

WARRAWONG Public School NEWSLETTER



2 June 2021 T2 Wk 7



Dates for the diary!

Monday, 7 June
2nd hand uniform sales
Friday, 11 June 2021
Year 6 Shirts arrive

Friday, 25 June
Last day of Term 2

Aboriginal Education

National Sorry Day 2021 was last Wednesday 26 May 2021.

"Observed annually on 26 May, National Sorry Day remembers and acknowledges the mistreatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who were forcibly removed from their families and communities, which we now know as 'The Stolen Generations'.

National Sorry Day is a day to acknowledge the strength of Stolen Generations Survivors and reflect on how we can all play a part in the healing process for our people and nation. While this date carries great significance for the Stolen Generations and other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, it is also commemorated by Australians right around the country."

Reconciliation Australia 2021

National Reconciliation Week 2021 started yesterday Tuesday 1 June 2021. The theme this year, is **"More than a word. Reconciliation takes action"**.

"The 2021 National Reconciliation Week theme, More than a word. Reconciliation takes action, urges the reconciliation movement towards braver and more impactful action.

MOVING FROM AWARENESS TO ACTION

The Reconciliation movement is at a tipping point: In the past year, with Black Lives Matter protests and huge numbers at Invasion Day rallies across the country, we're seeing people are understanding the truth and speaking up on issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

More than a word. Reconciliation takes action, asks people to take this awareness and knowledge, and use it as springboard to more substantive, brave action.

For reconciliation to be effective, it must involve truth-telling, and actively address issues of inequality, systemic racism and instances where the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are ignored, denied or reduced.

While we see greater support for reconciliation from the Australian people than ever before, we must be more determined than ever if we are to achieve the goals of the movement — a just, equitable, reconciled Australia.

As history tells us, this will only happen through continued and concerted action from those who are already part of the reconciliation movement to those who are yet to join.

Moving towards a braver reconciliation requires a vision for what a just equitable and reconciled Australia looks like."

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What's Due

Activity Payment	Amount	Due Date
Southern Stars	\$25	18 June

Merit Award Winners

KC

Ivy S, Sophia G, Nathaniel M, Emily F

KM

Byar R, Ellie W, Braxton S, Christine M

1J

Riley Q, Sena Naol W, Blake B

1/2B

Lucas S, Camille B

2P

Jayden K, Elias T, Brody S

3/OJ

Tiger D, Frank N, Drew L

3/4M

Eli G, Lara S, Brendon P

4T

Rachel-Lee M, Kaden B, Bishop L

5H

Silas R, Tahlia R, Brazil DS

5/6B

Tyren W, Safran DS, Illiana D

6F

Jay P, Ree M, Vanessa P

K/6K

Aura M

K/6S

Alex V

K/6N

Jaxon D

3/6G

Tieka D, Nadeen H

Assembly Awards

Playground Award

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Attendance Award
Isabella Mc

Newsletter Page
1J

Foyer Display
4T

Focus Area
Eating Area

Reconciliation Day at Warrawong Public School

Yesterday our school recognised Reconciliation Week with all students participating in a rotation of ATSI activities involving, art, culture, language, sport and learning. Students dressed in black, red or yellow and we captured a whole school photo of students representing the Aboriginal flag.

We were also supported by emerging ATSI Leaders from Warrawong High School who did a fantastic job of organising, assisting and leading our students.

It was a great day of sharing, learning and collaborating achieved through a whole load of fun.

Thank you to the Aboriginal Education Team for their organisation and to Warrawong High School for allowing their ATSI students to join us.



Quality education in an innovative and supportive environment

Stage 3 Berry Camp

Last week our Stage 3 students spent three days at Berry Sport and Recreation Centre. They experienced some great activities such as canoeing, camp fires, initiative course and archery. They were also responsible for tidying their rooms and making their beds, as well as serving meals and cleaning up afterwards.

This was 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.

I am proud to say that the staff at Berry Sport and Recreation Camp were extremely impressed by the way our students conducted themselves. They were particularly impressed by the way our students listened to and followed instructions, were respectful and demonstrated outstanding manners. The cleaning staff at Berry Sport and Recreation Camp sought out Mr Best to compliment our students on the way in which they left their rooms at the end of the camp.

A big congratulations to our Stage 3 students who represented our school with pride ensuring that our values, Safe, Respectful and Responsible apply in all settings!

Thank you also to the teachers who attended, the teachers who stayed back at school and helped with those who weren't able to attend and to the office staff who went above and beyond to assist our families.



AAA Award Winners Mason C

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Archie B
Senkita UC
Byar R
Havannah L
Manirakiza PL
Leilani P
Baw R
Levi U
Madison B
Ana Teleta F
Lucas S
Rylah V
Jayden K
Sowar A
Laylah K
Vivia S
Aeron Val A
Jean Paul B
Patrick S
Shilah McW
Japhet M
Oisin R
Issac T
Callum A
Illiana D
Madalen K
Umayah N
Motassem A
Chainanan A
Lucy F
Itama M
Zane P
Atibu R
Mason S
Liam S
Callum D
Nadeem H
Malikai W
Harley Z
Gizelle A
Jax Z
Wendy B

Quality Education for All

play group



Start Strong Warrawong Playgroup, Friday 28 May

Last Friday we had our first Start Strong Warrawong playgroup in the old hall. Our future Kindergarten 2022 students played together, met Mrs McIlwain and Miss Suddick and enjoyed time getting to know each other. The playgroup hopes that this extra time at 'Big School', getting to know what is expected and learning about WPS, will encourage a strong start to Kindergarten in 2022!.



Kinder Enrolments 2022

We are taking enrolments for Kinder 2022. 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 42741399 or call in.



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Thought of the Week

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Be not simply good – be good for something.
– Henry David Thoreau American Author 12 July 1817 – 6 May 1862

Have a great week

Wayne Farquhar
Principal

