

Dear Parents and Community Members,

We are coming to the end of week 6 as I write this and it seems hard to believe that 6 weeks of term have gone by! What with our school review getting in the way for us and the snap lockdown mucking us all around it has been a most interesting term so far. We very much hope that things will settle down so that we can start to get the school in to a more settled routine.

This week we had Lindsay and Kym from My School Photos up on Wednesday to take our school photos. It was quite a cold day but we managed to get through the shoot anyway.

Today we had our first hot lunch order in over a year. We were all very excited to be able to share a pie or sausage roll this lunchtime and we are very grateful to Samantha and Tamara for taking on the task. Thank you!

Sadly our MARC van teacher was unwell today and couldn't come to Warrenheip. The children had to put up with me instead. We will see Ms O next week at cross country and she will be back the week after for our regular day with her. Thanks to the parents who remembered to send in the children's borrowed books, and apologies for the inconvenience.

Please don't forget that next week is a short week for us all. Monday is the Labour day holiday and Tuesday we are pupil free while we work our way through the actions and results of our school review.

Next Friday is the cluster cross country event. The 3-6 children will be at Russel Square and the P-2 kids are going to Lal Lal primary school for their event. Please make sure that all children come along to the cross country event. We do not expect all children to run, but it is really important for children to take part in all of the events in a school.

Children who stay away from these events miss out on a great deal of informal learning and end up feeling much more isolated than their peers, because they have not shared the group activity. As I said, we are not expecting all children to run, but instead to take part in the day and to support their peers who do choose to compete. Thanks for your assistance with getting everyone to school next Friday!

The following week we have a school council meeting on Monday night; on the Tuesday the 5 / 6 children will be participating in the Preparation for Puberty program; Prep – 3 children are having their eyes checked under the 'glasses kids' for program, and on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> we are all off to Lal Lal PS for the day for the Life Education van visit. The children always love meeting healthy Harold the giraffe, and they will participate in various age appropriate activities through the day. The permission form comes home today in hard copy.

I hope you all enjoy a good long weekend. The Prep kids especially could do with a break as they have been working very hard lately to adapt to all the different routines etc at school.

See you next Wednesday!

Have a great weekend, Arthur Lane