



# Warrenheip Primary School Newsletter

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### February

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| Mon | 18 | School Council 6pm              |
| Tue | 19 | Amazing Race excursion          |
| Fri | 22 | Orienteering session 2          |
| Thu | 28 | Grade 5 Sovereign Hill (2 days) |

### March

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| Fri | 1  | Orienteering session 3   |
| Tue | 5  | School Photos            |
| Thu | 7  | Life Education van visit |
| Mon | 11 | Labour Day holiday       |
| Tue | 12 | PUPIL FREE DAY           |

- We are a Sun-smart school: please wear a hat in Term 1!
- Pupil Free day Tuesday 12 March.

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"What's done cannot be undone."

Shakespeare

*Dear Parents and Community Members,*

Welcome back after another fun-packed week at Warrenheip! This week the Grade 3 – 6 children went out to the Ballarat Library for the launch of the Bulldogs Read program. Apart from the bus being late for our pick-up it was a great session. The children heard from some of the players and got given some freebies. There was a signing session and two of our students got their picture in the Courier!

Before that, last Friday night saw the return of the welcome back BBQ. It was really lovely to see everyone here enjoying themselves and having fun, whilst hopefully making some connections across our fabulous little community. A school like Warrenheip is only as strong as our community so I was absolutely stoked to see what a success the night was! Many thanks to the parents who helped out with bringing in supplies, cooking and serving the BBQ and cleaning up afterwards. By the way, I would love a copy of the recipe for the slice with the

cornflake cake underneath and the caramel on top – it was absolutely delicious!!

This term is not only going to be a busy one for the children, it is also very busy for me. There are quite a number of days when I have to be out of the school for various reasons and I hope that you will bear with me while I am away. It's hard to juggle the different demands of being a teacher *and* a principal and sometimes this means that I'm out of the classroom more often than I'd like – this term is one of those. Please bear in mind that I'm really picky about who I get in to replace myself, and I always try to get someone who will keep the children's learning going along without disruption.

On the subject of staff, you may have noticed this week that Mrs Helen Collins was teaching the older children yesterday. Helen will be here every Thursday this term allowing for the children in 3-6 to be split up for literacy and maths four days a week. I'm really pleased to have Mrs Collins with us: she is a very experienced and highly skilled teacher who will make a very valuable addition to our team.

School council will meet on Monday night at 6pm. Today I am sending home information about the process of school council elections as well as a self-nomination form. If you are interested in helping out on school council please fill in the form and return before next Friday (22<sup>nd</sup>). We will only need to hold an election if there are more volunteers than places. I am assuming that existing councillors are happy to 'roll over' again but please let me know if you can't!

Also this week are the forms for CSEF and Conveyance allowance. Please let me know if you want any help or advice with either of these government assistance programs.

Finally, Grade 5 children have their Sovereign Hill permissions coming home today – please return as soon as possible!

*Have a great weekend,  
Arthur Lane*