



In the search for history of our school bell I managed to find some photographs taken by Mr C.D King (Principal) in 1924, 1925 which shows the bell. It was located off the western end of the school buildings, behind the residence. This would be in the middle of the existing staff room as it was added on in the 1930's. The brickwork on the staffroom and office areas show three distinct brick patterns and there-fore three building eras, the middle part being the oldest, the eastern end next & western end the last.

In the late 1960's I remember the bell being located on the southern side of the kindergarten room (E block) and above the school canteen (which was the Kaloona classroom which was moved after that school closed). I think the kindergarten room was built in about 1963 so I am not sure where the bell was located prior to this (and after the 1930's).

Significant works were undertaken at the Primary school after Warialda High School was built and it is likely the bell was removed and stored under the D Block verandah at this stage as a new hooter system would have been installed. It is likely the principal was Mr Albert Manning.

A Warialda Standard article dated 24th March 1993 outlines the bell was found when the verandah floor was being replaced. The bell was refurbished and erected by Principal Mr Lyle Gilmore. Courtesy of Peter Hancock

Teamwork

Upcoming Events

DATE	EVENT
OCT 23rd	Kindergarten Transition Grandparent's Day Assembly 4/5/6 M
26th 30th	Girls Touch Sydney World Teachers Day
NOV 16th 20th	Kinder Transition Kinder Transition
DEC 4th 11th	Kinder Transition Presentation Day/Year 6 Farewell

Notes to be returned

① Swimming for Sport

Community Notices

① Swimming Club

Quote of the Week

The more that you read,
the more things you will
know. The more that you
learn, the more places
you'll go. Dr. Seuss

P r i n c i p a l

The staff and students of Warialda Public School have had a most delightful week with quality learning taking place in each and every classroom. I have the privilege each week of teaching 5/6D. This week we were looking at some famous explorers. Familiar names such as Vasco da Gama, Captain James Cook, Francisco Pizzaro, Abel Tasman and Christopher Columbus were mentioned and discussed. However, we spent a great deal of time learning about a modern day explorer called Robert Ballard. We viewed a TED talk (which can be found by visiting the following link: https://www.ted.com/talks/robert_ballard_on_exploring_the_oceans?language=en).

In his informative speech about his explorations, Robert Ballard talks about the fact that 72% of our Earth is covered in water, yet we know so little about what lies beneath the ocean. He makes the interesting point that humans had visited the Moon before having mapped the oceans of our world. The students of 5/6D were fascinated by these astonishing facts presented by Mr Ballard and are very much looking forward to continuing their research of famous explorers (from the past and current day).

Reports

During the week, the staff of WPS met to commence the process of writing Semester 2 Report Cards. This is a very long process that is extremely important. Staff will be writing highly professional reports that outline your child's progress in all learning areas. The report cards will explicitly offer areas of strength, weakness and suggestions to achieve ongoing academic growth. I thank staff in advance for their diligence in compiling such important and valuable documents.

P and C Meeting

On Wednesday evening, the P&C met to discuss a variety of projects and issues. It was a productive meeting where the primary focus was bringing about positive outcomes for our wonderful children. The P&C will meet again on the 2nd of December at 5pm and I would encourage anyone interested to attend.

Whilst we are on the topic of the P&C, I would like to extend a most sincere thanks on behalf of the staff and students of WPS for the generous donation made by the P&C towards new Lego. Our Monday lunchtime Lego Club is such a huge success and continues to grow in popularity each week. It is enormously satisfying to watch the children engaged in a fun, educational activity during their lunchtime.

Fishing Club

The Fishing Club was also extremely fortunate to have received a donation from the Department of Fisheries. We were given approximately 70 second-hand reels along with a variety of tackle. On Wednesday lunchtime, our keen lunchtime anglers worked very hard on developing their casting accuracy. I took great delight in watching many of our keen fishermen learning to cast their line for the first time and doing so with impressive accuracy. A special congratulations to Travis Clarke who was able to hit the target with an incredible display of precision. Jack Digby was also extremely close to the target whilst an honourable mention for tangle of the day goes to Rocco Hall! Whilst we continue to develop our angling prowess, the gentlemen associated with the Warialda Men's Shed are currently assisting us in shaping wooden lure blanks. When these are ready, the fishing club members will learn the art of wooden lure making!

Maths Workshop

On Thursday, many of our students attended the visiting mathematics workshop. There were two sessions with Kinder to Year 3 participating in the first session followed by Years 4 to 6 after lunch. The feedback received from all of those who attended was extremely positive. It was quite exciting to hear several students talking about how much fun mathematics is!!

Assembly

This week will see the first assembly of Term 4 where we will acknowledge student achievement. In conjunction with this occasion, we will also be celebrating Grandparents Day. I would encourage as many Grandparents as possible to join us at this assembly and we will have the urn out afterwards to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and some delicious biscuits.

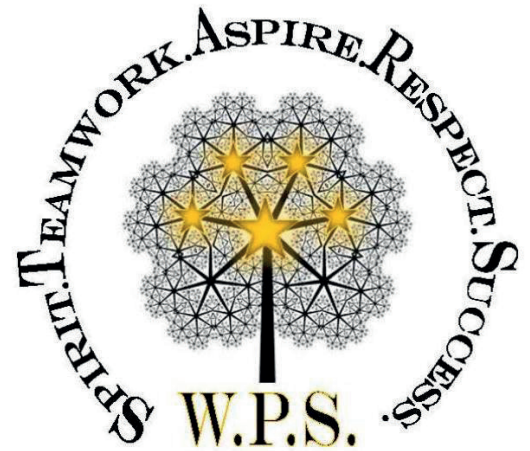
Kind regards,

Dan van Velthuisen

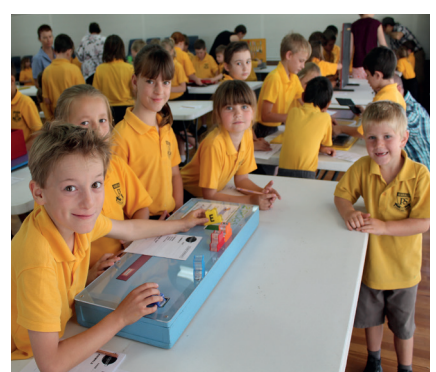
Awards and Achievements

Positive Behaviour for Learning weekly winners

KW	Ashley Rees & Max Barwick
1/2W	Lisa Digby & Pyper Dawson
2/3C	Bella Tuthill & Duncan Cook
3/4M	Luke Hall & Sarah Clarke
4/5/6M	Sophie Hall & Peter King
5/6D	Will Mayne & Hope Sankey
Playground	Kane Evens & Jack Digby



Gallery



Mathematics Workshop



Notices

Grandparents Day

All Grandparents are invited to come to our school on Friday 23rd October at 11.50am for the school assembly then stay afterwards for morning tea in the staff room to celebrate 'Grandparents Day'.

Canteen Days

Monday	open
Tuesday	closed
Wednesday	open
Thursday	open
Friday	open

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2017?

You must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement



Formal Assembly

Term 4 assembly times will be from 11.50am to 12.25pm due to swimming for sport.

AECG Meeting

AECG meeting will be held on Tuesday 27th October at 10am in the School Library. Light morning tea will be provided.



Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive lessons

Australian summers usually involve plenty of fun in and around the water, but no parent should forget how important it is to make sure children stay safe.

Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive classes for preschoolers and school-aged children help youngsters learn important ways to be safe and enjoy our pools, rivers, beaches and lakes.

The intensive nine-day programs provide wonderful results, and are great fun as well. Plus, family discounts make our program affordable for all the children in the family.

Sport and Recreation runs Swim and Survive classes in pools throughout regional NSW.

Our instructors are nationally qualified and screened for their suitability to work with children.

Prices for nine lessons are \$69 for school-aged children and \$49 for preschoolers (prices exclude pool entry fee).

For more information or to make a booking, visit sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive or phone 13 13 02

