FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It has been a short week this week due to the Pupil Free Day on Monday. The Pupil Free Day is for Professional Development. This is the only pupil free day for the year which is held during the school term. I completed moderation of the English QCATs online and Mrs Gordon, Mrs Hauff, Mrs Morgan, Ms Siddins and Mrs Weier completed courses through the Learning Place.

In maths students have been learning about and consolidating fractions (P-2; Yr 7) and Geometry – angles (Yr 4).

English has encompassed poetry, poetic devices and students need to have their poems for assessment completed by Friday.

In Science we have been continuing with forces such as Push and Pull, magnetic (unseen) and Newton’s law.

Dance lessons are continuing on Thursdays, with some students (and teachers) getting a workout!

Please remember that as the curriculum is set out for each day and we only have a set amount of time to complete each area, it is important that students attend school and are not away unless they are ill. I have included a table in the newsletter which shows if a student regularly misses days, how it affects their learning. Parents are reminded that children must attend school on every school day unless they have a reasonable excuse for being away, such as illness. Visiting family, being tired, or having a holiday are not good reasons to be away from school.


Judy Angel

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Student of the Week has been awarded to Kati Wright.

Our school rule awards are:

- Respect for Yourself – Alex Schwerin
- Respect for Other Students and Staff – Annabelle Taylor

Congratulations to Kati, Alex and Annabelle on receiving their awards.

Kati and Annabelle (Alex absent)

EVERY DAY COUNTS

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SAFETY IN SCHOOLS WEEK

As part of safety week, we have been completing different safety activities each day. On Tuesday we looked at safety inside the school. Today we went through road safety and on Friday we will be talking about cybersafety.

DAY FOR DANIEL

On Friday 26 October, we will be showing our support during the National Day of Action being held by the Daniel Morcombe Foundation which promotes children’s personal safety.

We ask that students wear a red shirt for this occasion and we will have something red for morning tea (red fruit drink, watermelon, apples, grapes, etc).

P&C

The next P&C meeting is on the 3 December, at 8.45 am.

TUCKSHOP

This Friday Dagwood Dogs and poppers will be available - $1 each.
BER (LIBRARY OPENING)
Our library opening will go ahead in Term 4 on Thursday 6th December at 11.00am. The events of the day are yet to be finalised, so watch the newsletter for more on this very important occasion.

This Friday is also World Teachers’ Day. We acknowledge the significant contribution made by all our teachers (Ms Siddins, Miss Treskow, Mrs O’Sullivan, Mrs Taylor, Mrs Henderson) to the students of this school. I would like to thank all of our teachers for their professionalism and dedication to their jobs.

PREP ENROLMENTS
Warra State School is now taking enrolments for Prep 2013. If your child turns 5 by June 30th, 2013, they are eligible to commence prep next year.

If your child is born between 1st July 2007 and 30th June 2008, please drop into our office to collect an enrolment pack. Please contact the school for an interview time.

We all understand the idea behind giving a teacher an apple. Some of us may have even wanted to do it when we were students, but we might have been too shy or even scared of being branded a ‘Teacher’s pet’.

The thing is, it’s hard to imagine just how much it means to teachers to know that people are doing something (anything) to let them know that we value what an amazing job they do every day.

Yes, there are monetary prizes available - a grand prize of a $20,000 Staffroom makeover and up to $5,000 worth of consolation prizes – but beyond that, the real benefit of the Staffroom for Improvement is how powerfully it works to bring teachers, school staff, students, parents and the broader school community together. So while giving an apple may seem like such a little thing, believe us, it means so much to teachers.

How to Play
It’s easy to participate in Staffroom for Improvement! When you do, not only will you have the satisfaction of supporting your school — you’ll also have the chance to win prizes like an Apple iPad and iTunes gift cards.

Start by registering your details at http://www.staffroomforimprovement.com.au/registration.aspx. Once you’re signed up, you will receive an email to verify the information you provided. Just click the link in the email and you’ll be on your way!
YOU ARE INVITED
TO
WARRA STATE SCHOOL’S
OFFICIAL OPENING OF
THE NEW LIBRARY

DATE: 6 December 2012
TIME: 11.00 am
OPENED BY: Senator John Hogg

Please join us afterwards for morning tea

Chinchilla Concert Band
End of Year Gala Concert
Saturday 10th November 2012
Cultural Centre
6:30pm Doors Open
7:00pm Start

Tickets available from Cunnington’s One Hour Photos, Ian Rock Chiropractors, Network Video, Chinchilla Tourist Information Centre or your local band member.
Adults: $5.00
School Age: $2.00
Family: $12.00 (2 Adults and 2 children)

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