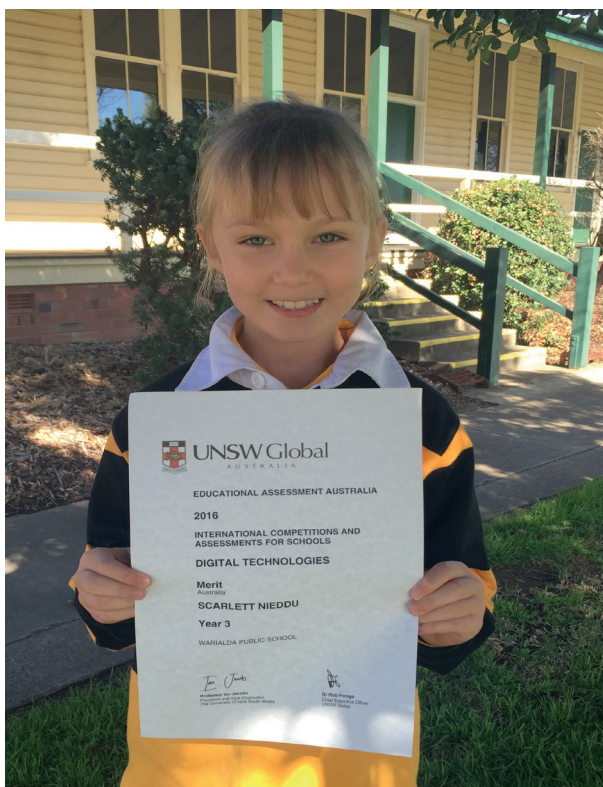


UPCOMING EVENTS

ICAS

Congratulations are extended to Scarlett on her outstanding achievement in the recent ICAS Digital Technologies test. Congratulations also to Jarrod Nolan, Charlie Horn, Jaydn Sullivan and Ally Horn who also participated in these examinations.



This Week

- 26th NAIDOC Celebrations
- 28th Celebrating 100 days of Kindergarten
- 29th Athletics Carnival and Kindergarten 2017 transition

AUGUST

- 2nd ICAS English
- 4th Olympic Day
- 5th Zone Athletics
- 11th "Legends of League" at Gunnedah

NAIDOC Celebrations



THE PERFORMANCE

Gwenda Stanely has delighted children of all ages for many years with her natural, engaging, gentle manner.

Gwenda will use dance, story, artefacts and language to share with students her unique and rich Aboriginal culture.

THE PERFORMER

Gwenda Stanley hails from Moree in North Western NSW and belongs to the Corben Gomeroi people. For nearly twenty-five years she has toured Australia and New Zealand as a part of the Mirii Yulugi Star Dancers. She brings a deep knowledge and passion for her culture to every performance she delivers.

Community Notices

Warialda High School
Open Evening

Quote of the Week

**Work hard and
dream BIG..**

Principal's Report

It was lovely to see so many excited faces return to school last week after a relaxing holiday and the students wasted no time in getting straight back into a strong and consistent school routine. I enjoyed hearing lots of entertaining stories about adventures that were had but most importantly, I loved seeing students now turn their attention to achieving their best in the classroom.

It felt a bit like Christmas when I received our first ICAS results for 2016! It was quite impressive to carefully study the analysis of student results and realise just how impressive the results achieved were. Congratulations to Jarrod Nolan, Charlie Horn, Jaydn Sullivan and Ally Horn who each received Participation Certificates and certainly did a great job. A special congratulations to Scarlett Nieddu who was awarded a Merit Certificate with results placing her in the top 40% of students in Australia. Great work!

Congratulation to Will Mayne who travelled to Eastern Creek as a member of the North West Cross Country Team. Will demonstrated his usual grit and determination, pitting himself against the elite runners of NSW. His performance was extremely impressive and ensured he is among the best cross country runners in the State. Well done Will!

Tomorrow, we will welcome Gwenda Stanley, a proud Corben Gomeroi woman who will use dance, story telling, traditional Aboriginal artefacts and language to help develop our students' appreciation of indigenous culture. I encourage as many family and community members as possible to join with us in a belated celebration of NAIDOC week festivities. An invitation is extended to parents and community members to join us at an afternoon tea / late lunch from 1:30pm with the performance and assembly to commence from 2pm.

A brilliant initiative that is being undertaken at WPS this week is a celebration of our Kindergarten children's first 100 days of school. Mrs Lanesbury and Mrs Durkin are planning some very exciting activities all around the number 100. A note has gone home with all kinder children with details of this event. Please be aware that the kinder students in K/1W will be joining with KL on this day.

The WPS annual Athletics Carnival will be held this Friday. Students should travel directly to the grounds (buses have been notified to drop students off at the grounds rather than school). Whilst students use the school carnival to qualify for high representative honours, the carnival is very much underpinned by the values of participation and fun. We will definitely require lots of parent helpers so please make yourself available. To coincide with the carnival, our 2017 prospective kinder students will join in with the infants' All Stars Cup participating in novelty events from 9am to 11am. We hope to see you there.

The scheduled STEM Learning Day is rapidly approaching and it is going to be possibly the coolest day of learning I've been involved with in my entire career. We will be joined by students from other schools to actively participate in hands on activities around the area of STEM learning (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). We are working closely with the University of New England to have rotations including: Precision Agriculture (Drone's & GPS Technology); Sports Science (Human movements and using GPS technology in sport); Coding (Learning to program computers and develop software); Solar Cars (Building our very own solar cars); and Soil Science (Analysing soil and biology for agricultural purposes). As you can see – this will be a memorable day aimed at inspiring our students and making them open their eyes to the possibilities that are available to them. This project is making significant strides towards successfully achieving our first strategic direction: Highly motivate and engaged 21st Century learners and citizens.

Have a brilliant week!

Kind regards,

Dan van Velthuisen

Principal (Relieving)

Events

Permission note Copy

Sharing Culture Visiting Performance – Gwenda Stanley

On **Tuesday 26th July, 2016**, we will be hosting the visiting show, Sharing Culture – Gwenda Stanley.

The performer, Gwenda Stanley will use dance, story, artefacts and language to share with students her unique and rich Aboriginal culture.

The cost of this show is \$4.50 per student

If you wish your child / children to attend, please complete the tear-off section below and return it to school along with the correct money.

Kind regards,

NAIDOC Celebrations

Dan van Velthuisen
Principal (Relieving)

☐ _____

I give my child _____ of Class _____ permission to attend the visiting show on Tuesday 26th July, 2016.

I have enclosed the amount of \$_____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

100

Days of Kindergarten

To celebrate the achievements of our kindergarten students who are now 100 days smarter, Mrs Lanesbury is organising a day of wonderfully fun activities to be held at school on the **28th July 2016**.

Our 100 days smarter Kindy's are invited to dress up as 100 year old people for the day and enjoy the many fun activities scheduled.

Parent volunteers are welcome to assist throughout our celebrations. Please contact the front office if you are available on the day.

Notices

2016 Athletics Carnival

Approximate time of Events

8.50	Rolls
9.00- 10.00	4-7yr 100m Races- They then complete their own rotations
	Junior and Senior Girls Boys 200m & 100m Finals
10.00-10.30	Recess
10.30-11.15	Track and Field Events
11.15-12.00	
12.00-12.30	Lunch
12.30-1.15	Track and Field Events
1.15-1.30	Refreshment Break (relay organisation)
1.30-2.30	Relays- Junior Boy and Girl Senior Boy and Girl
	800m
2.30	Presentation
2.45	Walk back to school to catch buses
3.00	Home

2016 Athletics Carnival

Approximate time of Events

Warialda Public School Athletics Carnival

Canteen Menu

Sausage Sandwich	\$2.00
Steak Sandwich	\$5.00
Hot Dog	\$2.50
Soft Drink	\$2.00
Poppers	\$1.50
Water	\$1.50
Killer Python	\$1.00
Curly Whirly	\$1.00
Milky Way	\$1.00
Chips	\$1.50

Volunteers are still required to help in the canteen.

If you can spare an hour could you please contact the school office and leave your name and a time that suits.

Invitation

to our school community

Warialda High School

Open Afternoon

Date – Monday 1st August, 2016

Time – 4pm- Teaching spaces open and school tours operating.

This is for students and parents to be able to experience activities in all subjects.

5pm - Free BBQ

5.45pm - Music concert

Venue - Warialda High School

Please RSVP to the Warialda High School office on 67 291 000 for catering purposes by Friday 29th July

We look forward to seeing you there.