Interceptor Service  
Please Call 131450 if you need help with this newsletter.  
Thursday 8 May 2014  

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE  
Welcome back to our returning students and families for Term 2 and a special welcome to our new students and their families. I trust you have had a relaxing break.

As a school we appreciated the involvement of so many students at our Easter Hat Parade last term. This event was well supported by our community and I wish to thank the P&C for the fundraising raffles.

It has been encouraging to see the effort of our students this term to be at school on time. On time attendance ensures students don’t miss important classroom instructions and participate fully in all learning activities.

In 2014, NAPLAN tests for students in Year 3 and Year 5 will be held on 13-15 May. NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, and is designed to illustrate the range of student performance across the country. It is not expected that all students will be able to answer all questions correctly. NAPLAN tests provide very valuable information, but there are no consequences for individual students for poor or good performance. At the classroom level it is one of a number of important tools used by teachers to measure student progress.

Today each child will receive an Information/Dental Consent Form from Australian Mobile Dental Care (AMDC). Our school families can decide if they wish to use the service of this company to provide dental assessment and possible treatment. Assessment and treatment is free through Medicare for eligible families. If we have a significant number of students wishing to use this service their mobile van will visit our school in Term 3. I encourage you to read carefully the AMDC Newsletter. Completed Dental Consent Forms should be returned to the office as soon as possible to ensure we secure their services.

Active After-Schools Communities (AASC) program starts next week. BMX will be on Tuesdays and Dance on Thursdays. We already have a full session for BMX but there is still opportunity to join Dance.

Please see the office if you would like your child to participate in Dance. I’d like to acknowledge the commitment and support of school staff to run these worthwhile programs.

To ensure the continued safety and wellbeing of all our students the school gates are to be kept closed during the school day. We aim to have the gates closed at 9:30am. If you enter or leave the school we’d appreciate you shutting the gate and securing it with the top sliding bolt. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Kind regards  
Mr B Marsland  

2013 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT  
The 2013 Annual School Report is now available for families on the Warwick Farm Public School website at:  www.warwickfar-p.schools.nsw.edu.au. This is a mandatory requirement for all Public Schools in New South Wales. Under the procedures of the Department of Education and Communities the Annual School Report is provided to families electronically. A paper copy of the report is available from the school office if you are unable to access the electronic version. Warwick Farm Public School is proud of the achievements of our students, staff and our wider community. The information in the report reflects the results of extensive self evaluation processes and is a genuine account of not only our achievements, but areas for further improvement.

ABSENCE NOTES  
If your child has missed school, you are required by law to write a note with the following information:  
- include your child’s name and class  
- include the date/s and number of days your child was away  
- explain why your child was away  
- include other information as needed.

If your child is going to be away for more than three days please let the school office know. You will still need to write a note when your child returns. Staff at the school office are more than happy to assist you if required.

ARE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS CORRECT?  
All families are asked to make sure they have provided the school with current contact details. It is extremely important that any change of address, telephone contact number or emergency contact information is given to the school immediately. It is very distressing for your children and school staff when we are unable to contact families in an emergency.
**PAYMENT REMINDERS**

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**STEWART HOUSE SCHOOL CLOTHING APPEAL 2014**

Clothing bags for this appeal went home last term with each student. Bags need to be returned to the verandah of the Computer Room by Friday May 16. Extra bags are available from the office.

Please support The Stewart House and The Smith Family Clothing Appeal by donating good, clean used clothing, shoes, manchester and blankets. Your donation helps both organisations raise much needed funds to continue their important support for disadvantaged children in our Communities.

**STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE 2014**

Donation envelopes were sent home to each family at the beginning of this term.

Donations support 1800 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and ACT.

Place $2 in the envelope and return to the office by Friday 9 May. Everyone that makes a donation, goes into a draw, for a chance to win a $4000 holiday.

**SCHOOL FETE Term 3**

**FETE NEWS**

We are now beginning to prepare for our fete which will be held on Friday 19 September 2014 from 9:30am to 12:00pm.

Each week we will be asking for different items to be donated. A note will be sent home each week to remind parents of what to look out for and send to school.

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<td>Lucky dip items (Any small items)</td>
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Mrs Jackson

**P&C NEWS**

Thank you to all the families who supported our Easter Raffle last term raising $191.00.

There will be a Mother’s Day Stall for children tomorrow Friday 9 May. Gifts are priced from 50c to $5.00, don’t miss out!

The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 4 June in the C4K Room (Community for Kids Room) at 9:15am. All parents and members of the community are most welcome.

We are also putting together a WARWICK FARM PUBLIC SCHOOL COOKBOOK. We would like to include one recipe from each family and staff. Recipes can be written out using the template attached to the newsletter and also available from the school office. The cookbook will be sold at the fete.

Thank you
Mrs Jackson

**PARENT WORKSHOPS**

All parents and caregivers are welcome to attend our upcoming Parent Workshops, in preparation for our School Fete in Term 3. Below are some dates and activities. Should you have any questions, please feel free to meet with me on Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

Mrs Lalakobau
Community Liaison Officer.

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WARWICK FARM PUBLIC SCHOOL
MOTHERS’ DAY HIGH TEA
We are inviting all ladies, daughters, mothers and grandmothers to join us for a lovely Mother’s Day High Tea.
When: Wednesday 14 May, 2014
Where: C4K Room
Time: 9.30am
What:
- All ladies must wear something that is pink;
- Please bring in a favourite photo e.g. a wedding photo, holiday photo or a family photo;
- Please bring finger food to share with everyone.

If you’re interested please see Mrs Sharon on Tuesday or Wednesday.

BREAKFAST CLUB OPEN DAILY FROM 8:30am
We are urgently looking for additional volunteers to help in the Breakfast Club. All parents are encouraged to “pop in” and lend a hand in serving the high number of children who attend Breakfast Club every day.

HOMEWORK CLUB
There is an extremely valuable opportunity for all students at Warwick Farm to attend a weekly Homework Club at the Neighbourhood Centre. Families can attend every Monday afternoon from 3.30pm – 4.00pm. You must attend with your child to complete registration.

NO HAT- PLAY IN THE SHADE
Does your child remember to bring their hat to School every day? Families are reminded that children need to have a hat to play in the playground with their friends. Children who do not have a hat are required to play quietly under the shelter.

CRUNCH N SIP
The Crunch N Sip program is a highly successful initiative to encourage the children to improve their daily intake of fresh fruit and vegetables and to drink plenty of water. You can support this initiative by making sure that your child has their “Fruit Break” snack every day and an extra bottle of water to have available in the classroom.

FOOD ALLERGY WEEK 12 - 18 MAY
This organisation’s goal is to raise the level of community awareness. Did you know that Australia has one of the highest incidences of food allergy in the world, which is growing at alarming rates? In fact, 1 in 10 babies born in Australia today will develop a food allergy. Please visit: www.foodallergyaware.com.au for further information.

FOOD-A-LICIOUS CANTEEN NEWS
Warwick Farm is a Health Promoting School and our canteen menu meets the requirements of the Healthy Canteen Nutrition Policy. Through the generosity of the Salvation Army the canteen is currently opened 5 days a week as an outreach of the Food4Life Market. Canteen orders need to be placed before 9.00am. Over the counter purchases can be made at both Recess and Lunch times. Volunteers are always welcome. Please drop into the canteen if you can offer any assistance.

ASSYMBLE ROSTER
Whole School Assemblies are held every two weeks in the School Hall. They begin at 12:20pm. Classes take turns in leading the Assembly. All community members are invited to attend.

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Friday  
23 May  
Stage 3 Sydney Writers Festival

Tuesday  
3 June  
P&C Red Day  
“Chocolate Day”

Wednesday  
4 June  
P&C Meeting  
C4K Room 9:00am

Wednesday  
4 June  
Georges River Excursion

Monday  
9 June  
Public Holiday

Wednesday  
18 June  
Stage 3 Rainforest Excursion

Thursday/Friday  
4-5 September  
Stage 3 Canberra Excursion

The Department of School Education and Warwick Farm Public School in no way endorses any of the products or services mentioned in the following advertisements. Their appearance in our Newsletter is a fund raising activity and a community service.

SCHOOL COUNSELLOR SERVICE

Did You Know?
My name is Hendy Kurniawan and I am the School Counsellor. I work in the school on Wednesdays and every second Friday.

School Counsellors are placed in schools to help and support students and their families. Sometimes life at home or at school can be very difficult and students may need someone to listen to them. Students see the School Counsellor for many reasons. They may be:

- having problems with their friends or family
- feeling “down” or worried
- worried about their school work
- getting into “trouble” at school
- having problems settling in to school
- just having “problems”

School Counsellors can work with students and their parents and carers to support them during a difficult time.

If I can be of assistance to your family, please contact the school on 9602 8260 to make an appointment.

Hendy Kurniawan
School Counsellor

Get a FREE tennis grading report!  
Find out how good you are at tennis.

Scorings & enquiries  
9822 3936
Location - Club Marconi, Princes Ave, Bosley Park

DENTAL CARE FOR CHILDREN

All children under 18 years of age are eligible for FREE DENTAL CARE  
at NSW Public Oral Health Clinics

NSW Health recommends that all children have a dental check-up
Toothache can cause children to miss school. Pain can stop children playing, eating and sleeping.

To make an appointment, contact:
- Your family dentist; or
- The Public Dental Service

PUBLIC DENTAL ACCESS CENTRE TELEPHONE
(02)9293 3333 / 1300 559 393

1800 022 222  
www.healthdirect.org.au

Your 24-hour health advice line. healthdirect Australia