



Our School Community Newsletter

# WARBY NEWS

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**20<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

**Week 2 Term 4**

## Acting Principal's Report

## Calendar

### Welcome Back!

It is the beginning of what is going to be a very busy Term 4, with many things happening in the coming weeks. I would like to warmly welcome back Mrs Wilson to the John Warby team, as she will be teaching on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. I know the students were very happy to see her last week and she is excited to have returned. We are also very lucky to have Mr Manns in the Aboriginal Education Officer position on Mondays and Fridays for this term. He has already been working hard with our students and we are very pleased to have him on board. Mr Burraston, who was with us, has been fortunate to receive a full-time position with NSW Health and we wish him all the best.

### Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October

- Selective High School Placement 2022 – application process opens

### Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

- Tell Them from Me survey closes

### Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

- Yr 6 Fundraiser – Halloween dress up day

### Enrolling for 2021

Enrolment packs for 2021 were handed out at the end of last term. Alternatively, we now have access to enrolments that can be completed online. Our school website has more information.

Getting ready for kindergarten is a big step for both our students and families and we are extremely lucky to have Mrs Murray overseeing this transition. We look forward to meeting new parents and students over the coming months.

We are also beginning to think about classes for next year and these can be affected by new enrolments across the school, as well as students who may be leaving us. Please encourage anyone who has moved into our community to contact the school so we can organise a welcome pack for them. To our existing families, please let us know if you are moving or changing schools next year as this affects the number of students enrolled and staffing for 2021.

### Tell Them from Me Survey – closes this Friday!

This Friday is the last day for parents and carers to complete the Tell Them from Me survey. It is a great way to help us to continue to improve our school and we really appreciate the time spent filling it out. If you have not yet completed yours, please go to

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/2020jwps>

### Help us do better

The Tell Them From Me parent survey is your chance to let us know how we are doing.

Please complete the survey at:  
<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/2020jwps>

Open

Closes

10<sup>th</sup> August 202023<sup>rd</sup> October 2020

Your results will help us

Build a better school

Improve the family experience

Allocate our resources to better support our students

## School Events

Due to the changes in guidelines from the Dept. of Education there are a number of events that we can run during Term 4. All the dates for these events will be provided in the coming weeks. Unfortunately, at this stage we are still unable to have parents onsite.

The events that we can run are:

- Year 6 Farewell – will be held at school
- Kindergarten Orientation/Transition Days
- Presentation Day

We will also be having a celebration of learning in Week 7 which will include Education Week displays and Book Week. Fingers crossed parents and carers will be able to be involved at school with these events.

## Whole School Planning

During this semester our staff have been undertaking a Situational Analysis. This involves collecting data and information about specific areas of student learning and determining focus areas to write our new Strategic Improvement Plan. Part of this process is collaboration with community, which has been difficult over the year! Generally, each year we have a whole school feedback session in Term 4, where students, staff and community come together to talk about particular areas of our school. As this can not happen this term we will be doing things a bit differently.

You may receive a phone call or be asked to give your opinions on a survey for us – every bit of information helps. Our P&C will be involved in assisting us to decide focus areas for 2021 and beyond. If you have any questions about this or would like more information please contact me through the office. We look forward to hearing your thoughts and ideas.

## On a final note...

**“Play is our brain’s favourite way of learning”** – Diane Ackerman

Thank you for your support of our school.

Mellissa Page  
Acting Principal



**Student of the Week**

**Wk 2 – Lara S**

**Class of the Week**

**Wk 2 – Seussville**

## Up to Date Contact Details

A number of families have moved or had phone numbers change. If this applies to your family, please update any new or changed information (e.g. phone numbers, emergency contact names and addresses) at the office as a matter of urgency.



## Nut Aware School

Please be aware that we have students with nut allergies at our school. We ask that you not send any nut products such as Nutella or Peanut Butter to school in your child/ren's lunch boxes. We appreciate your support in the safety of our students.

## Road Safety

As we now have many parents and carers driving to drop off and collect students we are asking all drivers to ensure they follow all safety rules outside our school. Please DO NOT stop at the pedestrian crossing to drop off or pick up – this puts everyone's safety at risk.



Transport  
for NSW

Also, our speed limit is 40km/hour during school drop off and pick up times – this must be adhered to. We do not have a crossing guard so we require all community members to respect the safety of everyone.

Please be aware of some traffic infringements and the penalties for NSW School Zones. These road safety rules are in place to keep our students and community safe whilst travelling to and from school.

Description	Fine	Demerit Points
Disobey no stopping sign (school zone)	\$344	2
Stop on/near children's/pedestrian crossing (school zone)	\$457	2
Double Park (school zone)	\$344	2
Drive using mobile phone when not permitted	\$457	5
Stop on/across driveway/other access to/from land (school zone)	\$344	2

## Library News

Welcome back to the last Term for 2020! This term we are fortunate to have our Library renovation underway. The painting has been completed and Mr Harris is working hard at putting our new shelving and furniture together. The Library will be out of use for the next coming weeks, but Library lessons and borrowing will continue in the Computer Lab.

At the end of last term, our Stage 2 classes completed their STEAM Library research project. Students chose a famous Australian landmark and researched the landmark and its significance to Indigenous Australians. Students completed posters and 3D models which we later placed on a hall size map of Australia. Students were then able to 'travel' around Australia using our Sphero robots as a Camper-van. We were lucky to have the opportunity to share this activity with other classes.

Issue 7 of Scholastic book Club went home last week. Orders are due by Friday October 30th. Please remember that orders need to be placed online as we cannot accept any cash payments at school.

Happy Reading  
Mrs Saleh







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## We are enrolling now for Kindergarten 2021

If you have a child, or know someone who has a child that is ready to start Kindergarten next year, please call our friendly office staff on 02 46 25 8140 to arrange an enrolment package. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.



At John Warby Public School we are committed to creating a dynamic, engaging and nurturing environment that promotes a passion for lifelong learning. We foster positive relationships, embrace cultural diversity and develop outstanding leaders.



# John Warby Public School

## preschool update

**Enrolling now!**

If you have a child turning four (4) years of age by 31<sup>st</sup> July in the year of 2021 then you can contact the school for an enrolment form and preschool information booklet.

02 4628 1637





Dear Parents and Caregivers,

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2020, our school will be having a Halloween Dress Up Day. This is a fundraiser for our Year 6 Farewell. Students may dress up in a Halloween costume and donate a gold coin. Please ensure costumes are age appropriate as we have younger students at our school. No toy weapons will be allowed.

The Year 6 teachers will have a photo booth available during lunch and recess for students to take photos with their siblings and/or friends. It will cost \$1.00 per photo print. You may have as many photos as you choose to pay for. As mentioned, all money raised will go to our Year 6 Farewell. Our Year 6 students really appreciate your help and support.

If you have any questions regarding the event, please speak to Mrs Davies or Mrs Gewargis by contacting the school on 02 4625 8140.

We look forward to seeing all the wonderful costumes!





# What Sort of Start is Your Child Getting?

**Just a little bit late doesn't seem much but.....**

He/ She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly <u>Half a year</u>
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 year</u>
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 Weeks per Year	Nearly <u>1 and a Half years</u>
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 Weeks per year	Over <u>2 and a Half years</u>

*Did you know your child's best learning time is the start of the school day?*

*That's when every minute counts the most!!*

**School starts at 9am  
and finishes at 3pm**

## Keeping children safe in and out of the car

A child who is properly secured in an approved child car seat is less likely to be killed or injured in a crash than one who is not.

Children aged between four and seven years cannot travel in the front seat of a vehicle with two or more rows, unless all other back seats are occupied by children younger than seven years in a child car seat.

National child restraint laws require your child to be restrained in the car as follows:

### 0 – 6 months

Approved rear-facing child car seat.

### 6 months – 4 years

Approved rear or forward-facing child car seat.

### 4+ years

Approved forward-facing child car seat or booster seat.

### 145cm or taller

Suggested minimum height to use adult lap-sash belt.

For more information and to find and compare a range of child car seats, visit [childcarseats.com.au](http://childcarseats.com.au)

Here are a few things you can do to help keep your children safe in and out of the car:

- Children should remain in the car until an adult opens the 'Safety Door'. This is the rear footpath side door of the car.
- A sleeping child must remain firmly buckled up while in the car.
- Assist your children to buckle up – always check the seatbelt is buckled up firmly and not twisted.

- Make it a rule that every passenger must be securely buckled into a seatbelt or child car seat before you start the car.
- Always help your child get in and out of the car through the 'Safety Door'.

Never leave a child of any age in a vehicle without adult supervision. Children may rapidly suffer from dehydration, heat exhaustion and organ failure if left unattended, especially on hot days.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on [safetytown.com.au](http://safetytown.com.au)



### Messages to share with your children

- Click, clack, front and back
- Always buckle up
- Get in and out of the car on the footpath side



## John Warby Public School preschool update

### John Warby Preschool is nut aware!

Peanut allergy is the second most common food allergy in children. It occurs in 1 in 50 children.

At preschool we have several children who have nut allergies.

Please **DO NOT** put the following foods in your child's lunchbox:

Any nuts	Nutella	Chocolates
Peanut butter	Muesli bars	Baklava
Nougat	Biscuits	Cakes

If your child has a nut allergy could you please inform the preschool and their teacher as soon as possible.



Please help us in providing a nut aware preschool.



## John Warby Public School

### preschool update

#### Hygiene procedures

We are committed to minimising risks to children and educators. Here are a few procedures we are adopting during this time:

- Checking temperatures of children using a non-contact forehead thermometer as they enter the preschool.
- If a child presents with symptoms we will contact you to collect them as soon as possible.
- Children are encouraged to wash their hands regularly with soap and water.
- We will continue explicitly teaching children what good handwashing looks like.
- We are teaching children to cover their noses and mouths when they cough or sneeze by coughing into their elbow.
- If your child has been unwell please be sure to get a clearance certificate form your doctor before returning to preschool.

For more information please visit the NSW  
education website

[www.education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19](http://www.education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19)



# The Benefits of Art



Here are some of the best ways that picking up your paint brush can benefit your brain and mental health.

## **Art stimulates the imagination**

Art opens the heart and mind to possibilities and fuels the imagination. Art is a process of learning to create ourselves and experience the world in new ways. It supports the bigger view of life: beauty, symbols, spirituality, storytelling, and allows us to be present in the moment. Art keeps the magic alive.

## **Art makes you more observant**

Leonardo da Vinci said, "Painting embraces all the ten functions of the eye; that is to say, darkness, light, body and color, shape and location, distance and closeness, motion and rest."

Creating art helps you learn to "see" by concentrating on detail and paying more attention to your environment.

## **Art enhances problem-solving skills**

Making art teaches that there is more than one solution to the same problem. Art challenges our beliefs and encourages open-ended thinking that creates an environment of creative thinking in problem solving.

## **Art boosts self-esteem and provides a sense of accomplishment**

We stick our kids' artwork on the fridge to boost their self-esteem. Hanging your latest work of art on the wall can instill the same feelings within you.

## **Art reduces stress**

Painting, sculpting, drawing, and photography are relaxing and rewarding hobbies that can lower your stress levels and lead to an overall improvement in well-being. Creating art can take your mind off life's many stresses, at least momentarily. It clears some head space and allows one to focus on the good in life.

Creating art isn't just for artists, art is for everyone! Within each of us lies a spark of creativity.

Maybe you've always wanted to try drawing, painting, sculpting, or fine art photography, but never had the time or opportunity to do so. With the knowledge of all the benefits artistic pursuits can provide, I hope you won't put off exploring your artistic side any longer!

Source: ArtLoft May 19, 2015



# BE AMBITIOUS

## BE A SKILL SEEKER WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND EMPLOYMENT TRAINING

ENROL IN CSO5555-V01  
TAFE STATEMENT IN  
EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT PATHWAYS

### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The TAFE Statement in Education and Employment Pathways training course will provide you with an introduction into the information technology Industry, as well as an opportunity to develop and enhance your employability skills.

Throughout the course, you will also gain skills in using a computer, using the internet safely, spreadsheets, create documents and electronic presentations.

A learning pathway into Certificate 1 in Information Technology and Certificate 1 Business, dual qualification, will be available in February 2021 TAFE NSW Campbelltown.

This course also provides: Learning resources to assist you with your learning and much more.

### COURSE OUTCOMES:

By successfully completing this course, students will be able to effectively participate in a vocational education learning environment.

### COURSE UNITS:

- CSO5555A Access information about desired education and /or vocational training options from a variety of sources
- CSO5555B Vocational taster (Information Technology)
- CSO5555C Develop a basic awareness of workplace practices

### PLEASE NOTE:

- Students must have a USI (Unique Student Identifier) to enrol. To obtain one, please visit [www.usi.gov.au](http://www.usi.gov.au)

### COURSE SNAPSHOT

**Location:**  
Airds Bradbury Community Centre,  
69 Riverside Drive, Airds NSW 2560

**Course:**  
CSO5555-V01

**Course Delivery:**  
Commencing on Monday 26 October  
Monday 7 December 2020, this face  
to face class is delivered over a  
period of 7 weeks.

**Mondays**  
9:30 am to 2:00 pm

**Cost:**  
Government subsidised course.  
Eligibility criteria applies.\*  
For more information, please visit:  
[tafensw.edu.au/enrol/fees](http://tafensw.edu.au/enrol/fees)

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