



# Warrenheip Primary School Newsletter

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### March

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| Mon | 23 | Easter Raffle donations due back |
| Fri | 27 | Easter Raffle Draw               |
| Fri | 27 | End of Term 1 - 2.30pm finish    |

### April

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| Mon | 13 | Easter Monday (Holiday) |
| Tue | 14 | Start term 2 (TUESDAY!) |
| Wed | 22 | Harmonica incursion (1) |
| Wed | 29 | Harmonica incursion (2) |

## ? Weekly Puzzle ?

If Sally is taller than Jane but shorter than Sarah, who is the tallest?

Last week's winner: No – one guessed "Multiple Choice" this week!

*Dear Parents and Community Members,*

The supermarket shelves may be bare, but life at Warrenheip PS goes on this week as normal. This has been a somewhat trying week for all Australians and when we are anxious and upset ourselves it is easy for the children to pick up on that emotion at home and to become anxious and upset themselves. We have seen a little of that this week at school but everything has been dealt with and the Easter break is nearly on us with a time to unwind and take stock.

I have put together an outline of the latest (last night) advice concerning the Corona Virus, and have attached it to the newsletter today, together with the latest letter from the Chief Medical Officer as posted on Facebook yesterday. As of today we are still expecting to be back at school next week and next term as normal. Sadly all of our excursions have been cancelled, so there will be no Athletic sports or Winter sports next term. Incursions will still go ahead, but I see on the news today that the NAPLAN test has

been cancelled for this year, which will no doubt deeply disappoint the children in grades 3 and 5...On the other hand, I do not expect that the Grade 5 visit to Sovereign Hill will go ahead; I will confirm this when I can.

This week we have been continuing with our usual round of teaching and learning. On Tuesday the P-2 children learned a little about St Patrick's day. The upper grades have been preparing for NAPLAN (!) and finishing off our project on Natural Disasters. Students have been running disaster drills at school and more will take place next term.

Next week Mr Harvey will be in the 5 – 6 room in my place as I begin the preparations for the School Review in Term 3. He is new to Warrenheip but has worked in other schools in the district including Buninyong PS and he is keen to meet our Warrenheip students.

Many thanks to the parents who have already brought in donations for the Easter raffle. If you are able to get around the supermarkets this weekend

please don't forget your school and our fundraising efforts if possible. I understand that this is a very difficult time for us all but it would be great to keep some elements of normality going for the children's sake and we will be very grateful for your efforts. Donations can be left in the staff kitchen.

Today we had a visit from this year's visiting artist Julia Walsh who is part of "The Song Room" team. This is the organisation that we got our music grant from at the beginning of this year. Julia has a strong musical background and will be helping to make our lessons really swing!

Next Friday is the last day of term and will be an early finish. School ends at 2,30pm next Friday. Friday will be a casual clothes day with the possibility of a movie after literacy time.

Don't forget that school is scheduled to start back on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April. I will be in touch if that changes!

*Have a great weekend,  
Arthur Lane*