Term 4 Week 2  13th October, 2014.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I would like to welcome everyone back to learning. Special welcome to our new families, it is always great to welcome new families into our school to experience the great learning opportunities we offer at Waraburra State School.

Last Friday 6B started off our weekly skit on our parade. Each week different classes will be presenting our school focus through a skit. Looking forward to Prep C this Friday.

2015 Prep Enrolments- This Wednesday evening at 6:30, we will be hosting our first prep information session for 2015 enrolments. Further information sessions and Prep orientation days are attached to this newsletter. Thank-you to all the families who have already put their enrolment forms in. Our school has a very strong focus on literacy and numeracy and ensures our students receive a well balanced curriculum.

LEADERSHIP NEWS

Welcome to Term 4.
With only nine weeks left for the year, we are still working hard on Our School Values and Expectations. Each week a different class will present our Values and Expectations at our weekly Parade. Parents, family and community members are always welcome to Our School Parade- Friday mornings, 9.00am in the school hall.
In week one, we looked at ways to recognise and control anger. Year 6B performed several skits around this at parade on Friday morning.

This week, week two we will focusing on how students move around the school. Stopping, prior to going around any corner or bend; Stopping at designated points along the paths and showing courtesy for others on walkway. Always remembering to be as quiet as possible, as other classes are learning.

In week three, we will revisit the use of common courtesies and greetings.
Focussing on:
• Greet people when you see them. Smile; be authentic.
• Say, ‘Excuse me’ when you walk or lean in front of people.
• Use the person’s name when speaking with them, e.g.‘Yes Ms Smith.’
• Say, ‘Please may I…’ followed by your request, eg. ‘Please may I go to the toilet?’
• Knock before entering a room, walk in and stand where the teacher can see you.
• Be on time for the beginning of lessons and excuse yourself if you are late.

Crackin’ Curriculum Catch Up

The last week of Term Three was a wonderful week of planning with teachers. We delved into this term’s Science unit, understood the critical content, worked out which teaching strategies were going to be most effective for our students and then used OneSchool, the education operating system to type and edit our units. What an exciting stage we are at with planning. The conversations were rigorous and exciting. We have high expectations for our students and our Term Four Science planning reflects this as well as a hands on approach to discovery. Thank you to all teachers for displaying outstanding practice in relation to planning for Science.

Visiting the classrooms I have found students working hard and producing quality work. Look for the snappin’
.piece written by Emily in Mrs Thornton’s class at the end of the newsletter.

**ATTENTION STUDENTS** - Don’t forget to check out the Crackin’ Curriculum Challenge at the end of the newsletter. It is TERRIFIC to see more and more students taking up the challenge. If more than one WSS student in your family wants to enter, write it on a separate piece of paper of similar size. Answers are due next Wednesday morning in the office by 8:45am. No late entries accepted. Post your answers in the appropriate entry box. Winners will be drawn at random but it must have your name and class completed and the correct answer of course! Good luck!!!

Miss Tracey Vine
Head of Curriculum

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**WARABURRA REPRESENTS !!**

This week two Waraburra students are representing our School and our Region at the State Athletic Championships, in Brisbane. We wish both Tanika and Kaiden all the best.

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**P & C NEWS**

As the end of the year draws near, the Waraburra Parents and Citizens Association (P&C), will be looking towards 2015. The P&C meets twice a term, Tuesday afternoon at 3:15pm. We have a number of positions available within the executive and committee for next year. If you are interested in becoming involved please contact the President Mrs Sam Wilms.

**What is a P&C?**

The Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) is a group of community minded people, parents and citizens, who take on a more formal role to assist the school by providing:

- Feedback on school policies and activities
- Additional resources to be used to enhance student learning
- Parents with opportunities to be involved in their child’s education.

Research has shown that parent involvement in a child’s education makes a significant contribution to the child’s success at school.

**Date Claimers:**

- **School Disco** - Friday 24th Oct
- **Movie Night** - Friday 14th Nov

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**GRANDPARENTS DAY**

**Make your grandparent’s day!**

Grandparents Day on Sunday 26 October.

Grandparents Day is a chance for grandchildren, children and the community to thank grandparents for their love and support. Grandparents Day recognises the significant contribution that grandparents make to their families and communities.
ATTENDANCE

Waraburra has set a goal of 95% attendance for all our students.
Our week one average was: 90%, this is good, but we can do better 😊
We have 16 students with 100% attendance and 173 students with attendance of 95% or higher.

It is just as important that students are on time for School every day!

INDIGENOUS SPORTS YOUTH PROGRAM

During the first week of school holiday students from Waraburra S.S. attended a sports program at The Central Queensland University. There were about one hundred students who went to the camp. The seven students who attended from Waraburra State School were Tori-Lee Cutts, Brayden Beck, Odin Stepan, Hudson Perry, Kaiden Vea Vea, Declan Murphy and Bailey Gadsby. The program included indigenous games, sports and activities. Tori-Lee was selected to be the student spokesperson to talk about her experiences, when interviewed by a regional news team. The students’ behaviour, skills and work ethics were of a high standard and a credit to our school.

Written by Odin Stepan and Tori-Lee Cutts (6A)

GIVEAWAY BIKE

While on holidays Mr Trost has been cleaning out his shed and now has a boys’ BMX bike to give away. It is orange and black in colour. It will need new tyres and lots of lubrication. If you wish to have it see Mrs Trost in year 3 to arrange pick-up. You’ll need to be able to take it home in your car or ute

P & C MEETINGS

Our next meeting is on Tuesday the 4th November in the staff room. Please note this meeting is at 4:30pm.
ALL WELCOME.

2nd December, P & C Meeting, 3:15pm in the staff room.

Crackin’ Curriculum Challenge

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<td>3 + 5 + 7 + 9 = _____</td>
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| Yr 2 – 3 | Work out the following:  
Half of 40 = _____  
Quarter of 20 = _____  
½ of 50 = _____  
¼ of 100 = _____ |
| Yr 4 – 5 | Work this out following the order of operations:  
10 - 4 + (5 x 20) = _____ |
| Yr 6 - 7 | Simplify these fractions:  
20/40 = _____  
3/9 = _____  
12/18 = _____  
45/90 = _____  
80/100 = _____  
12/15 = _____ |