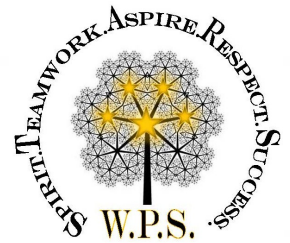


Warialda Public School

Week 1 Term 3

14th July 2015



Spirit. Teamwork. Aspire. Respect. Success



Warialda Junior Rugby League Under 8's with their Coach James Reardon and visitors from the 'Footy Show', Paul Vaughton and Daryl Brohmann

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From Mr van Velthuisen's desk...

The holidays are over and it's time to get back into another action-packed school term at Warialda Public School. I hope everyone had an enjoyable and relaxing fortnight and were able to spend time with family and friends.

I was extremely proud to see some of our students participating at the State Show Jumping championships held here in Warialda. They were exceptionally brave and performed admirably among the very best in New South Wales. Similarly, at the recent Gravesend Pony Club Ribbon Day, I was very pleased to see WPS students achieving wonderful results.

On the last Thursday of Term 2, our League Tag girls and Boys League team ventured to Gunnedah for the Regional Final of the Legend's of League competition. Our boys recorded a resounding victory over the Moree team (which had beaten them at the previous carnival). They then went on to challenge strongly in all games, displaying outstanding sportsmanship and skills. The girls' team went through the day as undefeated champions, defending their 2014 crown as North West champions. Congratulations to all of the boys and girls who participated and a special thanks to Miss Cole and Mrs Durkin who prepared the teams so thoroughly.

Miss Cole also accompanied our students to the National Primary Games over the weekend where the girl's Touch team competed against teams from across New South Wales. Our students were outstanding ambassadors for Warialda Public School and certainly challenged the very best in the State – albeit in near freezing conditions!

This term, we have an amazing amount of events scheduled – the Athletics carnival, Jelly Bean Cup and the Gold Coast Excursion to name just a few. The major excursion scheduled for Week 6 (17th to the 21st of August) will be a fantastic week with the students having the opportunity to visit Sea World, the Outback Spectacular and Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary. Students who are attending received notes at the end of last term with attachments that require completion. I would ask that these be returned to the school promptly to assist with final preparations.

I am very excited that we will also commence our Kindergarten transition program in Week 6. On Wednesday the 12th of August from 5:30pm, we will host a Kindergarten parent information session for students commencing in 2016. These are always an important aspect of the school year as it helps establish a strong relationship between the school and our new families.

Whilst our newest students are transitioning into Warialda Public School, our Year 6 students will continue their transition to the High School. On Monday the 27th July and again on Thursday the 10th of August, the Year 6 children will venture up the hill to build their connection with the High School. I am sure many of the Year 6 children are getting quite excited about this upcoming program.

In Term 3, we will be returning to having fortnightly assemblies. These assemblies will be held each odd week and will always start promptly at 12:45pm. I genuinely believe in publically acknowledging the hard work of students at our school. I would strongly urge as many of our parents and community members to join with us at these events to celebrate the achievements of our great students and incredible school.

It was widely publicised that the Footy Show would be filming here in Warialda this Wednesday. The producers had a last minute change of plans and filming took place this afternoon. Many of our students from the Wombats Under 8's team were interviewed by the Big Marn – Daryl Brohmann. This was a very exciting opportunity for these young men and I am sure they capably represented their club, family, community and school.

Whilst we offer so many great opportunities at Warialda Public School and always are actively involved in sporting and cultural pursuits – we must be mindful that our core business is providing a quality education through meaningful teaching and learning. I think it is a credit to our staff and students that this balance is successfully achieved!

Let's look forward to a terrific Term 3!

Dan van Velthuisen

Young Communicators



speech

Award 2015

Term 3 has arrived and so to the annual round of the Young Communicator Awards. Students will commence work on their speeches this week in class in preparation for class presentations in Week 8 and the finals in Week 9. The topics for this year are as follows:

	Duration	Topic
Kindergarten	30sec – 1min	If I were the boss
Years 1 and 2	1 – 2 mins	If I had three wishes
Years 3 and 4	2 – 3 mins	My Secret Super Power
Years 5 and 6	3 mins	Rich vs Famous (what would I choose?)

Each student is expected to prepare and present a speech to his/her class as part of the English program. The top six speeches from each grade will then participate in the finals. It would be great to get the conversation going early at home about possible things that your child might include in his/her speech.

Margaret Haug

Organiser

Gold Coast Excursion

A reminder for parents of students attending the upcoming excursion to the Gold Coast, please return permission notes to class teacher as soon as possible.



Kindergarten Transition

Kindergarten Transition packs were delivered to Warialda Pre School this week for distribution.

If you have not received your pack or would like to enrol a student for Kindergarten in 2016 please contact the school office.

Positive Behaviour for Learning



KW

Amanda Crawford & Max Montgomery



1/2W

Khloe Edwards & Lily Brice



2/3C

Imogen Hall & Jorja Durkin



3/4M

Wes La Fontaine & Grace Parker



4/5/6T

Angus Digby & Rachel Coulton



5/6D

Isabella Reardon & Isabel Biddle

PLAYGROUND

Madison Findlater & Bedelia Johnson

Week 1 is focused on

SPIRIT

800 Metres



The 800 Metres event will be run on the 22nd July at the Warialda Recreation Ground leaving the school at 12:00pm. Students 8 years and older are encouraged to participate. Permission notes will be forwarded home this week, please complete and return to class teacher.

Important Reminders...

- ♦ 22nd July 800mtrs Final @ Recreation Grounds 12.00pm
P and C Meeting 5pm
- ♦ 24th July Athletics Carnival @ Recreation Grounds
- ♦ 27th July WHS Year 6 Transition Day
- ♦ 28th July ICAS English
- ♦ 1st August Warialda High School P&C Trivia Night

