

## Warrenheip Primary School Newsletter

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

<u>June</u>		
Mon	8	Public Holiday – Queens Birthday
Tue	9	Grade 3 - 6 return to school
Fri	12	Kelly Sport pm
Fri	19	Kelly Sport pm
Fri	26	Kelly Sport pm
		Last day of term – 2.30pm finish
July		
Mon	13	Start term 3
Mon	27	School Council meeting 6pm

Given the current circumstances,
what should we do on the last day of
this term?

If anyone has any ideas, please SMS to 0409 821 623 or let us know some other way!

<u>Suggestions Wanted</u>

As you know, we usually celebrate the end of term with a "bring a plate" school party.

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Welcome to the first newsletter in what seems like a very long time! I want to start by saying thank you for the support you have given us over this difficult period of remote learning. Such support from parents has boosted staff morale and helped us get through. We know that we didn't get everything right, but I am so proud of what this marvellous team of teachers achieved under great pressure, in an unprecedented situation.

I am enormously proud of our students, who have had to adjust to a new way of learning in the midst of an international crisis, became separated from their friends, and yet have stepped up and met the challenge. What an amazing group of young people.

Finally, I am totally inspired by the way the entire school community has come together in the spirit of mutual support and kindness. I hope the partnership that we have seen emerge between us all will be sustained into the future. There will be a number of changes to the way that we operate over the coming weeks. The first big change is that this newsletter will not be sent home in hardcopy. I will email it to all families on a Friday and put it on Facebook as normal.

Last week I sent home guidelines for the way we will look after everyone now that we are all coming back to school. The Guidelines are available on the school website just underneath this newsletter. Please take the time to make yourself familiar with the procedures in those guidelines, especially for sick children. Please remember that children who have a temperature over 38C will be sent home so as to ensure everyone's safety.

School reports this term will look a little different to normal, but will come home in the last week of term. Parent teacher interviews will be held in the first week of next term and will be offered either face to face or via video conference.

Extra cleaning has been arranged at school – all high use

surfaces are being cleaned at lunchtime as well as after school. Please make sure that children bring a drink bottle with them to use at school – we have put the bubble taps out of use until further notice.

Children will be expected to use hand sanitiser regularly during the day. I know that it can irritate skin for some people so we have a supply of alcohol free sanitiser too for those children.

We have had a reported case of head lice at school this week. Please make sure that you check your child's hair if they are already attending, and be alert once they come back.

Finally, many will be wondering about swim and gym next term. At present we are not allowed to go on any excursions at all. If we can get even some of the sessions in towards the end of next term we will try to and I will give you as much notice as possible.

Thanks for your patience while the situation continues to develop!

Have a great weekend, Arthur Lane