



WARRAGUL NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

#8

4th June 2014

CALENDAR 2014

Wed	4 Jun	University of NSW Science competition
Fri	6 Jun	Winter Sports for senior students
Mon	9 Jun	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
Fri	13 Jun	No school buses operating today Scholastic Book Club orders due back
Mon	16 Jun	University of NSW Writing competition
Tues	17 Jun	University of NSW Spelling competition Division Winter Sports
Thur	19 Jun	Regional Cross Country Musical Soiree
Mon	23 Jun	Year 5 students depart for Ballarat camp
Wed	25 Jun	Year 5 students return from Ballarat camp
Fri	27 Jun	Whole school 'Saving Lil and Archie' incursion Last day of Term 2, 2:30pm finish



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PERFORMING ARTS



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GRANDPARENTS & SPECIAL GUESTS

Principal's Report

Education Week

As Principal of Warragul North Primary School, I am always very proud to open our school during Education Week. It was very rewarding to see the students enthusiastically showing their families, friends and special visitors their classrooms and the excellent learning they are continually undertaking.

Thanks to our wonderful staff for being so generous with their time. Their generosity enabled our families, friends and special visitors to attend Night School and Grandparent and Special Persons' day. It was nice to receive a lovely letter from a Great Grandparents who thanked us for giving her the opportunity to participate in her Great Grandson's morning lessons.

School tours for prospective families were taken by our School Captains and Student Leaders and they showcased our school very well. Top job!



NEXT ASSEMBLY

Our next whole school assembly is Friday 6th June.

Principal's Report cont.

Setting Future Directions for Warragul North Primary School

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

What is our school's purpose?

To provide a happy, caring, learning environment where children achieve to their potential.

What is our school motto?

The Warragul North Primary School motto is 'Together We Learn'.

What are our school values?

Currently our plan lists the following as our school values: **LEARNING** (Literacy, Engagement, Achievement, Respect, Numeracy, Integrity, Nurturing and Getting Along).

Values describe the guiding principles and beliefs of the school community. Value statements provide a basis for decision making and action, shape the way people work together by creating shared expectations and norms and help the school community to remain focused on what is important.

How would you answer the following questions?

- What do you believe and value in this school?
- What does this school stand for?
- How does the school want to operate?

As we begin to plan for 2015 – 2018 do you think we should keep the same purpose, motto and values or do they need amending? We are keen to know your views. Please e-mail your response to Warragul North Primary School at warragul.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Corinne Collins
Principal

Book Fair

We had an amazing selection of books arrive from Carnival Books for our Book Fair which was held during Education Week. A huge array of lovely books was displayed in the Library so that children could visit during their library sessions. The children were keen to write a wish list of the books that appealed to them. Many brought their families to the Book Fair after Night School where they enjoyed sharing the books and purchasing.

Thank you to everyone who supported the annual Book Fair. We were thrilled to sell over \$7200 worth of books, enabling the school to purchase over \$2500 books for the Library.

Mrs Ann Burton
Library Technician

A big thank you to Mrs Burton for organising another great Book Fair.

Corinne Collins
Principal



Pictured are many Warragul North families enjoying a visit to the Book Fair.

CHAPLAIN ON LONG SERVICE LEAVE



Our Chaplain, Mrs Anne Prime, is on Long Service Leave. She is taking a well-earned break and enjoying some time with her husband as they travel to Uluru and visit the Australian outback. We hope Mrs Prime is having a fantastic time and look forward to her return to Warragul North Primary School at the beginning of Term Three.

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

During the past two weeks children at OSHC sessions have enjoyed creating using recyclable boxes and packets. It is great to see what their imaginations come up with using boxes, sticky tape, scissors and a stapler.

Our focus with our Quality Improvement Plan is sustainability. Staff at OSHC attended the first session of a two part presentation on sustainability and gathered ideas that will be useful in ensuring our service is environmentally friendly. We have plans to create a play area in the back yard at the OSHC house using the natural environment. Staff from OSHC services in Baw Baw Shire meets once each term with a support person who assists with our Quality Improvement Plans. The next meeting is being held at the Warragul North Primary School OSHC house.

OSHC is available on a permanent or casual basis. Enrolment forms are available from the school office or from OSHC. A waiting list is held if a session is already fully booked. It is important that the school office or OSHC is notified if your child is not going to attend a session they have been booked in for as that place can then be used for a casual booking. **Failure to cancel will incur a charge.**

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

Marg Hayes & Ashlee Fallon
OSHC Carers

School Council Report



things, but this is my first year on School Council.

I am so glad we chose Warragul North Primary School! We have been privileged to have had so many excellent teachers and support staff who work hard to cater for our girls individual academic and personal needs. Our girls have experienced a wonderful and diverse range of extracurricular opportunities with camps, music lessons, soirees, excursions, sports, choir, and productions. I decided to join School Council as a way of 'giving back' to the school and to learn more about what goes on behind the scenes.

The next few months will be a busy time for School Council, with the DEECD requiring all government schools to include many VRQA policies that directly impact on the way our school operates. School Council members have the opportunity to discuss and adopt these policies, hence making decisions that ensure our children continue to learn in a safe and happy environment. There are still vacancies for parent members on School Council, so if you're considering it, I'm happy to chat with you about that or about anything else. I have found School Council to be both welcoming and supportive.



Daniel (4TH) is thrilled to be making his stage debut in the acclaimed new production of Boubil and Schonberg's legendary musical, *Les Misérables*, when it premieres at Her Majesty's Theatre in Melbourne from June 22nd. Daniel will be taking on the role of the charismatic young street urchin, Gavroche.

Congratulations Daniel on this wonderful achievement and we wish you well for your time with the *Les Misérables* production.

Division Cross Country

On Thursday 29th May the Warragul North Cross Country team competed in the Division Cross Country. Our team consisted of thirty-five students from nine and ten year olds, through to twelve and thirteen year olds. With the weather perfect for long distance running, and lots of proud parents watching on, all of the students performed brilliantly and completed the course. A whopping twelve students finishing in the top 10 of their respective races!

Congratulations to all students that competed and good luck to those students who will now be contesting the Regional Cross Country at Lardner Park on 19th June.

Mr Callan Fisher
Physical Education Teacher



Pictured are Liana (5/6M), Jessica (5PR), Jordan (5BA) and Olivia (5BA) at the Division Cross Country.



Pictured are the thirty-five members of the Warragul North Primary School Division Cross Country team.

Mathematical Brain Teasers For The Whole Family

Brain Teaser Number Five – *‘Missing Price?’*

When I went to the supermarket, I purchased four items. The following shows the cost of three of the items:

\$1.50

\$3.00

\$4.00

The line at the checkout was really long, so I started playing with my iPhone calculator while waiting.

I found out, to my surprise, that the four prices of the four items I purchased added to the same number as when I multiplied the four prices together.

What was the price of the fourth item?

Entries for brain teaser number four must be in the box by 9.00am on Friday 20th June.



‘You Can Do It!’ Keys

PERSISTENCE means trying hard to do your best and not giving up when something feels like it is too difficult or boring. Examples of persistent behaviour are continuing to try even when school work is hard, not being distracted by others and checking work when completed to make sure it is correct.

Positive Habits of the Mind that help develop a young person’s Organisation include:

- ✓ **I Can Do It** – thinking that I’m more likely to be successful than I am to fail.
- ✓ **Giving Effort** – thinking that the harder I try, the more successful I will be, and knowing that success is not caused by external factors (luck, ease of task), but by internal factors (effort).
- ✓ **Working Tough** – thinking that in order to be successful in the future, I sometimes have to do things that are not easy or fun in the present.

Canteen Roster

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEER
Wednesday 4th June	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Tammy Patrick
Thursday 5th June	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Lynne Wigg
Friday 6th June	9.00am to 10.15am	Sherrie Budd Edwina Kelly
Monday 9th June	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY	NO SCHOOL TODAY
Tuesday 10th June	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Joan Grist
Wednesday 11th June	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Kate Stern
Thursday 12th June	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Simone Rhodes
Friday 13th June	9.00am to 10.15am	Angela Brown Tracey Armstrong
Monday 16th June	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Annette Thomas
Tuesday 17th June	1.30pm to 10.15am	Bridget Mainland
Wednesday 18th June	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Julie Henshall
Thursday 19th June	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Lynne Wigg
Friday 20th June	9.00am to 10.15am	Helen Sibley Chris Giles

'Walk Safely To School' Day



The annual 'Walk Safely to School' Day was held on Friday 23rd May. This event encourages children to build regular walking to and from school into their daily routine. Despite the wet weather many children walked safely to

school. Each child that walked to school received a 'Walk Safely to School' sticker. Well done to the children and families who participated in this year's 'Walk Safely to School' day.

Pictured right are Noah (5PR) and Cody (3AB) braving the weather to walk safely to school on Friday 23rd May. Great effort boys!



Warragul North Primary School celebrated Education Week with Night School



and Grandparents and 'Special Guests'



News From The Art Room



What's happening in the art room?

The Art Room has been a hive of activity and some fantastic works of art have been produced by students right across all year levels. The art work is displayed around the school so have a look when you next visit.

The Art Assistants are helping out during lunchtime art and that is working really well.

I am now looking for some parent volunteers who would like to come in and be an Art Assistant during their child's art lesson. Please check with your child's classroom teacher to see when their art lesson takes place and then let me know if you are available to help.

Mrs Debbie Dunlop
Visual Arts Teacher

Scholastic Book Club



Catalogues for the latest Scholastic Book Club were sent home last week. Please return orders to school by Friday 13th June as late orders will not be accepted. We expect orders to be delivered to the school prior to the end of Term Two.

Tournament of Minds



Two teams have been registered for Tournament of Minds, 2014. Interested students from Years Three to Six have been meeting twice a week at lunchtimes this term to learn and refine the skills required to become successful team members. They have been brainstorming creative ideas, practising their presentation skills, projecting their voices, acting specific roles, as well as checking out past Long Term and Spontaneous Challenges. Teams will be chosen and announced at the whole school assembly on Friday 6th June.

Mrs Pam Thrift-Mulholland
Tournament of Minds Co-ordinator

Important Message for Bus Travellers



Please note that there will be **NO** government school buses operating on **FRIDAY 13TH JUNE.**

'Catch 'em being good' raffle

Our 'Catch 'em being good' raffle winner is **Stephen (IVC).**
Well done!



News From Performing Arts

This semester in Performing Arts, students from Years Two to Six have focused on creating and performing dramatic works, individually and in small groups. They have been working on quick thinking and co-operative skills. Through Freeze Frames, Tableaux and short improvisations they have explored elements such as sound and stillness, tension and conflict.

Students produced some very interesting ten second 'objects'. They worked in small groups and were given an 'object' such as a skateboard which they had to create with the other members in their group within ten seconds.

Students also improvised scenes. They were given a topic and a few minutes to organise their ideas then performed for the rest of the class. Students worked to develop strong characterisation and dialogue.

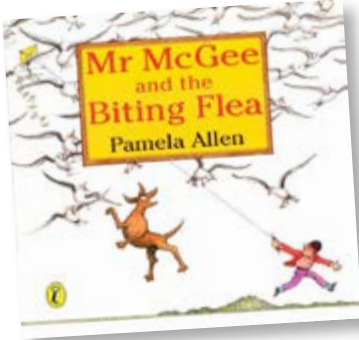
Mrs Sue Legg

Performing Arts Teacher

Pictured are students producing 'ten second objects' and improvising scenes during their Performing Arts lessons.



'Mr McGee And The Biting Flea' Excursion



On Tuesday 27th May the Foundation and Year One students travelled to the West Gippsland Arts Centre to see a performance

of much loved Pamela Allen stories including 'Mr McGee and the Biting Flea', 'Alexander's Outing' and 'Belinda', by the Patch Theatre Company.

We hope you enjoy reading what some Year One students wrote about the excursion.

"On Tuesday the whole class and Preps and students from other schools went to the Warragul Arts Centre to watch Pamela Allen shows. There were five stories. When the show started people were very excited. The actors were fantastic and they performed very well. At the end the lights went off. The exciting stories were Belinda, Alexander's Outing, Brown Bread and Honey, Mr McGee and the Biting Flea and Mr McGee and the Apple Tree."

By Marlee (1MA)

"On Tuesday we went to the Warragul Arts Centre. All the stories were amazing. The best one was Alexander's Outing. The duck came out of the hole. I was amazed!"

By Bailey (1MA)

"On Tuesday our grade went to the Arts Centre to watch a show called 'Mr McGee and the Biting Flea'. We went there on a bus. My favourite part was the Alexander's Outing story. It was my favourite because the water was going up so fast. I liked when the water went up faster than I ever have seen. I saw that the actors were doing teamwork.

The actors acted the stories out very, very well. The stories were very, very funny too. The actors looked funny. I felt wonderful." **By Sophie (1MA)**

On Tuesday we went on a bus to see a show. At the Arts Centre we saw a show and we saw lots of other school kids. My favourite part of the show was Mr McGee because one flea bit one of the people on the stage and he took off his clothes. I saw three of my friends, Arabella, Milly and Mika. I felt excited and happy and it was funny and a bit loud." **By Mia (1MA)**

"On Tuesday we all went to the Arts Centre. There were five parts of the show and my favourite part was 'Mr McGee and the Biting Flea'. It was very funny when Mr McGee took his clothes off. I felt happy." **By Ace (1MA)**

"Yesterday we went to Warragul to see the show 'Mr McGee and the Biting Flea'. I liked the dog and the biting flea." **By Ethan (1BA)**



Pictured are Jayla (0PC), Elli (0KN) and Lexie (0PC) eagerly waiting for the 'Mr McGee and the Biting Flea' performance to start.

Community News

Fundraising for Beat the Blues Gippsland

Cupcake\$ 4 \$ale



Pre-order Packs of 6

\$15 each

Text orders to Vicki 0457 221 845
(Name, No. of cupcakes & flavours, collection date)

Order by 4pm Wednesday for collection that Friday

Cupcake collection will be from **prepare to PARTY** 35 Princes Hwy
WARRAGUL between 12-2pm & 4-5pm

Chocolate Cupcakes with Cadbury Cream Cheese Frosting
Vanilla Cupcakes with Vanilla Butter Cream Frosting
Red Velvet Cupcakes with Cream Cheese Frosting
Lemon Meringue Cupcakes

Collection dates

Friday 13/06/14

Friday 04/07/14

Friday 18/07/14

lego club at the library

Join in as we take over the
Library with Lego!

Suitable for ages 5 - 12 years.

Drouin Library, 4pm

Wednesday 11 June, 9 July & 13 August

Warragul Library, 11.30am

Saturday 21 June, 19 July & 16 August



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www.wgrlc.vic.gov.au



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WARRAGUL NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

We invite you to come along to our:

**FOUNDATION 2015
INFORMATION EVENING
ON
TUESDAY 29TH JULY, 2014
AT 7.00PM
IN OUR WONDERFUL
PREP LEARNING CENTRE**



Free child minding is available on the night

**Please contact us on 56234066 should you
have any questions, or require any further
information regarding enrolment for 2015.**