

A big thank you to
John & Kerry Coulton
for their donation of a
steer to the P & C

This is Minnie their pet cow



Upcoming Events

FEB

19th Swimming for Sport
26th Assembly 12.45pm
6P item performance
Swimming for Sport

MAR

11th Assembly 12.45pm
5 DB item performance

APR

1st Deadly Australians
Visiting Performance

Community Notices

* Junior League

Notes to be returned

* ICAS Tests
* Primary Excursion
* Science Performance
* General Consent

Quote of the Week

Don't walk behind me; I may
not lead. Don't walk in front
of me; I may not follow. Just
walk beside me and be my
friend.

Albert Camus

Principal

It has been a very exciting week at Warialda Public School with our Kindergarten students officially commencing their school life last Monday. I must commend each and every student for the way in which they have adapted to life in their new school. It has been great fun spending time in both of our Kinder rooms getting to know these little people. A special mention must be given to Mrs Ellen Lanesbury and Mrs Jenny Waller who have been so thoroughly prepared and ensured that their new students have enjoyed a seamless entry to school. It is also worth mentioning the significant contributions Mrs McIntosh, Mrs van Velthuizen, Mrs Jones, Mrs Cush and Miss Barnes have made in supporting our Kinder teachers in the classroom.

Swimming (for stage sport) started on Friday with Stages 2 and 3 walking to the pool to develop their swimming skills. I know that the students particularly enjoyed their Friday swimming this week with the warm temperatures. Thank you to Mrs Amber Barnett for overseeing the organisation of this important program.

At the conclusion of 2015, our school made the decision to subscribe to the Skoolbag App which can be accessed with any smartphone. If you have not already done so, please upload this App as a further way of remaining abreast of the goings on at WPS. Mrs Jenni Williams and Mrs Laura Cush are overseeing the input of data into this program and I can see that parents will benefit greatly from having important information at their fingertips. A further use for this App is that permission notes can be uploaded and you can advise the school of student absences (via eforms). In addition to Skoolbag, parents and community can still access information about WPS via our school website, our facebook page, the noticeboard, the Warialda Standard and the daily radio school news (1188 AM).

In PSSA news, keen year 3 to 6 boys were able to trial for our school Cricket team last Thursday. It was lovely to see these boys helping one another and being encouraging of other children's efforts. Our first scheduled game was supposed to be against Moree East Public School, however they are unable to participate. We will now turn our attention to hosting Moree Public School in a Round 2 clash at a date yet to be confirmed.

In last week's newsletter, I mentioned the need for parent helpers. It is so important to have parent volunteers in our classrooms to assist in particular with programs such as reading groups and numeracy activities. Schools operate most effectively when there is a genuine partnership between parents and the classroom. One of our school's strategic directions relates directly to developing our school and community partnership. Please make contact with your child's classroom teacher to arrange a regular timeslot that is suitable for both parties.

You may well have been inundated with permission notes for a variety of school activities. Thank you for your attending to these notes. Whilst, at times, it may seem like 'information overload', these organisational matters really assist the school in running like a well-oiled machine! I'd like to focus particularly on the note sent home for the Stages 2 and 3 excursions. These notes are needed to be returned expeditiously as the planning process involves a great deal of time and attention. The earlier we can finalise numbers and parent helpers, the sooner we can finalise eventual costing. In addition to the excursion note, the opportunity for children to participate in ICAS testing is one not to be missed. If you would like to discuss ICAS tests further, please feel free to call me or make an appointment to discuss the matter further.

Thank you to our community for your ongoing support and assistance in creating the best school possible!

Have an amazing week!

Kind regards,

Dan van Velthuizen

Notices



Download the Skoolbag app where you will be able to receive reminder messages, permission notes and lots more information.

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Invoices will be posted out next week for your child's school fees. The cost will be \$45.00 per child for 1 year. This includes all books, folders etc.



2016 School Captains and Vice Captains

WARIALDA PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C LIVESTOCK DRIVE FUNDRAISER

The WPS P & C are holding a fundraising event to try and raise \$10,000 to conduct a technology upgrade to the school hall including the installation of a smart board and stream lining computer software. We have decided to hold a livestock drive where families are invited to donate an animal/s (cattle or sheep) that will be sold at the Inverell Saleyards on the 15th March.

Mark Smith of McGregor's has kindly offered to sell at the sale, free of commission and the Stewart family have also generously offered to transport these animals to the saleyards. We will have designated pick up locations.

We understand there are families that do not own any animals but might like to be a part of this event. They may contribute with a cash donation in lieu, if they would like to.

For more information please contact Wendy Mayne 0438 376 622



Permission Note

WARIALDA PUBLIC SCHOOL

GENERAL CONSENT NOTE - 2016

I hereby **do give / do not give** permission for my child/children to participate in walking excursions within the township of Warialda which are from time to time organised by the school and which have the approval of the Principal.

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

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Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Parent/Caregiver Name: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Signed: _____

CONSENT TO PUBLISH YOUR CHILD'S PHOTOGRAPH - 2016

I hereby **do give / do not give** permission for my child's photograph to be published in: the school newsletter/the Warialda Standard/DET journals/the school's website. I understand that no names will be published accompanying photographs on the school website.

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Parent/Caregiver Name: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Signed: _____

CONSENT FOR YOUR CHILD'S TO WATCH PG MOVIES – 2016

I hereby **do give / do not give** permission for my child/children to watch PG rated movies at school which have the approval of the Principal.

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Parent/Caregiver Name: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Signed: _____

PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN BACK TO SCHOOL ASAP. THANK YOU.

Community Notices



WARIALDA JUNIOR LEAGUE CLUB 2016

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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VICE PRESIDENTS : LACHLAN HALL

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TREASURER : STACEY BELL

WARIALDA JUNIOR LEAGUE CLUB

SIGN ON DAY

2016

TO BE HELD AT THE WARIALDA SWIMMING
POOL

ON SATURDAY 20TH FEBRUARY

12:00PM TO 2:00PM

BBQ LUNCH AVAILABLE

IF YOU ARE A NEW PLAYER PLEASE BRING ALONG YOUR BIRTH
CERTIFICATE

IF YOU ARE A RETURNING PLAYER PLEASE BRING YOUR PASSWORD AND
USERNAME

REGISTRATIONS ARE ALSO NOW OPEN ONLINE go to our Facebook page
and click on the link for instruction video and our registration form

PLEASE TRY AND HAVE REGISTRATIONS DONE BY 4TH MARCH

TRAINING WILL START ON TUESDAY 29TH MARCH



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THE WARIALDA JUNIOR LEAGUE CLUB

WOULD LIKE TO CALL FOR COACHES FOR THE
2016 SEASON

FOR THE FOLLOWING GRADES:

JUNIOR GIRLS LEAGUE TAG

UNDER 8'S

UNDER 12'S

UNDER 14'S

UNDER 16'S

SENIOR GIRLS LEAGUE TAG

PLEASE SEND ALL APPLICATIONS TO
WJRL PO BOX 86 WARIALDA 2402

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 4TH MARCH