



Warranwood Primary School CONNECTIONS

Junior School Newsletter Term 3, 2021

WELCOME to Term 3, 2021

We hope that you all enjoyed your holidays and had a chance to get away! We are looking forward to an exciting Term 3, and enjoyed being back at school for the first few days. We hope we can all return soon! If you need to contact your child's teacher you may do so via Seesaw, Compass, email or phone.

Compass and Seesaw

Please remember to log on to Compass frequently to enter any absences for your child, as well as keeping up to date with events, reminders and permission forms. Seesaw is another platform where notices and information will be delivered, as well as the publishing of student work, learning journey reflection tasks and Home Learning.

Hats

It is not required for students to wear hats in Term 3. However, if there is a hot day which occasionally happens later in the term, feel free to send them with a hat.

Inquiry Unit

This Term our Inquiry unit is 'Healthy Bodies and Healthy Minds'. Our inquiry will focus on key questions such as 'How does food affect our health?', 'How are plants and animals used for food, clothing and shelter?', 'How do we grow, prepare and store food?' 'How can physical exercise keep me healthy?', 'What are my likes, needs and strengths?' 'How can I express myself

and my emotions?' 'How do feelings affect how we behave?' and 'How can we keep our minds healthy?' We are looking forward to having lots of fun and learning from hands-on activities. and If there is anyone out there who has a background related to healthy bodies or minds, and is interested in being involved in our unit we would love to hear from you via your classroom teacher.

Overview of Term 3 Topics

We have an exciting term of activities planned for the Junior School. Below outlines the topics we will be covering this term.

Numeracy	Multiplication, division, length, mass, capacity, time, fractions and location/mapping.
Reading	Predicting, retelling, summarising, inferring, understanding and connecting to texts, as well as reading smoothly, synonyms and antonyms.
Writing	Recounts, procedural texts and narratives.

COVID Restrictions

As COVID restrictions are constantly changing, it is important to keep up to date with current guidelines and rules. Please keep an eye on COMPASS and Seesaw for any important announcements. It is also worth noting that while we hope all school events will go ahead, some may need to be cancelled or rescheduled due to government guidelines.

Diary Dates



Wednesday 4th August
Excursion to Rayner's Orchard

Monday 16th - 20th August
Science Week

Monday 23rd - 27th August
Book Week

Monday 23rd
Visit from Susan Berran for Book Week

Thursday 2nd September
Japanese Day

Friday 18th September
Last day of Term 2, 2:20pm finish

Monday 4th October
Term 4 begins

Tissues

If you haven't already donated to the classroom tissue store we would really appreciate more boxes.



Junior School Sport

Each week our students take part in a range of Fundamental Motor Skills activities that include skill building, partner/team work, and finishing with a game. Sport sessions are designed to build sportsmanship, encouragement and determination as they rotate each week, learning, practising and being coached by a different Junior School teacher. This term we hope to be onsite to facilitate these sessions on a Thursday at 11:10am, weather permitting.



Class Acknowledgement of Country

At Warranwood Primary School, we acknowledge and pay our respects to the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation, the traditional custodians of the land on which we learn. We pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.

This term, students will be starting each day with an Acknowledgement of Country. This will be accompanied by the Auslan gestures.

Alison, Sam, Julia, Rachel, Dee, Vicky and Jacquie
Junior School Team

Specialist News

VISUAL ARTS- Jeenah Metcalfe



This term could be described as a **Bits and Bobs** term with students involved in making, creating, reflecting and editing *numerous* art projects in preparation for some special upcoming events this semester. The Trivia Night Art Auction, Term 4 Art Show and also a permanent installation piece for our school yard are all planned for the Junior School. These fun and community based events provide authentic purposes for our students to engage in creating and telling stories through art. Each class is currently involved in creating a class artwork of *Button People* which will be framed and sold to one lucky bidder at the Trivia Night. Stay tuned to the Warranwood Facebook Page for some sneaky peeks in the coming weeks!

In creating this piece, students are developing their understanding of art collaboration, concepts about unity and individuality and that *themes* found in artworks help to that connect art and people together. They will build on this project by creating more Button People characters on timber boards which will become a permanent Warranwood art installation. Finally, students will complete their Collage Bird Mobiles and written accompaniments ready for display in Term 4's Art Show. I cannot wait to see the finished creations!



ART SMOCKS To *really* engage in making and creating wearing a protective item of clothing *really* helps. It's a wonderful feeling to wipe glue, paint, texta etc onto the front of an old messy top. Please help your child to organise one. Old shirts and t-shirts, aprons etc.. are a great choice.

JAPANESE- Tanya Barlow



This term the Junior school students will be doing a unit of work on healthy food. They will learn to read, say and write various fruits and take part in shared reading of *The Hungry Caterpillar* in Japanese. They will also learn to say and write the days of the week in kanji characters. The Junior students begin their song for our Japanese Day performance. Please start planning a costume for your child as it's a dress up day! e.g. Hello Kitty, Ninja, Pokemon, Karate uniform or simply something red and white. More news to come on this exciting biennial whole



school event.

Diary date- September 2nd Japanese Day

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION- [Dylan Sendekyj](#)

Let's jump into Term 3! The sports bonanza continues with the Olympics, footy finals looming and our school athletics carnival. Students in Junior School will be completing fitness routines focusing on low impact training such as Tai Chi, Pilates, and Yoga. Then we will explore some less familiar sports that are played at the Olympics such as Wrestling (Sock), European Handball and Gymnastics. The term will end with our annual Footy Day, where students can wear their favourite football teams colours. We will have team parades followed by skills sessions and football activities throughout the day. Another bumper term in PE is set to start.



PERFORMING ARTS- Jacinta O'Leary

UNIT – MEDIA UNIT (short film making) & MUSIC – (A cappella, body percussion and lyric writing)

In Term 3, the Junior School students will be involved in two units of study.

MEDIA UNIT -The students will continue to film and edit their Dream Time films for the upcoming Short Film Festival at The Reading Cinemas, (date to be announced pending on Lockdown). We will hold our unit of work in Film making until Lockdown is over and ask the students during Home learning to engage in the Music Unit via the Specialist Day Timetable each Wednesday.

MUSIC UNIT – Students will be engaged in learning about A cappella and body percussion music styles. They will also research Music genres and experiment with the elements of Music. At the moment, this unit will be done online on Specialist Day every Wednesday using the Performing arts slides. Tutorial videos are embedded for the students to have an interactive experience.

I look forward to a fun term 3 of creating and performing,

Jacinta O'Leary

Performing Arts Teacher

