

# WARRAWONG Public School NEWSLETTER



16 October 2020 T4 Wk1



## Dates for the diary!

**26-30 October**  
Extravaganza Week

**27 October**  
Parent 'Tell them From Me' Survey DUE

**30 October**  
Ice cream fundraiser for Read Strong Warrawong

## Welcome Back

Welcome back to what will be a very busy Term 4. I hope that you all had a fantastic break with your children. If it was anything like my house then I imagine the two weeks was quite hectic with everyone out of routine.

This term we see our Year 6 students preparing themselves for high school whilst a new group of Warrawong Public School students prepare for "BIG" school.

Our teachers will be busy assessing students for their end of year reports and also preparing for the new challenges ahead in 2021.

It promises to also be a very exciting term with lots of fun, end of year activities.

## Lauren Horlock

Unfortunately, the Warrawong Public School Community received some very sad news with the passing of highly valued community member Lauren Horlock.

Lauren has been a member of our P&C for nearly 20 years. Despite her children moving on to high school Lauren continued as an Executive member of the Warrawong Public School P&C. She has devoted thousands of hours over the years assisting the school in countless ways.

Lauren has held all executive positions on our P&C (most positions more than once), she has raised money for our school, organised Mother's and Father's Day Stalls, sausage sizzles and organised the uniform store. Lauren also represented our community on Merit Selection Panels for a variety of permanent positions at our school such as Student Learning Support Officers, Administration Officers, Classroom Teachers, Assistant Principals and Principals. I will be forever grateful to Lauren for assisting in the decision to allow me to be the Principal of Warrawong Public School.

Lauren was recognised for her work within the Warrawong Public School Community in 2018 receiving a Director Education Leadership award for her contribution to public education. She was typically very humble in receiving this prestigious award.

Lauren will be sadly missed by all of us at the school. All of the Warrawong Public School Community would like to pass on our sincerest condolences to the Horlock/Dagama family and friends.

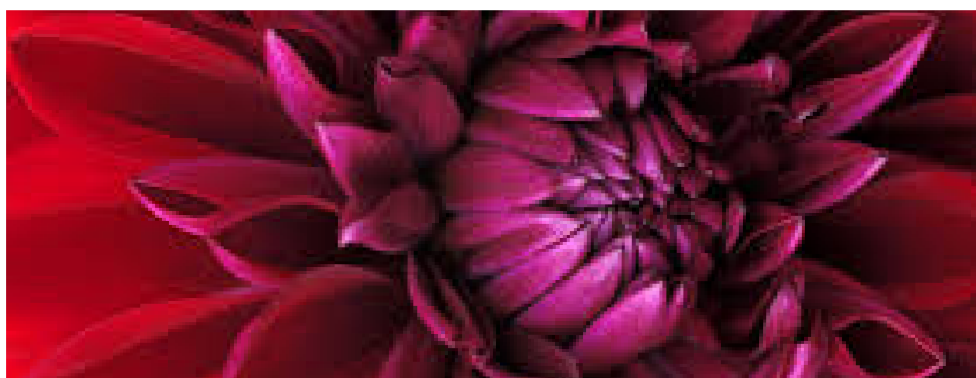
## AA Award Winners

Kymani P	Taliana A
Liam S	Issac T
Hunter M	Zain N
Jayden P	Keone M
Filip F	Chiann M
Arizona MB	Kajiah DT
Malikye L	Aaya H
Yazan S	Curtis P
Riley C	Mason S
Hirwa U	Kasyno U
Aiden W	Motassem A
Dila O	Hadassah C
Jett L	Lilly U
Andy M	Jay P
Dean M	Drew B
Elias T	Scott S
Jayden K	

## AAA Award Winners

Ethan E	Sena NW
Kymani P	Malikye-John C
Jubilee DS	Angus M
Zahara M	Amber B
Frank N	Zane M
Madison S	Bella S
Alex S	Lucy F
Lachlan B	Letayah W
Silesia BA	Ruby C
Ossie J	Dureti E
Georgia S	Nejmeh A
Wendy B	Zoe Q
Maddison B	

**READ**  
*Strong*  
**WARRAWONG**





## Assembly Awards

Newsletter Page

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Foyer Display

1B

Playground Focus

Right words

Focus Area

All setting/classroom expectations review

## PBL Award Winners TERM 3

### Week 9

Shannon M - KM

Kaleb W - 1T

Brendan P - 2P

Estakis M - 4/5H



## Parent 'Tell Them From Me' Survey

Attached is a link to the 'Parent Tell Them from Me Survey' that allows you to express your views about your perceptions of your children's experiences at home and school. Your participation in this survey is anonymous and confidential. When you submit your survey, the responses are recorded on a secure site without personal identifying information. Your answers will be mixed with those of other parents and caregivers from the school. You may skip any questions you do not wish to answer, other than the one asking which school year your child is in.

There are no passwords, parents just have to click on the link, so it should be easy enough to access.

For those parents who do participate in this survey, please let Mrs Thurgate know, who will reward your child with an iceblock. Any family who participates will also go into a draw to win a fabulous prize.

### SURVEY CLOSSES FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER 2020.

[https://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/images/FAQs/2020/TTFM\\_Parent\\_Survey\\_FAQs\\_Parent\\_and\\_Carers\\_T3\\_2020.pdf](https://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/images/FAQs/2020/TTFM_Parent_Survey_FAQs_Parent_and_Carers_T3_2020.pdf)

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/Warrawongps>

## Overdue Library Books

There are currently a large number of overdue Library Books. Library stocktake is fast approaching. If your child has an overdue Library Book you will soon be receiving a notice reminding you to return the book. Please assist your child in locating and returning any overdue books to avoid the cost of replacing the book.

## Library News

The library is a very busy place in term 4 with many exciting events happening for our students.



The Book Week theme for 2020 is '**Curious Creatures Wild Minds**'.

Due to COVID19 the official CBCA Book Week was postponed and transferred from Week 6 last term to Week 2 this term. Warrawong will celebrate Book Week in Week 3, incorporating celebrations with Extravaganza Week, providing many exciting opportunities for our students to experience.

Each year across Australia, the CBCA brings children and books together celebrating CBCA Book Week. During this time schools, libraries, booksellers, authors, illustrators and children celebrate Australian children's literature and you will often see children's book character parades and talented librarians creating amazing displays.

<https://cbca.org.au/cbca-book-week>.

*It's Cool to be at School*



## Book Week Schedule of Events

Warrawong Public School Book Week events leading up to and into Book Week:

### Week 1: Book Week Colouring Competition:

- K-2 Colouring competition sheets that were sent home last term are due back to the library or classroom teachers by Friday.  
Book Week Poster Design Competition:
- 3-6 invited to design and create an A3 poster inspired by the theme, 'Curious Creatures Wild Minds' to enter in this year's competition are due back by Friday 16 October.

### Week 3: Extravaganza Week

**Monday 26 October:** Secret Teacher Reader and Literacy Day, fun activities

**Tuesday 27 October:** Book Week Parade, please help your child prepare an outfit. The theme this year is 'Curious Creatures Wild Minds'!

Due to COVID-19 our Book Week Parade will be held outdoors under the Junior COLA in 2 sessions.

K-2 will be held on Tuesday at 11.35am and Years 3-6 will be held on Tuesday at 1.30pm. Sadly the restrictions for parents in the school remains in place but we will be taking photos and videos to post on our Facebook page for those students with permission to publish.

**Book Week Performance** – Tuesday 27 October for Stage 3 and Wednesday 28 October for K-2 and Stage 2.

The Book Week performance this year is called "The Greatest Discovery" and is based on several books from the CBCA Shortlisted books. The students will attend an exciting show with performers presenting a delightful live show. The school will be following the NSW Education Departments Covid Safe protocols for curriculum delivery in the school.

### Thursday 29 October: Maths Day

Story time in the Library:

- During Book Week, Mrs Geraghty will be reading stories to any children who wish to participate. The sessions will be held in the library to celebrate the joys of reading and listening to stories. The sessions will run Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during normal library lunch opening times - 2nd half lunch 1.25pm – 2.00pm.

Curious Creature Photo Booth:

- A photo Booth will be set up in the library Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during normal library lunch time opening 2nd half lunch 1.25 – 2.00pm. On Tuesday there will be a shortened lunch but the library will be open during that time. Students can have their photos taken with a friend or on their own in the "Curious Creature Booth". Photos to be displayed in the library.

I am excited to be sharing the magic of books and stories with our students this term.

Mrs Geraghty  
Teacher Librarian

## Merit Award Winners T3 Weeks 8 & 10

KM

Antonija C Baw R, Shannon M, Justin B,  
Selina B, Oliva S

KC

Leah WW, Lucas S, Madison K, Salem  
DS, Leilani P

1T

Elias T, Nathaniel B, Jayden K, Isaac H,  
Malia A, Bronson M

1B

Paige W, Alex S, Ziad A, Sienna B,  
Khloe D

20J

Ruby M, Tiger D, Eli G, Jean Paul B,  
Sowar A, Jaiden P

2P

Lincoln M, Ruby C, Brendon P, Zack S  
Madison S, Sarah R

3/4T

Taliana A, Amber B, Serkan S, Lepa V,  
Hadassah C

3/4M

Mohomad A, William T, Selihome YG,  
Tiana R, Orlando M, Tahnee B

4/5H

Motassem A, Ezra GC, Ashlee M,  
Annabelle O, Kasyno TU

5/6F

Jake M, Jonah S, Curtis P, Dion M

5/6B

Angus M, Dila O, Nyetarlee J, Andy M,  
Ree M, Letayah W

K/6K

Tia W, Cruz Z, Yazan S

3/6G

Latoya A, John B, Latrell K, Mahalia H

K/6S

Alex D, Jax Z, Alex V

K/6J

Stefan P, Lakeisha D

## Read Strong Warrawong - Ice cream cone fundraiser Friday 30 October

At the end of Term 4 every student in K-2 will select 5 new books at the **Read Strong Warrawong Book Fair** to read over the summer holidays. This is our 7th year of this amazing reading program which has proven to maintain our students' reading levels.

Due to COVID-19 our fundraising has been very limited, so please give us your support.

**When: Friday 30 October at Lunch 1**

**What: Ice cream cones \$2.00 each  
Vanilla and Neopolitan**



### Cyberbullying

There is no doubt technology has provided a new avenue for hurtful and intimidating situations. Find out what cyberbullying is and what to do if it happens at your school. <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/cyberbullying>

### School Hats

A reminder that School Hats are a mandatory part of our uniform. Towards the end of last term there was an increase in the number of students not wearing a school hat. Please remind your children to wear their school hat. If your child does not have a school hat they can be purchased from the office for \$16. Students will need to have a school hat by Monday 26 October 2020 or will be required to play in the shade.



### We are taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2021

We are now taking enrolments for Kinder 2021 and 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 email [warrawong-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:warrawong-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au).



### Thought of the Week

*“Change does not necessarily assure progress, but progress implacably requires change”*

*Henry S. Commager (American Historian & Writer - 25 October 1902-2 March 1998)*

Have a great weekend and stay safe.

**Wayne Farquhar**  
Principal



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