



Warooka Schools Newsletter

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Term 2 Week 1 2018

Week commencing:

Monday 30 April 2018

DIARY DATES

May 2018 Mon 7 – Fri 11 Thur 10 Tues 15 Tue 15 – Thur 17	Book fair at school Cross Country at Golf Club Governing Council meeting 7:00pm at school NAPLAN	Fri 18 Tues 22 Mon 28 Mon 28 May – Fri 1 June	Playcentre in preschool Assembly hosted by Year 4/5 2:45pm Student Free Day SAPSASA netball & football
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From the Principal

Term 2 welcome & reminders

Welcome back to all our children, parents, caregivers, community members and staff. We are looking forward to another term full of interesting learning experiences.

Please remember that students' electronic devices (e.g. mobile phones or tablets), which they may use on the bus, and not to be used during the school day. These items must remain in each student's school bag or in an agreed safe place in the classroom. Please also be aware that we cannot take responsibility for any damage or loss to these items, so safety and security is important if students choose to bring their devices to school.

During breaks and lessons, if students are outside they are expected to wear a hat. In recent years they have had a choice of hat during the middle terms but, to simplify this decision-making and to avoid differing definitions of hats, we now expect the school hat to be worn. Students have had this explained and are doing the right thing in the yard.

SAPSASA selections

Congratulations to Rachelle, Taneesha, Sophie and Ebony for their selection in a SYP netball team, and to Sonny and Cody T. for their selection in the football team. Good luck to these players, and to Mr Ed Satanek, who will again coach the football team. The state carnival for each of these sports will be held in Week 5 of this term.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy) is a nationally developed program that provides schools, states and territories with information about how education programs are working and what areas need to be prioritised.

NAPLAN paper tests are administered simultaneously in all schools across Australia to students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 according to this timetable.

Tuesday 15 May	Wednesday 16 May	Thursday 17 May	Friday 18 May
Language Conventions & Writing	Reading	Numeracy	catch-up tests if needed

The content of the tests is aligned to the Australian Curriculum: English and Mathematics. NAPLAN tests are just one of many assessments in which your child can participate. Students do not have to learn specific skills for NAPLAN tests. Students have an opportunity to become familiar with the NAPLAN tests and with ways of showing their answers to questions before they do the tests.

NAPLAN individual student reports show the achievement of an individual student in a series of bands, against national minimum standards and the ranges of achievement for the middle 60% of students in Australia. NAPLAN individual student reports are expected to be ready for distribution to parents/caregivers during August and September.

NAPLAN is moving to an online mode of testing from 2018 over a three year period. Students at our school this year will complete their NAPLAN tests on paper. Our school is scheduled to transition to online tests next year so we will be participating in readiness activities later this year to confirm we are prepared for this change. Individual student performance in the readiness activities is not assessed. Readiness activities are an opportunity for students and staff to become familiar with the format of online testing and how online testing is run. Parents/caregivers and students can use the public demonstration site



available on the National Assessment Platform website (www.nap.edu.au) to become familiar with the online test format. Please see the attached letter and privacy note for more details.

A NAPLAN parent information brochure is available to download from the Department for Education website at <https://www.education.sa.gov.au/teaching/assessment/naplan>. Further information for parents about NAPLAN can be found at <http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support>.

Public Education Awards – Recognising excellence

Nominate, celebrate and recognise an outstanding educator in the 2018 Public Education Awards.

Get involved and say thank you to a staff member making a significant difference to the lives of their students and their communities.

The Public Education Awards recognise excellence in South Australian public education, and nominations are open 1 to 31 May. Visit www.education.sa.gov.au/awards to nominate and find out more about the awards.

Kerry-Ann

Visitors , excursions & special events

Warooka Cross Country

We are going to have our Annual Cross Country Run at the Warooka Golf Club on the morning of Thursday 10 May (Term 2, Week 2). All children will be participating.



Starting time (approx.)	Age Level	Distance (approx.)
9:10am	12 years and over	3000m.
9.40am	11 year old	2500m.
10.00am	10 year old	2000m.
10.15am	8 and 9 year old	1500m.
10.25am	5, 6 and 7 year old	1000m.
10.30am	Preschool children	short run

At 10:40am we will have a healthy recess and the ribbons will be presented.

Please remember that each child needs a hat, drink bottle and sunscreen.

All parents are welcome. A big thank you to those families who have offered to help with our cross country event on the day.

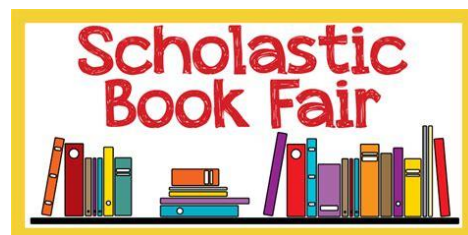
At this stage we have one person keen to be a timer.

If there are any other parents keen to be timers please contact us at the front office.

Leanne Hendrie

Book Fair

Our annual Book Fair in Levens building (6/7 class) will be from **Monday 7 May until Friday 11 May.**



The school will be able to purchase books for our Library from the commission received.

Available times for purchases are:

Monday to Friday:
 Before school 8:30am to 8:50am
 First lunch 11:00am to 11:30am
 Second lunch 1:20pm to 1:50pm



Parents and Friends

We are having a coffee morning this Friday the 4 of May from 10:30am at the Point Turton Tavern. We would love to see as many parents there as possible.



Our next meeting is Friday the 11 May at the Inland Sea at 12:00 for lunch and 1:00pm for the meeting.



Attachments

- NAPLAN Online letter
- NAPLAN Online – privacy collection notice
- Parents and Friends Coffee morning

Community Notices



SA Dental

Dear Parents,

For a number of years some students from Yorke Peninsula have been receiving dental care through an arrangement between SA Dental Service and Dr Hackett who has since retired from his Yorketown practice.

Keep your kids smiling

Students are now directed to the following clinics for their dental care.

Maitland Area School Dental Clinic

Junction Road

MAITLAND 5573

phone 8832 2254

Open alternate Tuesdays 8.30am to 4.30pm

When unattended please call the Wallaroo Community Dental Clinic

or

Wallaroo Community Dental Clinic

Ernest Terrace

WALLAROO 5556

phone 8880 5210

Open Monday to Friday 8.30am to 4.30pm

for more information visit

www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/sadental

Dental care is FREE for ALL babies, preschool and most children under 18 years at School Dental Service clinics.

The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider.

Alternatively, you may choose to contact your local private dentist.

Invitation to parents, caregivers & educators

A poster for an event titled 'Overcoming Childhood Challenges'. The background features a silhouette of a mountain range against a sunset sky. The text is white and blue. At the top, it says 'DR ANNE GLOVER, INTERNATIONAL CHILD DEVELOPMENT EXPERT PRESENTS:'. Below that, the title 'OVERCOMING CHILDHOOD CHALLENGES' is written in large, spaced-out letters. The date and time 'MAY 14 2018 7.30PM START' are prominently displayed. Below that, it says 'ST COLUMBA'S SCHOOL, YORKETOWN FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KATIE HUGHES 0429166392'. At the bottom, there is a short paragraph: 'Overcoming insurmountable challenges - lessons learned about the importance of hope and vision, the acceptance of contradictions and the value of resilience and creativity. What can the SYP Community learn from our international neighbours?'

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