

WARRAWONG Public School Newsletter

Term 2

Week 9

26 June 2019



GRIT

Yesterday afternoon, at a special assembly, we launched our Effective Learning Strategies through our GRIT initiative. Grit stands for:

- G Goals: Set realistic learning goals and monitor your achievement
- R Resilience: When things get tricky stick with it and ask for help
- I Initiative: Think creatively and be curious about different ways to solve your problem and react
- T Time: Give yourself the time to do the best job you can

Our world is changing at an ever increasing pace and our education system needs to be responsive to this. In a country like Australia information is at our finger tips, easily accessible through devices that connect to the internet. It wasn't all that long ago that it was amazing that a phone could take a photo...... look at what you can do now!!!! What's next?

It is important that we develop adults who have the skills to decipher fact from fiction, have opinions that are based on facts, can collaborate with others to solve problems, are agile in their thinking and see that learning is lifelong. They need the skills, the knowhow and the willingness to constantly change and learn.

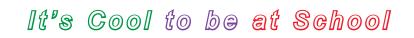
We intend to teach the students what these strategies are and what they look like. Our goal is to make them as much a part of life at WPS as our PBL Values of being **Safe**, **Respectful** and **Responsible**. We plan to not only help our students but also our families in understanding the importance of Effective Learning Strategies so that parents are able to talk their children about how they employed Effective Learning Strategies at school.

GRIT is our vehicle for this. As simple acronym, that is easy to remember but packs a lot of punch.

Parents/ Community using school toilets

It has come to my attention that parents and community members are using school toilets. For child safety reasons it is important that only students of Warrawong Public School use the children's toilet facilities.

We understand that sometimes it is necessary for parents/community members/high school age children to use toilets for themselves or their preschool age children. We ask that you inform the office where you will be given a key and directed to toilets appropriate to use.



Important Dates To Remember

Monday 1 July Support Unit Walking Exursion

> **Tuesday 2 July** Atheletics Carnival P& C Sausage Sizzle



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Respectful

Responsible

Award Winners

Whole School Atendance KM

AAA Award

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Chayton A, Ruby W, Japhet M, Sarah R, Jake K, Noah T, William T, Savahnah K, Olibana E, Ruby Mc S, Amber B, Alex S, Ruby G, A'lyra M, Tarneeka B, Tyren W, Keyana M, Bronson M, Paige W, Issac T, Silesia A, Amelia B, Amelia R, Madison S, Nardie T, Maddison B

> Class Assembly Award KM & KT

Attendance Award Paige W

> Foyer Display 3/4B

PBL Award Zoe Q, Lincoln M, Noah T, Tarneeka B, Joe C

Assembly Item Week 10 NAIDOC WEEK

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Mathematics Focus Fractions and Decimals 3D Space

Playground Focus Be hygienic

Focus Area Review of lessons throughout the term



Parents Speaking to Children Other Than Their Own

It is not appropriate for parents to speak to children other than their own on or near school grounds when dealing with problems arising at school. This includes children who are on their way home from school.

If a problem has occurred please notify the school and it will be investigated and dealt with.

Under no circumstances should parents approach another child in attempt to sort out a problem or threaten them.

If I think there is a danger to any student I have the power to enact the Inclosed Land Act which prevents people from entering the school.

Instead please notify the school of the problem, as the school is able to investigate the whole issue and make an informed judgement.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2020

We are taking enrolments for Kinder 2020. Our Kinder Orientation days are fast approaching. If you or anyone you know has children who are from our local area ready to start Kinder next year, then now is the time to enrol at our school. Warrawong Public School provides a comprehensive curriculum to suit students of varying needs and we are more than happy to assist you in this very important step in your child's life. Please contact the office via telephone on 4274 1399 or call in.



Attendance

We in Australia are lucky. Our children are able to attend a local school, if they choose, for no cost to their parents. It is important that students attend school on time. Missing just the first 10mins each day adds up to 50mins per week, 500mins per term 2 000mins per year. Literacy learning happens in the morning as students are alert and ready to learn. If your child is missing time in the morning they are missing out on crucial Literacy time. So, if your child is late for just 10mins per day they will miss nearly 17 days of Literacy lessons per year, equalling approximately three and half weeks of Literacy.

It is required by law that students attend school every day that it is open unless they are sick. It is also very important that they are punctual to school.

They are only at school for a maximum of thirteen years. In most cases those thirteen years can shape the rest of their lives. There isn't time to waste.



Quality education in an innovative and supportive environment

Our School Uniform

Please be reminded that our school uniform is an important part of our School values. With the extreme change in the weather, I have noticed students not wearing the correct jackets and hats. School hats are compulsory and we would appreciate all students wearing the correct uniform. Hats and jackets are available for sale from the office.



Athletics Carnival and Sausage Sizzle - Tuesday 2 July

Warrawong Public School's primary athletics carnival is on Tueday 2 July, week 10. Students aged 8 - 12 will compete in a range of field events as well as 100 metre sprints. The carnival will run all day, with rotations happening from 9.00am - 1.00pm and 100 metre finals and relays from 2.00pm - 3.00pm. Parents and cares are invited to watch, however students are to remain at school all day. We look forward to seeing everyone there. Remember there is a sausage sizzle also on the day, order forms are available from the office.



Next P&C Meeting

9.30am, Tuesday 30 July 2019 in the parents room. All welcome, bring a friend.

Thought of the Week

Adopt the pace of nature: her secret is patience.

Have a great week.

Wayne Farquhar Principal

Assembly Awards

KM Ziad A, Tolga S, Baw R, Bella S, Malia A, Aurora D

> **KB** Kaleb W, Kayla G, Zane M

KT Xena E, Paige W, Lachlan B

1/2C Ossie J, Olibana E, Jubilee D

1/2OK Bishop L, Ciara A, Malikye M

1/2B Lincoln M, Nelckson A, Holly B,

3/4R Chelsea S, Ree M, Max Z

> **3/4B** Ezra G, Gary H

4/5L Itama M, Chole J, Baw R

5/6O Jakob M, Viki F, Eleanor V

5/6F Miranda S, Tane H, Kaitlyn W

> **K/6K** Aleks M

K/6S Chayton A

3/6G

K/6J Lakiesha D



Achieving Personal Best

3/6G, K/6R , K/6K & K/6J

The students in the support unit have been going to small groups to experience creative and practical arts. Students make artworks representing both real and imagined situations exploring a range of techniques and media.

They experience and respond to a range of drama forms and elements by making, performing and appreciating drama. Students sing, play and move to music, demonstrating an awareness of their own capability in using voice and other sound sources.

Students perform dances with some understanding of body movement and expression, exploring a range of movements to make choices in order to convey ideas, feelings and moods.

They are loving this new experience of creative learning.





Quality Education for All

