



# THE WARWICK WHISPER

A publication of WARWICK FARM PUBLIC SCHOOL

**'At Warwick Farm we respect everyone, we work together,  
we inspire greatness, and we grow as leaders.'**

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1<sup>st</sup> November 2019

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

### Kindergarten Orientation

Our new Kinder students for 2020 began their orientation program last week, an intensive 5 session program for the new students and their families. Our orientation program consists of visits to the classroom so students can familiarise themselves with some activities, talks and displays to the parents by teachers, our P&C and external groups such as staff from our uniform supplier The School Locker. Parents receive information about the Best Start assessment program and the teachers have an opportunity to get to know the new students social and academic needs.

I would like to sincerely thank Mrs Smalley and Mrs Collie for their hard work and efforts in organising such an important program. If you know someone who is turning 5 years old before 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020, they are eligible to apply for enrolment at our school and although the orientation program has begun, we will take applications throughout the rest of the year.

### Congratulations to Jarran Trindall!

This week Mrs Smalley had the pleasure of watching Jarran Trindall from 1 Uluru receive an award for his achievements in Literacy at the Aboriginal Student Achievement Awards. He has worked very hard this year to improve his reading and writing and it was great to see him rewarded for all his hard work.



### Staff Carpark Driveway

The safety of our students and families is my most paramount concern. As such, please do not drive your car into the staff carpark driveway to drop off your child in the morning. We have many families who walk along Lawrence Hargrave Rd on the school's side of the road. Very worryingly, I received a complaint that a car nearly hit a toddler who was walking on the footpath. Dropping your child on the side of the road is a much safer process. I thank you in anticipation of your support of ensuring students' safety.

### Professional Learning

I was off site most of this week because I was attending the NSW State Primary Principal's Association annual conference in town. This conference is a wonderful opportunity to learn what is excelling in other schools and I love visiting the sponsors stalls to see what new resources are available to benefit our students' learning and school environment. I look forward to sharing my learning with our staff on my return next week.

Quote for the fortnight:

**"The capacity to learn is a gift, the ability to learn is a skill, the willingness to learn is a choice."**

– Brian Herbert

### Melanie Macmillan

Proud Principal

[melanie.macmillan@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:melanie.macmillan@det.nsw.edu.au)



#### WARWICK FARM PUBLIC SCHOOL WEBSITE

We have a school website which is regularly updated with information about the school and class work. It can be viewed at [www.warwickfar-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.warwickfar-p.schools.nsw.edu.au).

#### POP (PARENT ONLINE PAYMENT)

Open

[www.warwickfar-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.warwickfar-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

Click on **\$ Make a Payment**

Please note minimum payment through this system is \$10.00.

Thank you.

### DOWNLOAD OUR APP!

Stay up to date on news and events, receive real time notifications, access live information and more!

#### Steps:

- 1/ Head to the [App Store](#) or [Google Play Store](#);
- 2/ Search for **Warwick Farm Public School** and download the app with our new emblem;
- 3/ Open the app and **Allow notifications**;
- 4/ Go to **Menu** click **Preferences** and subscribe to the **Notifications** you would like to receive!



# This Week's PBL Focus....



Show  
Pride



Take  
Responsibility



Active  
Learner



Respect



Safe

To be  
Active  
Learners.



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# Frozen Fridays

\$1.00

Ice blocks on sale every Friday afternoon at 3pm in front of the C4K room.  
All money raised will go towards the Year 6 farewell.



## KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2020

The school is now accepting applications for Kindergarten in 2020. Children who turn 5 years of age before 31st July 2020, are able to begin school. Please enquire at the School Office for an application package.



Our "Transition to School Program" continues to run for another 3 Wednesdays. The visits are coordinated for both children and parents to find out important information and assist in making the step to big school as comfortable and successful as possible for the children.

Date	Parent Session	Time
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Kindergarten curriculum and Best Start assessment	9:00am To 10:45am
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Programs at our school	9:00am To 10:45am
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Helping your child succeed at school	9:00am To 10:45am

# Community News

It is Week 3 already and parents/carers of our 2020 Kindergarten students are experiencing Kindergarten Orientation and Transition. Many programs, events and activities are underway or approaching soon.

## PARENTS & CITIZENS (P&C) ASSOCIATION

Our next P&C meeting is on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 2:00pm** in the C4K room. This one will include a planning session in preparation for our "Connecting Cultures" day. Thank you to all parents and carers who continue to attend and contributed their ideas and feedback. Your voice in our school is an important one!

These meetings are a chance for you to share your ideas about the future directions and programs in our school. Mrs Macmillan and Mr Cameron will also update you on important things happening at Warwick Farm Public School!

## PERCUSSION COURSE FOR YEAR 3 AND 4 STUDENTS



Students are now back into our usual routine and will develop their percussion playing skills, read music, perform as a team and improve their musicianship.

On Wednesday 6 November we will rehearse our performance for the Kindergarten Orientation parents. This performance will be on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November** in the Hall at approximately 10:00-10:15am and parents of percussion students are welcome to attend and watch.

## BREAKFAST CLUB



Our **Breakfast program** offers a healthy start to the day for many of our students. It features Cornflakes, Weetbix, toast, jam, honey, sultanas, milk and fruit pieces. All food is free and we encourage you to send your child if they miss breakfast at home. **A healthy breakfast helps students to concentrate and learn!!**

Students always follow their STARS in Breakfast Club and earn PBL tokens (which convert to DOJO points). Well done to students who work in Breakfast Club and many thanks to our food provider partners **FOODBANK** and **Gift of Bread!**

Each morning at assembly, interested students speak and acknowledge the hard work of students working in Breakfast Club. These public speakers are STARS leading the way! Breakfast Club is open to all students in our school, 5 days per week in the C4K room from 8:30–8:55am.

## ENGLISH CLASSES

Our second English class occurred on Thursday 31st October and was well-attended by parents, carers and the community.

**REMAINING DATES:** Thursdays 7th November, 14th November and 21st November.

**LOCATION:** C4K Room | Warwick Farm Public School.

**TIME:** Arrive: 9:00–9:30am (Tea/coffee) | Class: 9:30–11:30am.



*Lucinda Maloney and Jessica Duong join us as volunteer tutors and continue to deliver classes with Mr Cameron. All resources are provided by our school and include free tea, coffee and refreshments*

*Our English classes have helped parents to develop their speaking, writing and reading skills.*

*Our school provides useful worksheets and we focus on important topics such as employment/CV writing, emergency call language, social language and how to communicate in a wide range of social situations.*

Please join us and you may bring friends to our class. Everyone from our local community is welcome and can benefit from these free English classes.



## ART, CRAFT AND OTHER ACTIVITIES WITH MR CAMERON

Watch out for Mr Cameron during the second half of lunchtime on Thursdays.

He will bring art, craft and activities/games to our students in the wonderful "Classroom of Dreams". Students can participate and have lots of fun! Just look at what students created on Thursday 24th October!



**Art, craft  
and  
games  
=  
FUN!!!**

## CONNECTING CULTURES (Multicultural Day) | Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November

Our **Connecting Cultures Day** will feature cultural food, performances and great classroom activities, as we celebrate our diverse multicultural backgrounds. This is one of the biggest events in our school community!

A small contribution by you (food, help, teaching dance routines etc) will make a big difference for this fantastic day and if many parents/carers help, great things will be achieved!

## PARENTS AND CARERS!! Would you like to contribute to our event?

Here are some ways to help:



1. Attend our planning meeting at our P & C Meeting on Thursday **7<sup>th</sup> November @ 2pm** in the C4K room
2. Teach children cultural dances or songs
3. Help plan a parents/carers/staff performance
4. Assist with set-up on the day 27<sup>th</sup> November from 10:00–11:00am
5. Bring cultural food on a plate to share with our community
6. Serve food at cultural tables at lunchtime
7. Participate in parent/carer/staff performances
8. Help serve tea and coffee in the C4K room

Please contact Mr Cameron on Wednesdays or Thursdays in the C4K room or email him if you would like to help! The email address is [cameron.outerside@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:cameron.outerside@det.nsw.edu.au)



# What does Connecting Cultures look like?



I am always at school on Wednesdays and Thursdays if you have queries or would like assistance. Feel free to drop-in and have a tea or coffee and a chat.

*Cameron*

Cameron Outterside | Community Liaison Officer (CLO)



## CRUNCH N SIP

The Crunch N Sip program is a highly successful initiative to encourage the children to improve their daily intake of fresh fruit and vegetables and to drink plenty of water. You can support this initiative by making sure that your child has their "Fruit Break" snack every day and an extra bottle of **water** to have available in the classroom.

## NO HAT- SHADE PLAY

Does your child remember to bring their hat to school every day? Families are reminded that children need to have a hat to play in the playground with their friends. Children who do not have a hat are required to play under the shaded areas.



## SCHOOL BANKING 2019

School banking takes place each Wednesday. Students Commonwealth bank books will be collected from their classrooms and returned to their teachers for return to students. If you would like to open an account with the Commonwealth Bank for your child please speak with School Banking Co-ordinators on any Wednesday in the C4K Room.

## LIVERPOOL NEIGHBOURHOOD CONNECTIONS- SCHOOL CANTEEN

A variety of freshly made healthy snacks are made daily and available at recess and lunch. Watch the blackboard for fresh homemade soups and meals that may vary daily depending on season. Canteen lunch orders need to be placed by 9:00am.



## ASSEMBLY ROSTER

School Assemblies are held every two weeks on Friday mornings in the School Hall.

Classes take turns in leading the Assembly.

All community members are invited to attend.

Term 4	Class
Week 4 8 <sup>th</sup> November	1 Leura & 1 Uluru
Week 6 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	5/6 Marrangaroo
Week 8 6 <sup>th</sup> December	5/6 Jamberoo & K Mollymook



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Date	Event
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Kindergarten Transition 9:00am to 10:45am
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	English Classes in C4K Room 9:00am to 11:30am
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	P&C Meeting in C4K Room 2:00pm to 3:00pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Day Ceremony 10:40am
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Kindergarten Transition 9:00am to 10:45am
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	English Classes in C4K Room 9:00am to 11:30am
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Kindergarten Transition 9:00am to 10:45am
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	English Classes in C4K Room 9:00am to 11:30am
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Last Day for Special Religious Education
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Connecting Cultures Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day to achieve GOLD AWARDS (200 Dojo points)
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 Farewell
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Presentation Day
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Term 4 Fun Day
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Gold Reward Day
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	School Reports go home today
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of School for 2019

# KIDS CLUB

## WARWICK FARM NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

### EACH MONDAY

(during school terms)

**3:15PM – 4:15PM**

**PRIMARY SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN  
ONLY**

**FREE SERVICE**  
**KIDS CRAFT ACTIVITIES**  
**HOMEWORK HELP IF NEEDED**  
**READING**  
**GAMES**

Enrolments essential.

**Enquires welcome in person at  
the Neighbourhood Centre  
or phone 9600 0600**



# **BOLLYWOOD DANCE!!**

## *Parents, carers and students*

Are you interested in participating in a Bollywood dance routine at our **Connecting Cultures** event on **Wednesday 27/11/19??**



## **CONTACT:**

**Ms Radhika Chand** at school or **Mr Cameron** in the C4K room.

Alternatively you may contact Mr Cameron on:

p 9602 8260 | e [cameron.outterside@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:cameron.outterside@det.nsw.edu.au)

Rehearsals will be coordinated by Ms Chand and will commence soon at school during lunchtime.

*JOIN IN AND BE A PART OF OUR  
MULTICULTURAL EVENT!!!*