Our School Community Newsletter



## WARBY NEWS

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#### Week 10 Term 3

#### **Principals Report**

We are fast approaching the end of what has been a very busy term for our students, families and teachers. We hope our families enjoy their time together during the school holiday break. Please note that teachers do not have a Staff Development Day at the beginning of Term 4 so all students should return to school on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the school's administrative and support staff for their continued dedication to our students and school community. A lot of the wonderful things that happen at John Warby PS would not be possible without the dedication and support these wonderful staff bring to John Warby each day.

#### Calendar

#### Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Sep

- · Wheelies Rewards day
- Last Day Term 3

#### Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Oct

· First Day Term 4

#### Tue 17<sup>th</sup> Oct

Kinder Orientation

I would like to offer my congratulations to Unitty T who qualified for the State Athletics Carnival in both Shot Putt and Discus, (setting a new record for Discus in the process) at the recent South West Regional Athletics Carnival. We wish Unitty all the best at the State Athletics Carnival and we know that she will proudly represent both John Warby PS and the Campbelltown area.

I would like to remind all parents and carers that our school canteen does not provide credit unless the credit has been approved in advance by the Principal. Also note that approval would only be given in very rare circumstances.

Please mark Monday 11 December on your calendars. On this date we will not only be having our Annual Presentation Assembly but all classes will be presenting the new performance they have been working on in Song Room lessons during Term 3 and Term 4. We would love to have lots of our families and community members join us on the day.

#### Student of the Week:

Week 9, Term 3 – Jude P from 4/5A for consistently demonstrating outstanding behaviour. Week 10, Term 3 – Aden S from 2/3W for dedicating himself to all set tasks.

#### Class of the Week

Week 9, Term 3 - 3/4D for 'Earth and Space' work and their backwall display. Week 10, Term 3 - KM for taking responsibility for their belongings.

#### 2018 School Enrolments

The school is currently planning around anticipated classes for 2018. If you have a student who will be entering Kindergarten or Preschool next year can you please complete an enrolment form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. If you know of any neighbours or friends who have students enrolling in Kindergarten or Preschool next year can you ask them to contact the office.

Also if you know you will be leaving John Warby Public School at the end of 2017 can you also advise the office of this and your destination school as soon as possible.

Thank you for assisting us with the important aspect of school planning. Mrs Ann Kitchin

#### Work in KM



WOW! Well don Aaron on improving your sentence structure.

Mrs Thompson

#### **Sports Review**

John Warby had a number of students recently participate in the campbelltown Zone Athletics Carnival. We were fortunate enough to have two students advance through to the Regional Carnival.

Congratulations to Shekinah B who participated in the 8yr 100m evnet at the Regional Carnival.

A huge congratulations also to Unitty T who participated in both Shot Putt and Discus at the regional Carnival and wil be advancing to the State Carnical in October. She placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Shot Putt and 1<sup>st</sup> in discus with a new regional record. We wish Unitty the best of luck at the State Carnival!





#### **Library News**

#### **Book Fair Thank you**

This year during Book Week we offered families the opportunity to purchase books at our Book Fair. Our library was transformed into a book shop with a wonderful array of books to buy. It was great to see the children exploring the books with their parents and grandparents. Once again thank you to those families who supported the Book Fair. The commission from our sales will help us buy some great books and resources for our Library. Some families chose to donate books to our library too! Thank you.

#### **NSW Premier's Reading Challenge**

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge has finished for 2017. Congratulations to the 96 students who completed the reading challenge and read so many books! We are very proud of these students. What an achievement! Certificates coming soon!

#### **Library Borrowing**

It's 'Returns Week!' Please ensure all Library books come back to the Library this week as there is no borrowing over the holidays. Thank you to the many families who encourage and support regular borrowing.

#### **Book Tasting**

Last week we held two 'Book Tastings' in the Library. Well done to those students who completed an entry and were invited to attend! K-2 students and 3-6 students enjoyed looking at some new books whilst enjoying some nice nibbles! I hope you enjoyed it!





Mrs Smith Teacher Librarian

#### From the Pastoral Carers Desk

Wow, Term 3 is almost over and we have seen many encouraging achievements and positive outcomes through extra programs, events and activities at John Warby Public School. "Education Week" was recognised earlier this term throughout NSW. It was a great opportunity to celebrate the success of school communities, and acknowledge the important contribution schools make to our society. At Warby the dedicated staff continue to support our boys and girls all year with genuine commitment and energy... They are providing wonderful opportunities in education and personal development.

Recently, I've talked with an increased number of people about feeling stressed and worried, and it is true to say that there are times when we all feel this way!

**Anxiety**, is considered a natural reaction, it seems many people can experience a heightened nervousness about various situations and life in general. But for some people anxious thoughts, feelings, or physical symptoms can become so severe and upsetting that they interfere with their ability to go about their daily lives. Sometimes simple changes to lifestyle can help lower stress and anxiety. Including regular exercise, lowering alcohol and caffeine, enjoying activities and interests, improving time management skills, meditation and relaxation time, and adequate sleep can all help to lower anxiety. However, if anxiety is affecting a person's work, school, home life or relationships then professional assistance from a doctor or psychologist should be considered...the School Counsellor could be helpful.

I hope everyone has a safe, happy and restful holiday, as we ready ourselves for a busy Term 4. Next term I will be at Warby on Monday and Tuesday.

If I can be of any assistance please do not hesitate to contact me. Until next time, cheers.

Rob Hodgson JP

#### Is your child starting Kindergarten next year?

Enrolment forms are now available in the school office. If you have any questions, please see Ms Murray or Mrs Thompson.

Join our Term 4 Kindergarten Orientation and Transition Program.

If your child is starting school next year, Information flyers are now available at the school office with the dates and times of our Kindergarten "getting ready for big school" program.



# Creative Arts

A special thank you to the Song Room for the donation of 10 Ukulele's! We can't wait to use them in our music lessons. John Warby is currently purchasing some new musical instruments.

Watch this space for more exciting Creative Arts news!

Mrs Thompson

#### Community Helpers

Do you have your Working with Children's Check?

Are you available to assist in setting up the Music Room?

Please see Mrs Thompson © Your help would be greatly appreciated!

## Getting Ready for "Big School"



Any student, who is starting Kindergarten at John Warby PS next year, is invited to attend a free "Getting Ready for Big School" program that will take place next term. It aims to provide as much support to our students before they start Kindergarten. The program will have 2 parts.

#### PART 1: Kindergarten Orientation Information Session

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October Week 2 from 9-11am in the library.

During this session the children will visit this year's Kindergarten classrooms and parents/carers will remain in the library for an information session presented by Mrs Thompson.



#### PART 2: The "Getting Ready for Big School" Transition Program

The children will be exposed to the expectations and structure of "Big School". It will be a time to observe the children to ensure we are well prepared to meet their needs when they begin school in 2018. This will occur in Ms Murray's classroom.

<u>Session 1:</u> Term 4 Week 3 Parents and Carers attend with the children Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 9-11am or Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 9-11am

<u>Session 2:</u> Term 4 Week 4 Parents and Carers attend with the children Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 9-11am or Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 9-11am

<u>Session 3:</u> Term 4 Week 5 Only the children the attend *Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 9-11am or Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 9-11am* 

<u>Session 4:</u> Term 4 Week 6 Only the children the attend

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 9-11am or Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 9-11am



If you are interested, please place your name and phone number on the list in the office or at the preschool and one of our team will contact you

Please remember, 2018 Kindergarten Enrolment packages are now available at the front office and at the John Warby Preschool.

If you have any questions please come and see one of the team:

Ms Murray, Mrs Thompson and Miss Woods

## John Warby Award System

## Warby's

(Playground or classroom)
(5 Warby's earns a Star Achiever Award)



#### Star Achiever Award

(Presented at Monday Assembly) (5 Star Achiever Awards earns a Principals Award)





## Principals Award

(Presented at School Assembly Week 8)
(3 Principals Awards earns a Gold Pin)





## Warby Gold Pin

(Presented at Special Assembly)
(3 Gold Pins earns a Warby Medal)





## Warby Medal

(Presented at Presentation Day)



Behaviour Matrix	Safe	Respectful	Learners
Classroom	Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself     Move sensibly within the room	<ul> <li>Follow all staff instructions</li> <li>Listen attentively</li> <li>Care for everyone's property and resources</li> <li>Be accepting of other's differences</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Be prepared and ready to learn</li> <li>Do your best at all times</li> <li>Ask for help when needed</li> <li>Allow others to learn</li> </ul>
Hallways/ walkways/ stairs	Walk at all times     Move quietly     Bannisters are for hands	<ul> <li>Move quietly</li> <li>Value other's personal space</li> </ul>	Set a good example     Return to class     promptly
Canteen	Wait patiently in line     Return to     playground/classroom     No ball games	<ul> <li>Always use good manners</li> <li>Buy your own items</li> <li>Value other's personal space</li> <li>Follow all staff instructions</li> </ul>	Count your money     Know what you     want to buy
Toilets	<ul> <li>Walk sensibly and safely</li> <li>Use toilet correctly</li> <li>Always wash your hands when finished</li> </ul>	Be mindful of the privacy of others     Care for the environment     Report any problems     Take your turn	Return promptly to class or playground
Playground/Riley Park	<ul> <li>Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself</li> <li>Play safely</li> <li>Stay in your correct area</li> <li>Always wear a hat</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Follow all staff instructions</li> <li>Care for the environment</li> <li>Value your own and other's property</li> <li>Be accepting of other's differences</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Be a good sport</li> <li>Follow the rules of the game</li> </ul>

Assemblies/ Hall	<ul> <li>Sit correctly and quietly</li> <li>Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself</li> <li>Enter and leave quietly and sensibly</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Follow all staff instructions</li> <li>Listen attentively</li> <li>Allow others to listen</li> <li>Be supportive of others</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Be a role model</li> <li>Listen to all instructions</li> <li>Participate when required</li> </ul>
Office Area	<ul> <li>Always go to the front office first</li> <li>Listen to all instructions</li> <li>Move sensibly</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Knock before entering</li> <li>Wait patiently</li> <li>Remove your hat</li> <li>Use your manners at all times</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Follow all instructions</li> <li>Set a good example</li> </ul>
Bear Pit	<ul> <li>Small ball games only</li> <li>Walk at all times</li> <li>Always wear a hat</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Care for the environment</li> <li>Cooperate with others</li> <li>Value your own and other's property</li> <li>Be accepting of other's differences</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Play the rules of the game</li> <li>Set a good example</li> </ul>
Library/ Computer Room	<ul> <li>Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself</li> <li>Move sensibly within the room.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Follow all staff instructions</li> <li>Listen attentively</li> <li>Care for everyone's property and resources</li> <li>Use appropriate volume when speaking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Be prepared and ready to learn</li> <li>Do your best at all times</li> <li>Ask for help when needed</li> <li>Allow others to learn</li> </ul>
Sunshine Room	<ul> <li>Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself</li> <li>Move sensibly within the room.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Follow all staff instructions</li> <li>Care for everyone's property and resources</li> <li>Value your own and other's property</li> <li>Be accepting of other's differences</li> <li>Use appropriate volume when speaking</li> </ul>	Follow all staff instructions     Ask for help when needed     Follow the rules of the game     Set a good example