



Warranwood Primary School CONNECTIONS

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM 3 2017

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 3

It's hard to believe we are half a year down already!

We hope you have enjoyed a restful break with family and friends and are ready for another action packed 6 months of 2017.

With the chilly winter season well and truly upon us, we ask that you please ensure your child's jumpers and extra layers are clearly labelled so that we can do our best to return lost items.



As the year progresses, students continue to develop their independence and responsibility for their learning. Establishing a morning routine is crucial in order to set them up for success throughout the day. Please ensure your child arrives to school at 8:45 to allow them time to organise themselves. Continue to encourage your child to change their own readers and be responsible for hanging up their bag in order to establish independence.

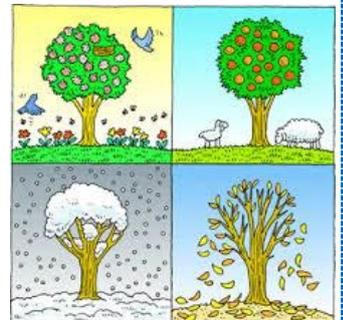
WEATHER AND SEASONS

Summer, autumn, winter, spring, we can't wait for what this term will bring.

This term, students will become budding meteorologists with our study of weather and seasons.

Students will have the opportunity to

track Melbourne's unpredictable weather daily and conduct ongoing investigations around areas such as rainfall, wind and sunlight.



At the beginning of Term 3, students will be participating in a Mad About Science incursion called 'Wicked Weather'.



The session will run for 90 minutes. This includes fun experiments to tune students into the upcoming topic.

Students will find out how air in the atmosphere is always on the move, carrying clouds, rain and snow around the globe.

This term, we are also lucky enough to have our resident scientist, Jess Holien, come back into the classroom for some hands-on science experiments.

RIVER OF VOICES

Our whole school River of Voices unit last term was a huge success and 1/2 students enjoyed engaging in many discussions about Warranwood's past, present and future. Students were able to develop an appreciation for how our area has changed and grown over time and made predictions about how it might continue to change.

But wait, there's more! The River of Voices continues this term with students, parents, staff and community members all having the opportunity to create an artistic tile. These tiles go towards a GIANT collaborative mural to be displayed on the walls around the school.

If you would like to contribute to our art installation please complete your family's tile design and return it to Jeenah or your child's teacher ASAP. **Designs due back at the end of first week of Term 3.**



TERM 2 HIGHLIGHTS

Term 2 proved to be a busy one with the students participating in many activities and events.

Here are some highlights from last term:

MELBOURNE MUSEUM EXCURSION



THE POWER OF ONE



MOVIE NIGHT



STEM AND CODING



SPRING FAIR

Our Spring Fair is fast approaching and organisation is well under way to make it a great day.

Each class has been designated a stall to manage. Your class Parent Representatives will be organising a roster. Please speak to them or your child's teacher if you are available to help.



HOMEWORK

We encourage our students to read and/or be read to each night. The emphasis is on reading for meaning and enjoyment so it's okay if the books coming home are not too difficult. Students will receive a spelling list based on a THRASS sound each week to supplement our classroom spelling activities. **Please continue to write a short comment in your child's diary about their reading experiences.**

HELPING AT HOME

Here are some tips to involve your child in learning at home:

- ✓ Talk together about daily events.
- ✓ Check Communication Folders for any notices.
- ✓ Read and discuss Take Home Book and write the title of the book in the diary every day.
- ✓ Revise spelling lists and Oxford words.
- ✓ Play games that involve numbers.
- ✓ Give small jobs or responsibilities at home.

CLASSROOM HELPERS

We are very appreciative of your time and support with our classroom programs, particularly at this busy time of the year. Please let us know of your availability for this term.

COMPASS

Please remember to access Compass to enter in any dates of absences for your son/daughter. Permission forms are now also organised through Compass.



PORTFOLIOS

We hope that you've enjoyed viewing your child's portfolio. Students will create a new portfolio for Semester 2 so their old book can remain at home. Please fill in the parent comment as the children really enjoy reading your feedback.

Term 3 Diary Dates

July

Thursday 20th- **Mad About Science**

Friday 21st- **Mad About Science**

August

Friday 4th- **Curriculum Day**

Monday 7th- **Maths Day**

Thursday 17th- **First Aid**

Monday 21st- **Book Week Dress Up Day**

September

Wednesday 6th – **Wacky Wednesday**

Thursday 21st – **Footy Day**

End of Term 3

Friday 22nd September – 2:30 finish