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| **DATES TO REMEMBER** | |
| May |  |
| Mon 03 | School Council meeting 6pm |
| Fri 07 | Athletic Sports (Llanberris) |
| Tue 11 | NAPLAN starts |
| Fri 14 | Winter Sport |
|  | Divisional Cross Country competition |
| Tue 18 | Somers Camp departs |
| Thu 20 | GRIP Student Leadership conference (G6) |
| Mon 31 | School Council meeting 6pm |

*Dear Parents and Community Members,*

Welcome to the first newsletter of term 2. I hope that everyone had a good Easter break and that you managed to find some time to recharge and relax. Term 2 is often quite busy in a school; many of my meetings and conferences get scheduled in term 2 and for the children there is NAPLAN, school assessments and semester reports.

At the beginning of this term we have been talking a lot in class about respect. Respect is one of our school values and we felt that we needed to chat to the children about what it means to show respect – to other students, to our school and its environment, and to our staff here at Warrenheip. It can be a tricky idea to get a hold of, especially for younger people, and we will be re-visiting Respect over the course of this term.

We have really enjoyed the harmonica sessions over the last 2 weeks with Chris, and we have also been busy with the installation of our solar panels this week. Today the 3 – 6 children are playing winter sports on a very non-wintery day and I hope that they will enjoy themselves.

Next Friday is the athletic sports event for 2021. You would have received the note for this last week, but I wanted to remind you all that there is no transport for this event – children need to be dropped off at the Llanberris sports ground by 8.45am, and should be picked up again at 2.30pm. Children who want to run the 1500M race will need to be at the ground by 8.20am. Thank you to those who have already volunteered to help out on the day. The children have a very busy program, with older children taking part in athletics and the younger kids doing some easier sports. We have to look after groups of kids as well as running events, so any and all help on the day is very much appreciated. Please get in touch if you can help.

The week after next the grade 3 and 5 children will be sitting the NAPLAN tests. NAPLAN is a federal assessment of children’s abilities in english and maths and comes around every year. We try not to pay too much attention to it here at Warrenheip as it really doesn’t provide us with any information that we don’t already know from other sources. Children can find it quite stressful to sit these sorts of tests, so if your child seems worried please reassure them that all they need to do is have a go, and not to worry about the results at all. In any case, we won’t get the results until much later in the year, perhaps September. If you have any concerns please get in touch and I can chat further about this.

Also coming with this newsletter are a flyer from Tim Nelson for private music lessons at school, and some information about the AEDC collection. This only applies to children in grade Prep.

Finally, a few reminders. School council will meet on Monday night at 6pm. Book club is due on Friday 14th, and so are the grade 6 transition forms which I have to send on to your chosen secondary schools. Also, please don’t forget the Bunnings BBQ on Saturday 22nd – we could really do with some more helpers, especially in the afternoon. Thanks!

*Have a great weekend,*

*Arthur Lane*

**Puzzle time!**

**Steve and Lisa each have a bag with the same number of lollies in it. How many lollies does Steve need to give Lisa so that she has 2 more lollies than him?**

No takers on the last puzzle – the answer was “yes”