



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.'**

School Website: <http://www.warwickfarm-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>

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3rd July 2020

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

Bounce Forward Surveys

Thank you to the many parents who have completed the "Bounce Forward" survey for us. This information will assist our school to take the best bits of the Learning from Home program during the COVID-19 pandemic for us to move forward with greater positives.

If you haven't had a chance yet, could you please take some time to fill out this survey, to help us to learn what worked and what we can do better!

Please follow the link:

https://researchsurveys.deakin.edu.au/jfe/form/SV_0JvhfmJAiEY97fL

Translations were sent home this week and can still be collected from the office in the following languages:

- Dari
- Arabic
- Assyrian
- Vietnamese
- Chinese

Also, an English survey on paper can also be collected from the office, if you prefer using paper to electronic methods. We truly appreciate your time and value your input.

End of Term 2

This week concludes Term 2 and we will enjoy two weeks of school holidays, which are well deserved for our students, families and staff alike, after a very difficult and unique term. We began this term with our "Neighbourhood Car Drive By" through Warwick Farm and Liverpool which was one of our most cherished moments from Term 2, but it feels like it was way longer than 10 weeks ago! Since then, we have returned from Learning at Home to Face-to-Face Teaching, which we all much prefer. I am so proud of the students, staff and our community for the resilience, determination and positivity that has been demonstrated over the past few months. Hopefully, NSW will continue to eliminate the disease from the community and our restrictions will continue to ease across the State.

Term 3 may bring some small changes as we continue to move back to a new normal. As these changes occur we will immediately communicate them with you. We will continue with regular hand washing, ensuring a plentiful supply of hand sanitiser, wiping over devices after use, additional cleaning staff throughout the day, reminding everyone to cough or sneeze into their elbow and asking children and staff to stay home if unwell. PSSA may recommence for non-contact sports only, we will let you know as soon as we have more information from our Zone Convenor. Our existing drop off and pick up arrangements will not change at this point in time. Please keep abreast of our school's Facebook and Class Dojo apps for any new information during the break.

I sincerely wish everyone a safe and restful holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone return for Term 3 on **Tuesday 21st July 2020**.

Quote of the fortnight:

"The great aim of education is not knowledge but action." -Herbert Spencer

Melanie Macmillan

Proud Principal

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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.

POP (PARENT ONLINE PAYMENT)

Open

www.warwickfar-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Click on **\$ Make a Payment**

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

Thank you.

CLASSDOJO

ClassDojo is an online program we are using to give immediate feedback and where students, parents and teachers can all be connected. Parents can see how their child is doing in real time. Only people with the access code can connect to our school.

You can download the ClassDojo app to your smart phone or connect using a computer.

You child's teacher will give you an access code to connect to their class.

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....



Being Safe

- *Crossing the road safely;
- *Washing our hands regularly for 20 seconds;
- *Coughing or sneezing into our elbows or a tissue;
- *Making sure we are in the right place at the right time.





SCHOOL BANKING IS BACK

School banking will be back each Wednesday, starting 22nd July.

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 morning in the C4K Room.



Community News

A very eventful Term comes to a close. Despite the challenges of COVID-19, our school has adapted to keep everyone in the school community safe. All students functioned well in lockdown and parents/carers did a great job embracing technology including platforms such as Zoom and Google Classroom.

We thank families for participating in the Bounce Forward survey, which has provided great feedback on how our school has adapted to educational, equity and wellbeing challenges.

As we look forward past the break, our school will continue to maintain great communication with our community, provide great support to students and families, ensure a high standard of wellbeing and give our students the best opportunities in learning and leadership.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS HELPING OUR FAMILIES



Thanks to our partnership with Mission Australia one of our parents is attending an all-day **First Aid** course today for free! During Term 3 there will be a range of programs available to our families. Watch our newsletter and social media, for information regarding these programs!!

The Tenant Participation & Community Engagement (TPCE) arm of Mission Australia has a new Facebook page. Here is the link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/TPCEWarwickFarm>. Very soon there will be content about programs on this page – I will let you know when it is available.

The St Vincent de Paul Society (Vinnies) has a fantastic "Linkers" program and will link our families to services and programs provided by community agencies. Here is one of those programs:

The **Uniting Fathers Support Service** helps men maintain and improve relationships with their children. They offer educational programs, therapeutic support groups, and referrals to other helpful services. Part of the Cabramatta Multicultural Family Centre, they are a free service funded by the Department of Social Services (DSS) to support fathers and families in South West Sydney.

The service offers:

- Information and advice • Parenting groups • Therapeutic support groups • Referrals and individual support

<https://www.uniting.org/services/family-services/facility/uniting-burnside-fathers-support-cabramatta>

If you would like to be included in any of their programs, please contact Cameron Outterside (Community Liaison Officer Warwick Farm Public School) on 9602 8260. I will update you on programs available in Term 3, via Class Dojo and our newsletter.

ART AND CRAFT / CLASSROOM OF DREAMS

Across Term 2, students loved art and craft in the Classroom of Dreams on Thursdays at lunchtime. This outlet for their creativity can settle them, foster their talents and provide a great avenue for socialisation. Every Thursday students are welcome to join Mr Cameron for Art and Craft!

Artistic expression and creative therapies positively impact on:

- ✓ Verbal and creative thinking
- ✓ Reading and comprehension
- ✓ A sense of mastery (comprehensive knowledge or skill)
- ✓ Motivation

(Piromalli, Cooley and Zuzic "Body, Brain, Belonging", NSW School-Link at p35)



YEAR 3 AND 4 PERCUSSION



We had a very productive Term 2 in our **Percussion course**. Students had opportunities to be creative, they learnt how to read music and they developed in their teamwork and social skills. Every student brought a smile to class and stayed positive!

At all times students followed their STARS, showing great respect for percussion instruments and others in the class. Term 3 will be an exciting one. Mrs McCabe and I look forward to more fun and learning in music and percussion.



We ended a successful semester of learning with a party!



During holidays many families choose to do a clean-up in their house or unit. If you do this, don't forget Liverpool Council's clean-up services. You can book a clean-up or simply wait for scheduled clean-ups in your area. Here is the link to information:

<https://www.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/services/waste-and-recycling/household-clean-up-service>

Contact Council's Customer Service Centre on 1300 36 2170 to arrange collection before placing out your rubbish/materials.

Council provides three types of free collections of larger household waste:

General clean-up waste collection: Two collections per year, with a maximum of two cubic metres of general waste per booking.

Metal and whitegoods collection: Unlimited metal and whitegoods collections and will collect a maximum of three whitegoods or one cubic metre of metal per booking. This material is recycled. Please remove door seals from fridges and freezers before collection. Electronic items and small household electrical items (e-waste) such as televisions, computers, electric fans, printers, toasters and kettles will not be accepted through the Metal and whitegoods collection service. Please drop these items at the Liverpool City Council Community Recycling Centre located at 99 Rose Street, Liverpool.

Mattress Collection: Council provides residents with up to 2 mattress collections each year (maximum of 4 mattresses per booking).

Stay in touch with things happening in our school, by viewing our Newsletter, social media, School app, Class Dojo, electric signboard and notes sent home. We also love to hear your feedback

If you have any concerns or queries or just want to talk, contact me on the email below (Mon – Fri) or the school phone number 9602 8260 (Wednesdays and Thursdays). Email cameron.outterside@det.nsw.edu.au

Have a great break everyone!

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- PLAY IN THE SHADE

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 quietly under the shelter.



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

Term 3	Class
Week 2 31 st July	5/6 Triumph
Week 4 14 th August	K Success
Week 6 28 th August	3 Yet
Week 8 11 th September	2/3 Celebrate
Week 10 25 th September	5/6 Mindful

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2	Event
Friday 3 rd July	Last day of Term 2
Term 3	Event
Monday 20 th July	School Development Day
Tuesday 21 st July	Students return to school
Wednesday 22 nd July	School Banking recommences
Monday 17 th August	Athletics Carnival @ Dwyer Oval



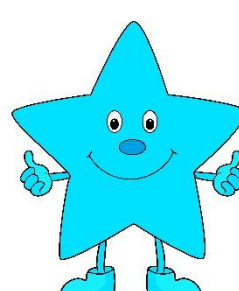
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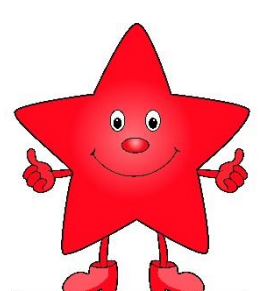
**Take
Responsibility**



**Active
Learner**



Respect



Safe