# WARRAWONG Public School NEWSLETTER



19 May 2021

T2 Wk 5









# Dates for the diary!

Wednesday 26 May - Friday 28 May Stage 3 Berry Camp Wednesday 26 May Stage 2 School BBQ & Disco Friday, 28 May Start Strong Warrawong Playgroup commences

# **Cooler Classrooms**

A while back Warrawong Public School applied to be part of the Cooler Classrooms grant submission. We were successful in the application and since then a lot of work has taken place in the background to prepare the school for implementation.

When work is complete each classroom will be airconditioned. The air conditioners are split systems which both heat and cool the classrooms keeping the inside temperature at 22 degrees Celsius. The units also monitor the air quality in the room via a CO2 sensor which regulates the amount of fresh air in the room.

As part of the installation all unflued gas heaters will be removed from each room an air conditioner is installed.

Power use will be offset by the installation of Solar Panels.

As you can imagine the work required to install air conditioners and solar panels to all classrooms is substantial and should commence next term with a finishing date of approximately the end of November 2021.

We are very excited about our learning spaces being made much more comfortable for our students and teachers which will significantly improve conditions for teaching and learning.

## Student Toilet Block Upgrade

At the end of 2020 we applied for a grant to upgrade our main student toilet block. We were successful in being granted \$180 000 to upgrade the toilet block. We are currently in the tendor process. This will be completed soon with work commencing later in the year.

## NAPLAN

NAPLAN testing for Yrs 3 and 5 continues this week. The testing window opened on Tuesday 11 May and closes on Friday 21 May. Students will be tested on their abilities in Writing, Grammar and Spelling Conventions, Reading and Numeracy. This can be a worrying time for some students. We at WPS aim to prepare students as thoroughly as possible prior to the tests and to provide a supportive and productive environment during the tests so that students are able to perform at their best.



# Safe

# Respectful

# Responsible

### Merit Award Winners T2 Week 2

KC Mehmed A, Harper W, Jax Z

KM Maddison K, Prince L, Hezekiah M

1J Leah WW, Ariam YG, Levi U

1/2B Dakota DS, Alex S, Scott S

2P Tolga S, Zain N, Aurora DJ, Benji K

3/OJ Lincoln M, Sarah R, Jubilee DS

3/4M Hezron T, Selihome YG, Ciara A

4T Ossie J, Lepa V, Damien PB

5H Jelena R, Keenen M, Keone M

5/6B Annabelle O, Filip F, Chyiann M

> 6F Ilda B, Liam S, Ezra GC

> > K/6K Tia W

K/6S Jaiden P

K/6N Jayden F

3/6G John B, Oliva G

## Assembly Awards

#### **Playground Award**

Attendance Award Nathaniel B

Newsletter Page KC

Foyer Display 6F

Focus Area Review/Makeup lessons

## Thank you, Bunnings!

This morning staff from Bunnings Kembla Grange alongside some of our students and Mr Anderson planted the new gardens which have been established at the front of our school near the hall. The gardens look great and compliment the access path that has also been recently created. A huge thank you to Bunnings for donating all of the plants and staff to help plant them. Also thank you to Mr Anderson for his organisation and to our dedicated gardening students for their efforts in planting out the garden.





## National Simultaneous Storytime

This morning students from Warrawong Public School participated in the National Simultaneous Storytime.

National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. Now in its 21st successful year, it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum for Foundation to Year 6.

This year the students read "Give Me Some Space" which was written and illustrated by Philip Bunting.

## Stage 3 Berry Camp

Next Wednesday our Stage 3 students leave for their camp at Berry Sport and Recreation Centre. They will experience some great activities such as canoeing, high rope swings, zip lines and archery. They will also be responsible for tidying their rooms and making their beds, as well as serving meals and cleaning up afterwards. A great opportunity for our students to learn many life skills as well as getting to know their friends and teachers a whole lot better.

# Quality education in an innovative and supportive environment

#### Pre-school Playgroups

We have two playgroups operating for children of pre-school age. They both take place in the old school hall located behind the library.

On Monday IMS run a playgroup from 9am-11am and on Wednesday Big Fat Smile run a playgroup from 9:30am-11:30am.

All parents with pre-school age children are encouraged to attend!

#### Student health reminder

In accordance with advice from NSW Department of Education, parents and carers are reminded NOT to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Students with flu-like symptoms need to be COVID tested and well before returning to school otherwise parents will be contacted and your child will be sent home.

#### Telephone messages from parents to students

Any messages to students should be given to their child/ren before school. Parents should only call the school when there is an emergency.

#### Thought of the Week

"Give me a fish and I eat for a day. Teach me to fish and I eat for a lifetime." Chinese Proverb

Have a great week

Wayne Farquhar Principal

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# AA Award Winners

Jaziah B Veronica A Sophia G Oliver S Braxton S Ayub H Kve F Abdulrahman A Ariam YG Stefan R Sena NW Antonija C Andrew C Isaac H Keyana M Liam R Parani WD Malia A Binda WA Hawraa A Ruby C Drew L Madison S Leon A Ciara A **Riley** C Ruby MC Brendan P Lara S Hezron T Summa G Lilly T Orlando M Rachel-Lee M Naomi S Leilani V Estakis M Dureti EK John B Braxton C Georgia S Nathan P Alexander V Tahleia W