

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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18th September 2020 PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families.

Week 10 Fun!

Next week will be the last week of a very long term. As such, we have planned for something exciting to happen every single day!

Monday = Manic Monday!

Just come to school and wait for the fun to begin!

Tuesday = Table Tennis Tuesday!

We will have the table tennis table set up ready for classes to play throughout the day!

Wednesday = Wacky Wednesday!

Come to school dressed in something wacky! Wear odd socks, have crazy hair, even wear your uniform backwards! See how wacky you can look!

Thursday = Thinking Thursday!

We will have fun and engaging thinking tasks and activities ready to go

Friday = Flight Friday!

Mrs D'Cruz is organising a Pape Plane Challenge to send us off into the break full of fun!

End of Term 3

What a busy term we have had! It was great to see PSSA return, even though sadly many games were rained out. We were able to enjoy our Athletics Carnival, which was a fantastic opportunity for our kids, even though families were not allowed to be present. Idiom Day was a huge hit, with our kids and staff having so much fun, learning about this particular type of grammar!

As this will be the last newsletter for this term, I would like to personally thank all of our staff for their dedication to our school. There is still many concerns out of side of our school gates, with the ongoing pandemic caused by COVID-19, but inside our grounds, our schools feels safe and happy. We miss having our families on the grounds to be able to see and feel the joy of our kids across the school, but otherwise, once inside school, our staff work tirelessly to provide the best educational outcomes for every single student.

The Department of Education are likely to release Guidelines for Learning in NSW Public Schools which may outline the restrictions for Term 4. These guidelines will help us plan for our special Connecting Cultures Day, Our Kinder Orientation Program, a Book Week Parade and the prestigious annual events of Presentation Day and our Year 6 Farewell. We currently have a range of plans for each of these events, from best to worst scenarios. As soon as we know of any changes, I will inform the community. Please see later in the newsletter for detailed information on The Book Week 2020 plans, so you can begin to organise a costume!

Term 3 concludes on Friday 25th September for a well-deserved two-week break. As we do not begin Term 4 with a School Development Day, please note that school resumes for Term 4 on **MONDAY 12TH OCTOBER.** Have a safe, healthy and relaxing holiday everyone, spending extra time with your loved ones.

Quote of the Fortnight:
"When it rains, look for rainbows
When it's dark, look for stars."
-KidsHelpPhone.ca

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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....











Take Responsibility

*Be in line on time, it's your responsibility;

*Wait your turn.





BOOK WEEK PARADE 2020

Coming soon.....

At this stage our Book Parade will be in early term 4, just after the school holidays. This year the book parade will be a bit different but we can all still dress up as our favourite book characters.

More information coming!!! The staff will start thinking about their costumes in the holidays and you can too!

OTHER COMPETITIONS

K-2 Colouring Competition Year 3 & 4 Poster Competition Year 5 & 6 Bookmark Competition





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





SCHOOL BANKING

School banking takes place each Wednesday.

Students Commonwealth bank books will be collected from their classrooms, and returned to students when transactions are complete.

If you would like to open an account with the Commonwealth Bank for your child please enquire at the office.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2021

The school is now accepting applications for Kindergarten in 2021. Children who turn 5 years of age before 31st July 2021, are able to begin school.

Please enquire at the School Office for an application package.



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 10	5/6 Mindful
25 th September	

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 3	Event
Friday	Burger Meal Deal Day
23rd September	
Friday	Last Day Term 3
25 th September	
Term 4	Event
Monday	Students return to school
12 th October	First Day Term 4













Community News

Hi families! It is now Week 9 and there is only one more week until the break. School finishes on 25 September and returns on Monday 12 October.

Here is an overview of some significant things which happened in Weeks 8 and 9.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Our Breakfast Club program has been a big hit with students, running from 8.30 – 8.55am each day of the week. We have been lucky to have many helpers too!!

Stage 3 volunteers have been working hard, ensuring that toast is made with delicious toppings. Students from other Stages have now started to help with distributing it to students safely in the playground on trays. All of these students are STARS Leading the Way!!



Students go to class after a yummy breakfast. This helps them to perform well and be active learners.

Our partners Gift of Bread now provide both loaves of bread and individual 2 packs of raisin toast for our school. We are grateful for this help and the raisin toast has been received well by students.

Students wishing to help should meet Mr Cameron, Mrs Smalley, Ms Mulder or Mrs Haeren should be ready outside the C4K room at 8.30am.

OUR CANTEEN!!

Students. Have you said hello to our canteen staff? Here is a reminder of their names!











Ms Lisa

Ms Nicole

Ms Sadia

Ms Jennifer

Ms Tracey

YEAR 3 AND 4 PERCUSSION



In Weeks 8 and 9 students performed the parts they had been learning for our new performance called "Multicultural World".

All students are becoming excellent musicians – listening, playing in time and working well within their instrument teams.

This performance will be one of our best ever!!







PERCUSSION STARS LEADING THE WAY!!



FAMILIES!!

Benefits

If you are a "grandparent" or "non-parent carer" of children, you may be eligible for a range of Government benefits.

A service officer or a "Grandparent Adviser" at Centrelink can provide you information regarding these benefits. Please read the pdf document posted in CLASS DOJO, describing support for grandparents and non-parent carers.

Alternatively, follow this link:

https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/family-tax-benefit/what-other-services-are-available/support-grandparent-carers

Assistance with tuition in creative arts

The Museum of Contemporary Art **(MCA)** is offering an MCA "Kids Art Parcel" through the NSW Government's Creative Kids \$100 voucher.

Further information:

https://www.mca.com.au/whats-on/creative-kids-family-bundle/

About Creative Kids

NSW Government is helping with families' costs of living, providing more than 70 rebates and savings including "Creative Kids", which is all about making it easier for school-aged kids (4.5 to 18 years old) to get involved in creative and cultural activities.

Parents, guardians and carers can claim a \$100 voucher per year to put towards the cost of lessons and fees with registered providers.

Vouchers can be used to contribute to registration, participation and tuition costs for performing arts, visual arts, coding, languages, literature, music and other creative and cultural activities with our approved list of activity providers.

The MCA has included an Art parcel as part of the deal. One Art Parcel includes:

- ✓ Creative goodies from the MCA Store.
- ✓ A letter from our MCA Artist Educators.
- ✓ Two creative activities inspired by artworks from the MCA Collection and simple step-by-step instructions.
- ✓ Artmaking materials.
- ✓ Links to our online ARTiculate project webpage where our team will answer your questions, share tips and tricks, as well as additional prompts to inspire you to experiment further with your materials.

Art and Craft | CLASSROOM OF DREAMS | 17/9/20





Each Thursday
at lunchtime
with
Mr Cameron



















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

Thank you to all families for following COVID-safe rules and keeping our school community healthy and safe.

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 weekend and a wonderful September/October break everyone!

Cameron

Cameron Outterside | Community Liaison Officer (CLO)

