



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

9 May 2018

Term 2 WEEK 2 2018

Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Community

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

We invite you to join us for a Mother's Day Breakfast on Friday morning from 8.00 - 8.30. The breakfast will be held at the hall and we hope to see many families with their children. At the conclusion of the BBQ at 8.30 students will return to the middle quad for normal supervision.

MOTHER'S DAY STALL

The P&C, once again, have organised our annual Mother's Day Stall and raffle. Students can buy a gift for their mother/carer or another special person on Friday. All gifts are \$5. Thank you to all volunteers for their support in organising and running the stall on the day.

STUDENT REPORTS AND LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

Last year we asked parents to complete a survey on the value and effectiveness of our student reports and parent/teacher interviews. This feedback, as well as current research, has been used to inform decisions in modifying how we report student achievement to parents.

This semester we will be trialling a modified report where, as usual, teachers provide information on each child in relation to each Key Learning Area (English, mathematics, history, PD/H/PE, etc.) however, the report will not include a general comment. Instead, teachers will spend time in preparing for a 3-way Learning Conversation between students, parents and teachers. A Learning Conversation is an alternative way of reporting student growth and achievement. The Learning Conversation will be focused around each student's individual goals, will provide examples of how this learning has been demonstrated and will discuss the student's 'next steps in learning' and strategies to achieve these next goals. Overall this strategy aims to authentically bring our community together to collaboratively support student learning.

ANZAC SERVICE



On Monday 25th April, our student leaders represented our school at the Shellharbour City Council's ANZAC Commemoration Service. Our leaders presented a wreath on the school's behalf and represented our school with pride and respect. Thank you to Harvey, Simran, Ethan and Chloe and their families for their time and commitment.

Last Friday, our whole school, including our preschool, attended an ANZAC assembly in the school hall. Overall our students should be congratulated for the respect shown as we remembered the heroism, bravery and sacrifice of everyday Australians who served and currently serve our country. Thank you to our student leaders for leading the assembly, all Stage 3 students for reciting a moving poem, Mr McGeehan for his attendance and support and Mrs Borilovic for her organisation.

P&C FUNDRAISING

Thank you to our hard working P&C for their time and dedication spent organising and running a BBQ at Shellharbour Woolworths. Thank you also to everyone who volunteered on the BBQ and to those families who supported by coming to buy a sausage sandwich. Our school is extremely lucky to have our community working with us to support our students.

P&C MEETING

Our next P&C meeting will take place on Monday 14th May at 1.30pm. All are welcome to join us in the community room.



NAPLAN (National Assessment Program- Literacy and Numeracy)

NAPLAN will be completed by all Year 3 and Year 5 students from 15th – 17th May 2018 (Week 3). There are four tests involved - Language Conventions (Tuesday), Writing (Tuesday), Reading (Wednesday) and Numeracy (Thursday). The results of the tests will provide information to schools about each student and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will be provided with a report indicating their child's level of achievement in mid-August. If you would like further information about these tests, please contact the school or visit www.naplanforparents.nsw.com.au

SCHOOL REPORT 2017

The school's Annual Report for 2017 has been completed and has been placed on our school website under the 'Our school' tab. Parents wishing to have a copy of the report can request this at the office.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential. At Mount Warrigal Public School we are working to increase our attendance rate and encourage regular attendance at school (Our school is currently behind the state average in attendance). Students who demonstrate a pleasing attendance rate each term have the opportunity to participate in a rewards program at the end of the term. So, just a reminder, we really want your child at school every day (unless they are sick of course!) and if they need to be absent a note or doctor's certificate must be returned within 7 days, explaining their absence.

REVISED EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Last term we reviewed our emergency procedures as a regular part of our Health and Safety processes. This week, all students participated in an explicit lesson on what the procedures entail and later this term will practise these procedures.

MORNING ASSEMBLIES

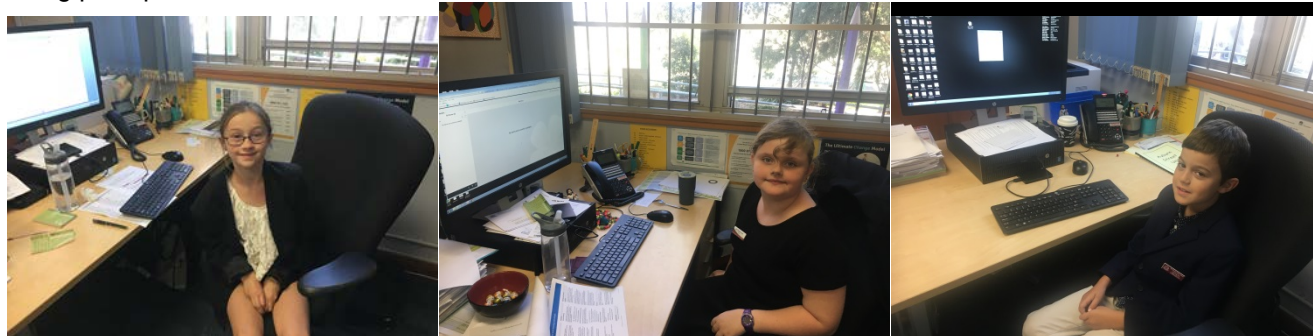
It's fantastic to see the number of parents who are able to stay to hear messages and see their child off to class. We ask that parents stand to the side or the back of the students and hold conversations until after the assembly. This will help to teach our students important listening manners.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

Our P&C are putting together a second hand uniform shop to support our families. If you have any uniforms that you no longer need, please send these donations to the office. Once this is established, further information will be provided.

PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY

Lately I have had the pleasure of having some amazing students earn the prize of being principal for the day. It was great to have such responsible and hard-working students work along-side me. Congratulations and thank you to Jasmine, Seara and Lucas for all their hard work in achieving 150 Paws awards and for their hard work on the day of being principal.



Kind regards,
Jodi Niedermayer



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(@MountWarrigalOfficial)

Uniform Expression of Interest

We are seeking community input as to whether families would be interested in a dress or skorts as an option for our school uniform. At present, our uniform consists of unisex shorts and shirt.

Please complete the slip below if you would be interested in purchasing a dress or skorts, if these were available. If there is sufficient interest we will seek options and costing's and will consult further through P&C meetings.

If available, I would be interested in purchasing:

☐ Dress

Or

☐ Skorts

Please return the slip to the office.

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2018

LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2018 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools. The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs.

Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard. Student background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 15-17 May 2018.

TUESDAY 15 MAY: Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) and Writing test

WEDNESDAY 16 MAY: Reading test

THURSDAY 17 MAY: Numeracy test

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors.

Friday 18 May – A 'catch-up' day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they:

- are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student's normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students. Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the school principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed. Please make an appointment with the principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child's participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at <http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support>.



Education

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Notification for Parents and Carers

All Government and non-Government schools across Australia are required to participate annually in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD).

All Australian schools will collect data on their students who are receiving adjustments to meet additional learning and support needs in accordance with their obligations under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and *Disability Standards for Education 2005*. This data will be provided to the Australian Government to assist in the development of a consistent, national picture of the education needs of students with disability.

The data provided to the Australian Government by the NSW Department of Education is provided in such a way that it cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.

General information about the national data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education and Training [website](https://www.education.gov.au/what-nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability) at <https://www.education.gov.au/what-nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

Privacy Protection

The NSW Department of Education follows the requirements of the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998* and the *Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002*. Schools will collect, record, store and use data about individual students in line with these requirements. Data security and protection is a priority and students' personal details will be kept confidential.

Under Clause 52 of the Commonwealth *Australian Education Regulation 2013*, data collected by the NSW Department of Education for the NCCD must be provided to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training. This includes the number of students at each level of education, the number in each category of disability and the number at each level of adjustment. The information is provided to the Commonwealth as a series of number sets that cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.

The Australian Government Department of Education and Training follows the requirements of the Commonwealth *Privacy Act 1988* when handling any data provided by NSW Department of Education in connection with the national data collection. A public information notice has been developed to by the Australian Government to provide students, parents and carers with important privacy information in relation to the data collection. This notice is available on the department's [website](https://www.education.gov.au/what-nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability) at <https://www.education.gov.au/what-nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

If you have any questions about the data collection please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Mrs Tina Duffield

Learning Support Coordinator



Please join us at our
Mothers Day BBQ Breakfast
On
Friday 11th May

from



8.00am-8.30am



Outside the school hall.

Tuning in to Teens

For Ages 9+

"The emotional toolbox I have now is priceless.."

This program is a lifesaver for me."

Parenting Program for
Mums, Dads and Carers



Funded by
**SHELLHARBOUR
COMMUNITIES
FOR CHILDREN**

When

Where

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Topic

**Wed 16 May 2018
(Every Wednesday for 6 weeks)
10:00 - 12:00 pm**

The Rail Neighbourhood Centre
1 Ash Ave, Albion Park Rail

No charge (funded by Shellharbour Communities
for Children)

The program teaches you about how you, as a
parent, can help your child develop good
emotional skills.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM AND REGISTER

sahssi.org.au/programs



Visit the website for more details.
You must register for this program via the website.
Suitable for Mums, Dads and Carers.
Eligibility: Living in the Shellharbour LGA (Warilla, Warilla North, Barrack Heights,
Mount Warrigal, Albion Park, Albion Park Rail, Oak Flats, Lake Illawarra)

Learn More & Register:
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Communities for Children
Shellharbour





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

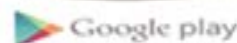
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
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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Dates for Your Calendar

11 th May	Mother's Day BBQ Breakfast
11 th May	District Cross Country
11 th May	Mother's Day Stall
15-17 th May	NAPLAN 2018
22 nd May	KIDSFEST Excursion
22 nd May	Financial Show-Showdown At Two Bob Billabong
28 th May	Reconciliation Day walk-school leaders and representatives
29 th May	Science Space Excursion
15 th June	Athletics Carnival at Myimbarr fields



Book Club News

Book Club orders are due by 22 May.

Library Days are:

Monday - Preschool 1MG

Tuesday - Preschool 3/4 W and 3/4K

Wednesday - KA

Thursday - KE Preschool A 1/2S

Friday - Preschool J 3-5D 4-6C 1-2H 2F

Stage 3 Library days are to be advised but students may borrow second break Tuesday and Thursday.

There are Stripy Library bags for \$2 donation at the canteen.



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FoodREDi is a healthy lifestyle program – that's free!

It shows you ways to:

- save money on food
- achieve a healthier diet
- make positive lifestyle changes
- keep your kitchen safe
- be a savvy shopper
- try new recipes for easy, tasty and nutritious meals and snacks



Dates: Every Thursday for 6 weeks, commencing Thursday 31st May – Thursday 5th July.
Time: 9.30-12pm
Venue: Community Room

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

In Week 1, we focused on being safe, respectful learners.

In Week 2, we have been focusing on being safe.



Week 1

At Mount Warrigal Public School we are Safe

We keep our hands, feet and objects to ourselves
We are in the right place at the right time
We walk around the school

At Mount Warrigal Public School we are Respectful

We speak nicely to others
We listen to others
We wear our school uniform

At Mount Warrigal Public School we are Learners

We are prepared for learning
We follow adult instructions the first time
We report problems

Week 2

At Mount Warrigal Public School we are Safe

We know and follow emergency procedures

We stop and listen to teacher instructions

We move to the correct area

We report problems

We use equipment safely



Teachers give out paws to students who are being **safe, respectful, learners**



MOTHER'S DAY STALL

Spoil Mum this Mother's Day with a special gift from the Mother's Day Stall

Beautiful gifts available for Mum's, Carer's and Grandparent's, for just \$5 per gift.

When: Friday, 11th May 2018

From 9:45am in the School Hall.

(The Stall will be open to those students attending District Cross Country, and also to the Mon-Wed Preschoolers, on Wednesday, 9th May).

Donations of gifts are very welcome and appreciated, and can be given to the canteen.

If you are able to help on the stall on the day, please contact Melanie Stockfeld - 0423 829 579.



Mount Warrigal PS P&C Fundraiser - All Proceeds benefit the students of Mt Warrigal Public School



MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE

Enter into the Mount Warrigal Public School P&C Mother's Day Raffle for the chance to win some fantastic prizes.

Tickets are just 50 cents each, and are to be returned to the canteen.

Prizes drawn at the Mother's Day Stall on Friday, 11th May 2018.

- 1st Prize - Make-up, Upstyle and Spray Tan (valued at \$200) - from All For Show Beauty.
- 2nd Prize - \$80 voucher for Red Sands Restaurant (at Warilla Bowls Club).
- 3rd Prize - Handmade Jewellery Set (valued at \$65) - from Far Out East.
- 4th Prize - Shampoo, Haircut and Blowdry (valued at \$65) - from All For Show Beauty.
- 5th Prize - Foot Treatment (valued at \$55) - from Spa Serenity.
- 6th Prize - Earrings and Pamper Pack (valued at \$55) - from Gold City Jewellers.
- 7th and 8th Prizes - \$50 voucher for Sarah's Kitchen (at Warilla Sports Club).
- 9th Prize - \$30 voucher for Utopia Beauty, plus a \$20 voucher for High Seas Restaurant.
- 10th Prize - \$50 voucher for Warilla Florist.
- 11th Prize - Gift Basket donated by Bloom's The Chemist Warilla.
- 12th Prize - \$20 voucher for Thai Kiama, plus a Manicure voucher for Coco Chai Spa Kiama.
- 13th Prize - Haircut and Signature Treatment (valued at \$45) - from Gossip Hair and Beauty.
- 14th Prize - \$40 voucher for The Hungry Monkey.

Thank you to the local business' for supporting our school with their generous donations.