the last assembly to Bunyod (OJO), Darcy (2HU) and Connor (OPC). Fantastic artwork!



Setting Future Directions for Warragul North Primary School

Our school continues its self-evaluation, review and planning.

As the School Strategic Plan 2015 - 2018 moves towards its conclusion we now need to reflect.

School Council and staff are currently ensuring that we meet the V.R.Q.A. guidelines in preparation for our reviewer. We are also completing the Pre-review Self Evaluation document which is a reflective analysis of the school's performance over the last four years using a variety of data sets. We welcome school community involvement to video our evidence base.

Schools are partnerships between teachers, legislators, parents, students and community members. A shared plan for our school will begin by calling people to come together to think and act. If you are a parent who would like to be a part of this process, please contact me via e-mail at warragul.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Together we learn!

'Catch 'em being good' raffle

Our 'Catch 'em being good' raffle winner is **Jaiden (ISP)**
Well done!



IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ALL BUS USERS



Please note that there will be **NO** government school buses operating on **FRIDAY 17TH AUGUST** (Warragul Regional College has a pupil free day). The connecting town bus will also not operate on Friday 17th August. Parents need to make alternative transport arrangements for their children to attend school on Friday 17th August.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY 2018

Each year the Victorian Education Department conducts an opinion survey amongst a sample of the school community. This year a sample of approximately 30% of student's parents have been randomly selected and e-mailed an invitation to participate. Results will be used to inform and direct our future school planning and improvement.

Should you be selected please take the time to complete the survey as your opinions are important to Warragul North Primary School staff and council, and will contribute to the future management and organisation of our school

The survey will be open from Monday 23rd July 2018 to Sunday 26th August, 2018.

Responses are completely confidential. The survey is conducted anonymously and it is important that you complete the survey as honestly as possible.

Thank you in anticipation of your assistance.

FATHER'S DAY STALL TUESDAY 28TH AUGUST



Our Parent Club is once again holding their fantastic Father's Day stall.

The stall will take place in the gym on Tuesday 28th August from 9.15am until 11.30am.



Gifts will be priced at \$3.00 and \$5.00.

Children will be limited to purchasing one gift only.

Please provide a named plastic bag for your child's gift.



Parent Club *Discos*

Excitement was in the air on Wednesday 1st August for the Parent Club Discos. The gym had been colourfully decorated and looked great and the D.J. was ready to go. The children were dressed in their disco gear and had a fantastic time dancing to a variety of songs. Around 450 children attended the discos which is about 75% of the students who attend Warragul North Primary School.

This was a fantastic response and Parent Club appreciate the support. Approximately \$4100 was raised thanks to the long hours put in by a small group of dedicated Parent Club members. The funds will be used to continue completing the playground replacement project.





State Cross Country

On Thursday 19th July two students from Warragul North Primary School travelled to Bundoora to compete in the State Cross Country Championships. To achieve the right to compete at state level is an outstanding achievement. Congratulations Darcy and Sophie.



"There are so many people here I nearly got lost. My race is in twenty minutes. The Cross Country is at a park in Melbourne. My sister, Ella, and I go for a quick run. As I get back they call the 9/10 boys over. "That's me" I say. Mum and Ella said "Good luck!" I'm on the starting line and the marshals tell us the rules. I can see Ella taking

photos. At this point I'm really nervous. Then the marshal is starting to count down. Bang! The race has started, at half way it's really starting to hurt but I keep going. I am inhaling as much fresh air as possible. Finally I'm finished! My sister doesn't race until 2.40pm as she is in the 17/20 girls so Mum decided to take me and Ella to a shopping centre for lunch and some shopping. Then we went back to watch Ella race. It was a great day!"

By Darcy (4CU)



"On Thursday the 19th July I competed at the State Cross Country Championships at Bundoora. I felt nervous and cold, but also very excited. Out of ninety girls in my race I came 54th. I felt proud because I achieved my personal best and what matters the most is trying your best. I loved every second of it and it was an amazing experience."

By Sophie (5WI)

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

The current theme at OSHC is winter. One of the rooms in the OSHC house has been decorated with snowflakes and a snowman. Children are making snowmen and snow globes to be displayed on the wall. They are using playdough to make snowmen and there are winter pictures to colour in. We have started to construct an igloo using plastic milk bottles. Thank you to all families who supplied us with empty bottles. Some of the children are particularly enjoying constructing the igloo. The children are also using the playdough, plastic wings, antennae and insect legs to create a variety of insects.

Don't forget the new Child Care Package came into effect on 1st July so please make sure you have provided all your necessary information to Centrelink via myGov. For more information on this process please visit education.gov.au/childcare

OSHC is available on a permanent or casual basis. Some sessions are fully booked and a waiting list is held for those sessions. Please remember that the Office or OSHC must be notified if your child is not going to attend a session they have been booked in for. That place can then be used for a casual booking.

Once you have a permanent booking you will be billed for that placement whether your child attends or not.

Phone numbers for bookings and cancellations are:

School Office 5623 4066

OSHC Mobile 0418 662 225

Hours for OSHC are:

Before School Care: 7am. to 8.45am.

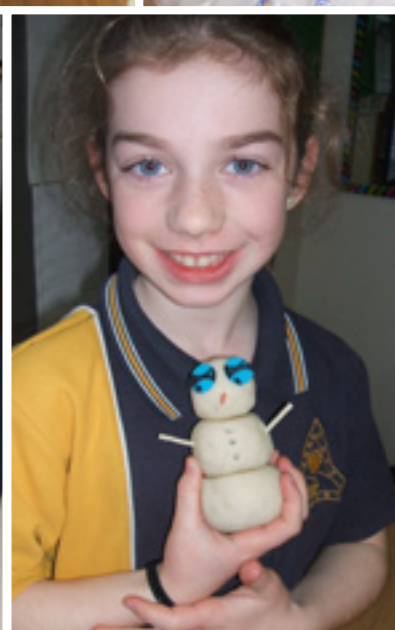
NO EARLY DROP OFFS

After School Care: 3.30pm. to 6pm

NO LATE PICK UPS

Judy Eastwell,

OSHC Co-ordinator





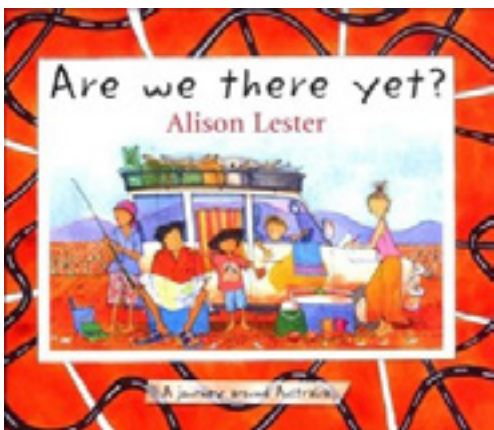
Book Week 2018

'Find Your Treasure'

Dress Up Day Friday 24th August



Book Week is the longest running children's festival in Australia and this year the theme is 'Escape to Everywhere'.

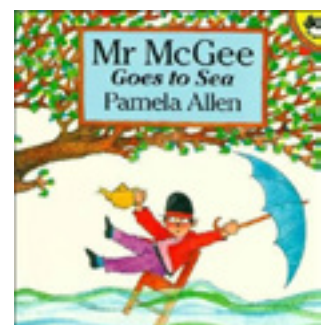


To celebrate book week, Parent Club has arranged a 'book character' dress up day on Friday 24th August. The cost for dressing up will be a gold coin donation.

There is also a poster competition. Please leave your posters at the office. Closing date Friday 24th August.



All money raised by Parent Club on the day will go towards purchasing new books for our library.



Community News



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Active Families

Thursdays 4.30pm

(45 minute class)



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Leisure
Centre**

Food Allergy VS Food Intolerance - What's the difference?

Food Allergy

Occurs when the body's *immune system* overreacts to a harmless food as if it were toxic. Common food allergies include eggs, peanuts, soy, milk, wheat, fish and shellfish.

The reaction is usually *immediate* and can occur even when only very *small amounts* of the food are eaten.

Symptoms of a food allergy may include wheezing, stomach upsets and rashes.

Anaphylaxis is a more severe allergic reaction and can be life threatening.

Food Intolerance

A *chemical reaction* that occurs in the body when you eat some of the naturally occurring chemicals in food and to some common food additives.

The reaction may take 12 – 24 *hours* to develop and different people will react to *different amounts* of any given chemical.

Symptoms of food intolerance can be similar to food allergy and commonly include asthma, chronic fatigue syndrome and irritable bowel syndrome (IBS).

If you think you or your child may have a food allergy or intolerance, it's important to see your Doctor as the symptoms you have can also be caused by other medical conditions.

<http://daa.asn.au/for-the-public/smart-eating-for-you/frequently-asked-questions/whats-the-difference-between-food-allergy-and-food-intolerance/>

Angela Greenall Health Promotion



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