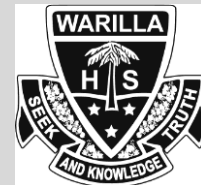


Warilla High School Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Welcome back to what will no doubt be another very busy term!

The HSC is well underway and the anecdotal feedback from students exiting the exams has been very encouraging. It is exceptionally gratifying when the unsolicited commentaries from our Year 12 cohort have universally praised the impact of our STORM approach to teaching and learning for the context of the HSC. We are now in the process of immersing our current year 10 in the same pedagogic approach, with Year 11 well advanced in the STORM methodology and expectations.

2014 presents as an exciting year as we will enact several significant changes to our structure and organisation. Some of these changes have been 18 months in the planning, so there is a real sense of anticipation about their introduction.

Chief among these initiatives are the following:

- The Positive Behaviour for Success (PBS) strategy. This is a coordinated and holistic approach to re-culturing student behaviour to ensure positive behaviour is recognised, rewarded and encouraged. Our discipline and welfare systems have been revamped to align with the PBS approach and the student tracking systems that have been set up reflect best practice in this area.
- The Learning Engagement Alternate Program (LEAP) for Year 11. This pilot will see students develop critical employability skills, gain accreditation in a VET and TAFE course, undertake financial literacy and Workplace Health and Safety Certification as well as spending one day per week on the worksite and engaging in an extended work placement.
- Core Academic Program (CAP) which will see a specialist gifted and talented class set up in Year 7, based on externally validated testing and school based assessment. A close partnership with the University of Wollongong and a curriculum pathway which articulates into Stage 5 will be features of this approach.
- A change in the nature of how sport is delivered with a combination of grade sport, leisure activities and an integrated format constituting the basis of the change.

Additionally, our work in the National Partnership (Literacy) to improve reading and comprehension standards in the junior school will continue and ramp up, as will the accountabilities set up by our Academic Advisers who are assisting in the process.

Staff have also been immersed in preparing programs for the introduction of the Australian Curriculum in English, Mathematics, Science and History. This work has included the establishment of Curriculum Networks across the Illawarra, which has seen staff engage with colleagues from up to 15 local high schools to share ideas, resources and professional dialogue to inform program development.

Our School's Core Values:

To say we have been busy is an understatement!

I would also draw your attention to the student uniform changes that have been made for 2014. Our dress code is something we take seriously, and the changes reflect the expectations and endorsement of our peak parent group, the P&C. Students will bring home information shortly, outlining the changes that have been made. I thank you in advance for your continued support of our dress code.

See you at the next P&C meeting!

With my kind regards
John Hambly

Deputies Report

School Uniform – Thank you to the students, parents and guardians who have been ensuring students attend our school in full uniform. The school now has a junior girls skirt and shorts that are available for purchase through the school. We also now have boys navy shorts which will be available for purchase through the office from November. A key aspect of these new uniform items is the appropriate length of the skirts and shorts, particularly for our girls, as this is an area that our school is committed to improving. All girls have been asked to ensure they are wearing navy skirts or shorts that are mid-thigh in length.

Students who arrive at school with items that do not meet our school expectations without a parent note will be given an appropriate consequence. Students who repeatedly attend school out of uniform will be asked to change into a more appropriate school uniform. On a positive note this term students who do attend in uniform can be given a PBS positive behaviour ticket by staff which they can enter into the draw for prizes throughout the term.

Year 12 HSC – as the HSC commences we would like to wish Year 12 all the very best for their exams. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to work with such a terrific group of young people. We wish them good luck for their bright and exciting futures.

Year 11 begin their HSC courses – Year 11 are now our more senior group at Warilla High School. At the start of Term 4 they have begun their HSC courses. This is a critical time for our Year 11 students and we ask them to ensure they work conscientiously toward the first HSC assessments that will occur later this term. In Week 6 on the 12 November we will hold a HSC launch evening in the Library starting at 6.00pm. Parents and students are invited to attend. Important information regarding HSC assessment policy and procedures will be discussed.

Core Values – With the start of another term it is timely to remind all of our students of Warilla High School's four core values:

- Seek knowledge
- Care for your environment
- Embrace honesty
- Respect others and value yourself

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These values are the cornerstones of our behaviour expectations at Warilla High School. It is important that student realise that behaviour that opposes these values will not be tolerated at our school. The vast majority of our students do a terrific job each day in giving their best effort and working toward these values.

Ms Brook & Mrs Raison
Deputy Principals

Coming Events

Week 3A

21 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams • Year 7 Maths Yearly Exam
22 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams • Year 6 Transition Day from Shell Cove Public, Flinders Public and Out of Area students
23 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams • Year 9 In2Uni Workshop in Library Period 1
24 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams • Year 7 – Year 10 Girls Netball Gala Day • Year 11 Discovery Engineering Day
25 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams

Week 4B

28 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams • Year 10 Road Safety Education all day at Croome Road • Year 9 Maths Yearly Exam • Year 11 SFR Rugby League Primary School Coaching at Amity College
29 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams
30 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams
31 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams
1 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams

Week 5A

4 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams • Year 10 Maths Assessment 3 Period 1
5 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams • Year 7 – Year 11 Girls League Tag Day at Croome Road • Year 9 UNIQue Experience Day at the University of Wollongong all day • Year 6 Transition Day from Shell Cove Public, Flinders Public and Out of Area students
6 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Exams • Year 10 Maths Assessment 3 Period 3 • Year 11 Engineering Studies Day
7 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 12 Sign Out Day in Hall 8.33am – 12.33pm
8 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 8 Maths Yearly Exam

SRC

As we approach the end of another productive and successful year in the Student Representative Council, we would like to thank and farewell our 2013 School Leadership Group as we welcome and congratulate our 2014 School Leaders.

Corey Belsito, Kyla Hakkenbrock, Yasemin Ali, Kurt Field, Holly Kane and Lara Roche have been excellent ambassadors for Warilla High School. We are very thankful for the contributions they have made to our school and we wish them the best of luck in their HSC exams and in all of their future endeavours.

It is our great pleasure to announce the School Leaders for 2014 and congratulate them on their appointment:

2014 School Leaders

Rebecca Cakarovska and Sabrina Velasco

2014 Deputy School Leaders

Shelby Fewings, Ria Komninos, Alexis Mallia and Christopher Mallows.

We are excited to work with such an enthusiastic and committed team who will lead the school with pride and set a respectful example for younger students.

SRC Co-Ordinators

Kahli Vojkovic and Grant Neill

SRC Head Teacher Michael Stanizzo

School Attendance

Getting to School on Time:

It is essential to establish a regular routine each morning and arriving at Warilla High School on time is an important part of your child's morning routine, as well as being a requirement under the Education Act.

It is important to be at school on time because:

- It sets up good habits for the future
- It provides social benefits, good interaction and discussion among friends
- The school day starts with the roll teacher giving out information to students. e.g. Any changes to school routines, coming events etc.
- It is an opportunity for important teacher / pupil interaction before school
- There is plenty of time for ordering lunches if needed

Parents are required to provide a written explanation for any time that their child is late or absent from school. **Sleeping in or having to walk** to school are not justifiable reasons for being late, and may still be marked as unjustified.

If you require any further information, please contact me at the school.

Mr S Kershaw

Head Teacher Student Administration

Employers Wanted – Support Students

Are you an employer or do you know an employer in these Industries?



Business Services
Construction
Hospitality
Metal & Engineering
Retail



In 2014, Year 11 & 12 students from Warilla High School will require workplacements in the above industries.

Workplacement is unpaid practical skills industry training and is an integral part of the vocational course these students are studying for their HSC.

If you can help, or you know somebody who can, contact Abbey Hartgrove at Workplace Learning Illawarra on 4225 2526 or

Email abbey@iswlp.org.au to find out more

Be a part of the bigger picture and join The Bright Future Campaign!

Careers

UOW Early Admission Program

A huge congratulations to the 23 Year 12 students who were successful in gaining early entrance into the University of Wollongong. Approximately 30 students gained an interview based on both their Trial HSC results at school and a CV that many students had to submit about their achievements and extracurricular activities at school.

From this process 23 students have been successful in gaining entry to one or more of their chosen degrees. This is an awesome result and one that the students should be proud of.

A big thank you needs also to be extended to the teachers of Year 12 who worked really hard with these students to prepare them for the HSC and who had to very speedily mark Trial Examination papers for students to make an application.

Students have been instructed to still do their absolute best in these examinations even with this offer to keep all options open and for their teachers and school.

TAFE Tours and TAFE Tasters

A number of tours and tasters are being organised for students in Years 9 – 11 this term. These days will involve visits to both Shellharbour and Wollongong Campuses and a number of different faculties. Students need to listen to announcements in roll call and nominate to attend these days with the Careers Advisers.

TAFE 2014

Courses for 2014 are now currently displayed on the Illawarra website (<http://www.illawarra.tafensw.edu.au/>). These courses range from Certificate II to Diploma and a number of Pre-apprenticeship courses. Entry into these courses varies but range from Year 10 leavers 2013 and onwards.

Some courses are 'Apply Now' and others are 'Expressions of Interest'. Follow the advice from TAFE below to investigate possible enrolment for 2014 and it is advised that all interested students attend the 'Choices Day' on Saturday 2 November from 9.00am at the Wollongong Campus to speak to TAFE teachers and make application.

Apply Now

Apply now courses require you to register in the course. Following the 'apply now' process students can view the outcome of their registration from Monday 25 November.

Students receive this information (on where to go to view the outcome) following online registration. When checking if the status is shown as 'offered' the student will then need to accept the offer and pay the enrolment fee (fees have not been issued at this time).

For more information visit –

<http://www.illawarra.tafensw.edu.au/course-and-careers/applying-and-enroling>

Expression of Interest

Expression of interest forms must be submitted by Sunday 10 November.

Courses requiring an Expression of Interest include:-

- Diploma Children's Services Early Childhood Education and Care - online
- Aged Care courses
- Dental Assisting
- Fitness courses
- Massage therapy and remedial massage
- Sport Development
- Events

For more information visit -

<http://www.illawarra.tafensw.edu.au/course-and-careers/semester-1-2013-courses-requiring-an-expressions-of-interest>

Higher Education

Applications close 25 October. Courses include:-

- Associate Degree of Accounting
- Bachelor of Early Childhood
- Graduate Management Program

For more information visit –

<http://www.illawarra.tafensw.edu.au/course-and-careers/course-types-and-study-modes/tafe-and-higher-education>

TAFE and UOW Joint Degrees

Bachelor of Commerce (Event Management)
Bachelor of Commerce (Tourism Management)
Bachelor of Commerce (Hospitality Management)
Bachelor of Digital Media

For more information visit –

<http://www.illawarra.tafensw.edu.au/course-and-careers/course-types-and-study-modes/joint-programs>

Information sessions

There are Degrees @ TAFE information sessions being held at Shellharbour campus tomorrow (16 October)

Bachelor of Early Childhood: 1.00pm - 2.30pm OR 6.00pm - 7.30pm

Associate Degree of Accounting and Graduate Diploma of Leadership: 6.00pm - 7.00pm.

Mrs Glasgow
Careers Advisor

Sport

7/8 Touch

On 11 September Warilla High School entered two girls' and two boys' teams in the NSW Touch 7/8 High School Gala Day. Initially in the morning the students tolerated very windy and chilly conditions although played with great

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determination, demonstrating tremendous teamwork and sportsmanship.

Throughout the day there were mixed results with wins, loses and draws amongst the four teams, with one boys' team and one girls' team narrowly missing the semi-finals. However there were some standout defensive players and also play makers noticed by staff and fellow teams. With having a considerable number of Year 7 students in the teams, next year we will be back more determined and more experienced to go further in the competition.

Congratulations to Libby O'Brien and Georgia Hilton who volunteered their time to referee and also warm up and mentor the teams on the day. Also to Jai Field who coached one of the boys' teams. These students conducted themselves professionally and showed great maturity and leadership setting an excellent example for our younger students - Congratulations.

Well done to all students involved. You should be proud of your efforts.

Miss Fotheringham
PDHPE Teacher

Grade Sport Success!!

Warilla High School

Sport	Opponents	Overall Place
Junior Boys Touch A	Oak Flats	1st
Junior Boys Touch B	Albion Park	1st
Junior Girls Touch A	Oak Flats	3rd
Junior Girls Touch B	Oak Flats	2nd
Junior Boys Basketball	Dapto	1st
Junior Boys Soccer A	Oak Flats	Equal 1st
Junior Boys Soccer B	Albion Park	1st
Junior Girls Netball A	Dapto	1st
Junior Girls Netball B	Dapto	2nd
Open Girls Soccer	Dapto	4th
Open Girls Newcombe Ball	Warrawong	1st
Senior Girls Netball	Albion Park	1st
Senior Boys Touch	Oak Flats	4th
Senior Girls Touch	Kanahooka	3rd
Senior Boys Soccer	Warrawong	Equal 1st
Senior Boys Basketball	Dapto	4th

Warilla High continues to dominate the Southern Illawarra Zone in Grade Sport.

Congratulations to all students, teams and coaches. We are once again Overall Zone Grade Champions.

Open Newcombe Ball, Junior Boys Touch, Junior A and Senior Girls Netball, Junior Boys B Soccer and Junior Boys Basketball were undefeated throughout the season. Well done.

The Open Girls' Soccer team struggled to get a full team each week. These girls remained positive and tried their hardest every week despite playing short. Well done girls.

Can I extend a big thankyou to Illawarra Premier Bus Company for their ongoing cooperation and interest in the Grade Sport competition?

Thank you to the staff for their ongoing enthusiasm that always assists in the teams doing so well. Some of these teams have enjoyed continued success for the past 4 competitions and we really appreciate the effort of all teachers who maintain their interest and continue to motivate the students.



Warilla High Zone Champions

Warilla High can also boast Overall Zone Champions following success from our performances in Zone Cross Country, Athletics and Swimming. Well done to all students who train hard out of school in these chosen individual sports. We are proud to have you as members of Warilla High.

We recognise your extra efforts and are conscious of how much time is required to be successful both with training and regular travel to compete against other athletes of similar standard.

All Schools Athletics

Following excellent performances at CHS State Championships several students competed at the All Schools Athletics Championship at Homebush, congratulations to Jye Edwards, Shenae Edwards, Kade Szakacs and Erin Dalley.

Casey-Lee Bedford earned Silver in the 200m and big congratulations for this fine effort considering she was injured at the CHS event leading up to this competition.

This is the highest level of competition for school athletics in NSW and for these students to be competing at this level will only improve their performances and hunger to succeed.

Community Success

Congratulations to Rachel Condran, Kurt Field, Jye Brooker, Luke Watts and Jai Field who were representing in Oz Tag in New Zealand during the September holidays.

Coming Events

November 5 - Girls League Tag Day at Croome Road.
Golf: South Coast Matchplay Nominations – for 2014 but commencing over Christmas Holidays

If there are any achievements in the community that we can acknowledge in the school newsletter please email Mrs Denise Clune; denise.sevil@det.nsw.edu.au

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U/15's Girls South Coast Regional Basketball Final 8 series

On Friday 20 September the Under 15's Girls Basketball Team travelled to Bomaderry as the Southern Illawarra Zone Champions to compete in the South Coast Regional Final 8 series. Our team consisted of students from Year 8, which were much younger than their competition.

The girls included in the team were:

Keoni Tilley, Nicole Papadimas, Ashleigh Viselli, Nikki Hornick, Melanie Johnston, Latoya McColl and Emily Sims.

We improved tremendously over the two games and learnt a lot about each other, teamwork and strategy. The girls showed great sportsmanship and represented Warilla High School and Southern Illawarra Zone with great pride.

Congratulations also to Mitchell Dalley who volunteered his time to referee. It is becoming more and more difficult to find students who will referee and they are such a vital part of the game. Well done Mitchell.



The girls should be congratulated on their enthusiasm to play, commitment to training, as well as their persistence on the day to compete with older and much more experienced teams. I'm looking forward to working with these girls to improve on their skills and abilities over the next few years to build upon the foundation that they have made.

Miss Fotheringham
PDHPE Teacher

Home Economics

Sprouts Café Needs your assistance

Are you a builder, brick layer or involved in the construction business??? We are hopeful that in the near future the school will be able to purpose build a room for the Café to operate from in order for the students in Hospitality to gain valuable industry experience. If you are willing to assist in any way with time, labour or resources can you please contact Mrs Potts or Mr Groves on 42963055. Your assistance or advice will be gratefully received.

World Skills – Hot off the Press!!

Two of the Year 11 Hospitality students, Melissa Purdy and Michelle Li, competed at the Illawarra Senior College on Thursday 17 October against 5 students from other regional schools.

For the competition Melissa worked back of house, in a commercial kitchen, competing in the Commercial Cookery section, to prepare a 3 course meal to industry standard for 4 people. This included making a Caesar Salad, then for the mains the meal was Pan fried Chicken with turned potatoes and 2 other vegetables and the dessert was a chocolate coated poached pear served with cream anglais.



Michelle then worked front of house in the Food and Beverage section to serve those dishes to invited guests - again competing for marks from having completed polishing the cutlery to docket writing.

Both Melissa and Michelle did very well in their respective categories and were commended for their participation. This opportunity was a valuable learning exercise and a great opportunity to experience the Master Chef experience. Mrs Potts also enjoyed the opportunity to be a judge in one of the categories - gaining valuable experience as well.

German Doughnuts and Tacos on the Run

During this term the Hospitality teachers and students will be endeavouring to fundraise to enable a café building project to occur in 2014. To that end on **Wednesday 23 October** we will, at the long break from B2, be offering **Doughnuts** for sale at the price of \$1.00 each with a maximum of 3 per person.

Please bring correct change if possible. Then on 20 November we will be selling a new product Mrs Potts saw in the USA called "Tacos on the run". More information about that will be forthcoming nearer to the date.