Term 1: Week 6, March 1st, 2016

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From the Principal
Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with great sadness I inform you that Jenny O’Keeffe, one of our Warrawee mums, passed away last week. Our school community has been rocked by this very sad news and our thoughts and prayers are with the O’Keeffe family at this time. My recollections of Jenny are that of a loving and caring mother of three, who was always positive and always had a smile on her face. Jenny will be always be fondly remembered by those at Warrawee Public School.

This morning we began the day with school photos and there was an air of excitement as the children and teachers were tucking in shirts, brushing hair and dusting off their shoes. All we need now is a red carpet! I am sure that you will be delighted with your child’s photograph.

On Friday many of us had a wonderful time at the P&C Welcome to 2016 Party. It was a beautiful night and as people sat on picnic rugs and chatted to friends and family, it was clear to see that everyone was very relaxed and happy to be there. The atmosphere created was warm and friendly, around two hundred people turned out for the event and it was excellent to see many of our new families being welcomed into our school community. Thank you to the P&C for organising everything and for decorating the area in such a festive manner. It all looked beautiful.

On Friday 11th March, our local member Mr Alistair Henskens will be attending our Year 3-6 Assembly. This special assembly will commence at 11:30am and Year 6 parents are invited to attend. At Warrawee PS we acknowledge the leadership capabilities and responsibilities of all of our Year 6 students through the presentation of a leadership badge. Although our student leadership team and house captains have previously been recognised, the remainder of our Year 6 leaders are still to be presented with their badges. These students have been given a range of roles within the school and will be acknowledged at this assembly. Mr Henskens will be making these important presentations for us.

If you need to come up to the school with a forgotten lunch or homework book etc please leave it at the office and we will pass it on and if visiting the school please sign in and get a visitors badge from the office. These measures assist staff to identify those that are in the school at any given time.

Kind regards,

Carrie Robertson
HORNSBY ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Next week I will give out each competitor a token for entry to the Zone carnival at West Pymble Pool. This will need to be taken to the pool and handed in at the entrance. Loss of this token will mean having to pay instead.

HORNSBY ZONE PSSA SUMMER COMPETITION
Last Friday the children in cricket, t/ball and softball played Asquith PS, whilst the league tag teams played each other. The results are as follows:

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<td>Softball</td>
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<td>Senior B vs Senior A</td>
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This week’s matches: t/ball, softball and cricket games will be played at Auluba Oval and Field of Dreams, Turramurra against Hornsby South PS. Cricket is the first named venue.

STAGE 3 EXCURSION TO IMAX
Students in Years 5 & 6 travelled to the IMAX in Sydney to watch two acclaimed movies about Antarctica. A lot was learned about the harsh environment, the wildlife, the scientists, this continent’s future and the incredible journey of Shackleton. All students are to be congratulated on the outstanding way in which they represented our school both inside and outside the theatre.

2016 YEAR 6-7 EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
Students in Year 6 have been given their enrolment forms which ask families to complete their expression of interest for Year 7 enrolments. All forms need to be completed regardless of whether your child is going to a public or private school. All forms should be back at school by Friday 11th March so that the school can place the information into the system.

2016 YEAR 7 EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
Students in Year 7 have been given their enrolment forms which ask families to complete their expression of interest for Year 8 enrolments. All forms need to be completed regardless of whether your child is going to a public or private school. All forms should be back at school by Friday 11th March so that the school can place the information into the system.

WARRAWEE CAFÉ
"Easter Morning Tea Special"
Canteen is offering a morning tea for Easter: Thursday 24th March.
Hot cross bun and Easter egg combo - $2.00
A choice of either traditional or choc-chip buns.
Please place your orders on Flexischools. All orders need to be in by Tuesday 22nd March.
Infants orders will be delivered as per normal recess orders. Primary children can collect their order from the canteen, as per usual.

Kirrily, Jan & Melinda

UNIFORM SHOP
Open Thursdays 8:45-9:15am & 2:45-3:15pm
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!

Discounted Items
Get a bargain and be ready for next winter.
Dance Pants, Track suit pants, (Straight Leg and Double Knee), and Raincoats are still discounted, they are now all $10.00.
So hurry and get your discounted items before stock runs out.

Dr Shoe
Dr Shoe will be visiting us on Thursday 24th March, 2016. You will be able to find him on the Infants side under the COLA, from 2.45 – 3.30pm.

Regards,
Senika Wilkinson
AWARDS

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

K-2 Students : 29/02/2016
Name  | Class  | Name  | Class
------|--------|------|--------
Izen P | 1C     | Rick J | 1R
Daniel C | 1R    | Heidi P | 1R
Jai P  | 1S    | Bailey W | 1S
Tara B | 1/2B  | Nicholas L | 1/2B
Katie McC | 1/2B | Roumima B | 2B
Gracie A | 2B    | Soren M | 2B
Hannah H | 2M    |        |        

3-6 Students : 26/02/2016
Name  | Class  | Name  | Class
------|--------|------|--------
Maddie H | 3C    | Annabelle M | 3M
Zara C  | 3M    | Dylan A | 3S
Matilda J | 4A   | Caolainn C | 5K
Jas B    | 5K    | Charlotte D | 5K
Luca M   | 5K    | Mia S | 5K
Kitty A  | 5K    | Victoria McC | 5K
Jason Y  | 5K    | Ruby P | 5O
Joel F   | 5O    | Riley B | 6T

Student of the Week Sticker
was awarded to
29/02
NEFELI K 2B
PHILIPPA B 2M

“Hero of the Week”
K-2: Anje S 2M

MINILIT INFORMATION SESSION
At Warrawee we are fortunate to have two highly effective reading intervention programs, MiniLit (for late Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students) and the MultiLit Reading Tutor program (for Year 2 students and above). These programs were developed specifically to support students who are having difficulty with their reading. Mrs Rawnsley, our Learning & Support Teacher, will be running an information session on the MiniLit reading program (targeted at late Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students) in week 9.

When: Wednesday 23rd March
Time: 2:15pm – 2:55pm
Where: Learning Support classroom (Opposite 1C Classroom)

If you’re interested in learning about this program or alternatively would like to learn more about our MultiLit Reading Tutor program please complete the slip below and return it to your class teacher.

Minilit/MultiLit Information Session

YES, I would like to attend the MiniLit information session on Wednesday 23rd March.

I am interested in attending an information session on the MultiLit Reading Tutor program and could attend on a Monday or Wednesday afternoon from 2:15pm-2:55pm. (Please circle what day would suit you best)

Name: _______________________________________________________

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Welcome to 2016 Party

IT'S A WRAP!

Warrawee P&C would like to thank all our families and teachers for coming along on Friday and making our Welcome Party a vibrant and fun night. With over 300 people celebrating, it was a wonderful way to start the year and share community spirit.

We thank Year 1 and in particular “Our Welcome Party Committee” Katy Brack, Esther Hendrikse, Fiona Neilly, Claire Oxley, Sally Kunigiskis, Rachel Wark and Amanda McPherson. A big thank you also to our BBQ-ing dads - Peter Brack and Ben Oxley, our fabulous Warrawee student helpers and all who pitched in to help us pack away on the night. What a great start to the year!
USE OF THE GUARDIAN FUNERAL PALOUR CAR PARK

As a school community we have the privilege of using the Funeral Parlour car park for the purpose of getting our children to and from school safely and conveniently. We must remember, however that it is a privilege and not a right to use the car park.

To show our appreciation to Guardian Funerals we would like the Warrawee Public School parent community to assist us with two things.

Firstly, follow the rules of the car park and respect other vehicles and drivers whilst doing so. To this end we ask that all vehicles

- enter and move through the car park following the arrows marked on the road;
- park in the designated car spaces or park logically in the larger unmarked car spaces towards the back of the car park;
- do not park immediately in front of the covered driveway or gates as shown in the map below; and
- exit the car park safely, giving way to allow vehicles to enter from the Pacific Highway and watching for pedestrians.

Secondly, this year we would like to again assist Guardian Funerals in the daily raising and lowering of their Australian Flag. We have several families who have volunteered for the parent roster, Monday to Friday: 8.30/9am to raise and 3/3.30pm to lower. However, we still require more volunteers. If you are able to assist please contact Amanda Milne, amandamilne@optusnet.com.au. We require all children be supervised when assisting parents with this activity. It is a simple way for the school community to show its appreciation for the free use of the car park.

Your support in helping to maintain a friendly relationship with Guardian Funerals, the continued use of a convenient car park and a safe traffic environment for our children is greatly appreciated.

Many thanks,

Amanda Milne
P&C Vice President
MORE ABOUT THE P&C…

P&C Association Fees
At the beginning of the school year the P&C asks that all Warrawee parents/guardians make a voluntary contribution to P&C funds to support the P&C’s investments in resources for all our children. Each family should have now received their invoice and we look forward to your support. Should you wish to discuss your invoice please contact president.warraweepandc@gmail.com

How Can I Communicate With Our P&C Association?
We want to hear from you...the P&C is there to promote the interests of parents and the school and we can only do that by having you communicate your thoughts and views. Whether the feedback is positive or is about how we can do things better, we want to hear it.

For example you may have:
• ideas, suggestions or concerns on social and fundraising events;
• had a positive or not so positive experience in dealing with our P&C managed uniform shop, canteen or band program and want to discuss that experience;
• witnessed something which is important for our Traffic Committee to be aware of;
• a safety concern which you feel needs to be addressed; or
• a particular skill or hobby which you think may be of benefit to children.

If so...you can communicate any such things with the P&C in the following ways:
• Come along to a P&C meeting. They are held monthly and are an open forum for discussion; or
• Should you wish to discuss an issue confidentially you can email president.warraweepandc@gmail.com or see the President or Vice President(s) in person and the matter will be looked into by those parties. Confidentiality is assured.

Alternatively, families may wish to discuss issues with our Principal, Carrie Robertson, in which case you can email Carrie via the school email address: warrawee-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or contact the office on 9144 2637 to make an appointment to meet with Carrie.

It should be noted that the P&C consists of a General Committee and an Executive and certain matters regarding the management of the P&C will be determined democratically by that Executive. If you wish to nominate for a position on the P&C please contact president.warraweepandc@gmail.com and come to our AGM held in March 2016.

If you are interested in becoming a P&C Member but do not want to hold an actual elected position that is ok. Membership means that you will simply receive the minutes of the meetings, therefore being kept informed about what is happening in the school and you have the right to vote on certain issues raised at those meetings. Complete the Membership Form below and place in the P&C letterbox in the school office.

Thanking you for your support,
Warrawee P&C Association

Quick Member Info

Name: ____________________________ (please print clearly)

School Community Member Type: Parent / Citizen (circle as appropriate)

Contact Phone Number: ____________________________

Email Address for Meeting Notices & Updates: ____________________________

I include a payment of $1 to become a financial member of the Warrawee Public School P&C Association. I acknowledge that I am aware that I agree to follow the Constitution, by-laws, Code of Conduct and sub-committee rules as adopted by the Warrawee Public School P&C Association.

Signed: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________
Ku-ring-gai High School (KCAHS)

GATS Testing

KCAHS are holding a Gifted and Talented stream test for Year 7, 2017 students on Wednesday 11th May 2016. Please click on this link to download a registration form: