



Newsletter



9th September 2019 Term 3 Week 8

Principal's Report

Student Success

Congratulations to the many students who have represented our school over the past two weeks and shown the community what great students we have at Warners Bay PS. We had four students Katie Liu, Ashleigh Dennis, Jyah Smith and Jemma Brown compete at the Regional Spelling Bee last week and although none of the students progressed to the next round, they did a fantastic job. Well done to the junior and senior rugby league teams who competed at gala days recently – your sportsmanship was a highlight across the two days. Congratulations to Olivia and Andrew who competed at the Regional Athletics Carnival last week and also to Ben who qualified but was unable to compete on the Day. Well done to our whole school community for embracing low waste Wednesday. It is great to see a reduction in the waste being produced by the school.

NAPLAN School Readiness Tests

Our Year 3 and 5 students have been taking part in the NAPLAN School Readiness Tests over the past two weeks. These online tests are designed to test our wireless network and the NAPLAN online system to ensure we are ready to complete the real NAPLAN tests in May next year. No student data is collected and no test results are provided for the students. Our readiness tests went well and with the new laptops that we have purchased for the school, we will be ready to complete NAPLAN Online in 2020.

Kinder Local Enrolments

We are currently hosting our Kindergarten Orientation sessions for Kinder 2020 students. If you know of any local Kinder students who are yet to enrol in our school, please ask them to visit the school office to begin the enrolment procedures.

Fathers' Day Breakfast

What a fabulous, sunny morning we had for our Fathers' Day Breakfast last Friday. It was great to see so many special adults in our students' lives come along to share the morning together. We hope you all had a wonderful Fathers' Day.

Bush Camp

Good luck to Year 4 who are off to the Great Aussie Bush Camp on Monday next week. We are sure you will have a fantastic time and look forward to hearing about your adventures when you return.

Surveys Coming

We are getting ready to survey our community about our school and what we can do to improve. Keep an eye out on the Skoolbag app and Facebook to see the link to this year's survey. We value your opinion and look forward to hearing your thoughts.

Maintenance Kinder Building

We are currently having maintenance completed on the Kindergarten block. K/IS have moved classrooms today so that work can be carried out.

P & C Donation

I would like to thank the P & C for their donation of \$5000 to buy iPads for the school. This donation will go a long way to achieving our technology upgrade. Thank you to the P & C and to the community for raising the funds to support programs in our school!

Leave

I will be on leave from the end of this week until the end of term. Miss Patrick will be relieving principal while I am on leave and Mrs Parsons and Ms Morton will be sharing the Assistant Principal role. I am sure they will all do an outstanding job.

Deborah Hall
Principal

Upcoming Events

Thurs 12th Sept	Yarning Circle + Great Book Swap
Mon 16th Sept- Wed 18th Sept	Aussie Bush Camp Year 4
Mon 16th—Fri 27 Sept	Swim School—Y2 Students
Tues 17th Sept	CARES Excursion—Y6
Mon 23rd Sept	Oakvale Farm Kindergarten
Tues 24th Sept	Burger Day - Canteen
Friday 27th Sept	Last day of Term 3



Library News

Premier's Reading Challenge

The 2019 Premier's Reading Challenge has ended for 2019. All students in K-2 have had their reading lists completed based on books read at school – both in class and in library lessons. Students in years 3-6 had to complete their own reading logs which was communicated in Term 1. Please make contact with the school and myself by 3pm on Monday 9th September if there are any questions or concerns.

Returning Books

Over the past month, there have been a number of WBPS library books returned to Lake Macquarie libraries. Please look for our school library barcode on the back of books which says "Warner Bay Public School" before returning books to the Lake Macquarie libraries.

Mrs Freund
Teacher-Librarian

Lego Group

On Thursday the Lego group were shown how to make flowers. They were able to make two designs and plant them in the groups garden. Then some of the children modified their flowers and made a different flower design.



School Banking

Don't forget your school banking every Monday – please drop your books into the purple bin in the office for processing. Great rewards are available when you reach 10 tokens.

We are also in need of volunteers to process the school banking as our current volunteer has a year 6 child leaving this year. It is only an hour of your time each week – currently done on Tuesday morning but this could be changed to suit the volunteer. Please see the office if you are available.

Junior Mixed Rugby League Team

Congratulations to our Junior Mixed Rugby League team who participated in the Newcastle Knights Rebels Gala Day at Cessnock.

They played four games on the day, with 3 wins and 1 draw.

They were excellent representatives of our school who displayed outstanding behaviour and amazing sportsmanship.

Not only did they ensure that all 11 members of our team had a go a running with the ball, but they also allowed another school to score a try as they hadn't managed to score all day.

I could not be prouder of this awesome team. Well done!
Miss Jones



Senior Rugby League Team

On September 3rd 2019, the Senior Rugby League team travelled to Valentine to compete in the annual Rebels Challenge Cup. The team played four games, they were narrowly defeated in two of those games and they were triumphant in the other two games. It was the final game of league representing our wonderful school for the year 6 students.

They have all represented Warners Bay Public School wonderfully. It has been a pleasure to coach this amazing group of children and I wish them all the best as they pursue their sporting interests. I would also like to say thank you to all the parents who helped with lifts, washing the gear, and coaching ...great team effort.

Mr Batchelor



Macquarie Cup Netball Competition

Congratulations to all 5 Netball teams who have been competing in the Macquarie Cup Netball Cup Competition during Terms 2 and 3.

After 14 rounds of competition, we have 4 teams through to the Semi Finals this week (Friday 13th August 2019):

- Junior Red - Junior White - Senior Blue - Senior White

We wish all students on these teams, the best of luck for this game. If successful they will play in the Grand Final the following week (Friday 20th August 2019).

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Ella and Heidi for umpiring the Junior games each week, as well as all of the parents who have umpired the Senior games each week. It is very much appreciated and we couldn't of gotten through the competition without you. Thank you also to the parents for transporting students each week and for supporting us and cheering us on.

Miss Jones and Mrs Dechnicz

Yarning Circle

Parents and Carers of Aboriginal students are invited to attend our Term 3 Yarning Circle which is taking place on Thursday at 2:30pm in the connected classroom.

Great Book Swap

Our Great Book Swap is happening this Thursday to support Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Students are asked to bring to school a second hand book that they would like to donate. On the day, students can swap the book and make a gold coin donation towards the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

Canteen

Canteen is holding a special food day on Tuesday 24th September. Students can order a chicken schnitzel burger with cheese, a juice and a TNT iceblock for \$7.00. Order forms are being sent home with students today and are due to be returned with payment no later than Thursday 19th September. Please forward all orders and payments directly to the Canteen.

Thank you!

Thank you to Dan from Blackash Bushfire Consulting for donating your time and wonderful native plants for our Welcome Garden. It has really brighten up our beautiful space!



Puppet Show

Students from K-6 enjoyed an informative, entertaining Puppet Show put on by Camp Quality last week.

OoSHC—Camp Australia

On behalf of Camp Australia I once again thank our families who support our OSHC service at Warners Bay and pleased to announce the outcome of our recent Assessment & Rating as meeting in every criteria. A great outcome.

Our very popular annual handball competition is currently happening and the skill level is much higher than last year, with the reigning champ being knocked over in a round. Inline with 'Our place in space' theme, an astronomer enthusiast Dr John Carr is coming on Tuesday 17/9 to stimulate our children's understanding of our futures in space.



End of term 3 is just around the corner and families thinking about holiday clubs. I advise Camp Australia has a **new holiday club located in Elmore Vale Public School and staff from Warners Bay, including Pam**, will be working at the service. We would love to welcome some of your children to be 'Super Heroes' and hang out over the holidays.

Kind regards,
Pam Connell



PBL Fortnightly News

To encourage a more positive and inclusive environment for all our students at Warners Bay Public School, we have decided to implement fair play procedures in line with our PBL Expectations. This will involve all students leaving their own personal balls (handballs, soccer balls, footballs, basketballs and netballs etc) at home as we will be providing them at break times. It is hoped that this will stop students excluding others by saying, "My ball: My rules!"

We will also be introducing the WBPS Handball Rules. These comprise of 8 basic rules that we hope will allow the students to enjoy playing the game instead of focusing on the rules. In order for this to run smoothly, we would appreciate your support in ensuring your child leaves their balls at home. Please find attached a copy of the rules for you to discuss with your child/ren. Thank you in advance for your support in this matter.

PBL Team



Warners Bay Public School K-6 Handball Rules



NAME	RULE DESCRIPTION
Interference/Innos	If a person who is not in Ace, King, Queen, Jack or Dunce interferes with the ball, the game is replayed.
Doubles	If the ball bounces twice in one square it is called ' doubles ' and the player is out.
Out of Square	If the ball is hit out of the square, the player who hit the ball is out.
Lines	If the ball bounces on a line it is called ' lines ' and the game is replayed.
Full	If a player doesn't hit the ball in their own square first it is called a ' full ' and they are out.
Rebounds	If the ball bounces off a solid object it is called ' rebounds ' and the game is replayed.
Rolls	If the ball is rolled it is called ' rolls ' and the player who rolled the ball is out.
Grabs	If the ball is grabbed/cupped, it is called ' grabs ' and the player cupping the ball is out.

Warners Bay Public School K-6 Handball Rules



- The person in Ace serves the ball.
- The receiving player must hit the ball in their own square and then someone else's square.
- If the ball bounces twice or more times in someone's square they are out and proceed to dunce or the end of the line of players waiting to join the game.
- If Ace gets out they proceed to dunce and the new Ace serves.
- When a higher ranking square gets out, all below that square proceed to the next square up.
- All above a square who gets out stays where they are.

When a player is out, they are to proceed to dunce (if there isn't a line of players waiting) or the end of the line of players waiting to join the game



Father's Day Breakfast

Our Father's Day Breakfast was a great success last Friday. It was wonderful to see so many Father's, Grandparents and Carers enjoying the morning and a hearty breakfast cooked by our WBPS Staff.



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