

WARRAGUL NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLE T'' 27th August 2014







CALENDAR 2014

Book Week J.S.C dress up day - gold coin donation Whole School Assembly

Wed

Foundation excursion to Chesterfield Farm

Father's Day Stall

Music Soiree at 6:30pm in the BER Building

Fri

Whole School Assembly

Fri

Last day of Term Three -2:30pm finish

NEXT ASSEMBLY

Our next whole school assembly is Friday 29th August

Principal's Report

Education Support Staff Recognition Week

During the week of 25th to 29th August 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, our Chaplain and the Outside School Hours Care team. Thank you for the work you do on a daily basis to assist our teachers, children and parents. A special morning tea will be held this week to acknowledge and thank our E.S. staff (pictured below).



Principal Report cont.

Senior School Concert

Congratulations and well done to all associated with our Senior Concert held at the West Gippsland Arts Centre last Thursday evening, 21st August. The concert was very well co-ordinated by Ms Karen Dellar and was well supported by staff and parents.

Mrs Sue Legg, our Performing Arts Teacher for Year Three to Year Six students, has worked tirelessly with each class to ensure their item was student centred. Students have been involved with music selection. choreography, scripts and acting. This whole process has been led and developed by Mrs Legg. Thank you to Mrs Legg for producing a fast moving and entertaining concert. It was such a pleasure to see our children enjoying themselves as they dressed up and entertained their families, relatives and friends.

It was very pleasing to receive such positive of the Warragul North Primary School





OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

OSHC sessions continue to be well attended with a waiting list for some After School Care sessions. Our current theme is 'occupations'. Children have said what they would like to do when they finish school. They have dressed up in clothes depicting their chosen occupation and had their photo taken. We have also taken some family group photos when the parents have collected their children from OSHC. These will be a great record in the children's' portfolios.

A meeting of the Baw Baw OSHC network was held at Drouin West on Wednesday 20th August. Five OSHC services were represented with ideas being shared and discussion held on various issues that arise in OSHC. Dani from Gowrie Victoria had information on Professional Development available and helpful advice for running successful OSHC programs.

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















West Gippsland Eisteddfod

The Warblers gave a very good performance in the West Gippsland Eisteddfod to achieve second in the District Primary School Junior Choir section. They sang two songs: 'Moon Shadow' and 'The Tennesse Wigwalk'. The adjudicator made comment that the students knew the words and phrasing very well. Well done to all the Warblers for your persistence in learning the songs so well and performing confidently as a team. You looked terrific on stage in your sparkly vests.

Miss Anne Martin and Mrs Connie Geiberras Warblers Leaders

"Stunning presentation. Very well disciplined. Expressive faces. Strong dynamics. Well done!" ... were the closing remarks on the Choristers' adjudication sheet after they competed in the West Gippsland Eisteddfod on Friday 8th August. All students sang beautifully and represented our school with great pride. They achieved third place for their performance in the Regional Primary School Junior Choir section and were awarded a \$50 encouragement award. Special thanks to Anthony Gardner, Caroline Allen and Jill Binks for assisting on the day.



Canteen Roster

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEER
Wednesday 27th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Nick Norris
Thursday 28th August	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Lynne Wigg
Friday 29th August	9.00am to 10.15am	Kirrily Saxton Amy Robson
Monday 1st September	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Nicole Wickes
Tuesday 2nd September	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Lindy Kennon
Wednesday 3rd September	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Robyn Weeks
Thursday 4th September	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Mecarla Downie
Friday 5th September	9.00am to 10.15am	Angela Brown Tracey Armstrong
Monday 8th September	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Ronny Dent
Tuesday 9th September	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Fiona Saltmarsh
Wednesday 10th September	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Julie Henshall

'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' Coordinator

NEWS FROM THE ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY TEAM

In our efforts to reduce paper waste and excess packaging in our school we are promoting and encouraging 'Nude Food' lunches.

What is Nude Food?
Nude Food is simply food that is not wrapped in foil,
plastic or commercial packaging.

The best type of nude food consists mainly of fresh food, so that it is healthy and nutritious PLUS environmentally friendly.

Included in today's newsletter are some handy hints on how to pack a 'nude food' lunch. Look out for more handy hints in future newsletters.

Mrs Chris Heseltine

Environment and Sustainability Team Leader

'Catch 'em being good' raffle

Our 'Catch 'em being good' raffle winner is **Ethan (6GA).**

Well done!





Pack Your Own ZERO WASTELYNCH

Take a look at the two lunchboxes below. What things are the same in each lunchbox? What things are different?





Did you notice that each lunchbox contains a sandwich, a drink, some fruit, and a few crackers? But what will you have left over when you're done eating lunch?





After eating lunch A, you'll have a lot of rubbish. Lunch B is what we call a Zero Waste Lunch because after lunch you have no rubbish to throw into the bin! All you have left is an apple core which can be composted or fed to worms.

Tips for packing a zero waste lunch:

- use a reusable lunchbox instead of a paper bag to carry your lunch
- get a reusable sandwich container so you won't have to use plastic wrap
- use a refillable bottle for juice
- buy items in bulk avoid individually wrapped packets of biscuits, chips etc.

Remember, everything in a Zero Waste Lunch can be eaten, reused or composted

TRY THIS.

What you need:

- one 250 g packet of M&M's
- one 210 g packet of M&M's



Open your M&M's and answer the following questions.

- Which packet is biggest in size?
- 2. Which packet weighs the most?
- **3.** Which packet contains the most chocolate?
- **4.** Which packet contains the most packaging waste?
- **5.** Which packet costs the most?
- **6.** Which packet gives you the best value?
- 7. Why is it a good idea to buy items in bulk rather than individually packed?

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: Bianca (3AB)

Bianca is a deserving winner of this month's 'Aussie of the Month'.

Bianca is a friendly, responsible and mature student who strives to reflect the values of our school and she follows the school rules. Bianca demonstrates respect, kindness and friendliness to all.

Bianca is a great role model to her peers at Warragul North Primary School. She displays persistence as she strives to apply herself to all areas of her learning. Bianca actively displays the skills of a good learner asking questions to clarify her understanding and setting SMART goals to ensure that she continues to achieve. Bianca takes great pride in her work taking the time to ensure that all tasks are completed to a very high standard.

As well as giving of her best to her learning Bianca is a very supportive and encouraging friend and classmate. She ensures that everyone is cared for and is not left playing alone.

Congratulations Bianca on being awarded 'Aussie of the Month' for August 2014.

Vicspell

On Wednesday 6th August, Natalie (5/6M), William (5PR), Luke (6CU) and Angus (6GA) represented our school at the Baw Baw Zone VicSpell Championships. These four very talented spellers participated in a 'Spelling Bee' formatted competition against children from schools in our region.

All four children displayed great confidence and sportsmanship throughout the evening. They spelt some very challenging words to advance through the first few rounds. Angus was our highest placed representative, coming equal third in the Year Six competition.

Congratulations to all four of our Vicspell representatives!



News from the Art Room

Students have completed their unit of work on Threads and Textiles and have all completed a stitch or two onto hessian! We have had lots of fish, teddy bears and owls stitched and stuffed during the last few weeks. All students have learnt how to complete a running stitch and a back stitch and hopefully everyone can tie a knot too!

Our next unit of work will focus on the illustrations in texts nominated for this year's Book Week. In particular we will be looking at the artwork in 'I'm a Dirty Dinosaur' - (we will be painting with mud!), 'The Treasure Box' and

Mrs Debbie Dunlop



Tournament Of Minds



Congratulations to both Tournament of Minds teams for their entertaining Long Term Challenge Presentations and for striving to achieve their best efforts in the 'secret' Spontaneous Challenge, behind closed doors, at Federation University, Churchill on Saturday 23rd August.

Language Literature Team

Vanessa (5BA), Charli (4TH), Amina (4TH), Jack (4TH), Aaron (4TH), Charlie (3DE) and Taj (3DE).

Social Science Team

Tom (6GA), Natalie (5/6M), Ella (5BA), Brittany (4SE), Jordyn (4SE), Indyanna (4TH) and Kyla (4TH).

Unfortunately, Warragul North Primary School didn't have any winning teams in the Gippsland Regional Finals this year but the students who participated are WINNERS through their involvement in Tournament of Minds.

Members of both teams have benefited from the journey that started casually mid Term One and that has been increasing in intensity especially during the official preparation period for the first six weeks of this term.

Participation in the Tournament has offered these students a unique, total experience, providing challenge and growth. The Tournament process has provided a platform for excellence and equipped participants with strategies and skills that will support future success. Tournament of Minds has stimulated a spirit of inquiry and a love of learning.

Working in teams, effective problem solving, thinking outside the square and the use of technology are values that employers are searching for in the employee of the future. Tournament of Minds mirrors what successful businesses practise.

Team Members have utilised, developed and/or extended the following skills:

- Problem solving of real open-ended challenges
- Reading
- Interpreting printed material
- Researching
- Script writing
- Divergent and creative thinking
- Costume, props and set making
- Performing, acting and presenting
- Cooperating in teams
- Organising ideas and materials
- Interacting with students from different year levels
- Managing time
- Being enterprising
- Preparing for competition
- Accepting challenge
- Appreciating themselves and others
- Experimenting and taking risks

Thank you to parents for your support, especially during the past six weeks, for enabling your children to attend after school meetings/ rehearsals, and for ensuring that they were all available for the intensive session on Sunday 17th and of course for Saturday's Regional Finals.

A special thank you to Rachael Schmidt for her support with the Language Literature team and to class teachers for their cooperation in allowing students to attend extra rehearsals over the past two weeks or for supervising groups of my students to enable me to be available for Tournament of Minds activities.

Congratulations once again to the fourteen team members, who have made themselves, their parents, families, teachers and the Warragul North School Community extremely proud. Hope to see the majority of you back for the 2015 Tournament and bring some friends!

Mrs Pam Thrift-Mulholland Tournament of Minds Coordinator





EVERY DAY COUNTS

Primary school attendance



At Warragul North Primary School we strongly encourage punctuality and attendance. At 8.50am the 'bag bell' sounds and children hang their bags up and enter their classrooms ready for a 9.00am start. We also know the importance of regular attendance and follow the 'It's not ok to be away or late' process.

Students who attend school each day of the term will be awarded a certificate for 100% attendance. It was fantastic to be able to award eighty-one certificates for 100% attendance during Term Two. Year One had the highest number of certificates awarded with nineteen, and Year Four were second with sixteen certificates.

How many children will receive 100% attendance certificates for Term Three?

JSC Toy Drive

Our Junior School Council would like to thank all the families who donated to our toy drive. People were very generous and all year levels have benefited from the toys and games donated. Many grades have already enjoyed the new activities. The games, toys and activities will be used for wet day timetables.

Mr Ross Jones Junior School Council Co-ordinator



Pictured are Finley (3HE), Hannah (4TH), Jessica (5PR), Tarryn (3/4P), Sienna (4SE), Bonnie (5BA), Hannah (3AB) and Jacob (3DE) with some of the great toys donated during the Junior School Council toy drive.

Dental Visit

The children from Year One were fortunate to be involved in a special dental hygiene lesson. Elise, from Pacific Smiles, demonstrated to the children how to effectively look after their teeth.

Her engaging and interesting talk was supported by her wonderful use of puppets, which had the children really intrigued and engaged. She showed the children how to properly look after their teeth and each child was provided with a kit to use at home. Elise also explained to the children what are the good foods and drinks to keep your teeth healthy.

Thank you Elise and Pacific Smiles for your time and the wonderful lesson.





Community News

IUNIOR TENNIS PLAYERS WANTED!



WARRAGUL TENNIS CLUB IS LOOKING FOR PLAYERS FROM

BEGINNERS TO ADVANCED

SATURDAY MORNING COMPETITION
(OCTORER-MARCH)



CONTACT JENNY ASHLEY 0421 649 887

OR

COME DOWN TO OUR TRAINING NIGHTS FROM 4:30-5:30pm & REGISTER

WEDNESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2014

ALL WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR LOADS OF FUN & GAMES AT OUR

FREE OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2014 (11:30-2PM)

GET YOUR KIDS INVOLVED IN A GREAT SPORT





WARRAGUL NORTH TENNIS CLUB

or Junior President Jason Batson - 0423 299 350

Registration Night

DATE: Wednesday 3rd September

TIME: 4.00pm to 5.00pm

WHERE: Warragul North Tennis Club,

Charles Street, Warragul

New players welcome

- no experience necessary!