FROM THE PRINCIPAL
On Friday, we tried new types of dances – the Merengue and the Salsa. These are fairly simple types of dances, but are fast paced. We received our Bee Bots this week, so Technology will encompass robotics, instead of being integrated into different subjects. All subjects will still have some technology in them. On Friday, Warra will have its own Athletics Carnival, in the morning. This will involve only our students and is to better prepare them for the carnival next week. We received 2 grants from Sporting Schools – 1 for Ten Pin Bowling this term and the other for Tennis next term. The first grant will be expended on equipment and the second will be to fund a coach and resources. Progress Reports will be out on Friday and we will have a short parade before our sports morning. At the parade, we are anticipating a representative from the Commonwealth Bank will attend and talk about the school banking.

 Regards
Judy Angel

CADBURY FUNDRAISER
We have received our chocolates for the fundraiser. Thank you in advance for your support and help in selling these chocolates. We ask that all orders and money collected be returned to the school in the envelope provided no later than 30th November, 2015. Each box is worth $60. If experiencing difficulties, check back with Pauline as early as possible as others may be looking for more chocolates to sell.

BOOK CLUB
Please return orders with payment by Monday, 27 July.

TENNIS
Cost is $7.00 per student per lesson, with the option to pay each week or in a lump sum. This term’s lessons will go for 9 weeks. Tennis will continue for the following semester. Due to receiving our grant, tennis will be at no cost in Term 4.

P&C MEETING
The following was discussed at the P&C meeting yesterday:
- Curriculum Overview for Term 3
- Sports Day next week + information
- End of term rewards trip
- Meetings coming up
- AO position
- School grants for sports

- Warra Athletics on Friday.
- School Banking to start Tuesday 28th July
- Bunnings BBQ on 23 August

Next meeting is on the 1 September, at 3.30pm at the school.

TUCKSHOP
Tuckshop is this Friday, with nuggets (4 for $2) and poppers on the menu ($1).

PREP ENROLMENTS
Warra State School is now taking enrolments for Prep 2016. If your child turns 5 by June 30th, 2016, they are eligible to commence Prep next year. If your child is born between 1st July 2010 and 30th June 2011, please drop into our office to collect an enrolment pack. For the next 2 terms (Term 3 and 4), a Pre-prep program will be operating for those students who are enrolled for 2016, initially two afternoons a week, building up to two days a week. The afternoons for Term 3 will be Tuesday and Wednesday, commencing at 1.00pm, so students can have lunch and play together before starting the afternoon session. This commences on the 14 July.

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY
The annual School Opinion Survey will be conducted between 29 June and 31 July 2015. All families, school staff and usually a random sample of students will be invited to participate. As Year 3 are the oldest students at the school, they are not eligible to participate. We encourage you to take this opportunity to have your say about what this school does well, and how this school can improve. Parents/caregivers are welcome to complete their survey online at the school, and school computers will be available each afternoon. Survey queries or requests for translations can be directed to Judy Angel on telephone 07 46681144 or email principal@warrass.eq.edu.au.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN
We are excited to be taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. Just collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths between Monday 15 July and Tuesday 8
September 2015. We will redeem these for awesome educational resources for our school.

Simply pop them onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and once it's completed, just bring it back to school or drop it into the Collection Box at your local Woolies. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, and we'd like to get lots of new gear! Products in the range include resources for mathematics, English, science, art & crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more.

THE 8 TRAITS OF EMOTIONALLY STRONG FAMILIES  

By Michael Grose

1. Members come together regularly and enjoy each other's company.
A variety of Strong Families Studies agree on one fact – that people in strong families come together either formally to share a meal or meet on people's birthdays and other special events; or come together informally – they just hang out together.

How much time do you spend with your family?

2. People share their feelings, even unpleasant feelings and they learn how to manage them effectively.
People in strong families connect on a deeper emotional level. When someone is unhappy or miserable; it's not ignored. It's acknowledged and it informs how people behave – whether to give that person space; provide a shoulder to lean on or simply to cheer them up. Does your family connect on an emotional level?

3. Family members care deeply about each other – come together through difficulty.
People in strong families draw together when the chips are down and crisis happens. Hardship galvanises rather than pushes people away. Would your family pull together or disintegrate when hardship hits?

4. Family members communicate and show emotion.
People don’t always get their communication right but there is a willingness to forgive transgressions of others and to look for ways to move forward rather than be stuck in the past. How much affection is shown in your family on a daily basis?

5. Conflict is resolved respectfully and responsively, rather than ignored.
Parents will see conflict situations as opportunities to bring people closer together rather than take sides and apportion blame. Is conflict ignored or handled respectfully in your family?

6. There is a strong sense of shared identity.
Strong, emotionally smart families have a strong sense of who they are. They generally have identifiable rituals and traditions that are passed down from one generation to the next. What are your key traditions and rituals?

7. Decisions are shared and all members honour opinions and ideas.

The old autocratic parenting approach “Do as I say”, no longer works in Western families. Parents in strong families use an authoritative parenting approach to raise their children. What parenting approach do you use?

8. There is a feeling of optimism and hope in the family.
Strong families usually have something bigger than them that they connect with – whether it is religion, caring for the environment or shared compassion for mankind – hope and optimism are gained from a shared set of ethics, beliefs or values.

How does your crew measure up?

DATES TO REMEMBER

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