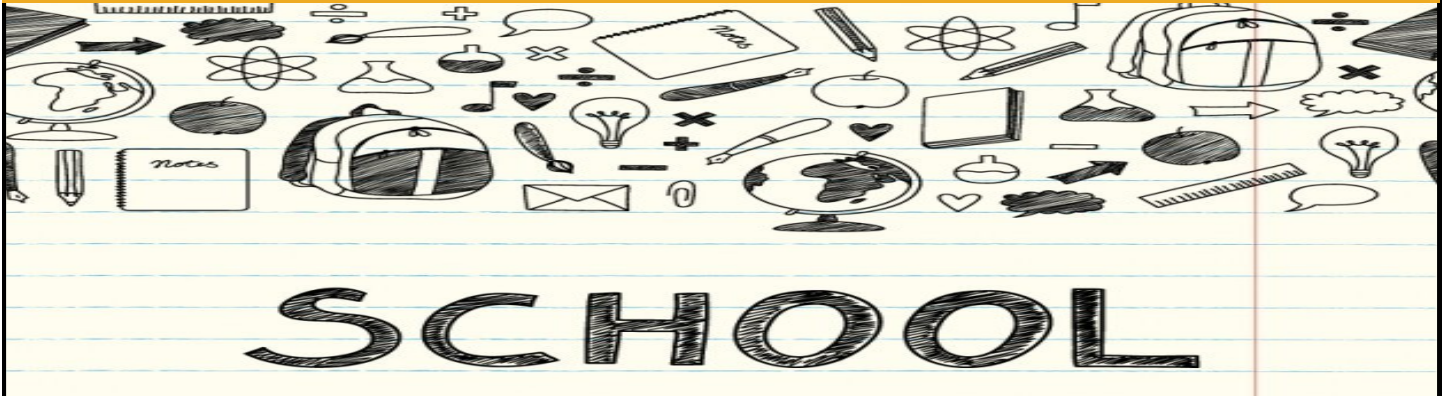


Welcome to Warialda Public



NEWSLETTER

Week 3 Term 2 - 4th May 2015



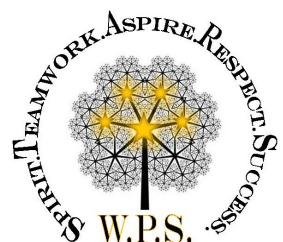
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From Mr Collins desk...

Our cross country was a great success with a great display of participation, effort and sportsmanship. I would like to extend a big thankyou to our many helpers on the day and to Miss Cole for her efforts in planning the event.

Our guest speaker Mr Lorin Nicholson shared his incredible life story with us on Thursday and was very inspirational and thought provoking.

Mrs Haug is organising our Premiers Reading Challenge this year. It has commenced and has had a pleasing amount of students signed up ready to be involved.

Our Sports captains will travel to Moree on Wednesday to attend the GRIP Leadership course. This will be a great opportunity for our sports captains.

Mr McIntosh has been organising a handball competition for students at school with the help of publicity officers Cody, Alex and Daemon. It has been well received by all students and has proven to be a popular playground activity.

Our NAPLAN assessments for Years 3 and 5 take place on the 12th, 13th and 14th May. Please make sure your child is at school on these days.

Students selected to participate in the District Cross Country at Ashford need to return their note indicating that they are attending. This will take place on the 7th May.

Don't forget to check if you are able to contribute any materials towards our chook pen and vegetable garden project. Please contact the school in the next week or two if you are able to assist. Many thanks for the offers that have been received so far.

Our School captains and vice captains are off to Lake Keepit on the 24th May to attend a Leadership camp.

Our Year 3-6 excursion has created much discussion and excitement. Please return the note and deposit if you are intending that your child will be going to attend. Feel free to discuss any aspect of this excursion with me. Places are limited and student's behaviour is taken into consideration.

I have had it brought to my attention that there has been an incident or two of harassment and or threatening behaviour between students on the way home from school. I will have no hesitation contacting local police if I hear of these incidents. There is no place for such behaviour anywhere yet alone in our wonderful community of Warialda.

The Warialda Show is coming up this week. Students will be entering artworks and may be walking down to the showground to view their works and results.

Best of luck to all concerned with our local show. I know a lot of work has been put in to make it a success. We are lucky to have such dedicated people in our community who give their time to organise an event that is enjoyed by so many. If you have time, support your local show and go down to the showground to help make the 2015 Warialda Show a successful one.

If you or someone you know is considering our wonderful school for your child to enrol in for Kindergarten in 2016 please make contact with the school so that we can let you know what will be happening with transition etc. If you would like to come and have a look at our school to help make your decision please don't hesitate to make a suitable time for a tour.

Have a great week and as always don't hesitate to drop in to say hello, share your concerns or share your positive thoughts about our fantastic school.

Thought for the week – Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can.

Mick Collins



It's spelling bee time again! Students will have spelling words to practice and a form for sponsorship. Class testing will be in week 7 (1st June) with the "Spell Off" being in week 9 (16th June). All monies raised will go toward purchasing class sets of quality texts to engage students and enhance learning.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS...

- ⇒ Wednesday 6th May - Grip Leadership-Sports Captains to Moree
- ⇒ Thursday 7th May - Zone Cross Country Ashford
- ⇒ Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th & Wednesday 14th May - NAPLAN
- ⇒ Friday 15th May - Assembly 4/5/6T
- ⇒ Tuesday 19th May - ICAS Test
- ⇒ Wednesday 20th May - Touch Trials Armidale
- ⇒ Monday 25th May - Bookfair

Reminders are also updated regularly on our Facebook page for your convenience.

Warialda Show 7/8/9 May

All knitters, (adults & children) are invited to submit colourful knitted squares in **Section 16** of the show schedule.

Class 33 – open

Class 25 – Under 17yrs

Class 29 – under 12yrs

Entry fee is 50c per square

Enter items on the morning of Thursday 7th May at the main showground pavilion. The squares will then be **donated** and made into rugs after the show for the Catherine Hamlin Fistula Hospital in Ethiopia.

Instructions:

You will need a pair of 4mm (old No. 8) knitting needles.

Using 8 ply wool or orlon, cast on 42 stitches, knit into a square using any pattern – plain or fancy





KW Anna-May Sharp & Jaymz Nolan



1/2W Lilly Brice & Nick Cook



2/3C Ellie-May Turner & Imogen Hall



3/4M Karina Jung x 2



4/5/6T Bedelia Johnson & Alex Smith

5/6D Byron La Fontaine & Stacey Allison

PLAYGROUND Jade Baker & Melika Williams

Positive Behaviour for Learning

Congratulations to the following Students for Certificate of Achievement

KW	Kai Connolly & Max Montgomery
1/2W	Wraith Rowan & Lilly Brice
2/3C	Duncan Cook & Cassidy Turner
3/4M	Wes La Fontaine & Toby Bell
4/5/6T	Rachel Coulton & Jack Williams
5/6D	Brodie Wallace & Byron La Fontaine



**Rotary Club of
Warialda**

Warialda Book Fair

Friday 15th May & Saturday 16th May (morning)

The Warialda Book Fair will be held in Warialda Town and will have
for sale books, DVDs, Vinyls, CDs, table games and Lego™.

Mother's Day Stall

Tuesday 6th May & Wednesday 7th May

2nd half of lunch (11.30am)

Gifts from \$1.00 to \$7.00

We have an easter egg raffle winner we are looking for. If anyone knows Ana Lavato could you see the front office.

Thank you.

WANTED Material for School Chook Pen

Roof capping - 5 mtrs

Roof iron - 2.2 mtr sheets x 16

Roof iron 0.6 mtr sheets x 8

Spare sheets to cut for areas needed

Roof purlins 4.6 mtr x 6

Rabbit netting

Foot netting 60 mtrs

25mm or 30mm RHS x 12 mtrs

1 and 1/2 inch gal pipe x 8 mtrs

2 inch or 1 1/2 inch gal pipe posts 7.2 mtrs

1 1/2 inch gal pipe stays x 11 mtrs

5.4 mtr steel posts x 4

Ringlock x 60 mtrs

Caps for 1 1/2 inch pipes x 18

If anyone could donate any of these items to the school to build a chook pen, please contact the office. The students are very keen to get the chook pen underway.

NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students in Kindergarten to Year 9, in government, independent, Catholic and home schools.

How does the challenge work?

1. The Challenge opened on 2 March 2015. You must complete your online Student Reading Record by 21 August 2015 to complete the Challenge.

2. You must read a certain number of books to complete the Challenge:

Challenge	Number of books you must read	Minimum number of PRC books	Maximum number of Personal Choice books	PRC booklists you can read from
K-2	30	25	5	K-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-9
3-4	20	15	5	3-4, 5-6, 7-9
5-6	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9
7-9	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9

3. Books you read after the Challenge closes can count towards the next year's Challenge.

4a. K-2 students, you can read the books on your own, read them with someone, or someone can read them to you.

4b. 3-4, 5-6, 7-9 students, you must read the books on your own, but someone can help you choose them.

5. In a series on the PRC booklist, you can read any two books as PRC books. You can read up to five other books from the same series as Personal Choice books.

6. K-2 students only - If you can read simple chapter books on your own, you can attempt the 3-4 Challenge. You need to change your online Student Reading Record to Challenge level 3-4.

7. 3-4, 5-6, 7-9 students only - If your teacher thinks you need extra help, you can listen to unabridged audio versions of the books - as long as you read along.

8. If you complete your online Student Reading Record by 21 August 2015, and it is validated by your school by 28 August (11:59 pm), you will be eligible for a PRC certificate in Term 4.

How do I enter?

If your child would like to participate, please see Mrs Haug. She will provide a copy of the appropriate book list and log your child onto the website. She will also assist with Reading Log entries and borrowing of books from the Library.

Stewart House 2015 Donation Drive

With this newsletter is an envelope in which you can donate money to Stewart House. Return your envelope back to school with at least \$2 or more by Friday 8th May to go into a draw for a chance to win a \$4,000 family holiday which is drawn on Friday 22nd May.



Cross Country...



Intention to apply: Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

Opportunity classes cater for highly achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Opportunity Class Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on **Wednesday 22 July 2015**.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2016, you need to do so soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from **27 April 2015** in a printed application information booklet and at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. The application website opens on **27 April 2015** and closes on **15 May 2015**. No late applications will be accepted.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after **27 April 2015**.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

Yours sincerely

Mr Mick Collins

Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by next Friday.

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Note: This is a notice to your primary school that you intend to apply only. **It is NOT an application**

To apply you will need to register and then apply through the High Performing Students application website shown above.

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I am interested in applying for opportunity class placement in 2016 Yes ☐ No ☐

I have internet access and will be applying online ☐

OR

I do not have internet access ☐

Signature of parent/carers: _____ Date: _____

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