I am extremely proud to present the Principal’s address for 2014. This year has been an amazing year as we had watched our students grow, academically, culturally, socially as well as excelling in the sporty areas.

I am very pleased to report to our community that our student literacy, numeracy skills have shown great improvement. This has been reflected in the student’s results. We have had a 10% improvement in students A-E results. We also have seen a marked improvement in the students standard testing. Specifically recognising the student’s improvement with spelling. Spelling results have improved in some grades by over 30%.

This year marked the commencement of our school XCLR8 program and enhancement program majority of our students accessed an intense literacy program. Students worked with a teacher/aide for 30 minutes 3 to 4 times per week. These programs have been extremely successful with improving student results. Next year we will be continuing this program to further enhance student learning.

I would like to recognise our staff and their professional attitude and commitment to our students. I am very proud of the quality of our learning programs.

I would like to wish Mrs Stewart and Ms O’Brien all the best on their transfer. Mrs O’Brien is moving to Gladstone and Mrs Stewart is going to Hervey Bay.

Once again our P&C has worked tirelessly for our school. Capably lead by our P&C President Mrs Sam Wilms. Our P&C has provided many services to our students throughout the year. . Once again our tuckshop has provided our school with nourishing food.

This year we received Greater Results Money from the State Government. This money allowed our school to write and implement quality literacy and numeracy programs. Next year we look forward to extending this further in our school.

Students have excelled in the cultural field. We had our students attend the eisteddfod in choir and instrumental music. We also had our signing choir perform at some events.

In the sporting field we had some exemplary results. We had students represent our school in district , regional and 2 students representing our region in State (Tanika Hocking and Kyidan Vea Vea). Kyidan made the state team and has just returned from Hobart.

Finally I would like to recognise the work our administration team has done over the year.

I wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas holiday and look forward to working with you all next year.
Wow our last newsletter for 2014!
As always I am very proud of our Waraburra Students. In my time in the office I have been able to see a huge...HUGE...HUGE improvement in their behaviours, choices and reactions to situations. Our recorded positive behaviours has increased by 20% and recorded inappropriate behaviours have decreased by 25%.
It was a great honour and privilege to ‘MC’ our end of year concert.
Each and every student shone!!
Thank you to all our students, staff and community for coming together for a great night!

This week is very busy......

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I hope you have a safe and restful break. I am looking forward to seeing you all in 2015 for a great year of learning. Di 😊

The final week of the school year is very busy with various functions and excursions. No late payments for excursions will be accepted as the excursion expenses will be prepaid to enable the end of year financial processes to take effect. Please have all student outstanding accounts paid in full prior to 12pm Friday 12/12/14.

Year 3 – 6 will be swimming term 1 2015. The invoices will be placed on the student accounts at the beginning of the school year.

There have been changes to administering of medications in schools. It is a requirement for any medications that require administering by the school that an “Authority to administer medication” is completed by the doctor. It is available on our website for downloading and also available at the office.

All current medications will need to be collected before close of school on Friday 12th December. Please note that when these medications return to school for 2015 we will require an “Authority to administer medication” form signed by the doctor.

Ros Zischke – BSM
Cracking Curriculum Catch Up

Congratulations to all our students for putting in the hard work and effort this term and all year. Your results tell us you’ve have put in the hard yards to improve. Thank you to our teachers for taking on all our new programs with professionalism and enthusiasm. We are set up nicely to start the 2015 strong. Thank you to all students and staff for making my first year back enjoyable. It was full on but nonetheless I loved every minute of it.

Crackin’ Curriculum Challenge

Congratulations Tia (6/7C) for winning the Crackin’ Curriculum Challenge. Well done to all who challenged themselves this year and participated in the challenge each week. We will continue on with the challenges next year. I will have challenges at the office on Wednesday for those who want a challenge over the holidays.

Tia’s poem:

Happily
Opportunities
Loved ones
Icicles
Dreams
Angel
Yummy

Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and stay safe!!

Miss Vine
Head of Curriculum

Warahurra State School

We recognise student achievement in many ways:

Weekly Student of the Week Awards
Bronze, Silver and Gold Certificates
Playground Positive Behaviour Tokens

And Class of the Week.

We have a zero tolerance of Bullying

Hands Off!!! No put downs!!!

“Learning for Life”
A reminder to parents/carers to notify the school about your child’s health

Waraburra is committed to supporting students’ health and wellbeing. We would appreciate parents/carers providing the school with any relevant health information that is required to support the student at school. This information is also collected at enrolment but needs to be updated regularly, or if a new health condition develops.

Information about medically diagnosed conditions such as allergies, asthma, diabetes and epilepsy and other health conditions that may require school staff to provide support to students, including administering medication and performing health procedures, should be provided to the school. Additionally, any health need that may impact on school activities such as sports, outings (including camps) should also be discussed with the school.

Information should be provided in writing, and any specific health plans (only to be completed and signed by the medical practitioner) should be included. Please contact the school to discuss any specific requirements.

Please inform the school office staff of any changes to contact details or the contact details of the people nominated as emergency contacts.

Thank you for your assistance in this regard. All information is kept confidential and only disclosed to the relevant staff required to supporting your child.

For any enquiries, please contact the school office on telephone 07 4931 7888.

Calendar for weeks 1-5 2015

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BUS TRAVEL ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS FOR 2015

Will your student be requiring school bus transport to school next year? The Department of Transport and Main Roads provides bus travel assistance for all high school students who live more than 4.8 km from the nearest state high school and/or non-state high school for students attending private schools. Assistance is also provided for all primary school students who live more than 3.2 km from the nearest state school and/or non-state school for students attending private schools.

Students who live less than these distances may be eligible for Safety-Net assistance if parents have current concession cards.

To obtain this assistance, parents are required to complete a Bus Travel Assistance (BTA) Application form or a Bus Travel Assistance Safety-Net Application form. BTAs are available from your school, from our offices or can be downloaded from our website [www.youngsbusservice.com.au](http://www.youngsbusservice.com.au) and should be returned to Young’s Bus Service before the end of the school year. Please ensure you fully complete Section A.

Should any of your details change after you have submitted your form (e.g. address, telephone numbers, intended school) please advise Young’s Bus Service on 4922 3813 or email info@youngsbusservice.com.au.

Young’s Bus Service has been operating school services for many years and you can be assured of our dedication and commitment to your children’s welfare.

Young’s Bus Service School Management Team

Thanking you for your assistance.

Fiona Rowe
School Transport Officer