From the Deputy Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We come to the end of a wonderful start to the school year and I wish to thank our entire school community for making it a great term. We have had some wonderful celebrations and events where the community have come together in a fruitful partnership to make Warrawee Public School a wonderful place to be educated. Some of these events include the Harmony Day assembly, the Easter Service tomorrow, the Working Bee, the Election Day BBQ and cake stall, the Kindy social night, just to name a few. Thank you to all of our volunteers and parents who help in classrooms, on excursions, in the canteen, fund-raising, donating baked goods, teaching scripture and ethics and much more. You really make a difference!

K-2 students were diligently practising for the Easter Hat Parade that is happening on Thursday, at 1.35pm under the K-2 COLA. I know everyone is looking forward to this special event.

The School Plan for 2015-2017 has been uploaded to the School Website and has our 3 strategic directions and planning cycle for the next 3 years. The teachers along with parent and student input have worked very hard on producing a valuable document that will guide our school practices and focus for student improvement.

Thank you to the P&C who have kindly donated the funds to erect a new fence at the bottom of Franc Carter to stop our soccer balls from going over the fence into the bush. The SRC began fundraising for this last year and with the support of the P&C the project will be completed in the holidays. We will be reusing the cyclone fencing from the Blytheswood asphalt playground and relocating this down to the bottom of Franc Carter and extending it with tennis fencing. It will be wonderful on completion.

The stunning mural on the end of the library demountable is coming along and looks absolutely sensational. We have all enjoyed watching our artist, Hugues Sineux paint and seeing the painting progress.

Last week I had the pleasure of accompanying the 8 captains and prefects to National Young Leaders Day at the Qantas Credit Union Arena along with Mrs Harricks. We thoroughly enjoyed listening to the guest speakers which included Mike Martin form Halogen, Rachael Leahcar from The Voice, Bindi Irwin from Australia Zoo, our Premier, Mike Baird and the two young gentlemen who were the inspiration for the movie Paper Planes, Dylan Parker and James Norton. They spoke about what leaders do, the qualities of leaders and how they have faced challenges and hurdles to get them where they are today. They were truly inspirational and we took away some very wise words to help us become better leaders who can make a difference within our school and beyond, starting right now. The theme for the day was “nothing significant, enduring or amazing ever began that way.”

I wish everyone a happy and safe Easter break and we look forward to welcoming back students on Tuesday, 21st April.

Brenna Roumanos

K-6 SCRIPTURE EASTER SERVICE will be held this Wednesday, 1st April, in the Hall at 9am.
All parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Sandy Maxwell
Scripture Co-ordinator
SPORTS NEWS

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
Just another reminder that our school cross country is just around the corner on the 7th May, 2015. Children in Years K-2 run their events at school whilst 3-6 students and those children who turn 8 this year in Year 2 who are interested in competing with children in Year 3 will be competing at Memorial Oval, Turramurra. These events are run over longer distances to athletics. Children 8, 9 and 10 run approximately 2kms whilst 11, 12 and 13 year olds run approximately 3kms. We will be making this a fundraiser with some terrific prizes. Monies raised will go directly to sport for all children K-6.

WINTER PSSA SPORT: TERM 2 and 3
Next term Warrawee will be competing in netball, soccer and AFL against other schools in our zone. The AFL teams will travel each week to Foxglove Oval whilst the soccer and netball teams will travel to various venues of the participating schools. The competition will begin the first week back. Once we have a draw we will book buses and organise permission notes accordingly. Competition will be held in the afternoon with buses leaving at approximately 12.30pm.

What happens if you don't make a team?
I asked the children at Assembly that question this week and a most wonderful response came from one Year 4 student: “Congratulate those that did make it!” Another student responded with “Retry!”

In the words of Michael Jordan...

“I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed.”

It is vital that we help our children and students to become resilient and grow through experiences which may not be what we or they at first wanted. Students in school teams are selected by teachers who give up their time apart from and including sport time. They select teams of children who at the time of trials have shown the skills and team work for that particular sport. It is not an easy task and no decision is ever made lightly. Your support is always very much appreciated.

GOOD LUCK AND CONGRATULATIONS
We wish Lachlan K, Tyler C and Mitchell K all the very best in their next round of trials. Lachlan is trialling for the Sydney North rugby league team and Mitchell the Sydney North AFL team.
We congratulate many of our outstanding individual athletes as they compete in weekend pursuits. It is terrific to hear about how well our students do and importantly how they continue to strive to reach their goals which they may not have achieved as yet. Riley H, Donovan B and Mia J have all had terrific results over the last weekend in athletics and netball alike.

Sue Jurkschat

WARRAWEE CAFÉ

Look out for Easter surprises??, available over the counter at both canteens tomorrow & Thursday. There will be limited supplies, so be quick!

The Warrawee Cafe will be offering some new items next term. Look out for:
- Australian Meat Pie
- Potato Bake (GF) and
- Lasagne
..... all great winter warmers. All available on Flexischools

Wishing everyone a relaxing break over the Easter holidays.

The Warrawee Cafe
Kirrily, Jan & Melinda

UNIFORM SHOP:

We will also be open the following Tuesday mornings of Term 2 from 8:45-9:15am: 21/04, 28/04 and 05/05/15

Mail Order Forms
Order forms are available in both offices and on the website to download. All orders will be processed on the Thursday and delivered to your child’s class – even if it is just for a chair bag, art smock or a new hat. Please assist me by filling in ALL details on the form – especially your child’s name and sizes of items required!

Winter Uniforms
Term 1 is flying by and Term 2 will be here before we know it, so don’t forget to assess your requirements for Winter Uniforms and arrange purchase before the first cold snap sets in.

Senika Wilkinson
AWARDS

Merit Certificates - “Big Reds”
Congratulations to the following students who have received a Merit Certificate

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CONGRATULATIONS!
BANNERS were awarded to:

Jack B 1B Juni P 1C
Rhys M 2D Joshua B 2P
Lucy S 5M

PARENT ON-LINE PAYMENTS

We have launched a new online payment portal linked to our school’s website to make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

What expenses can be paid online?
- Voluntary School Contributions
- KLA / Subject Contributions
- Excursions and Incursions
- Sport and dance/gym programs
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to students
- Other

When?
This payment method went live last Tuesday, 24 March 2015

How?
1. Log onto our School website:
   www.warrawee-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
2. Click on “Make a payment” and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard.
3. When you access $Make a payment you must enter:
   The student’s name and date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

If you are not paying the entire amount on the invoice please specify in the description what is being paid for, for e.g. Brainstorm Productions incursion $6.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child’s account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

For any enquiries regarding the online payment process please contact Mrs Brooks, our School Administration Manager, in the 3-6 Office, 9144 2637

Brenna Roumanos
P&C NEWS

It has been a very busy start to my role as president of Warrawee P&C but one I am proud to be part of. Thank you to all those parents and teachers who have offered their congratulations and those that have offered to help throughout the year.

Last Saturday saw a team of dedicated parents lead the fundraising for Election Day and without the work of the Warrawee Social and Fundraising Committee we wouldn’t have been so successful. Thank you to all those families who gave up their time to bake or sell cakes, work on the BBQ or assist with set up and pack up. Thank you also to Websters Meats for generously donating the sausages. Election Day raised $3,266.80.

The P&C has a sub-committee that’s sole purpose is fundraising and social events for Warrawee Public School and is currently looking for interested people to come on board and work on numerous projects. If you would like to be involved then please feel free to contact me and I can pass your details on to one of our committee members.

Some members of the P&C committee have also been working on a pamphlet providing you with details on how monies raised has been spent on school resources and identifying projects for the near future. This is our way of showing you how valuable your P&C fees and fundraising efforts are and the great projects that can only happen when families contribute. This document will be emailed out later this week.

A reminder that our next P&C Meeting is set for Monday 11th May at 7.30pm Our guest speaker will be Mrs Kylie Newland presenting on iPad learning by the K-2 students of Warrawee.

Sam Williamson
P&C President

FROM THE GROUNDS COMMITTEE

I just want to say a huge thank you to all the parents, carers, teachers and kids who came to the first Working Bee for 2015. It was a great success.

Thanks also goes to Bruce Pass for putting on the BBQ, he had to buy more sausages on two occasions due to such a great turn out – around 160 people turned up to help out!

We had a fantastic day and achieved a lot, a row of Murrayas are now planted along the front boundary from Finlay Road to Blytheswood Avenue.

For those of you who were unable to attend this time, we look forward to seeing you at the next Working Bee in September.

Thanks again,
Regards,
Phil Cohen

NAPLAN – Years 3 and 5

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an everyday part of the school calendar since 2008.

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling and numeracy. The assessments are undertaken nationwide, every year, in the second full week in May.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas (or ‘domains’) of:

- reading
- writing
- language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation)
- numeracy

This year the NAPLAN tests will be conducted from Tuesday, 12th May – Thursday, 14th May 2015 for all students in Years 3 and 5.

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Please speak to your child’s class teacher if you have any questions or concerns about NAPLAN and don’t forget to mark these important dates in your calendar.

Also for more information please visit the National Assessment Program website at http://www.nap.edu.au/

Brenna Roumanos
BAND DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

In 2014 the Warrawee Senior Band was awarded a development grant at the NSW School Band Festival at UNSW. The grant was for a clinic with a leading conductor or music educator.

Mr Steven Hillinger visited Warrawee yesterday and put the band through its paces in a 90 minute workshop where they developed their musicianship, dynamic control and listening skills. There were lots of questions from Mr Hillinger and some insightful answers from many of the band members.

Mr Hillinger is currently undertaking a doctorate in conducting at the Sydney Conservatorium. He leads the North Sydney Orchestra and is the director of the bands and orchestras at North Sydney Girls HS. He was very impressed with the way the band played, with their concentration and with how well they listened throughout the longer than normal rehearsal.

Noel Annett
Band Director
K-2 Easter Hat Parade

THIS THURSDAY
1.30pm under the Hall COLA

Children should all bring their Easter hats and mufti can be worn.

Parents and Grandparents are welcome to join us.
DROP OFF CORRECTLY FOR YOUR CHILD’S SAFETY

SAFE DROP OFF ARRANGEMENTS

One of the things about having a school bounded by a six lane highway on one side and narrow residential streets on the other is that we need to exercise extreme caution when we drop our kids to school.

SAFE OPTIONS FOR DROPING OUR KIDS AT SCHOOL FROM THE NORTH, SOUTH, AND WEST

DO use Eulbertie Ave approaching from the North

DO use Blytheswood Ave approaching from the South

DO use Finlay Rd approaching from the West

DO NOT make a U-turn in Blytheswood or Finlay Road.
CAUTION CHILDREN REMEMBER:

ALWAYS USE SAFE OPTIONS WHEN APPROACHING FROM THE NORTH, SOUTH AND WEST

NEVER USE 3-POINT TURNS AT THE TOP OF BLYTHESWOOD AVE OR FINLAY RD

To avoid the tragic incidents that have happened at other schools

DO NOT turn into the driveway of the teacher's car park, or any driveway on Blytheswood Ave, or at the top of Finlay Rd. While technically this is not illegal, it is very dangerous and highly unnecessary.
HAVE YOUR SAY!
COUNCIL SURVEY ON LIVE THEATRE IN KU-RING-GAI

Have Your Say about Theatre for Young People in the Ku-ring-gai Council Survey about live theatre in Ku-ring-gai!

We would really appreciate it if you could participate in the council’s online survey regarding the future of Marian Street Theatre.

However, the survey does not specifically address theatre for children or young people in the area. Question 2 is the only place where you could make a specific comment that applies to theatre for children and young people.

Question 13 - We believe Option 1 is the most practical option.

You can also write extra comments in the Guest Book on the Survey home page. Click the 'Guest Book' Tab next to the 'Surveys and Forms' Tab. You can write as much as you want on this page!!

There is also a Q&A Tab if you want to ask a question.

And very important, register your interest to attend a Forum (dates to be confirmed) by ticking YES for Question 15.

Copy this link & paste into your browser to take you the survey page:

Please take part as soon as possible. The survey will close in 2 weeks!

Thank you for supporting theatre for young people in Ku-ring-gai.

Margie McCrae
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