



WARRAGUL NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

#11

30th July 2014

CALENDAR 2014

Thur	31 Jul	Year 1 and 2 Swimming program
Fri	1 Aug	Whole school assembly
Mon	4 Aug	Year 1 Bush Dance at 2:30pm & 3pm
Thur	7 Aug	Year 1 and 2 Swimming Program
Fri	8 Aug	National Tree Planting Day activity for 3AB West Gippsland Eisteddfod Warblers & Choristers
Wed	13 Aug	Winter Sports Football Quarter Final
Thur	14 Aug	Years 1 and 2 Swimming Program
Fri	15 Aug	Whole School Assembly at 2:50pm Parent Club Family Portraits Fundraiser
Sat	16 Aug	Parent Club Family Portraits Fundraiser
Sun	17 Aug	Parent Club Family Portraits Fundraiser
Thur	21 Aug	Years 1 and 2 Swimming Program Senior Concert 6pm show and 8pm show



Principal's Report

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Term Three commenced with a very busy fortnight. During the first and second week of term our school held approximately 64 Student Support Group meetings to discuss student's needs, their current progress and goals for the future. These meetings for students with additional needs involve parents, advocates, teachers, aides and conveners.

During the second week of term Parent/Teacher Interviews were held for Foundation to Year Six students. These interviews and meetings are a vital part of the process of supporting student learning in partnership. A sincere thank you to all who have taken these opportunities to communicate.

Foundation (Prep) Information Evening

Yesterday, Tuesday 29th July, we held our Foundation (Prep) Information evening in the BER Building which houses our Prep Learning Centre. The Foundation teaching team had prepared a great presentation, including a slide show of 'experts' (current Foundation students) who explained to the prospective Foundation parents the

importance of naming drink bottles, being able to do up your shoe laces and pack your bag!!

A big thank you to the staff and parents who made the evening such a success. We look forward to welcoming the 2015 Foundation students and their parents to our orientation program later in the year.

Setting Future Directions for Warragul North Primary School

The focus for Term Three is to complete the self-evaluation component of the school review process that all government schools are required to undertake every four years. Mrs Winsome Warren has been appointed as our school reviewer. Later this term Mrs Warren will visit our school and meet the staff and students. She will also collect our self-evaluation report.

We are currently collecting information from students about their opinion on being a learner and learning at Warragul North Primary School. This information obtained from students will be included in our school self-evaluation.

Corinne Collins
Principal

NEXT ASSEMBLY

Our next whole school assembly is Friday 1st August

West Gippsland Winter Sports Football & Netball Finals

Last Thursday 24th July, our netball and football teams travelled to Sale to compete in the West Gippsland Winter Sports Regional Finals. Ms Manuel coached the netball team and cheered them on for the four games they played, but despite playing their best they were unsuccessful in all four games. The girls can be proud of their sportsmanship, effort and teamwork during this year's Winter Sports Netball competition.

Miss Cummings and William Pyle have coached this year's Winter Sports Football team and they have played magnificently in every game and remain undefeated in the Winter Sports Competition. The Regional Finals were no different and the boys played four fantastic games to come out as winners on the day. It was lovely to see parents making the journey to Sale to support the netball and football teams.

Miss Cummings and the footballers are very excited about the next stage of their Winter Sports journey which will be the quarter finals to be held on Wednesday 13th August. If the boys continue their winning streak at the quarter finals they will then proceed to the Winter Sports State Finals which will take place on Thursday 21st August. Well done boys!



Pictured are the girls from the Winter Sports Netball team. Back row: Meg (6CU), Ondine (6GA), Jalen (6GA), Paige (5/6M), Bec (5/6M) and Renee (6GA). Front row: Maddy (5/6M), Ellie (6CU), Meg (6GA) and Rhylee (6CU).



Pictured are the very proud boys from the Winter Sports Football team wearing their winner's medals and holding up the winner's flag. Back row: Finn (5/6M), Tyler (5/6M), Andrew (5PR), Alex (5PR), Angus (6GA) and Matthew (5/6M). Middle row: Jarrod (6CU), Harry (5/6M), Tim (6CU), Seb (5/6M), Josh (6GA), Cooper (5/6M), Rhiley (6CU) and Brayden (6CU). Front row: Alex (5/6M), Corey (5/6M), Sage (6CU), Charlie (5/6M), Harrison (6CU) and Beau (6GA). Absent: Thomas (5BA).

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Children at OSHC have settled in well after the holidays and have enjoyed their activities. If the weather is suitable we spend some time outside at After School Care before crossing to the house. Paper craft has been popular over the past two weeks. A craft book is available to teach the art of paper folding and the children have made some great designs.

Board games and farm animals have amused many of the children along with the regular activities of colouring, craft, computers and the Wii. Children can work on their homework projects at OSHC and we have a wide range of craft supplies available for them to use.

There is always someone celebrating their birthday at OSHC and the children always enjoy a birthday party. The children help in the kitchen making the birthday cake and party food and also help with the washing up afterwards.

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

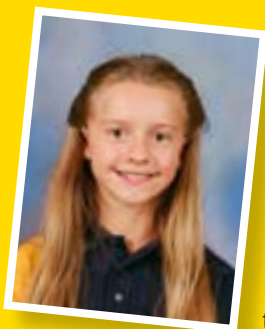


Pictured is OSHC Carer, Marg Hayes, who recently had a very special birthday party at OSHC.



Pictured are Finn (5/6M), Keinan (1VC) and Cailee (3DE) celebrating their birthdays with their friends at OSHC.

Aussie of the Month



The 'Aussie of the Month' program is a great way to recognise school students' achievement - without them having to win a race or sit an exam. It is designed to encourage children to be proud of themselves, their school and to understand the responsibilities and rewards of community

participation. During 2014 staff at Warragul North Primary School has agreed to regularly bestow this honour on a student.

**'Aussie of the Month' for May is:
Holly (5BA)**

Holly Magyar is an extremely worthy winner of this month's 'Aussie of the Month'.

Holly is a caring and reliable class member who consistently looks to help and support those around her. Holly is a member of the Environment and Sustainability Group and she is very conscientious about her duties and carries them out with due diligence. She has spoken confidently, to the whole school at assembly about improving our environment.

Holly shows great interest and enthusiasm for her Humanities tasks, and eagerly seeks information independently. The standard of her finished work is very high and reflects the commitment she makes to her learning.

Congratulations Holly on being awarded 'Aussie of the Month' for July, 2014.

PARENT OPINION SURVEYS

The use of opinion data to monitor school performance is a very important step towards making our school the best it can possibly be. In recent years, we have conducted annual and anonymous opinion surveys for staff, children and parents and use the information gained to drive school improvements. On Monday 28th July, eighty randomly selected families will have received a parent opinion survey and we request that these families return the completed surveys to school by Friday 1st August 2014.

SENIOR CONCERT

Rehearsals are well under way for this year's Senior Concert for children in Years Three to Six. The date for the Senior Concert is Thursday 21st August and it will be held at the West Gippsland Arts Centre, Warragul. As always there will be two performances; the first at 6.00pm and the second at 8.00pm.

Ticket order forms were sent home early last week and many families have sent their orders in already. Please send ticket orders in as soon as possible so you don't miss out. Tickets will be sent home on Friday 8th August and extra tickets will be for sale from the office on Wednesday 13th August. The price of tickets is \$8.00.

NEW MINISTERIAL ORDERS FOR SPECIAL RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

During the first week of the term, a new consent form for your child/children's participation in Special Religious Instruction (SRI) was sent home as a result of a new Ministerial Order which governs the way SRI is delivered in schools, and came into effect on Monday 14th July, 2014 (the first day of Term 3).

The requirements of schools and SRI instructors are different under this new Ministerial Order, and as a result existing parental consent did not extend into Term Three. Consequently in consultation with our instructors, we have currently cancelled SRI at Warragul North Primary School.

The new consent forms were due to be returned by Wednesday 23rd July, 2014 and to date 165 forms out of 454 have been returned. On Friday 1st August I will make a decision as to whether SRI will continue in 2014 based on the number of families who have consented to their child attending SRI. As per the orders this form will be issued again for the beginning of the 2015 school year and, following that, annually as required by the new orders.

In addition to reading the information sent home with the consent form, I would encourage you to familiarise yourself with the changes to the way SRI is run, both through the Ministerial Order (<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/departments/legislation/Pages/sri.aspx>) and Department of Education and Early Childhood Development policy (<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/curriculum/pages/religious.aspx>).

Corinne Collins
Principal

Active After-School Activities

The Active After-School Communities program is an Australian Government national initiative that provides primary school children with access to free sport and structured physical activity programs after school. The program aims to engage children in sporting activities through a positive and fun experience, to develop a love of sport that inspires them to join a local sporting club.

During Term Two the Active After-School activities held at Warragul North Primary School were A.F.L. Skills, Taekwondo and Zumba. The Term Three Active After-School activities on offer are Volleyball, Basketball and Netball which will commence next week. Please make sure you return your child's permission form so they can take part in their chosen activity.



Pictured are the Active After-School Activities which were held at Warragul North Primary School during Term Two. The children had a great time enjoying Taekwondo, A.F.L. Skills and Zumba.



Canteen Roster

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEER
Wednesday 30th July	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Nick Norris
Thursday 31st July	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Lynne Wigg
Friday 1st August	9.00am to 10.15am	Edwina Kelly Angela Brown
Monday 4th August	9.00am to 10.15am	Ronny Dent
Tuesday 5th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Lindy Kennon
Wednesday 6th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Julie Henshall
Thursday 7th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Mecarla Downie
Friday 8th August	9.00am to 10.15am	Chris Giles Sherrie Budd
Monday 11th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Robyn Weeks
Tuesday 12th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Nicole Germershausen
Wednesday 13th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Kate Stern

News from the Art Room

The focus in the Art room for Term Three is threads and textiles. The children will be creating hessian art and will be learning some basic sewing skills such as, threading a needle, tying knots, learning the running stitch, back stitch, cross stitch and fishbone. It sounds as though it is going to be great fun!

Mrs Debbie Dunlop
Visual Arts Teacher

Pictured are Lucy (6CU), Brylie (0KN) and Sage (5/6M) with their beautiful artworks that earned them 'Artist of the Week' awards which were presented at assembly on Friday 18th July.



Performing Arts News

Later this term as part of 'Musical Mayhem', all children in Foundation and Year One will be making their own instrument. To help us with this we need the children to bring some items from home, as follows:

Foundation:

Plastic bottles e.g. 600ml soft drink/cordial bottle; small juice bottle (300 – 1l); Pavlova Magic container; 600ml cream bottles; 1.2l soft drink bottle, or something similar.

**All bottles must be washed and dry and with labels removed if possible.*

Year One:

Cardboard tubes of all sizes e.g. suitable types are from gladwrap, baking paper, aluminium foil.

**NO toilet roll centres please.*

Thank you for your continued support of the Performing Arts program at Warragul North Primary School.

Mrs Jill Binks
Performing Arts Teacher

'FOR THE RECORD' 2014

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 19TH 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 2014.

Ann Burton
'For the Record' Co-ordinator

State Cross Country Championships



Cooper 5/6M



Tom 3/4P

Congratulations to Cooper (5/6M) and Tom (3/4P) who qualified to compete at the State Cross Country Championships on Thursday 17th July at Bundoora Park, Bundoora.

In his division Cooper ran very well and placed 70th out of a field of 88. Tom also did a great job and placed 82nd out of a field of 92.

Top effort Cooper and Tom!

LIONS CLUB SHOW GREAT SUPPORT



Our school is most fortunate to receive wonderful support from the Lions Club of Warragul. This group of community spirited people has consistently provided support to a number of our students and their families. The kind, generous donations from the Warragul Lions Club have provided assistance in a large variety of ways, so a B-I-G, huge thank you to all Lions Club members.

'Catch 'em being good' raffle

Our 'Catch 'em being good' raffle winner is **Madeline (3DE)**.
Well done!





University of N.S.W. Computer Skills Competition

Warragul North Primary School is committed to providing opportunities for all students to be challenged and extended in their learning. In 2014, students in Years Three to Six have the opportunity to compete in the highly regarded competition International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) through the University of New South Wales. The results for the Computer Skills competition are:

DISTINCTION

Keira (3HE)

CREDIT

Natalie (5/6M)

Aaron (4TH)

PARTICIPATION

Thomas (5BA)

Ben (6CU)

Congratulations to all children who participated in the Computer Skills competition. Well done!



Pictured are Tom, Ben, Natalie, Aaron and Keira proudly displaying their Computer Skills certificates.

Community News



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Year 7

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PARENT INFORMATION SESSION: JULY 31st



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Applications open: August 1st Applications close: August 15th

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