7th August 2015

Principal’s Message

I am delighted to be back at John Warby after my recent holiday. I appreciate the warm welcome back I’ve received from our students and community members. I’d also like to express my appreciation to Mr Patruno for looking after our school in such a wonderful way in my absence.

Last Friday our 3-6 students participated in the Athletics Carnival. It was a great day with wonderful participation from our students. Thank you to all the parents who joined us on the day to cheer our athletes on – your support is greatly appreciated. Next Tuesday, at 11.30am, we will run the track events that are still to be finalised. Please join us if you are able to. Ms Pylyp will be able to finalise the squad to go through to our Zone Carnival later this term after this catch-up.

As many of our community are aware one of our students collapsed towards the end of the carnival and an ambulance needed to be called. Thank you to Ms Mahlberg for your care of this student and for liaising with the Ambulance call centre operator. Our office staff were informed of the situation and the parents of the child were contacted by them. I know that some parents were concerned that the parents weren’t called from Riley Park and that the Ambulance was called first. When we have a serious medical situation we need to seek medical assistance in the first instance. Parent phone contact is made from the office as they have the contact details.

I would like to remind all our parents and carers that knives are not permitted at school under any circumstances. I also ask you to make certain your child is aware of the school’s rules as well as the State laws about knives. A Parent Fact Sheet – No Knives At School is available from the office.

Mrs Ann Kitchin

Week 4 Term 3

Calendar

13th August: Wakakirri
17th to 21st August: Opportunity to preview our Book Fair books
17th August: IMAX Excursion for 2-6P, 4/5A & 6M
AECG Meeting – Tharawal at 3.30pm
24th August: Excursion to Wooglemai for Special Squad 2
25th August: Education Week Assembly & Open Classrooms
27th August: Book Parade
Celebration of Culture

Tayarni Baker, Maddison Sparkes and Liam John were recently invited to sing the National Anthem in the Tharawal Language in front of the NSW Police Commissioner at the Indigenous iproud Police Launch.

Vanessa Tompkins, the Aboriginal Police Liaison Officer from Campbelltown Police Station and Sally who works at the Police Headquarters, presented the students with a school copy of a photo signed by the NSW Police Commissioner, Mr Andrew Scipione. They also were treated to a morning tea with Fiona and Ms Murray, where Vanessa and Sally presented each student with their own framed copy to keep at home.

What a wonderful achievement. We are all very proud of them!

Ms Murray

Careers Day - Police Visit

Boss Security BBQ

Last Thursday we were lucky enough to have three representatives from the security company, Boss Security, put on a BBQ to help raise money for the John Warby Wakakirri Program.

It was great to see so many of our students talking and laughing with their friends, teachers and the Boss Security Team. The students enjoyed sausage sandwiches, drinks and ice cream, all thanks to the generosity of Boss Security.

The Wakakirri team would like to say a big thank you to all the students and community members who have tirelessly supported our fund raising efforts. We would also like to thank the Boss Security team, Abz, Koda and Tomas, for all the time and resources they donated to our Wakakirri BBQ fundraiser. It is more appreciated than we could ever fully express. With your help we have been able to put aside funds to help support the John Warby Wakakirri program in 2016.

Mrs A Robles
Wakakirri Coordinator.
Library News

Book Week
Book Week is fast approaching and the annual Dress up Parade will be held on Thursday 27th August at 12.30 on the Basketball Courts. All students in Preschool – Year 6 are invited to dress up as a character from a book and join in the parade with their class. Parents and carers are invited too so please come and join us for our fun-filled parade! There will be prize draws for all the great borrowers!

Book Fair
Our amazing Book Fair will be held the library throughout Book Week starting on Monday 24th August – Friday 28th August so come and grab a bargain! Books are at great prices!

Library Helpers Thank You
I wanted to thank the wonderful library volunteers who helped cover the new Guided Reading texts. It is great to have the books covered and in classrooms so quickly! So many students are benefiting from using them in their classroom Reading Groups. Your help is much appreciated.

New Books
We have many new books in our library this term and it is great to see them flying off the shelves!!

NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge
The Premier’s Reading Challenge still has a few weeks to go and it is fantastic to see so many teachers helping their students through the reading challenge.

Woolworths Earn and Learn
Yes we are collecting the Earn and Learn stickers for John Warby. Please help by getting friends and relatives to collect them for us!
There is a box in the office area where the stickers can be dropped off. We also have a box at Macarthur Square Woolworths where you can drop stickers in!
Thank you to all the people who have already started to drop stickers and completed sheets into the box in the office area.