



Warrenheip Primary School Newsletter

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DATES TO REMEMBER

February

Fri	14	Futsal Clinic
Fri	14	Welcome BBQ and sports 5 – 7.30pm
Mon	17	School Council meeting 6pm
Fri	21	'The Amazing Race' at Lake Dewar
Thu	27	School Photographs

March

Fri	06	Cross Country
Mon	09	Labour Day Holiday
Tue	10	Pupil Free Day

? Weekly Puzzle ?

Which is the odd one out?

FLY LEAP FLAP RUN FLOAT

Last week's winner: Well done Joel, you found Edam cheese!

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Here at school we have had a great week, continuing to get set up in the classroom for 2020 and helping the kids get to grips with their new classes (for some) and new class mates (for all). The big kids are studying natural disasters this term in a project called "It's the End of the World as we Know It.." and they seem to be enjoying all the doom and gloom of tsunamis and blizzards etc! We have had a second trial of our new musical instruments (bought thanks to a grant from the Victorian government) and this week we practised playing really really quietly (!)

This year is promising to be a very busy one indeed for me as I am back to one day a week in the office, which is not really enough time to get everything done. With a school review to get through as well this year I will have to grab some extra time out of the classroom on at least a couple of occasions and will probably work from home then too. I will let the kids know in plenty of time when that is likely to happen to try to minimise disruptions.

There are a huge number of additions to this newsletter. Unfortunately, at the beginning of the year there is just a lot of admin to get through, and it comes on top of all the usual activities at school.

This week I am sending home the annual generic permission forms – one for local excursions and the other for use of the children's pictures. Local excursions mean anything that we can get to on foot – if we have to hire a bus we will ask for a separate permission. Regarding the pictures, I'm sure that you are aware that we never use surnames to identify the children, and on social media or the school website there are no names at all. If you have any concerns regarding these please let me know.

In the envelopes which we are sending home you will find a summary of the personal information we have for your children and yourselves. Please please take the time to check that we have the right phone numbers, addresses etc. It is very difficult indeed if we are trying to contact you for a sick or

injured child and we can't get through because you changed your mobile number and we don't know. If there are no changes feel free to dispose of the printouts as you wish, but any changes or mistakes just change the printout and send it back to school so we can update our records.

This week also sees the permission form for our excursion to Lake Dewar Lodge, near Pikes Creek at Myrning. We went there last year also for the "Amazing Race" activities and the children had such a good time that we are going back again. Please remember that the day got very wet last year so the kids need a change of clothes with them! I would also like to point out that the actual cost of the excursion is \$66 per student including transport, but Parent's Club are subsidising that down to a \$20 charge. This is why we need lots of help with our fundraising efforts through the year.

Finally, next Friday will be a hot lunch day so please return your forms as soon as possible.

*Have a great weekend,
Arthur Lane*