FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Our curriculum is progressing as on the plan given to parents, although with some classes needing to have more tuition in English writing. Our rewards day at the end of the term will be held on Thursday, 15 September, if all goes according to plan. All students are reminded that to attend this trip, they need to follow all the school rules and also to have excellent behaviour at home.

On Tuesday I attended Term 3 Principal's business meeting. We discussed areas such as It's everyone's business (indigenous education); NDIS (National Disability Insurance Scheme) implementation in 2017; NAPLAN online information and how to get ready for implementation in 2019. As well, we looked at the Professional Practice Portal and how we could utilise the resource.

On Wednesday was the Data Literacy Roadshow. All attending looked at their specific school data and unpacked certain areas around their school. There is also new areas on the data profile, which we learnt about.

This coming Monday will be Warra SS’s Science Day, with Brigalow, Kogan and Burra Burri also attending. The teachers from Columboola run the activities for the day. As we will be catering for the day, we need volunteers to hand out the fruit and biscuits as well as cook and serve the sausages. I have attached a timetable for the day. Please be aware that morning tea is 11 am to 11.30 and lunch is begins at 12 midday and goes for ½ hour.

Regards
Judy Angel

BOOKCLUB
Bookclub is due on Monday, the 29 August.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
The following students were nominated by their peers for awards. Remember our school awards follow our 3 behaviour rules.
Student of the Week has been awarded to Michael Wright.

Our school rule awards are: Respect - Cody Poulsen. Being Safe - Abella Fleming.

TUCKSHOP
Tuckshop this Friday will be Spaghetti Bolognese $3 (in a bread bowl) Poppers $1.

CHOCOLATE DRIVE FUNDRAISER
The chocolate drive has commenced. If you are able to help sell chocolates, please see the school or Pauline.

Please return any monies from sold chocolates as soon as possible.

P&C MEETING
The next meeting is on Tuesday, 6 September, at 3.30pm to be held at the school.

TENNIS
Tennis continues this term for 9 weeks. Tennis lessons are on Wednesdays. Invoices will be sent out with amounts owing per child/family. Tennis fees are not optional if your child attends tennis lessons. Options are to pay in full or week by week. Again, if you do not wish your child/ren to participate in tennis lessons, please let the school know.

Any outstanding debts for Tennis need to be paid as soon as possible. Tennis will not be offered to any family with outstanding fees next term.

SCHOOL BANKING
School banking is again on Tuesdays this year. Please ensure the bank books are at the school on this day.

PREP ENROLMENTS
Warra State School is now taking enrolments for Prep 2017. If your child turns 5 by June 30th, 2017, they are eligible to commence Prep next year.
If your child is born between 1st July 2011 and 30th June 2012, please drop into our office to collect an enrolment pack. Also, please contact the school for an interview time. Enrolment forms need to be completed and given to the school plus the interview needs to be conducted BEFORE your child can commence Prep.
For the next 2 terms (Term 3 and 4), a Pre-prep program is anticipated to be operating for those students who are enrolled for 2017.

ATTENDANCE
It is great to see that attendance has improved this term as this is one of the school priorities. At the moment,
Attendance is at 98.9% for this term. This is above our target. Excellent attendance, everyone.

**EVERY DAY COUNTS**

Parents are reminded of the importance of sending children to school every day. Being at school every day counts, with one day absent each week quickly adding up to two months of missed lessons in a year. Unless your child is ill, it is expected that your child will be at school learning every day of the school year.


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A Galaxy Research study found that three quarters of Australian dads nominated their father as the person from whom they learned their most important life skills. Shaving, riding bikes, driving and changing tyres are the skills that men attributed to their dads.

High work ethic, honesty, supportiveness and loyalty were all values that men directly attributed to their dad.

The language of fatherhood is about activity – dads teach many of their important lessons through activity. Learning to be a good sport, to share and to work toward a goal are lessons that dads teach their kids in very hands-on ways.

**What do dads teach girls?**

Dads teach girls fundamental lessons about interacting with males. As my girls were growing up I wanted them to expect to be treated well and respectfully by males (both present and future) as well as having the confidence to be assertive.

That meant that I needed to treat my daughters kindly, while allowing them to speak up to me (in the nicest possible way) when needed.

Numerous studies have linked fathers with the healthy development of girls, including self-esteem and confidence.

The GOOD NEWS is that the Galaxy Survey showed that most men still want to be ‘like their dad.’ That boyhood dream doesn’t diminish in adulthood. That’s lucky as most men become like their fathers, hopefully better versions!

- A better version of a father appears to be one who is involved with his kids but also one who can balance and **support the parenting style of his partner.**
- A better version is one who plays with his kids but also one who disciplines too. **He balances softness with firmness.**
- A better version is not being a quasi-mother or a gender-neutral parent but confident enough to learn from his partner while **retaining the maleness of fathering.**
- A better version is one who talks openly to his partner and **engages in a dialogue about parenting.**

A better version is one who **remembers what it was like being a kid** and bringing that into parenting as much as possible when you are with them. And fathers need partners who support them in their parenting efforts, actively share the parenting enterprise, and recognise that **DADS DO IT DIFFERENTLY.**

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**SCHOOL REVIEW**

Our school review is now over and it will be at least 2 weeks before we receive the executive summary and recommendations to lead our 4 year review. This summary will be discussed at the next P&C meeting and will also be on our website.

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**WHAT KIDS LEARN FROM FATHERS**

By Michael Grose

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### Science Day – Warra Community Hall

**START: 10AM**

**FINISH: 2 PM**

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**Even if you’re on the right track, you’ll get run over if you just sit there.**

*Will Rogers*