



# Mount Warren Park State School Newsletter No. 05 Thursday 26 March 2015



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## From the Principal



### Have A Great Holiday

Term One has proven to be a very busy one and it isn't any wonder that term one seems to have flown by and the Easter break is now upon us. We would like to thank everyone for supporting the wonderful things that have been happening in our school this term and would like to wish everyone a very happy and safe Easter – we're sure we will all have enough chocolate to last us well into winter!!



I would also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and best wishes in my stint as Acting Principal this term. It has been a great experience and one I have enjoyed. Next term Mount Warren Park State School welcomes our new Principal Mr. John Bosward and I am sure he will be warmly welcomed – I know he is looking forward to being part of the Mount Warren Park community.

While on the topic of Principals I would also like to congratulate those children who have been our Principal for a day this term. Congratulations to Elena, Geoffrey and Daniel for helping out with a lot of work and being a super principal!

### School Resumes

Just a reminder that school resumes on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> April.



### Social Growth and Personal Attributes Reports



Our school will be sending home our Social Growth and Personal Attributes reports this term on Thursday the 26th of March – Today! These reports are designed to give you a quick snapshot of your child's progress so far this year and are also a great springboard to have an

interview with your child's teacher. It is important that we have strong communication channels between home and

school and an interview is strongly recommended to enable you to meet the person who will play such an important part in your child's life this year.

### Car parking suggestions

Recently I have been in contact with the council to assist with making some changes to the parking areas outside our school. They have agreed to assist us with additional signing and line marking in the bus zone at the front of the school and in the car park near the PCYC building.



I am aware of the congestion that takes place in the main car park near the hall and a suggestion has been put forward for the removal of approximately 9 car parking spaces in the main car park area along the fenceline near the hall beside the small entry gate and changing that area into a drop off zone. It is believed that this would reduce the need for people to queue along the entry of the car park and allow for a safe drop off of children onto the pathway where they do not have to cross the roadway.

The council have also looked at keeping 2 or 3 car parks near the front gate and modifying the remaining car parking spaces at the front of the school down to the disabled parking spaces outside the ECDP into a drop off zone. There were concerns with this suggestion however due to the fact that that the drop off zone could result in blockages to the main road.

They have asked me to consult with the community to see what is believed to be the best solution for our current parking issues and I welcome your opinions and suggestions to help find a solution to these ongoing issues. Please feel free to contact me with your views and ideas as they will be raised and the next P and C meeting.

### Year 6 Graduation Ceremony Changes

Over the last few years the school has had feedback from previous Graduation Ceremonies and suggestions have been made regarding modifying the year 6 graduation in order to focus more on the children, increase their involvement in the event, and reduce costs for parents. Recently an opinion survey was sent home to all parents of year 6 students and an informal survey of all year six children took place in regard to modifying the current Graduation programs. The children overwhelmingly supported making a number



of changes to the traditional program and I would like to thank all of the parents who sent in their opinions and ideas for this event - almost 80% of all responses supported moving the current program to a less formal, daytime event that is focussed on the children.

The details of this event and the many supporting events that will take place at the end of the year will be finalised throughout the year but the ceremony will definitely be held on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December.

Thank you again for your input.

## From the Deputy Principals



### REMINDER: Before School Supervision Rules:

If your child arrives at school before the first school bell and without direct parent/carer supervision, please reinforce the school's before school supervision rules so that they are safe while at on school grounds.

- Supervision is provided from 8:25am – 8:45am.
- Students meet Deputy Principals at the Tuckshop Undercover Area at 8:25am and then move to the auditorium for supervision. Students without parent supervision need to go straight to this area *with* their schoolbag.
- Students arriving after 8:30am need to move straight to the auditorium.
- Students will then be dismissed in grade levels and must be in classrooms on the second bell.
- Students are not to wait outside classrooms unless they are directly supervised by their parent or caregiver!
- Breakfast from the Tuckshop stops being served at 8:30am.

### Tiqbiz – App used to keep the school informed!

We are now using the tiqbiz to send instant messages and notices. This app will help our school keep parents fully informed and up-to-date with news and events. It's easy to use and also has the benefit of helping to reduce our paper consumption by printing less. The first step is to download tiqbiz to your phone, tablet or computer. Once installed click on our school until the tick turns green. Click on the inbox icon. This is where you will receive our instant messages, etc.

### ANZAC Day 25<sup>th</sup> April

This year our school will commemorate the ANZAC Centenary by participating in commemorative events at both school and in the Beenleigh community.

### School Ceremony

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April, the school will hold an official ceremony commencing at 9am in the Auditorium. We ask that the audience refrain from applauding during this solemn occasion.

### Dungaree March

On ANZAC Day morning, the school will participate in the Dungaree Enlistment March Re-enactment by local school students. The route for this re-enactment will stretch from Windaroo Valley SHS, via Windaroo SS, to our school and then onto the Beenleigh Historical Village. The March then joins the official party and guests at the Coles Carpark in Beenleigh and then moves to the designated Memorial area. Our School will represent

'Toowoomba' on the route and we ask that any interested parents and families participate in either sending off the 'recruits' from our school or marching with the group. However, we recommend that students in Years 5 and 6 participate in the march as it is a fair distance to walk and it may be hot on the day. Students representing our school are asked to come dressed in full school uniform including a school hat. We ask students to meet at the school in the Prep/Year One Playground area at 7:45am.

### Beenleigh ANZAC Memorial Service

Our school will reach the designated Memorial site after the Dungaree March and then participate in the official Beenleigh Service. Our choir will sing during the service and our captains will lay wreaths on behalf of our school.

### Lessons

Our HOC is currently working with staff on an ANZAC program to teach our students about the significance of ANZAC day and specifically about the Centenary Event this year.

## General School News



### Cash Collection Procedures – Cash Window

The Cash Window is located in the Admin Block. We offer several methods of payment being cash, cheque, EFTPOS, Credit Card over the phone and Internet Banking. The cash window will be **OPEN every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8am to 10am.**

**Late Payments** - It is a solid requirement that all events be paid for by the due date which is stated on all permission / information notes sent home to parents.

Late payments cannot be accepted under any circumstances so please keep updated by checking our newsletter each fortnight.

**Refunds** - Refunds can only be given in part. This means if there is bus travel involved for the event this is **NOT** refundable. Whether your child attends or not the buses have been booked and need to be paid for. You must complete a "Refund Request" Form available from Administration.

**Payment Due Dates** - Every fortnight payment reminders are printed in the "General News" and "Dates To Remember" sections of the school newsletter (this is also available on our website).



**Prep – Year 2** - Junior Dance. Invoices have been distributed and payment is due by Thursday 26 March - **TODAY.**

**Prep – Year 6** - Fire Ant Control Presentations. Free information sessions on Monday 30 March.

**Year 6** - Camp Goodenough from Wednesday 3 June to Friday 5 June. Full payment of \$236 is due by Thursday 21 May. Information / permission notes have been sent home already.

### Year 5 & 6

Gala Day Sporting Teams – Full payment of \$40 was Wednesday 11 March.

## Instrumental Music – Strings ONLY

Annual Tuition Fees - Own Instrument = \$35 OR Hire School Instrument = \$90. Full payment of this amount is due by the end of Term 1.

### Cash Window OPEN HOURS

Tuesday & Wednesday & Thursday: 8am - 10am

**CLOSED: Mondays & Fridays**

**PLEASE NOTE: CASH WINDOW WILL BE CLOSED ON LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – THURSDAY 2 APRIL**

### School Banking

Our school banking day is every Tuesday. Please hand bankbooks into the office before school each Tuesday morning. Prizes are awarded to children who are regular bankers. All children who banked this term will go into a draw to win the backpack that is displayed in the office window along with other smaller prizes. If you would like to open an account for your child, please visit a Commonwealth Bank branch to do so.

### Easter Bonnet Parade – Thursday 2 April (Prep to Year 1 – Special Guests C and K)

Our annual Easter Bonnet Parade will be held again this year early to coincide with the Easter break. Please urge your children to start thinking about their bonnets. Children are encouraged to prepare their bonnets at home, but I am sure classroom teachers can assist if children require help. All students participating will receive an Easter Egg. (This is a designated RED foods day so the giving and receiving of Easter treats is quite acceptable on this day!) Each class will be judged on the following categories with additional prizes awarded to the winners:

Most Decorative  
Most Original

Most Meaningful  
Most Colourful

The event will take place from 9:00am Judges will be invited from the broader community. Parents are most welcome to attend. This is always a delightful event and should be a lovely culminating activity for the Term. I do hope you can come along.

### Easter Colouring In Competition

Students in Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 received notes this week inviting them to participate in a school colouring in competition. Students must return the permission slip with \$2 by TOMORROW ready for judging. The school captains will be seated outside the office to collect payment and distribute colouring in pictures. Winners will be announced at parade on Monday 30 March.



## PE News



### GALA DAY –

**The Beenleigh Zone Interschool Sport Competition will continue this Friday 27th March**

Family and friends are most welcome to come and support our school teams. Games will begin at 11.00am and conclude at approximately 2.15pm

### Venues for 27<sup>th</sup> March

- Soccer – **Tudor Park , Clarks Rd Loganhome**
- Netball – **Cornubia Netball Courts - Bryants Rd Cornubia (In behind Cornubia All Sports)**
- League - **Bill Norris Oval – Cnr Boundary Rd and Logan St Beenleigh.**
- Touch Football – **Noyer Park- Beenleigh Beaudesert Rd Windaroo.**

Students competing in our school teams in the Gala Day competition are reminded of the following:

- Bring the appropriate safety equipment for their sport e.g. boots, shin pads, mouth guards, head gear, shoulder pads etc.
- Full school uniform, a sun safe hat, sunscreen and a water bottle are essential.
- No jewellery is to be worn or taken by students to any sport.
- Netball players, please ensure nails are trimmed.
- For the protection and safety of the device, all electronic devices such as ipods and ipads are to be left at home or at school.
- Students travelling by bus to their sporting venue will be unable to order food via the usual bag ordering system at the tuckshop. Drinks and small food items may be purchased over the counter prior to the bus leaving.

### SPECIAL REQUEST

#### ANZAC Day – Celebrating 100 Years

As most of you may be aware this year we remember the 100th anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli. With this year's ceremony I am in the process of updating the powerpoints and would like to make one of the powerpoints more Mt Warren. To do this I am asking for any photos that you may have of family members who served in any of the wars. If you could take a photo and email it to me at [nbrow175@eq.edu.au](mailto:nbrow175@eq.edu.au) ASAP. Thanking you in advance.



## Dates To Remember



Thursday 26 March	Junior Dance PAYMENT DUE TODAY
Friday 27 March	Gala Day 3 Year 5 & 6
Monday 30 March	Fire Ant Control Presentations Prep - 6
Thursday 2 April	Final School Day of Term 1
	Prep to Year 1 Easter Hat Parade from 9am
	Year 6 Wipe Out Waste Info Session
Friday 3 April	Good Friday Public Holiday
<b>Monday 6 April 2014 to Friday 17 April 2015 EASTER VACATION (2 weeks)</b>	
Monday 20 April	School Commences for Term 2
Wednesday 22 April	P & C Meeting, 6:30pm in the Staffroom
Friday 24 April	Gala Day 4 Year 5 & 6
	School ANZAC Day Parade 9am in the hall
Saturday 25 April	ANZAC Day
Thursday 30 April	District Cross Country
Friday 1 May	Gala Day 5 Year 5 & 6
Tuesday 19 May	Bravehearts Ditto Show Prep – Year 3, \$5
Wednesday 20 May	Year 3 to 6 Sports Day 1
Thursday 21 May	Year 3 to 6 Sports Day 2
	Year 6 Camp FULL PAYMENT DUE TODAY
Friday 22 May	Prep to Year 2 Sports Fun Day
Weds 3 to Friday 5 June	Year 6 Camp Goodenough \$236
Friday 26 June	Final School Day for Term 2
<b>Monday 29 June to Friday 10 July 2015 Winter Vacation (2 weeks)</b>	
Monday 13 July	School Commences for Term 3

## Student Council News



Student Council has hit the ground running and our first fundraisers are coming up!

### Pop up shop

Mt Warren has its very own pop up shop. You will find student council and their pop up shop in the tuckshop undercover area at 1st break from 16 March to 26 March. We will be selling maze pens, flower highlighters, stickers, name wallets, plaster moulds and smencils. Get in quick before we sell out!

### Egg-cellent Easter Egg Surprises

Student Council will be selling Easter Eggs for 50c. You can purchase an easter egg for a friend or a teacher as a surprise and have it delivered to them on Thursday 2 April. These can be ordered in the tuckshop undercover area at both breaks from 23 March to 31 March.

### ANZAC

It is the 100th year anniversary for our ANZACS. Please show your support by purchasing an item at our stall from 20 April to 24 April. You can purchase stickers, tattoos, badges, rulers, wrist bands, pens and much more.

**Easter Vacation**  
**Friday 3 to Friday 17 April**  
**(2 Weeks)**  
**School Commences**  
**Monday 20 April**

## P & C News



Our new executive committee will be around the school talking to parents about volunteering at P & C events like School Disco's, Mother's Day/Father's Day Stalls and other exciting events to come throughout the year to help raise money for our kids. Any time you can offer is greatly appreciated and the more help we get the more successful these fundraising events will be. If you don't see us around please visit the tuckshop and fill out a volunteer form.

The next P & C Meeting will be held on Wednesday 22 April at 6:30pm in the Staffroom. Please come along, everyone is welcome.

### Mother's Day Stall:

Prep – Year 2 – 6 May 2015  
Year 3 – Year 6 – 7 May 2015  
Gifts ranging from \$2.00 to \$10.00.

### Tuckshop News – NEW MENU FOR 2015

Please make sure you have a current Tuckshop Menu. Spares are available from the office and the Tuckshop. Payments can be made by Cash or EFTPOS. To guarantee your child gets exactly what they want we recommend that you order their lunch through the bag ordering system. Various items are available over the counter but we cannot guarantee hot food will be available unless it is ordered.

### Breakfast Menu – NOT AVAILABLE AFTER 8:30am

Even though it is not printed on the 2015 Menu we do offer a small breakfast menu that can be purchased before school up until 8:30am. Please do not ask for Breakfast Menu items from 8:30am onwards as refusal often offends.

### 2015 Breakfast Menu – UP TO 8:30AM

Pikelet	\$0.50	Breaker Flavoured Milk	\$2.50
Hash Brown	\$1.00	Up & Go	\$2.50
Juice (small)	\$1.00	<b>TERM 3 ONLY</b>	
Juice (large)	\$1.50	Hot Chocolate	\$1.50

### Uniform Shop News

**Open Hours** - 8:00am – 9:30am Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and 2:30pm to 4pm every Wednesday afternoon. Payment can be made by cash or EFTPOS only, we CANNOT accept cheques.

**Secondhand Uniforms** - If you have any uniforms at home that your children no longer wear or fit into and if they are good enough for someone else to use please drop them into either the office or the uniform shop as we are always in need of secondhand stock.

### NO CREDIT FACILITIES

It is policy that the Uniform Shop and Tuckshop CANNOT offer credit to parents, students or staff. So please avoid an awkward situation by not asking staff for credit. Thank you.

## Community Notices



### Rugby – RECRUITING NOW:



Logan City Rugby Union Club are recruiting now - Seniors, Colts and Junior Players. 200 Queens Road, Slacks Creek. For more info call 3299 4793 or email [logancityregistrar@hotmail.com](mailto:logancityregistrar@hotmail.com). We are also on Facebook.

\$150 vouchers available through the "Get Started" grant to help with membership fees. For a "Get Started" application form go to [www.nprsr.qld.gov.au](http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au).

**Soccer** - Slacks Creek Soccer Club are currently looking for more Under 12s players for their upcoming season. If there are any boys and girls to join the mixed gender team interested please contact Michelle Fisher Asap [michelleparnaby@hotmail.com](mailto:michelleparnaby@hotmail.com) or [juniors@slackscreeksoccerclub.com.au](mailto:juniors@slackscreeksoccerclub.com.au). Registration is \$275. Training is Tuesday and Thursday with the option to attend extra development training. Slacks Creek also offers a skills program open to all (external members inc) on a Monday night. \$99 for the 20 week program run by licensed coaching. <http://www.slackscreeksoccerclub.com.au> Slacks Creek Soccer Club offers quality football programs within a family environment for all ages and abilities ranging from 3yo squirts through to men's and women's senior competitions.

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