



Warrenheip Primary School Newsletter

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DATES TO REMEMBER

June

- Fri 19 Kelly Sport pm
Fri 26 Kelly Sport pm
Last day of term – 2.30pm finish

July

- Mon 13 Start term 3
Thu 16 Parent teacher interviews
Mon 27 School Council meeting 6pm
Wed 29 Community Police visit

WEEKLY PUZZLE

**If yesterday's tomorrow
was Thursday, what day is
it today?**

Dear Parents and Community Members,

This week we have been enjoying having all the children back at school at last. We have been using the time to get to know where everyone is up to, and to get used to the school routines again after over 2 months away. It is great to see that most children have thrived during the lockdown and are pleased to come back to see their friends.

We have had a few small teething troubles as the children adapt to the way that they have to compromise and co-operate when they are playing together but on the whole the return has been very smooth and stress free!

As we go through the rest of this term we will concentrate on getting our routines back to normal and getting used to face to face teaching again. I commented to the grade 3 – 6 children that it was ironic that we were studying 'Natural Disasters' in term 1 when the pandemic interrupted us. It will affect our teaching in term 3 also

as we would normally have been studying the Olympic games. Instead we will do some science and make the best of the situation.

As I mentioned last week, we are trying to minimise the amount of assessment we hit the kids with this term, and so when you get your school report this term it will look a bit different. The most obvious difference is that there will not be any 'dots' to show an A – E grade for the children. Instead we will describe for you the work that has been done and what progress had been made and children in the upper grades will be contributing their own comments to the reports. We are planning to hold parent teacher interviews as usual in the first week back and we will observe increased social distancing and cleaning for that day, as well as offering the option to video conference the interview.

The renovation of the art shed is really coming along now – the plasterers have finished and after a little more carpentry the painters will be in. It is very exciting to see the progress being made and we are starting

to think about how we could celebrate the re-opening of the shed once it's all done. I think we may have to wait a while so that parents and other community members can join us but in the meantime any suggestions would be gratefully received.

Many thanks to the parents who took the time to complete the "remote learning" survey the other week, your responses are very much appreciated and we will look to learn as much as we can from them. Can I ask again that those of you who couldn't do this last time try to find 10 minutes to complete the survey this weekend? I will put the link in the email which this is attached to.

There are two other attachments this week – the more important concerns the sanitary dispenser which has been installed in the girls toilet. Please read the information that is included this week and get in touch if you have any concerns at all.

*Have a great weekend,
Arthur Lane*