5th March 2015

We have had a very busy start to the school year planning, organising and implementing routines and programs. Classes have settled well and teachers are reporting a really positive start to the school year.

I’d like to welcome Ms Karen Murray to the staff of John Warby Public School. Ms Murray will commence work with us on Monday 9th March. Ms Murray will be undertaking the role of Instructional Leader in our Early Action for Success program. This program will improve the Literacy and Numeracy outcomes of our students from Kindergarten to Year 2.

I’d also like to welcome back Mrs Woelfle from Tuesday 10th March. A big thank you to Mrs Buckley and Mrs Robles who have been filling in for Mrs Woelfle while she has been on leave.

3-Way Learning Conferences
We will be having our Term 1 3-Way Learning Conferences on the afternoon of Tuesday 24th March.

Parents and Carers are strongly encouraged to take this opportunity to discuss their child with their classroom teacher. This is an opportunity for you to share information with the teacher to assist them to provide the best possible learning opportunities for your child.

A note will be going home this week with more information and a booking sheet for any appointment.

Attendance
Regular attendance is a very important part of any student’s education. Please make sure that you contact the school either by phone or by sending a note if your child is absent from school for any reason. Parents/carers of students who have unsatisfactory attendance levels may be taken to court and can be fined up to $11,000.
6M are learning to be 21st Century Learners!!

Things look very different in our classroom. We took the desks away, but why? And how are we still learning? 6M have been adapting to a learning environment that breaks every rule of the traditional classroom in an effort to encourage the key elements of a student centred learning environment. It is important for the children to develop skills in communicating, working collaboratively and thinking creatively/critically, skills that are going to set them up for a more successful high school career and beyond. The learning environment is open plan with a range of different seating/standing options designed for comfort, flexibility and student choice. The students have also been using a range of different learning tools, rather than solely relying on writing in their books, including the use of their XOs (as pictured) to develop their communicative skills.

The verdict? We love it!! Stay tuned on these innovative learners and the great things that are yet to come!!

6M
**PBIS Update**

The students at John Warby Public School have all been participating in weekly lessons around our new school rules (Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be a Learner). We have so far revisited the importance of following teacher instruction, being fair & polite and placing rubbish in the bin. Thank you to all the children who designed 'be polite' posters to display at the canteen/office areas. Some of the best designs will be displayed in these areas soon 😊

This week’s focus is about the importance of **wearing a hat**. Students are designing slip, slop, slap posters to put around our school. Please remind your child/children to bring their school hats to school. Students who are not wearing a hat on the playground will be asked to remain under sheltered/shaded areas during their lunchtimes.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

PBIS team 😊

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**Library News**

Welcome to 2015! There are lots of new books in the library so we are looking forward to another year of great borrowing.

**Library Borrowing**

Please check your child’s Library Day each week. Thankyou to the many families who encourage and support regular borrowing.

The class borrowing days are as follows. Please encourage your child to bring in a library bag on their library day.

- **Monday:** 3-6S, K-3R
- **Tuesday:** KJ, 1D, 1/2S, 2A
- **Thursday:** 3/4M, 3/4D, 3-6P, 4/5A, 6M

Thank you,

Mrs Smith - Teacher Librarian

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**Assembly Awards**

6M- Caitlin H- Fantastic leadership skills  
Savannah E- Outstanding leadership skills  
3/4D- Lucius M- Great spelling work  
Bailey H- Continuous hard work in class  
2A- Conner G- estimating the length of different objects  
Dominic L- Persisting to recognise numbers1-30  
1/2S- Noah C- Working hard to complete writing tasks  
Stephenie T- Showing all school values  
1D- Tatiana M- Always having a positive attitude  
Brice A- Trying his best  
3-6S- Conner R- Following instructions efficiently
Form equal groups and share objects.

We can explain our thinking by using the mathematical language below. Check out our Wordle!
John Warby Community Café Kicks Off!!!!!!!
Do you drop your children off at school on Tuesdays and Fridays? Do you like coffee? Why not come and enjoy a cup of coffee with other parents outside the kindergarten rooms on Monday and Friday mornings. The coffee cart will be available from 8.45 until 9.15 on these mornings. Come and say hello!

2015 Mount Annan Challenge Walk
8th March 2015
At
Mount Annan Botanic Gardens
Gates open at 6.30am for 8am start
6km Fun walk or 11km Endurance Walk
$10 early entry fee or $19 on the day

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