Our School Community Newsletter



WARBY NEWS

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Acting Principal's Report

Changes to school events

We are very pleased that the changes brought in on Monday 8th November mean that some school events can now go ahead with covid-safe planning. These events include:

- Kindergarten Orientation
- Year 6 Farewell
- Presentation Day

Year 6 Farewell

Our Yr 6 students have been planning the colour scheme and theme of our Yr 6 Farewell – more information will be coming about this important school event. The students will also be completing some fundraising over the coming weeks and we hope everyone can support their efforts.

Kindergarten Orientation

Mrs Murray and Mrs Williamson have been working on organising our Kindergarten Orientation Day. All families who have completed an enrolment form for 2022 will receive an invitation and flyer in the coming days. If you have not yet completed an enrolment form please contact our school urgently so that your child does not miss this important day. Kindergarten Orientation will be on Wednesday 1st December.

Week 6 Term 4

Thursday 11th Nov -

• Remembrance Day commemoration

Friday 12th Nov

• Airds HS Yr 7 Scholarship forms due

Monday 15th - Friday 19th Nov

• Bandannas for sale all week

Friday 19th Nov

• Pyjama Day Yr 6 fundraiser

Wednesday 17th Nov

- Opportunity Class placement test
- Applications for selective high school entry in 2023 close. See flyer in newsletter

Wednesday 1st Dec

- Kindergarten Orientation
- Student Leadership speeches

Presentation Day

Our Presentation Day will be on Wednesday 8th December. The organisation of this event is still in the planning process however we hope that a family member for each student receiving an award will be able to attend.

The new guidelines allow for fully vaccinated community members to be onsite for school business. This includes enrolling a student, participating in P&C meetings after school hours etc.

Parents and carers are still not able to come and collect students from the classroom and we appreciate your support with continuing to meet your child at the gates. We will continue with the staggered end times until further notice.

Unfortunately, we are still unable to attend our Stage 3 camp, however we are hoping to organise a special day for our Year 6 students.

If you would like any other information please go to the link **education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families** as this site has additional resources and advice from the Department of Education.



Student Leadership 2022

Our Year 5 students have begun the process of nominations for Student Leadership positions in 2022. These are important roles at school and we wish all of our Yr 5 students the very best. The leadership speeches will be held on Wednesday 1st December.

Remembrance Day commemoration

Today we commemorated Remembrance Day with our Stage 3 students leading the service. I have included the speech that Dakota and Maryam read to the school which was shared with us by Mr Rob a number of years ago. The thoughts and sentiments are still true today – will we honour the spirit of those that sacrifice for us by doing extraordinary things? I would like to thank Dakota, Henry, Maryam, Jesse, Lockie, Chernaya and Georgia for their excellent leadership.



School Surveys

All families will be receiving a school satisfaction survey in the post. We always appreciate the feedback that we receive from our community and thought this would be a good way of sharing with everyone. Mrs Murray is organising the surveys this year so please contact her if you have any questions.

On a final note... "Lest we forget."

Thank you for your support of our school.
Mellissa Page
Acting Principal



"Remembrance Day"- Commemoration Speech

One hundred and 3 years ago, on 11 November 1918, the guns of the Western Front fell silent after 4 years of continuous warfare. With their armies retreating and close to collapse, German leaders signed an Armistice, bringing an end the First World War.

Australians served in this war with distinction, and achieved a fighting reputation out of proportion to their numbers. But victory had come at a

heavy cost. In the 4 years of the war (1914-1918) over 416,000 Australians had enlisted. More than 60,000 of them died, and 156,000 were wounded, gassed or taken prisoner. Now that's at a time when Australia's population was around 5 million...in total nearly 220,000 men were killed or wounded, the social effects of this war would take decades to overcome.

So, the 11th November became known as Armistice Day, but it was later changed to Remembrance Day, which is commemorated with a minute's silence at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month each year. We do this in memory of all those who have died or suffered in all wars and conflicts. There have been many wars and conflicts since the First World War, where Australians have been willing to serve and sacrifice for their country with their mates. We should always remember them, acknowledge their service to us, and Honour their Spirit, their "Invictus" spirit...did you know the word Invictus means "invincible".

"Invictus Games" are an inspiring example of human resilience and show us the power of the human spirit...the ex-service men and women who bravely compete are honoured for their spirit, and often called "Super Human", but they are just ordinary people...doing extraordinary things"

We are all just ordinary people, but the question is "Will you do extraordinary things?" So, at this time of Remembrance, one hundred and three years after the end of the First World War, will you Honour their Spirit? Maybe follow the "Invictus Games" example of being extraordinary?



Kindergarten Orientation Invitation

For our Kindy 2022 families, please join us for our John Warby Public School Kindergarten Orientation. It will be a wonderful opportunity for you to find out more about our school and allow us to meet you and your child. There will be information and gift packs for the children and parents/carers.

The details are:

Date: Wednesday 1st December 2021

Time: 9:15am QR Code sign in and vaccination status check

9:30-10:30am Orientation

Where: Outside the school library

Unfortunately, due to the current restrictions we are only able to invite 1 fully vaccinated adult per family. We also cannot have younger siblings attend. As we need to hold all gatherings outdoors, our Orientation will not go ahead if it is raining. Please look on our Facebook page for updates. (John Warby Public School "Official") or call the school office.

An invitation has recently been posted home to all of you. Please complete the rsvp slip and return it to our school, or please call on 02 46 25 8140 and give your rsvp to our office staff by *Friday 26th November*.

We really look forward to seeing you there. Kind regards,

Mrs Murray Deputy Principal





We value what you think...

It's that time of the year again where we usually have our John Warby Community Feedback morning tea. Due to the current restrictions, we are unable to do this in person.

So that our families still have the opportunity to share their thoughts about our school, a School Satisfaction Survey will be posted to each family in the coming weeks.

We would greatly appreciate it if you would complete the survey, put it in the blank envelope provided, seal it and send it back to school with one of the children. There will be a box at the gates that the surveys can be put into. So you remain anonymous, you do not need to put your name on it.

If you would like any help completing the survey, please do not hesitate to contact me on 4625 8140. We look forward to your responses so that we can celebrate what our school community feels we are doing well at and focus on the areas our community feels we can improve in.

Your support and feedback are valued and are much appreciated.

Many thanks Mrs Murray



Online Payments

Due to COVID restrictions our school will be completing all transactions online and will no longer be accepting cash payments. Please make all payments via the school website (Make a Payment Tab) John Warby Public School - Enter Account (westpac.com.au) Under Departmental Guidelines, payments cannot be taken over the phone.

When paying for uniforms, please call the office with items and sizes required and put "Uniforms" in description area in payment section. Uniforms will be ready for collection by students on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Please be aware all payments need to be made 24 hours prior.



JOHN WARBY PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM PRICE LIST 2021

Girls Checked Dress	\$16.00
Girls Royal Blue Skorts	\$15.00
Polo Shirt	\$25.00
Boys Royal Blue Shorts	\$15.00
Polar Fleece Zip Top	\$25.00
Track Pants (Straight Leg)	\$17.00
Track Pants (Cuffed Ankle)	\$18.00
Dry and Cosy Jacket	\$20.00
(only size 4 & 6 available)	
Bucket Hats (Microfibre)	\$12.00
Caps	\$10.00

Prices subject to change – correct as at 27/10/21



Welcome back! It was wonderful to see the beautiful smiling faces of our students as they came back to school.



Every child that attended school on the first day back for everyone was given a Golden Ticket. Every Golden Ticket won a prize! The students won either a free ice block at Break 1, 10 minutes of extra play at Break 1, or 10-minutes free time in class.

We will hand out more Golden Tickets on random days throughout the term. Students must be at school every day, so

they don't miss out. Prizes can only be redeemed on the day tickets are handed out.



The following 13 students are members of our 100 club. They are currently achieving 100% attendance for the year!

Cooper B., Hilton, Nate, Connar T., Akira, Tilly, Kaytan, Indyanna, Harmony, Cooper J., Malakai U., Emma, Summer-Rose



It's wonderful to see 107 students attending at or above the NSW Department of Education and Campbelltown Attendance Strategy target of 90% attendance. Well done!

Muntasir, Blaidan, Liliana, Milita, Koree, Ben, Xzavier, Sanaya, Sabreen, Cooper B., Jake L., Nicholas, Johnathon, Ona, Conrad, Tanilla, Ribi, Jeremaia, Noa, Latisha, Neveah, Angelina, Malakai H., Manvi, Erin, Menaal, Hilton, Emilia, Amaya, Trinity-Joyce, Anariyah, Sose, Nate, Alexis H., Aaliyah, Walu, Doris, Breeze, Connar T., Akira, Tilly, Shareen, Isabel, Lesayne, Ishaan, Zahira, Dannielle, Kaytan, Malaika, Liam, Demetrius B.,

Loden, Liva, Palalaua, Matias, Kayleigh, Alieta, Azariah, Leilani, Ajwa, Nadia, PJ Sam, Reyley, Harley, Indyanna, Georgia, Melyssah, Lily, Maurice, Shrissa, Miley, Janaya, Junior, Harmonie, Chernaya, Jonathon, Lockie, Alex, Dakota, Jesse, Henry, Teaukura, Aliza, Paytan, Brett, Harmony, Leo T., Maykeira, Monson, Aariana, Maliha, Meralyn, Greg, Nevina, Cooper J., Ryan, Malakai U., Emma, Harry, Tallon, Tyrell, Deklan, Summer-Rose, Wikitoria, Charles, Corey, Seth.

Please remember to contact the school if your child is absent.

Thank you for supporting attendance at our school.

Stay safe,

Mrs Liddle
Attendance Officer

BANDANNA DAY

On Monday 15th to Friday 19th November, the SRC will be hosting a fundraiser for Canteen Bandanna Day.

National Bandanna Day, created by youth cancer charity Canteen, continues to build on the already strong support from communities around Australia. Funds raised will go directly to Canteen and will help provide counselling services, a 24/7 online community, camps and youth-specific resources as well as specialist medical support for young cancer patients.

Bandannas will be on sale in each cohort, in their designated playground areas each day of Week 7, Monday 15th to Friday 19th November. They can be purchased for \$5 each and students are invited to wear their bandannas throughout the week. There is only a limited amount so make sure you get in quick.



Library News



I'm a little late in welcoming everyone back to school. We have settled into our Library lessons and borrowing after such a long break. Some of the students' library day has changed to suit the new cohorts. During our absence the library underwent a massive change, and we are now looking even more fabulous than before.

How great does the new carpet look?







We look forward to a time when we can welcome the community back into the school so you can see our library in person.

Please remember to search for overdue library books and return them to school.

Happy Reading - Mrs Saleh

Stage 2 Information Poster

Stage 2 have been busy researching the rainforests of Borneo and creating a poster to show what they have learnt.

















Placement in selective high schools for Year 7 entry in 2023 Information for applicants

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 in 2023?

You must apply online at:

https://education.nsw.gov.au/publicschools/selective-high-schools-andopportunity-classes/year-7



Key Dates

Application website opens: 19 October 2021

Application website closes: 17 November 2021 You must apply before this date.

Test centre and test authority advice released: 24 February 2022

Selective High School placement test: 10 March 2022

Placement outcome expected to be released: 8 July 2022

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

There may be changes to the procedures in this document.

Check the website at education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc regularly for updates throughout the application and placement process.

Please check the website for information before you contact the Team.

After applying, you will be able to log into your application dashboard to change details and send and receive messages.

The Selective High Schools placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team. It is referred to as 'the Team' in this document.

Contact Details:

High Performing Students Team, NSW Department of Education

Telephone: 1300 880 367

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/772251106301086/

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- GET INFORMATION
 Uncertainty and ambiguity
 causes stress
- DIP YOUR TOE IN THE WATER Get a taster of what you are about to do
- 3 ASK FOR HELP
 Who can you turn to
 for support and advice?
- It takes time to adapt
- 5 BELIEVE IN YOURSELF
 Know that you can develop skills needed to adapt
- 6 TEST YOURSELF
 Stepping slightly out of your comfort zone helps you learn and improve
- KEEP A SENSE OF PERSPECTIVE
 Know what's important and what really matters
- REMEMBER YOUR GOAL
 Seeing the bigger picture will boost motivation



