WHAT’S ON?

**May**
- Fri 03 Interschool Sport v’s Ringwood North PS
- Tues 07 Open Day - Prep Info night 7:30pm
- Tues 07 Buildings, Grounds Sustainability meeting 7:30pm
- Wed 08 Mother’s day stall
- Thu 09 The Best I Can Be Incursion Yr 3/4
- Fri 10 Interschool Sport v’s Kalinda PS
- Wed 15 Promotions Meeting 8:00am
- Fri 17 Finance Committee meeting 8:15am
- Fri 17 Interschool Sport v’s Croydon Hill PS
- Mon-Fri 20-31 Middle school Yr 3/4 Swimming Program

**June**
- Fri 07 Curriculum Day NO SCHOOL
- Mon 10 Labour Day NO SCHOOL

**Principal Report**

**PADDY’S MARKET**

Despite the downpour early in the event, it was yet another successful day. I love the controlled chaos and the personal skills shown by all students. In the afternoon our student leaders organised and ran the disco. Jacinta shared these thoughts after the day... "I was so proud of the way the school and house captains ran the disco yesterday. After holding 3 meetings with them covering topics such as music selection, dance games, crowd control techniques and mc skills, they proved to all that they indeed poses the qualities required for leadership".
CROSS COUNTRY
Although I missed the event (as a spectator!) I know that it was a successful morning. Rod will create a team to go on to the next level of the event as we move towards state championships.

METAL RECYCLING
Don’t forget that the bins will be on site until next Monday 6 May. If the skips are full just leave metal “stuff” beside them!

UNIFORM
Thank you for all the responses. We are now collating those responses and School Council will make recommendations on the next step.

GROUND WORKS
This week we have had two asphalt footpaths replaced (from car park to office and from Wellington Park Drive back gate to the end of the school building). Both paths were breaking up and becoming unsafe.

CURRICULUM DAY
Our next Curriculum Day will be Friday 7 June. Monday 10 June is the Queen’s Birthday public holiday so we thought this a good opportunity for a long weekend for some of our families.

CANTEEN
Please remember that there are no school lunch orders on Wednesdays.

2013 Victorian Premier’s Reading Challenge.
It’s time to register!

We are now registering students to participate in this year’s Premier’s Reading Challenge. This year we are starting later due to the industrial action which has now been lifted.

Once again the challenge includes all Primary School levels. Year 3-6 children are challenged to read 15 books and Prep-2 children are challenged to read or ‘experience’ 30 books from the Challenge lists. Prep-2 children can read independently or experience books – this includes shared reading or being read to and can involve parents, teachers, siblings, student buddies or classmates. We will be registering our students starting this week.

Certificates signed by the Premier will be awarded to celebrate the achievements of all students who successfully complete the Reading Challenge. Names of students will be also published in a special supplement in The Sunday Age in Term 4.

If your child /children would like to enter the Victorian Premier’s Reading Challenge please print and fill out the permission form included in this week’s Connect and return it as soon as possible to your child’s classroom teacher. Once consent forms have been returned your child/children will then be registered and given their individual user name and password. They will also be given a student instruction sheet to help them get started. When your child has read a book he/she can begin recording their reading online and watch their own indicator grow as they get closer to their target!
Reading to Young Children: A Head-Start in Life
Did you know that reading to young children every day has enormous benefits for their brain development, thinking skills and language? Young children who are read to regularly also do better at school according to a study conducted by the Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research and funded by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. To find out more, see:

- [The Age - Proof of benefits of reading to children](#)
- [Research Publications](#)

For more VPRC information and this year’s booklist visit [www.education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc)

Yvonne Reid and Ann Mangan
2013 Challenge Co-ordinators

Assistant Principal Report

Paddy’s Market
I love Paddy’s Market. The fun and excitement on the faces of our students is great but even more so to see the skills the children develop is wonderful. The planning, making, advertising and managing is challenging but rewarding and the shopping and sharing is so much fun. Well done to everyone and we look forward to hearing what the SRC feels the funds raised should be used for.

Cross Country
Congratulations to all students who ran in the cross country. The house team feeling was outstanding and I was very pleased to see so many students being supportive of others. Well done to everyone for getting house points. During the morning I was conducting a tour and I was very proud to tell the parents that Warranwood has an outstanding house program that recognises the contribution that all students make.

Michael Ymer
This week we have our third Maths day with Michael Ymer. He will be completing his second session with the senior school and the preps and the final session with the middle school. The third session with each group will focus on staff working with Michael to further explore AUSVels and the National Curriculum. I have particularly enjoyed seeing Michael work with our students and engage each child during his teaching sessions.

Sue

Leadership photos
House and school Captain photos are available to order and pay for at the office. $15 per photo. Cheque, cash or EFTPOS available.

Office News

Student Attendance
Parents have a responsibility to ensure that their children attend school regularly and, if absent, that they provide a written explanation to the school explaining why the absence has occurred. Regular attendance provides the best opportunity for student learning.

Please note if your child is ill or attending a medical appointment or if your family is having an extended family holiday, can you please ensure that you notify the school and/or the classroom teacher with a phone call and/or written explanation.

The Department of Education has initiated a push towards less student absences for unexplained reasons. Some parents will have already received a letter asking for further clarification of unexplained attendances for their child. These letters will be issued monthly if a child has 3 or more unexplained absences.

Let's make Warranwood Primary School a school where “It’s Not Ok to Be Away”.

Please refer to the attached brochure highlighting why “It’s Not Ok to Be Away!”

Brigid
Sporting Success
On Saturday and Sunday 20th and 21st April I competed in the Tintern Inter-school horse trail championships. My pony Snow White and I had to compete Dressage, Show Jumping and Cross Country after Dressage and Show Jumping. I was in 12th place after jumping clear at Cross Country I finished the competition in 10th place. I competed for Warranwood Primary School. There were 22 riders competing from all different schools in my section.

Abbey W 5/6CT

Sports News

Winter Sport - Round 2 - WPS V Ringwood North PS
Friday May 3

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Rod Neal

Library News
I have quite a number of new and exciting books in the Library. I was wondering if any parents/grandparents/friends may be able to cover the books with Contact. The books will then be available more quickly for student borrowing.

All contact provided by the Library
I am here on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for pickup or dropoff.

With thanks
Kim Barlow

Health Centre News
Keeping up with Technology - Top 4 Free Apps for Health
- Better Health Channel – Health and medical information , nutrition and recipes.
- Food switch – Scan barcode and find a healthier option ie lower in fats, salt and sugar.
- My Quit Buddy – Mobile quit coach to motivate to stay smoke free (Quitline 137 843).
- The Eatery – food analysis - why we eat what we do and how to make healthy changes.

Gay Brown

THANKS
Thank you to all the students who purchased bandanas for CANTEEN or made a donation. We raised $344.00 - a great effort and much appreciated by the Cancer Support groups.

Junior SRC Coordinators Anita Saliba and Vicky Papadakis

Paddy’s Market
To all students, parents and staff,
Thank you so much for all your help with Paddy’s Market. We had a wonderful day even though the weather was a little unkind to us. There was lots of excitement around the school with many students showing their purchases and talking about the activities they did. Thank you 5/6s for your wonderful activities and the disco organisation.
Paddy's Market is an opportunity for all the school to have some fun together and to raise some money for school projects. The Year 5/6 students organise activities for the whole school to participate in. Once the money is raised the SRC students, after consulting with their grade, discuss how the money should be spent. This engages the Paddy's Market motto ‘For the children by the children’.

Well done everyone!

Belinda Fowler

PARENTS ASSOCIATION REPORT

Don’t forget the Mother/Son night this Friday the 3rd of May at 5.30pm. You can still get your forms in, for your sons, by Friday morning at the office. Flyer is attached below.

Please remember our Mother’s Day Stall on Wednesday the 8th of May, gifts range from $1 to $5. Please send a bag clearly named for your child to bring their gift/s home in. Any child who has forgotten their money can still purchase a gift via layby. All laybys must paid for and picked up from the office from 8.30am on Thursday the 9th of May.

A special thanks needs to go to Wendy (grandmother of Jett S) for so generously donating 29 hand knitted fashion scarves. They look absolutely fantastic and we raised $348 for the school.

Trivia question: What Australian Company is the largest surf wear manufacture?

Thanks

Georgie
(Oh - the answer is: Quicksilver)

Canteen News

A reminder that Canteen is closed for lunch orders on Wednesdays. Canteen will not be open for over the counter sales during Term 2.

ROSTER FOR THE NEXT 3 WEEKS :-

May 2013

Fri 03 Tania Cullen-Hall, Trish Grant, Nicole Thorpe
Mon 06 Peta Pennell, 😊
Tues 07 Wendy Harrison, Heather Jones
Wed 08 CANTEEN CLOSED
Thu 09 😊 😊
Fri 10 Tanya Ellard, Sam Ireland, Liz McGinley
Mon 13 Kate Bevins, 😊
Tues 14 Jenni Carey, Sonia Greaves
Wed 15 CANTEEN CLOSED
Thu 16 😊 😊
Fri 17 Shauna McIntosh, Cara Mooney, Connie Panagiotopoulos
Mon 20 Sharna Evans, Kelly Gersh
Tues 21 Jane Fletcher, Andrew Gersh
Wed 22 CANTEEN CLOSED
Thu 23 Shona Booth, Mandy Dunlop
Fri 24 Fiona Hall, Lydia Orfanidis, Julie Turnbull

😊 Canteen Vacancies
If you are unable to attend canteen duty on the day you are rostered, please contact me during canteen hours or after hours on 9876 1288 or mobile 0413 370 898. Thank you.

Rosemary
Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update
We had a great week celebrating our various cultural backgrounds: we made flags, painted tartan, played games from around the world and tasted some yummy foods from different countries!
Our Soccer session on Tuesday and Dance on Thursday were really successful, come and join us: the more-the merrier! These activities are with no extra charge to our afternoon fee.
Have a look at our photos from this week 😊

playdough our flags balloon painting

What’s on next week

This week is going to be all about Science!

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These activities will take place along with our usual group games, construction, cooking and free play activities.

Parent Information

WARRANWOOD OSHCLUB program phone: 0411-656-031
Coordinator: Jill Hansen
Assistant: Robyn Hansen, Hannah Cantwell, Lisa Fell.

BOOK AND CANCEL ON LINE TO AVOID EXTRA FEE
If it’s within 24hrs ring the program direct 0411 656 031.
Please book children before 9am on the day attending to guarantee a place.

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember enrolment is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
Mothers' Day Stall

This year's stall will be held on:

Wednesday 8th May

For Prep to Grade 6, from 9.15am until around 12.50pm. A variety of gifts available for purchase from $1 - $5.00.

Please allow your child to bring some money on the day to purchase gifts for Mum and/or Grandma.

Children who forget their money on the day will still be able to select gifts. These must be paid for and collected from the First Aid Room the following morning by 9am.

Parent Help will be required on this day. If you are able to assist please indicate times and return this slip to the office.

Name: ________________________

Phone: _______________________ Email: _______________________

I am available to help on Wed 8 May between ______ & ______.

Or Contact

Jenny Brown on 0407 932 049 or
Amanda McMahon on 0419 308 003
WARRANWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL
MOTHER & SON SPORTS NIGHT

FRIDAY 3RD MAY 2013
5.30pm to 7.30pm

Come along boys dressed ready for a great sports night with your mum, grandma, aunt or big sister

Eat your meal deal, have some fun and have your portrait taken with your mum or special lady

All Inclusive Meal Deal includes entry & activities:
2 Slices of pizza
(Please let us know if Vegetarian Pizza is required)
Water Bottle or Can of Soft Drink
Icy Pole

ALL FOR ONLY $25.00 for both mum and son
Additional Children $10.00 each

The kiosk and bar will be open for extra snacks & drinks

Professional Portraits will be taken by Paul France Photography
Sizes 5 x 7 $8.00 or 8 x 6 $10.00
50% of all proceeds go to the school

Any queries please contact Shona Booth on 0423 160 790

PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTOM SECTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT IN AN ENVELOPE BY NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 26TH APRIL

Child’s / Children’s Name(s):____________________________________________________
Class(es):_______________________________ Total Amount Enclosed:$_____________

Payment Method:o Credit Card  o Cash  o Cheque  Amount: $_________
Card Number — — — — / — — — — / — — — — / — — — — — — — —
Expiry Date — — / — —
Name on Card: _____________________________  Signed: _______________________
May 2013

Sustainability Sub Committee @ WPS

‘Growing’ our Committee / Parent Helpers Required

In 2013 we need to grow our committee with more parent members. Green thumb, lover of power tools, keen to support sustainability education integration into the curriculum, building projects, word smith and marketing guru, planting and weeding are your thing, why not get involved with the Sustainability Sub-Committee at WPS, the committee that’s ‘growing places’.

NEXT MEETING:
Tuesday 7 MAY
@ 7.30 pm
Teachers Staffroom
ALL WELCOME

The SSC:
- Supports the Green- ology Students and Teachers
- Organises awesome Working Bees
- Improves and maintains WPS outdoor learning environment
- Helps promote environmental, social and economic sustainability

Working Bee Coordinator/s—Is it YOU?

IN 2013 we need someone or a job-share team to be the working bee coordinator/s.

The role may involve:
- Some Landscaping expertise
- Order materials
- Coordinate Volunteers
- Attend Monthly meetings
- Outdoor project design and plan

For more information please contact
Brenton Stokes
PH: 0412 847 543