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Term 4, Week 5
Thursday 3rd November 2022



WHAT'S ON?

November

- 1 Melbourne Cup Day
- 3 Whole School Transition
- 4 Prep 2023 Transition
- 10 Thwacky Thursday
- 14 Year 3/4 Swimming
- 15 Year 3/4 Swimming
- 16 Year 3/4 Swimming
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- 18 Year 3/4 Swimming
- 18 Prep 2023 Transition
- 21 Senior School Film Night
- 25 Whole School Transition

- 28 Year 3/4 Excursion December
- 2 Senior School Late Night
- **5 Christmas Concert**
- 6 Prep 2023 Transition
- 12 Grade 6 Graduation
- 13 Whole School Transition
- 14 Year 5/6 Oval Day
- 16 56C & 56S Walk to McAdam Square
- 19 Year 5/6 Party
- 20 Last Day of Term -1.30pm finish



Principal's Report

Congratulations to our Warranwood Community on an OUTSTANDING Spring Fair!

Again, I would like to offer our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to all involved in making our Spring Fair a wonderful success. The rain and then mud only added to the character of the day and provided all who attended lasting memories of resilience and community coming together to have fun!

We are hopeful that with some impending dry weather in the coming week the giant slide can be removed, and mud patches can be addresses to get the oval back in business. We are hopeful we will have an exciting announcement in the coming days about the funds raised from the Fair towards our courtyard upgrade and improvements. Stay tuned!



Good luck to Brandon from Year 4 who will travel to Brisbane in the coming weeks to represent Victoria in Long Jump at the Nationals. Thanks to everyone who was able to come along to school yesterday in their favourite sporting wear to help raise some funds to assist with costs involved in participating in the state team. It was wonderful to see so many colours and teams around the yard with so many students getting involved. We raised approximately \$500 from gold coin donations and with the school council \$250 donation this will help Brandon with his journey.

2023 Warranwood Annual Implementation Plan and Goals

Over the next weeks we will be working on our schoolwide plans and goals for 2023 focussing on Learning, Student Agency and Wellbeing. Our learning focus will continue to improve differentiation practices whilst further developing our writing workshop instruction across the school, this will include and focus on our whole school spelling instructional model and building upon instructional consistency. We will also further develop Warranwood Student Agency and Goal Setting in learning and of course community wellbeing remaining at the heart of all our work.

As we develop our plan and strategies guided by our newly approved 2022-2026 School Strategic Plan I will share the targets and Key Improvement Strategies in greater detail. It is an exciting time of year in being able to set plans and directions for our work and growth as a learning community. As shared a few weeks ago we have much to be proud of with our learning and wellbeing results and some areas that we now turn our attention to for growth opportunity.

Shane Harrop Principal

Assistant Principal's Report

TRANSITION TO CLASSES FOR 2023: the whys and how to deal with it.

Changing Teacher can be like.... Moving to a Foreign Country

For the child moving to a new teacher or classroom is like moving to a foreign country. There is a different language (eg. One teacher says 'pack away', a new teacher says 'clean up') Teachers and other students have different facial expressions and body language to interpret, new classroom expectations, new schedules, smells, different pencils just to name a few. This new 'foreign' country may cause the child to feel enormous anxiety and stress, which in turn can contribute to changes in their behaviour. This anxiety and behaviour can be managed by effective planning and transition strategies.

The key issue in transition is managing anxiety, put simply: Managing Change = Managing Anxiety. Following are some of the main purposes behind the transition process we follow at Warranwood Primary School.

- 1. Children feel safe, secure and supported within the school environment.
- 2. Children display social and emotional resilience within the school environment.
- 3. Children feel a sense of belonging to the school community.
- 4. Children experience continuity of learning.
- 5. Children have a positive relationship with the educators and other children in the school environment.
- 6. Children feel positive about themselves as learners.
- 7. Children display a positive disposition for learning.

As the transition process begins this week, considering all of the above the students will be entering into their new learning environments hopefully with remarkable ease and confidence. Often transition can evoke feelings of anticipation-excitement with a touch of nervousness. However our students have created strong bonds with others which has developed a sense of safety via our Connect groups and the transition process adopted at our school over the years which has been thoroughly planned and executed.

If your child continues to struggle during the holidays with what their new class and what the year ahead may bring, the following tips may be of help to you and your family:

- 1. Speak to your child and find out how he/she is feeling.
- 2. Speak to your child's teacher about the conversations occurring in class regarding transition.
- 3. Write down your concerns and strategies you believe may help and pass onto your child's new teacher.
- 4. Reiterate that while the classes and rooms may be different, they will still see their friends at recess and lunch time.
- 5. Normalise the change as much as possible 'we did this last year'.
- 6. While sometimes difficult, be positive about the change of class/teacher.
- 7. Acknowledge your child's feelings.

If you require any further support or ideas to lessen the anxiety in your child, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Suzanne Kot Assistant Principal



Greenology News

Hi Warranwood Community!

WOW! What a fantastic 3 weeks we have had of rubbish-free lunches. Classes around the school have been totalling some huge numbers and a massive thank you to our Grade 3/4 Greenologists for going around each Friday to count the totals. Congratulations to 5/6T in week 2 and 1/2C in week 3 and 4 for winning the weekly trophy!

Just a reminder that rubbish-free lunches are counted every Monday and Wednesday. Below are some ideas from Earth 1st on how to incorporate rubbish-free lunches into your child's lunchbox and some examples of what a rubbish-free lunch might look like for your child.

Thanks for all your support so far!

Rhianna McNee & Kerry Robinson (Greenology Teacher Representatives)

How can you reduce rubbish in school lunchboxes?

- Purchase reusable containers that are the same size as the food you are putting into the lunchbox, as this
 avoids the need for cling wrap or plastic bags.
- Use plastic wrap alternatives such as beeswax wraps.
- Provide old stainless-steel cutlery or purchase some from a second-hand shop to use with yoghurts or fruit snacks, so if it gets lost, it won't be such a big deal.
- Purchase biscuits and crackers in bigger packs that you can then serve in small reusable containers.

Buy less single packaged snacks and spend more time in the kitchen with kids cooking yummy biscuits, slices, muffins etc.











Thank You Warranwood! Term 3 Working Bee

A huge thank you to our WPS community for the Term 3 Working Bee. They did an extraordinary job repairing pathways, moving mulch, fixing benches, planting shrubs, weeding & cleaning pathways, all with the weather threatening to turn nasty at any given moment.

We extend our appreciation to the Andrews, Bergstrum, Boniwell, Collard, Falla, Fitzsimons, Frankish, Hill & McCarthy families. Our star helper on the day was Hugo, with his infectious enthusiasm for moving mulch.

The Term 4 Working Bee is shaping up to be a little different this year. Stay tuned for updates.

Spring Fair Plant Stall

Another huge thank you goes out to all the WPS staff, teachers and families who assisted with the Wriggleworms Plant Stall at the Spring Fair. In spite of the rain, the Spring Fair was an amazing opportunity to raise much needed funds for the school. From propagating, sorting, making amazing wares for sale, and being there on the day, the Plant Stall would not have been a success without any of you.

We will be running another plant stall on Election Day, so look out for more bargains while you get your democracy sausage!

Kitchen Garden Update

The direct feed compost system is working well, and from the Spring Fair alone **4.7kg** of food waste has been diverted from land fill, and that's before we add Term 3 & 4 quantities for the year. Well done Warranwood!

The Greenologists have been busy weeding the garden beds ready for tomatoes. They have also been keeping our pathways clean, and collecting leaf litter around the garden beds.

Sugar snap peas, climbing snow peas and 7 Year beans have been planted, as well as butternut and Queensland blue pumpkins, corn and sunflowers. . It is time to harvest out carrots and beetroots to make way for more delicious produce. Soon we will have more herbs joining our selection as one of the success stories from the Spring Fair was fresh dill and coriander sprigs for sale, grown in our very own garden. Look out for more at the Election Day Stall - Sat, Nov 26th.

Yours in gardening, Kate Fernando

Canteen News & Roster

Qkr Ordering

When placing an order online through Qkr please make sure that you have selected the right day and date for your students order and then press submit.

We are having a number of students coming to the canteen at lunch time that think they are having a lunch order and one has not been placed. This can be quite upsetting for the child and it is also a very busy time of service for the canteen. If a student has no lunch order they will be offered an emergency lunch of a vegemite or cheese sandwich.

HELP NEEDED

Your school canteen needs new volunteer helpers.

Leading up to the end of term we have many empty spots to fill on the roster and as you can imagine it is a very busy time of year. If we cannot fill these spots the menu will be drastically reduced so that we can get lunches out on time with the limited help we have.

Thank you to all the volunteers who help on a regular basis, it is greatly appreciated.

Below is the current roster, we require a number of volunteers, if you can help out on any days, please message me on 0419-387-370.

Warm Regards, Megan Parker

Canteen Roster, Term 4, 2022			
Date	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Thursday 3 November 2022	Noni Quinn	Jules Quinn	Volunteer Required
Friday 4 November 2022	Helen Matthews	Kate Thomas	Linda Fischer
Monday, 7 November 2022	Cynthia Mc Carthy	Terri McKinnon	
Tuesday, 8 November 2022	Joan Ellis	Volunteer Required	
Wednesday, 9 November 2022	Canteen Closed		
Thursday, 10 November 2022	Jackie Tunnecliff	Ateeqa Arshad	Volunteer Required
Friday, 11 November 2022	Julie Mellerick	Hannah Humphreys	Kate Kurdas
Monday, 14 November 2022	Michelle Oliver	Volunteer Required	
Tuesday 15th November	Gill Collard	Amy Dyer	
Wednesday, 16 November 2022	Canteen Closed		
Thursday, 17 November 2022	Kathryn Peterson	Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required
Friday 18 November 2022	Volunteer required	Volunteer Required	Katie Bronstring
Monday, 21 November 2022	Laurel Cameron	Volunteer Required	
Tuesday, 22 November 2022	Jas Halls	Volunteer Required	
Wednesday, 23 November 2022	Canteen Closed		
Thursday, 24 November 2022	Bec Monroe	Kate Moore	Hannah Humphreys
Friday, 25 November 2022	Julie Mellerick	Nadia Marsh	Jenni DeVilla
Monday, 28 November 2022	Andrea Tonkin	Volunteer Required	
Tuesday, 29 November 2022	Andrea Mark	Volunteer Required	
Wednesday 30/11/2022	Canteen Closed		
Thursday, 1 December 2022	Mel Santamaria	Helen Matthews	Volunteer Required
Friday, 2 December 2022	Julie Mellerick	Volunteer Required	Kate Thomas

Community Notices

COMMUNITY DONATIONS

If you shop at either of these Stores, then mention our School as they support us with donations.

For Ritchie's IGA you need to complete a registration and nominate Warranwood Primary; Ritchie's then donate a percentage of sales to the School.

For Rebel Sports, soon to merge with Amart, just mention Warranwood Primary and they also donate a percentage of sales to the School









Come and play netball for Southwood, we have limited vacancies available in all age groups for Autumn 2023 season starting in February!

Applications will be accepted on a firstcome first-served basis. Get in early to secure your spot!







Join us for a free 'Come and Try' training session.

When: Every Tuesday afternoon at 4:00pm until 22nd November, 2022. Excluding November 1st.

Where: Great Ryrie PS netball courts (51A Great Ryrie St,

Heathmont)

For more information or to register your child to play please email Hayley at southwoodnetballmedia@gmail.com
Using subject line: 2023 enquiry