



Mount Warrigal Public School

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A quality school developing the individual in a caring community

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Jodi Niedermayer
Principal

NEWSLETTER

7 February 2018

Term 1 WEEK 2 2018

Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Community

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all students, families and community members. We also warmly welcome all students new to our preschool, kindergarten, within our support unit and throughout the school. We look forward to getting to know each student and their family and working together with you.

It was great to see the students return last Tuesday with excitement and enthusiasm (parents too!). I congratulate our students on the standard of uniform and for displaying our school expectations of being a safe, respectful learner.

WELCOME BBQ SAVE THE DATE – Wednesday 21st February

Parents/Carers are invited to a Welcome BBQ and Information Session on Wednesday 21st February from 3.00-4.00pm, to meet with your child's teacher and other staff members. Please save the date so we can share information about your child's class and the year ahead. We are also providing a free BBQ and opportunity to mingle with other parents and staff. Further information and an invitation will be sent home in the next week.

The Welcome BBQ will provide an opportunity for you to chat informally with your child's teacher, however if you have any individual matters you wish to discuss in detail it may be best to arrange another appointment time with your child's teacher.

2018 CLASSES AND STAFFING

Last Tuesday we moved students into their classes for 2018. A great deal of time was spent placing students in class groupings that will best meet their educational, emotional and social needs. This year we welcome a number of new staff, Miss Sarah Alwert (KA), Mr Edward Spicknall (1/2S), Mrs Linda Patrikka (3-6C), Ms Maxine McEntee (Preschool), Ms Margaret Inness (Preschool) and Mr Tom Pearson (Chaplain). Please refer to the table on the following pages for a full list of staff and their roles.

SCHOOL LEADERS FOR 2018

Our 2018 student leaders were announced at the end of last year; Harvey and Simrandeep as student leaders, and Ethan, Destiny and Chloe as Assistant Leaders. We congratulate them as they officially take on this prestigious role within our school. I look forward to working with them and I know they will all do an exceptional job.

COMMUNICATION WITH STAFF

At MWPS we greatly value families and staff working together to support our students. We encourage open communication between home and school and invite you to speak with your child's teacher regularly. It's important for us to be kept informed if there are any matters that may be impacting on your child at school. As first option, parents and carers are encouraged to speak with their child's teacher before and after school. Please be mindful that often at this time teachers are busy preparing for lessons or have other commitments, like meetings. If this is the case please make an appointment to discuss any issues at a mutually convenient time.

Your child's teacher is always the first person to talk to, however, if for some reason you would like further support the Assistant Principal responsible for each stage may also be of assistance. Please feel free to contact the office to arrange a time to meet.

ATTENDANCE

Our school begins at 9.00am and concludes at 2.45pm. Having your child at school on time supports them to start the day settled and ensure they don't miss vital instructions or messages, as well as not interrupt the learning of others. Parents are asked to please make appointments outside of school time. From time to time, this is unavoidable and students may arrive late or need to be picked up early. It is requested that if children are late to school a parent/carer is to accompany the children to the school office. As per DoE guidelines, unjustifiable explanations include sleeping in, missing the bus, waiting for a parent or sibling, shopping, etc. Unsatisfactory reasons are required to be marked as unjustified on the school attendance register.



CLASS REQUIREMENTS

We request that parents provide certain supplies for their children each year. A note will be sent home by the end of this week providing you with a list of supplies suitable for each year. Your support with providing your children with these items is much appreciated.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

As always, it's a pleasure for our staff to see the familiar faces of our previous students as they visit after High School. We encourage all students to come back, share with us their experiences and maintain the positive relationships built at Mount Warrigal PS. We do ask that all student wait near the front gate until the bell rings before collecting family members or approaching staff, ensuring that classes and learning is not disrupted.

BREAKFAST CLUB

We are fortunate to offer breakfast to students and families on a Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning from 8.15am. This is a great way for students to have a healthy breakfast while socialising with their peers. To ensure student safety, students are not to arrive at school before 8.15am and must enter the school via the footpaths, rather than the car park. Students will see the Breakfast Club flag out, indicating it is open. A massive thank you once again to the volunteers from Baptist Care who support our students and families.

LEARNING CLUB

Mount Warrigal Learning Club will start back on Wednesday 14th February from 2.45 – 4pm and will be located in our school library. We thank The Smith Family for their ongoing support of our families with The learning Club, Learning for Life Scholarships and a number of different initiatives. If you would like any further information, please contact the office.

PLAYGROUP

This year our school will host the supported playgroup, facilitated by Baptist Care, which is held in the old schoolhouse near the Early Intervention car park. A new program has been booked, 'Sing and Grow', for 6 sessions in the beginning of term, starting Tuesday 13th February. 'Sing & Grow' is an early intervention music therapy program for families with children aged 0-3 years. It is delivered by Registered Music Therapists in local community settings across Australia in 1-hour sessions.

P&C MEETING

Our first P&C meeting will be held this Thursday 8th February at 1.30pm in the community room. We warmly invite any new parents, carers or community members to join us, as well as our current members. This week I will be sharing some information on our school's 3 year plan and would appreciate your feedback.

SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

On 17 November 2014 the Commonwealth reached an agreement with all state and territory governments whereby the new NSCP will be funded by the Commonwealth and delivered by the states and territories. The program has been implemented for the 2016-2018 school years and Mt Warrigal has been successful with a position to help serve the school.

As stated in the NSCP Project Agreement, participation by schools and students will be voluntary; schools will be able to select a chaplain of any faith; chaplains will not be permitted to proselytise; and chaplains must respect, accept and be sensitive to other people's views, values and beliefs; and must meet minimum qualification requirements.

Our New School Chaplain:

We warmly welcome Mr Tom Pearson this year who will be replacing Bec Coole. Tom is 28 years old and has been involved in welfare related work across various contexts since he was 18. He has completed a Bachelor degree in Social Science, Cert IV in both Youth Work and in Ministry & Theology, and has also worked as a chaplain previously at a range of schools including Cronulla High School, Woonona High School, Menai Public School, Tharawal Public School, Oyster Bay Public School and Padstow Park Public School. Tom has been married to his wife Bonnie since June 2015 and has recently moved to the area from Sydney with both expecting their first baby in June this year.



Tom will be at MWPS every Monday and even Fridays throughout the term to assist the school in supporting student wellbeing. This may take place in group situations or through individual mentoring or pastoral care.

Tom's role is to exercise impartiality and not to discriminate or attempt to undermine any student's religious or other beliefs.

Parents not wishing their children to take part in chaplaincy activities can opt-out of chaplaincy program contact at the front office via the form on the next page. Tom can also be contacted via the school office or via his email thomas.pearson24@det.nsw.edu.au

SKOOLBAG APP

As most people are aware, our school uses SkoolBag App as a way to more effectively communicate with our community. I encourage all parents who have a 'smart' phone to download the app. Instructions can be found in this newsletter. By searching Mt Warrigal Public School, you will notice our school logo. Paper copies of the newsletter are still available by request. If you would prefer a paper copy of the newsletter, please request at the office or return the slip attached to this newsletter.

Principal for the Day

This week I got to be the Principal for the day. As part of PBL, kids can earn PAWS awards for being safe, respectful, learners. You can choose to save your PAWS awards and spend them on things like prizes, an ice block or free time. I saved 150 PAWS and could either be the principal for the day or paint the principal's face.

As principal for the day I didn't have to wear my school uniform or do any school work. I wore Ms Niedermayer's jacket and badge and got to sit at her big desk. I also read to kindergarten, handed out PAWS awards, spoke at assembly, made an announcement on the PA system and went behind the counter in the office. People had to call me Miss Hallett all day! I had lots of fun being the principal for the day.



School Chaplaincy Program – Opt-out Only

I, _____ (parent's name) **do not wish** for my child/children

_____ class/es _____

to be involved in group or individual support sessions with the school chaplain.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Request for Paper Copy of Newsletter

I, _____ (parent's name) wish to receive a paper copy of the newsletter.

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Kind regards
Jodi Niedermayer

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800
Crime stoppers 1800 333 000

Class/Role	Staff Name
Preschool	
Preschool 1 Possums	Amanda Riddiford & Maxine McEntee
Preschool 2 Koalas	Johanna English & Margaret Inness
Mainstream	
KE	Tiffany Estreich
KA	Sarah Alwert
1MG	Shilo Gray (M-W) & Tanya Mowbray (Th-F)
1/2S	Edward Spicknall
2F	Gill Ford
3/4W	Trish Wylie
3/4K	Wendy Kelly
5/6P	Lilian Parr
5/6V	Kristy Voysey
Support Unit	
1-2H	Michelle Houston & Joann Lye
2-3D	Julie Debnam & Nicky Costigan
3-6C	Kathleen Cambourn & Linda Patrikka
EIU	Kerrin Byrnes & Pia Ogle
Other	
Teacher Librarian/RFF	Susan Marold
RFF	Annette Borilovic, Jessica Melillo, Meagan Thomson
Learning and Support/ Interventionist	Gail O'Leary, Caroline Reys, Annette Borilovic
School Counsellor/Psychologist	Natalie Lombardo
School Admin Support	
SAM	Bronwyn Reed
SAO	Megan Arblaster, Robyn Walton, Janette Shepherd, Pat Spackman
SLSO	Danielle DeSouza Tynan, Natalie Cuthbert, Tennille Shelley, Karen Damian
GA	Mick Kynes, Lloyd Willoughby
CLO	Sharlene Gauci
Chaplain	Tom Pearson
Canteen	Kym Robinson
Executive	
Principal	Jodi Niedermayer
DP/IL	Tina Duffield
EaFS IL	Kristen Pomery
AP ES1/S1	Gill Ford
AP S2	Wendy Kelly
AP S3	Annette Borilovic
AP SU	Michelle Houston
SAS	Bronwyn Reed

PaTCH course (Parents as Teachers- Classroom Helpers)

Are interested in becoming a classroom helper? If so please join us for an information session on Monday, 12th February at 1:45pm in the Community Room. The PaTCH course will run throughout Term 1 & 2 and consist of both group training and classroom practical experience to support children with their literacy and numeracy. We would love to see you! Thanks Kris Pomery (Instructional Leader).

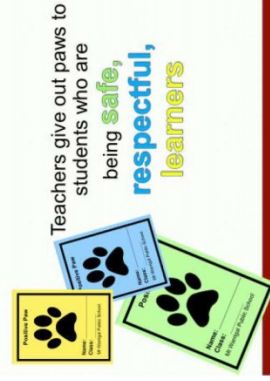
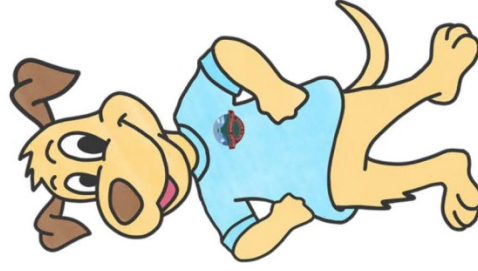
Dates for Your Calender

8 th February	P & C Meeting in Community Room at 1.30pm
12 th February	1.45pm in Community Room – PaTCH Course
14 th February	Learning Club Restart 2018 at 2.45pm – 4pm in School Library
16 th February	Kinder Photo day
21 st February	Welcome back BBQ from 3pm – 4pm
23 rd February	Mid South Swimming Carnival
27 th February	1.30-2.30pm – MWPS Aboriginal Community Meeting in Community Room
12 th March	SRC Young Leaders Day - Sydney
22 nd March	Silly Scientist K- 6

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)



We are safe when we are...	Keeping hands, feet and objects to ourselves Using equipment correctly Walking safely around the school
We are respectful when we are....	Speaking kindly to others Listening to others Wearing our school uniform
We are learners when we are....	Preparing for learning Following staff instructions the first time Reporting problems
We are safe when we are....	Following school emergency procedures Being in the right place at the right time Keeping hands, feet and objects to ourselves
We are respectful when we are....	Using our manners Respecting other people's space Respecting our differences.



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School security

Dear parents and carers,

The safety and wellbeing of our students, staff and families at Mount Warrigal Public School is one of our primary focuses.

By continuing to implement systems to ensure that our school is secure, we will be locking and unlocking gates at specific times.

There are two gates that will be closed but unlocked. These gates are the school entry gate leading to the office and the small pre-school gate at the back of the school oval. We ask that all community members close the gates on entry and exit. These gates are proposed to become electronic entry gates this year.

The following locking and unlocking processes will be in place each day;

9:10am The staff car park and the gate beside will be locked.

9:15am Early Intervention car park gates will be locked

11:15am Early intervention car park unlocked for pick-up

11:40am Early intervention car park locked

2:30pm All main gates unlocked for dismissal

It is important to note:

During lunch breaks, the small pre-school gate will be locked from 11:10-11:40am each morning and from 1:20-1:45pm each afternoon.

If the gates are locked in your area, entry will need to occur through the main office gate.

For pre-school parents picking up students in the main school lunch breaks, please contact the pre-school to arrange for a staff member to provide you with access.

Thank you for supporting our school safety and security.

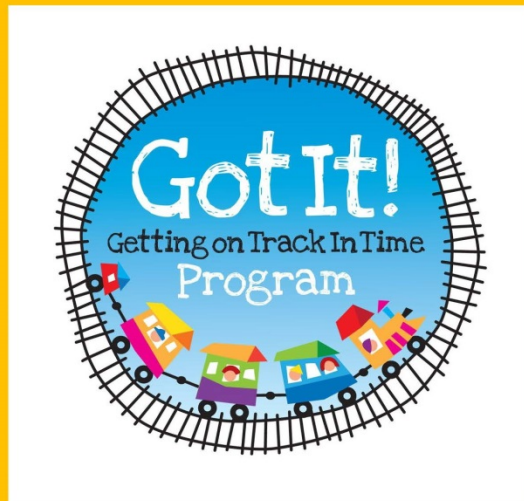
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Getting on Track in Time (Got It) is an exciting early intervention program for students in K-2 that will be implemented at Mount Warrigal Public School in terms 1 and 2.

Got It! is aimed at reducing and preventing disruptive and challenging behaviours at school and at home.

All teachers and parents will be asked to complete a questionnaire in the coming weeks to identify children suitable for the program.

The Got It Team will be at our school on Monday 12th February before school if you would like further information or have any further questions.



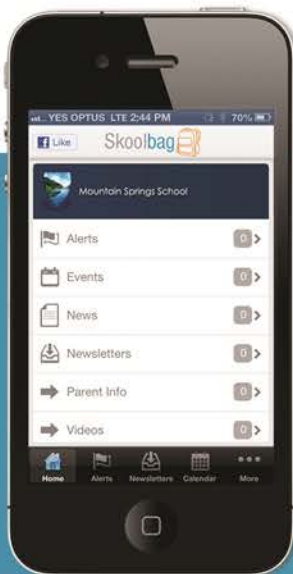
Got It! is a school based early intervention program provided by specialist Child and Adolescent Mental Health teams in partnership with schools.

The Got it team will be in Mount Warrigal Public School
Term 1 and 2 2018

Got It! aims to provide support and practical help to children, their families, and school community in order to help children get the most out of the opportunities available to them.

Further details will be available in 2018 however If you would like to find out more in the mean time please contact the team on 4254





Skoolbag

Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- > School, free push notification alerts
- > School events
- > School newsletters
- > School documents
- > School RSS feeds
- > School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

iPhone & iPad Users

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



Android Users

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
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Mt Warrigal Public School Canteen Price List - 2018

Sandwiches (available every day)
Choice of white or wholemeal bread



Wraps 50c extra
Bread Rolls 30c extra
Buttered bread 2 slices 70c

Vegemite \$1.50
Tomato \$1.50
Cheese (low fat) \$2.20
Egg \$2.50
Ham (lite) \$2.50
Tuna \$2.50
Chicken \$2.50
Salad Plate \$3.50

Salad (lettuce, tomato, carrot, beetroot, cucumber) \$3.00
Egg, lettuce & mayo \$3.00
Cheese & tomato \$2.50
Baked Beans \$2.50
Spaghetti \$2.50



Toasted sandwiches, wraps or rolls 30c extra



Extras:
Cheese, tomato, etc 30c each
Mayonnaise (97% fat free) 20c
Salad \$1.50

Lunch bags extra 10c

The following hot food will be available everyday

Noodles - cup (chicken) \$2.50
Chicken Fried Rice \$3.50
Lasagne (97% fat free) \$3.50
Pizza Slab (Hawaiian) \$3.50
Sauce extra 20c



Snacks:

Fruit (seasonal) 80c
Slinky apples 80c
Apples from home (slinky) 20c
Fruit salad cups (seasonal) \$1.80
Honey Soy Chicken Chips \$1.50
Jumpys Chips \$1.20
JJ Noodles 60c
Recreo's 60c
Pikelets 50c
Fresh warm popcorn \$1.00
Vegie Stick (packs) 80c
Cheese/Biscuit (packs) 80c

Corn Cobs 50c each
Chicken Nuggets 50c each
Chicken Burger (lettuce & mayo) \$3.50
Junior Burger (lean meat/sauce) \$3.50
Meat Pies \$3.30
Sausage Rolls \$2.70

Drinks:

Bottled water (pure spring) 350ml \$1.00
Bottled water (pure spring) 600ml \$1.50
Orange juice \$1.70
Apple juice \$1.70
Milk - plain \$1.50
Moove Chocolate \$2.00
Moove Strawberry \$2.00
Frozen OJ Cups 80c
Icy Poles \$1.00



**All orders must be in before
school begins.**

SCHOOL UNIFORM PRICELIST

2018

Our school shirt was designed through a school competition by the students.



Unisex Polo Top \$29

Unisex Shorts \$26

Unisex Rugby Top \$40

School caps \$10

Unisex Tracksuit Set \$65

(Tracksuit sold as set however, you may buy different sizes in tops and bottoms)

All uniform items available in Sizes 4 – 16

Uniforms may be purchased from the school canteen.

Times: Monday to Friday

Between 8:30am and 11:30am



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ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ORDER THIS SHIRT CAN SEE OUR OFFICE AND MAKE A PAYMENT OF \$25.50 each & ORDER BEFORE FRIDAY 23rd February.

Active Kids Rebate program

Flyer outlining how parents can apply for the \$100 voucher

How to apply for and redeem vouchers

There are four simple steps:

- 1 Visit sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids. Read the **Guidelines** and **Fact Sheets** to learn about the program.
- 2 Visit service.nsw.gov.au and create or login to your **MyServiceNSW Account**.
- 3 Complete an **Active Kids application** through your **MyServiceNSW Account**. You will receive a voucher with a unique ID number for each child you register (available to download, print and email).
- 4 **Redeem your voucher**. Take your child's voucher to a registered activity provider; or log onto your **provider's website** to enrol and enter the voucher **ID number**.

When your child commences their chosen sport or activity, your online account will show the status of the voucher change from 'Active' to 'Redeemed'.

Welcoming all families!!!

Welcome back to all families, we make a special
welcome to all new Kindergarten families to

Mt Warrigal School.

I hope to meet some new faces and join our

Mt Warrigal Social Craft Café is now called

Mt Warrigal Parent's hub



Come along and join me for a cuppa and a chat.

Mondays & Thursdays

Community Room

9am -12am

*Sharlene can meet you after the morning assembly. Sharlene will be more than happy to
show you where the Community room is. I'm looking forward to meeting you!!! Lots of
fun craft, workshops, and fitness activities you can do.*

