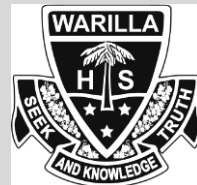


Warilla High School Newsletter

Kalori



Keross Avenue Barrack Heights NSW 2528
T: 02 42963055 F: 02 42972817
E: warilla-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au
W: <http://www.warilla.nsw.edu.au>

6 August 2012

Issue 1 – Term 3 – Week 4

Principal's Message

Welcome back to Term 3! It is fitting that our term begins with Parent Teacher meetings as a follow up to the half yearly reporting operation which saw detailed information on student achievement provided by each teacher across all Key Learning Areas. I am sure you have had time to consider these commentaries, and that this will form the basis for your discussions with staff.

It was gratifying to see a big turn-out of Parents for the Year 10 to Year 11 Information Evening held on 18 July. These sessions are very important in outlining requirements for the Preliminary and HSC courses run in each of Years 11 and 12. I would urge you to discuss these sessions with your child, along with the information they have been given by staff at the school and the nature of the interviews they had with a team of Careers Advisers who discussed Subject Selection and Career Pathway planning on an individual basis to make sure our kids have the best possible combinations of subjects based on aspiration, aptitude and future destination.

This term the school will also introduce a portfolio structure, designed to ensure coordinated staff input into the practices and systems that distinguish our work. It will also be a key mechanism in guaranteeing that we deliver on the targets that have been developed in our School Plan, 2012-2014.

The four portfolios which will operate are:

1. Aboriginal Education
2. Leadership and Organisational Effectiveness
3. Curriculum and Assessment
4. Student Services

These broad areas reflect the priorities nominated by both State and Regional DEC Personnel. Sitting within each of these portfolios are a number of key deliverables which will inform the work of project teams that are established to address these requirements.

This work will be supported by ongoing professional learning for staff in best practice models and review and evaluation techniques. I am sure this will set up some exciting new imperatives that will enhance student learning outcomes at the school.

I would also like to ask for your support in another couple of matters:-

Firstly, our school community has endorsed a dress code that has been clearly articulated at the school for some time. I have asked staff to ensure this code is monitored and that students meet their responsibilities in this area.

It is my understanding that some parents have purchased footwear that may not comply with the stated colour. I would ask that when new footwear is purchased that the colour is compliant. (Information about our uniform is included in this newsletter).

Secondly, there have been a number of incidents at the school where student behaviour has been less than expected. Harassment, violence, insolence and arguing with staff will simply not be tolerated. I have shown my resolve in this area

by using DEC protocols to expel 2 students from this school during the last week.

Again, I seek your support in ensuring that those socially unacceptable behaviours outlined above have no place in our school and that everyone accepts responsibility for respecting the rights of others.

Our 3 Golden rules of Care for Self; Care for Others; Care for this Place will be enforced.

I look forward to working with you again this term to showcase the wonderful learning environment that is Warilla High School.

With my best wishes,

Mr John Hambly
Principal

Deputy Report

Uniform: Warilla High School is a uniform school. It is very important that all students wear the correct uniform to school each day. Failure to do so will result in students being placed on detention each lunch time. If parents need assistance in purchasing correct uniform you need to contact your child's year advisor as soon as possible to discuss arrangements. Uniforms can be purchased at any time during school hours. **Leggings/ jeggings / tights are at no time acceptable to be worn as outerwear.**

Subject Selections: Currently our Year 10 students are choosing subjects for 2013, in the coming weeks Years 7 and 8 will also be asked to make elective choices. It is very important that students choose subjects which they will enjoy and are suited to. Students should talk to their year advisors and a variety of staff to find out details about courses offered. This year Warilla High School will be using an online system for students to select subjects. It is vital that all students are aware of their Departmental email address, if your child cannot remember their user name or password they must see Mr David Baldwin (located in the library) to organise a replacement.

Congratulations must also go to Vanessa Glasgow our careers advisor who organised 5 career advisors from our neighbouring high schools to conduct individual interviews with our Year 10 students to assist with their subject choices for 2013. All of the careers advisors commented on the good behaviour and manners that our students displayed throughout the interviews.

Year 12 Trials: Year 12 will be commencing their Trial exams on the 6 August, these exams run for 2 weeks. Students must be present for each of their exams wearing full school uniform. HSC exam conditions will be in place, this means that mobile phones are not allowed on a student's person inside the examination hall. Students must also be fully prepared for each exam with appropriate and backup equipment and arrive at least 20 minutes prior to each exam. If a student is ill for an exam, please contact the school on the morning of the exam. A medical certificate WILL be required for any missed exam; this certificate must be handed to Mr Kershaw as well as the student's teacher the very next time the student is on school grounds. We wish all Year 12 good luck for these exams.

Jodie Fallo-Cranney & Ian Morris
Relieving Deputy Principals

Coming Events

Week 4B

6 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Work Placement Year 7 Vaccinations Year 12 Trial HSC
7 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Work Placement Year 12 Trial HSC
8 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Work Placement Year 12 Trial HSC
9 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Work Placement Year 12 Trial HSC Under 16 Girls Futsal State Finals at Penrith Basketball Stadium
10 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Work Placement Year 12 Trial HSC Shades of Grey Workshops

Week 5A

13 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Work Placement Year 12 Trial HSC
14 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Work Placement Year 12 Trial HSC ICAS Maths Competition
15 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Work Placement Year 12 Trial HSC Year 7 & 8 NSW Touch All Schools Tournament at Thomas Dalton Park Fairy Meadow
16 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Work Placement Year 12 Trial HSC Southern Stars Dance Rehearsal at Wollongong Entertainment Centre
17 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Work Placement Year 12 Trial HSC Shades of Grey Workshops Year 11 Visual Arts Excursion to Wollongong City Gallery & West Wollongong TAFE

Week 6B

20 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 In2Uni Program Year 7 AFL Social Skilling Program
21 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 12 In2Uni Program
22 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 10 PISA Testing
24 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shades of Grey Workshops

RIDE ON MOWER FOR SALE \$950.00 – Good Working Condition

- Graden (Australian made)
- Mighty compact zero turn
- ZTS 420
- Serial No. 001442
- 2003 Model
- 750 hours
- 42 inch cutting deck
- Honda engine

Please contact the school if you have any enquiries

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

The School Community has decided that uniform is compulsory for students attending Warilla High School. The uniform requirements are outlined below:-

JUNIOR SCHOOL UNIFORM – BOYS & GIRLS

Boys

Plain White Polo Shirt
Plain Navy Blue Jacket or Jumper
Plain Navy Trousers
Plain Navy Mid-Thigh Shorts
School Tracksuit

Girls

Plain White Polo Shirt
Plain Navy Blue Jacket or Jumper
Plain Navy Trousers
Plain Navy Mid-Thigh Shorts
Plain Navy Mid-Thigh Skirt
School Tracksuit

SENIOR SCHOOL UNIFORM – BOYS & GIRLS

Boys

Sky Blue School Button Up Shirt
Plain Navy Blue Jacket or Jumper
Senior Jersey
Plain Navy Mid-Thigh Shorts or Trousers
School Tracksuit

Girls

Sky Blue School Button Up Shirt
Plain Navy Blue Jacket or Jumper
Senior Jersey
Plain Navy Mid-Thigh Shorts or Trousers
School Checked Pleated Skirt
School Tracksuit

IMPORTANT: PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING

- Shoes:** Predominately White or Black Fully-enclosed Sneakers or Joggers. **NOTE:** Light canvas 'Raben' shoes and ballet style shoes are **NOT ACCEPTABLE** due to OH&S regulations. **NB:** Also for Occupational Health Safety reasons thongs are **NOT ACCEPTABLE**, students who wear thongs to school will be sent home. Common sense should be used when selecting footwear. Obviously high platform shoes OR high platform joggers are not appropriate for school. Shoes **MUST** have firm uppers.
- Jewellery** **MUST** be kept to a minimum and be unobtrusive, included studded body piercing. Studded belts are **NOT ACCEPTABLE**.
- Leggings or tights** worn on their own (ie without a skirt covering them) are **NOT ACCEPTABLE**. Offending students will be asked to report to the Deputy Principal where they will be given a skirt or shorts to wear on loan for the day. Failure to comply will result in offending students being sent home.
- A plain **WHITE** T-shirt may be worn underneath the school shirt. Shirts must be buttoned up to a **socially acceptable height** at all times.
- PLAIN** means **WITHOUT** patterns, stripes, slogans of **ANY** kind. Brand names are unacceptable unless **SMALL** in size and **INSIGNIFICANT** to the observer.
- School representative sport jumpers are only to be worn on sports day ie Thursday
- In very cold/wet weather any jacket worn **MUST BE PLAIN NAVY BLUE**

Canteen News

WACKY WEDNESDAY

Wednesday 15 August

Selling: - Coke, Chocolates,
Caramel Slice, Custard Tarts
and Assorted Lollies

Sport

Year 7 Sport this year has allowed students to gain experience and confidence in a range of sports and activities.

Term 1 saw students involved in a Summer Safety program where students were able to develop skills in and around the water.

Term 2 saw students compete in a Mini Olympics / Paralympics competition and currently in Term 3, students are participating in outdoor recreational activities as you can see below, including ten pin bowling, badminton, coits, animal bushwalk, putt putt golf, initiative games and skipping.



The students have thoroughly enjoyed the variety of activities / sports and environments for sport and I'd like to thank the staff and students for their participation, enthusiasm and cooperation.

Each week there are a number of students willing to help with setting up and organising the activities, highlighting the initiative that our students at Warilla High School possess.

Students are also keen to know who they are playing against or what activities they are doing each week. Congratulations Year 7, keep up the great efforts.

Miss Fotheringham
Year 7 Sport Organiser

Cross Country Students Shine at State All Schools Championships

Warilla High School had the following students represent South Coast at Eastern Creek last week - Troy Whittington, Trent Clarke, Kade Szakacs, Jye Edwards, and Montannah Murray. Congratulations to these students on their excellent effort.

Troy Whittington will be going to Adelaide for the National Cross Country Championships after coming second overall in the 13 year age group. Well done Troy on this fantastic effort!

Kade Szakacs finished a creditable 17th in the same race.

Jye Edwards finished with a Silver medal, coming second for CHS and 6th overall.

Both Trent and Montannah finished in the middle of the 'pack'. This is an All Schools Carnival and students also compete against Combined Catholic Colleges and Combined Independent Schools. There are between 80 -100 students in each race so all our students can be very proud of their efforts.

Mrs Clune
PDHPE

Lawn Bowls Wrap Up

It has been a busy year so far for the Lawn Bowlers of Warilla High.

Joshua Balmer finished second in the South Coast Open Boys Singles, whilst Natalie Noronha and Samantha Noronha fought it out in the South Coast Open Girls final with Natalie taking the honours.

All three students then teamed up in the school's triples team at the South Coast Triples and after 2 days of fierce competition they were crowned South Coast Champions. They then moved on to the State Finals where they finished 9th overall after meeting some very strong opposition teams.

Many of our students also competed in the CHS Single and Pairs with Jessica Hili finishing second overall in the Open Girls Singles - a fantastic achievement.

Joshua, Natalie and Samantha also gained selection in the South Coast representative team to play at the State Carnival on 7 – 9 August.

Joshua has made the difficult decision to withdraw as this clashes with his Trial HSC examinations. Jessica Hili has been selected to replace Joshua in the team.

I would like to thank all of the students who have participated in all the Lawn Bowls events this year as well as those who have assisted in officiating at these carnivals as well.

Mr Meizer's Sports Coaching class have also assisted and this is also greatly appreciated.

Ian Morris
HT PDHPE
South Coast Lawn Bowls Convenor

High Flyers

As part of their subject, 8.1 Science were to complete a model of the earth showing the different layers. The class assignments were absolutely brilliant and I'm very proud of you all.

The quality of the assignments was outstanding, so much so that the Principal, John Hambly was invited to class to see the fantastic effort that had gone into constructing the models. Mr Hambly was also very impressed.

Congratulations 8.1 Science
from Miss Fotheringham.



MND Trivia Night Success

The staff and students of Warilla High School would like to thank the local businesses who generously donated prizes for our recent Trivia Night to support MND NSW. We thankfully acknowledge these sponsors on the last page of this newsletter.

Last year we lost a much loved teacher, Cathy Buzik, to Motor Neurone Disease and saw for ourselves the difficulties sufferers must face every day. Motor Neurone Disease is the name given to a group of diseases in which the neurones fail to work normally and muscles gradually weaken and waste.

The night was a great success which was enjoyed by all. Warilla Bowls and Recreation Club kindly donated the use of the venue and all prizes were donated by generous individuals and businesses. The major prize of a Sydney Bridge Climb for 2 was donated by Sydney Bridge Climb. We would also like to thank the Year 11 Business Services class who helped with organising the event while practising their administration skills.

On the night we raised \$2310 and this has been donated to MND NSW in thanks for the wonderful support they gave Cathy and her family and to help them help others in the future.

Trivia Night Organisers
Mrs Ruse and Ms Gaynor



Presenting the cheque to MND representative and Year 11 Business Services students who helped with organisation