Thursday 5 February 2015

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Welcome back to all students and families, I hope you had a relaxing holiday break. I am honoured to be the relieving principal at Warwick Farm Public School as Mr Marsland was successful in gaining the principal position at Busby West Public School. We wish Mr Marsland all the best and thank him for his leadership over the past 7 terms.

Mrs Wilson and Mrs Hughes will not be working at the school for this year as they too were successful in gaining Instructional Leader positions at Smithfield West and Busby West Public Schools. Mrs Wilson and Mrs Hughes will also be missed this year however their expertise will be appreciated by the schools they are supporting.

The school welcomes back Mrs Reardon who had twelve months off for maternity leave. Mrs Reardon is with us 4 days per week and she is the Assistant Principal for Stage 2.

Also joining our staff is Mrs Pearson from Belmore South Public School and Mrs Claydon from Prestons Public School. Mrs Pearson is the Assistant Principal for Stage 3 while Mrs Claydon is the Assistant Principal for Early Stage 1 as well as for Stage 1.

We have been very impressed with the way in which the students have settled into their new classes and appreciate the support families have provided in making this happen. The classes are “tentative” until the final number of students is established on 12 February 2015. NSW DEC schools are staffed based on student numbers and the school expects to have approximately 240 students across 10 mixed ability stage classes.

If you have any queries regarding the class structure or placement of your child please feel free to discuss these with the class teacher, Assistant Principals or myself.

Kindergarten students and their families are to be congratulated on their efforts to complete the Best Start Assessments. These assessments assist teachers to plan and prepare appropriately for each child’s learning needs. We have 27 kindergarten students starting with us this year.

We look forward to another successful year with activities and support for our families from Mrs Sharon Lalakobau, our Community Liaison Officer, who will be with us on Wednesdays each week.

SCHOOL WEBSITE AND SKOOLBAG

We have a school website which is regularly updated with information about the school and class work. It can be viewed at www.warwickfar-p.schools.nsw.edu.au . We also use Skoolbag which is a mobile App to communicate information with families. Please see the attached flyer to find out how to download the app.

BOOKCLUB ORDERS

Bookclub orders went home with each student this week. Order forms need to be returned to the office with the correct money in an envelope marked with your child’s name. Orders close Thursday 19 February.

LITTLE LIBRARY 2015

Little Library will be commencing next Wednesday 11 February at 9:15am. For those children who have registered, please feel free to see me should you have any queries.

Mrs Jackson

BREAKFAST CLUB

Open each morning from 8:30am in the C4K Room.

The school looks forward to again supporting a Breakfast Club in 2015. Volunteers will be needed to help with the provision of this wonderful program. If you could be of assistance, could you please call at the office.

P&C NEWS

School Student Banking resumed yesterday.

Please note that Banking day will now take place each Tuesday.

If you would like your child to participate to develop a positive saving habit, please request an application form from the P&C who conduct the weekly banking.

The P&C Annual General Meeting will be held next Wednesday 11 February followed by a General Meeting on Wednesday 4 February 2015, in the C4K Room at 9:15am. All parents and members of the community are most welcome.
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 open 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 recess and lunch times. A price list is attached to this newsletter for your information.

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.

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.

ASSEMBLY 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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