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Harmony Day

at

Warrigal Road State School

Upcoming Events

TERM 1 ENDS
Thursday 24 March

TERM 2 COMMENCES
MONDAY
11 APRIL

Student Absence Hotline: 3340 5360 or email - absences@warrroadss.eq.edu.au
FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As we approach the Easter break, we have some exciting events still to enjoy. Our ‘Park and Stride’ is taking place Wednesday morning and students will join staff in walking from Leopardwood Park or Bordeaux Park to school. Our message is that where possible, we need to walk to school or use other forms of transport, other than cars, to alleviate the traffic issues and also encourage healthy behaviours in our children.

Our Easter bonnet parade will be held on Thursday for prep (9.00am) and year one (10.00am) and a full school assembly will be held at 2.00pm. This will conclude our term and we can then take the time to reflect on what we have accomplished this term. Thank you to the parents, community members and staff who have contributed to our many successes this term.

KEEP A WATCH ON OUR SCHOOL THESE HOLIDAYS

During the holidays, we ask you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please remember to call the School Watch number – 13 17 88. If you do see something suspicious, please do not attempt to intervene. Instead, call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

Take the time to enjoy what makes you happy for this Easter break.

DI CARTER, PRINCIPAL

FROM THE DEPUTIES

GRIP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

On Friday, all four of the School Captains participated in the GRIP Leadership Conference held at the Sleeman Sports Complex. There we learnt what makes a good leader and ways to stop ongoing problems at school. We were all supplied with a booklet full of activities as a fun way to teach the children. We learnt how to STOP Bullying, how to grow as a leader, people we can influence and a strategy called ‘Traffic Light Leadership’. It was a very exciting, enjoyable and educational experience. After each segment, we had ‘Loud Noises’ which was where we had LOTS of fun and it was very amusing. One of the captains, Mohammed, got a badge that stated the word ‘Generosity’, because he participated in an activity to show us how hurtful bullying was. Altogether, the conference was the best day the four captains had, with lots of entertaining and interesting activities.

Written by: Summer C (Vice Captain) and Khushi K (School Captain)

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS – BOOKINGS ARE FILLING QUICKLY

As part of our reporting to parents, we have scheduled parent teacher interviews on

*Tuesday 26 April from 3:30pm to 8:00pm and Thursday 28 April from 3:30pm to 5:30pm*

All interviews will take place in the school activity hall.

To book an interview with your child’s teacher, we use an online booking system called SOBS. Using this system, you will receive immediate confirmation of your interview time. Bookings are now open and will remain open until 9:00am the day prior to the interview.

To book an interview:
2. Click on [Parent/Teacher Interview Bookings](http://www.sobs.com.au)
4. Type in [Warrigal Road](http://www.sobs.com.au) and select the school.
5. If you registered last year, you will be required to change your child’s year level, using the arrow buttons available.
6. Follow the prompts to select your booking time.
HARMONY DAY
Another wonderful Harmony Day and Closing the Gap Day was held last Thursday. The assembly was a fitting tribute to the different cultures that we have in our school. Congratulations to our students who shared their story on assembly: Laibah (1H) Dubai; Dylan (4D) Sri Lanka; Mia (4F) Aboriginal and Chinese; Mona (6F) Auslan.

Congratulations to the winners of the poster and colouring in competition.

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PINK STUMPS
Thank you to the student council who organised a highly successful Pink Stumps day last Friday. It was wonderful to see so many students dressed in pink and participating in the lunch time activities. The student council raised over $1300, which will be donated to the Jane McGrath Foundation to raise awareness of Breast Cancer. Thank you to all families who participated.

PREP – YEAR SIX ENROLMENT FOR 2017
Enrolments for 2017 will commence at 8.30am on Monday 18 April. By law, children must be born between 1 July 2011 and 30 June 2012 to enrol in Prep 2017. Please visit the Enrolment tab on our website for the required documentation and Application for Student Enrolment form.

Enrolment interviews for successful prep applicants will occur during week three and four of term four. Parents will be notified by email, our Facebook page, newsletter and website when to access the School On-line Booking System to organise a suitable time.

Successful applicants who complete the enrolment process, which includes the Application and an interview, by 28 October, will go into the draw to win one free formal uniform and hat.

HAPPY EASTER
We would like to wish all families a Happy Easter. Take the time to enjoy being with your family and friends and stay safe. Thank you all for your support this term and we look forward to seeing you all in term two.

A massive thank you goes to all of our volunteers. Without your help, the school could not achieve the great things it does. Your services often go unnoticed, but they are very much appreciated.

READ, READ, READ
Please remember to read to your child every day. It is vitally important to keep educating your child over the holidays. Reading is the key to success.

TYRONE BRUCE, KAREN COOMBES, GAYLE HEALEY, ALLAN THARENOU

SCHOOLS OFFICER REQUIRED
We are currently looking for a Schools Facilities Officer for some relief work for 7.6 hours per day. Duties will include general grounds care and maintenance of facilities. If you are successful, you will be required to apply for a Blue Card (Working with Children Check). If you are interested, could you please contact the Business Services Manager on 3340 5333 or email astep6@eq.edu.au.
MUSIC NOTES

UPCOMING EVENTS:
Thursday March 24 – Easter Bonnet Parade – Symphonic Band Thomastik Strings and Boys Chorus to perform. More information will be emailed home this week and next week.
Friday April 22 – ANZAC Day assembly – Senior choir to perform – Corelli Strings to perform.
Tuesday May 10 – Year 4 students from Thomastik Strings are travelling to the QSO concert – Meet the Orchestra- where they will see our past student In Yi Chae perform with the orchestra.
Wednesday May 18 – Senior Choir and Boys Chorus to compete in the Qld Youth Music Awards in the evening at Mansfield State High School. Please note that I can only take sixty of the eighty-five students from this choir.
Thursday May 19 – Thomastik Strings, Corelli Strings, Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble to perform at Fanfare – Education Queensland’s large instrumental competition.

EASTER BONNET PARADE: Thursday March 24 – 9.00am
Symphonic band to go to hall at 8.30am for set up with Mrs. Venn and Boys Chorus to go to hall at 8.30am for a run through with myself and Ms Lu.
10.00am parade – Thomastik strings – please meet at the music block at 9.40am and unpack instruments there and then go to the hall with Mr Holloway.

UNIFORM FOR YOUR ENSEMBLE: This week we are featuring the uniform for Junior Strings, Concert Winds, Wind Ensemble and Thomastik Strings: Please note culottes and shorts and white socks with black shoes.

CONCERT WINDS BEGINS REHEARSAL IN TERM 2: The Concert Winds are made up of all the beginner band students for 2016. Most of these students are in year four, however, if you are a beginner and not in year four, you are in this ensemble also.

FIRST REHEARSAL WILL BE THURSDAY APRIL 14: Please be at the music block at 7.30am to drop your bag outside. We are very strict about how bags are placed, as we have had some safety issues with these. Bags are placed against the wall of the music block two deep. After your bag is placed down, take your instrument to the unpack area, which Mrs Venn and I will show you. Unpacking of instruments takes place inside the music block in the teaching studios. Again, it requires everyone to be sensible and not place cases in doorways, so others do not trip over them.

At this first rehearsal, you will receive your band folder and music to place inside and you will be seated in the band for the year. Thank you to all our parents who have notified me of extended leave for their children over the Easter break. This really helps us to know if your child should be absent from their lesson.

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Senior Band
Symphonic Wind B
Rehearsal as normal

Junior Choir
Rehearsal on Wednesday at 11.00am
See you first week back of term two.

Senior Choir
We had our rehearsal on Tuesday morning March 22, due to Easter holiday break.

Chamber Choir
We had our rehearsal on Tuesday morning March 22, due to Easter holiday break.

Boys Chorus
Rehearsal on Tuesdays from 8.15 to 8.45am every week.

Singing Club
Rehearsal Monday at first break

Our best wishes for a joyful Easter.
ANNE POOK, Director of Music

SPORT NEWS

IMPORTANT DATES

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SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM
All Sporting Schools programs are complete for this term. Thank you to all students who participated in the programs. It was fantastic to have basketball, netball, hockey and softball coaches present at Warrigal Road SS.

Next term, we will have more Sporting Schools programs available. At this stage, we have locked in First Swing golf for years one and two and softball for years five and six on Thursday afternoons.

CROSS COUNTRY
On Wednesday 13 April, year four to six students will participate in their annual Cross Country event. Students will compete in their age groups and choose to run in either the competitive OR non-competitive events.

Ten to twelve year olds (students born in 2004-2006) who are choosing to run the competitive race will complete two laps of the senior course. Year four, nine year olds and any student not wanting to compete in the competitive event will complete one lap of the senior course.

All children are encouraged to wear their sport house colours on the day.

ORDER OF EVENTS
Competitive Events (those students wanting to try out for the school team).
The top seven from each age and gender will qualify for the district cross country

- 12yr old boys and girls (born 2004) – two laps of senior course
- 11yr old boys and girls (born 2005) – two laps of senior course
- 10yr old boys and girls (born 2006) – two laps of senior course
- Year 4 - 9yr old boys and girls (born 2007) – one lap of senior course

Warrigal Road Fun Run
- Any 9yr to 12yr boy or girl who DIDN'T run in the competitive event - one lap of senior course

HPE TARGET
In HPE, students have been making their way to the centre of the Dingo Gram Behaviour Target, moving closer to the centre each time an example of good behaviour is recognised. Students have been working in their class groups to try and ‘hit the target’.
Congratulations to 6A, 6B, 6C, 6E, 6F, 5E, 5F, 4A, 4G, 2A and 2F. These classes have worked extremely well this term in HPE and have ‘hit the target’. Parents and guardians, please check your emails for the HPE Dingo gram and celebrate this success with your child at home.

**SUNNYBANK DISTRICT SELECTIONS**

Congratulations to the following four students who have been named in Sunnybank District sporting teams. Last week, Toalua and Isabella gained selection into the District Under 11’s Netball team. They will compete in the Regional trials on the 27 and 28 April.

Kirah and Caitlin have also gained selection into the Sunnybank District Touch team. Their trials are early June. We wish all four girls the best of luck for their Regional trials and look forward to hearing how they go.

**PINK STUMPS DAY**

Thank you to all staff, students, parents and our fantastic P&C Association for supporting Pink Stumps Day last Friday. It was fantastic to see so much support, with so many students and teachers wearing pink, red, orange and yellow. $1360 was raised for the McGrath Foundation. Thank you to everyone who made a donation to this worthy cause.

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**Easter Bonnet Parade**

**Prep and Year One Easter Bonnet Parade**

Thursday 24 March
Prep, 9:00am in the activity hall
Year 1, 10:00am in the activity hall

Special guest visit by the Easter Bunny.

Parents are welcome to attend.
Messages from our Team
This term has been very busy, and has gone very quickly. It has been filled with lots of fun, games and activities based on the children’s choices. Our vacation care program booking forms are now available for all those wishing for some holiday fun with their friends. So come along and book now.

Get in quickly, as we are planning a trip to the movies, making a Ceramic clock to take home, a My Kitchen Rules Day and many more fun filled activities.

Hours of Service
Before School 6:30am – 8:45am
(with breakfast served between 7.00am – 8.00am)

After School 3:00pm – 6:00pm
(afternoon tea is served and homework can be completed to assist families)

What we have been doing
This week’s theme is, of course, All About Easter. We are planning to boil and decorate eggs, weave baskets, go on an Easter Hunt and make some colourful Easter Bonnets to have a parade of our own and also participate in the school Easter Bonnet Parade, if we would like to.

We also are planning lots of baking to take goodies home to our parents.

Bookings available now by phoning 0477 767 984 or email awr@ymca.org.au.
Tracey Martin Coordinator