

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Welcome back to Warrenheip for term 2! I hope that everyone managed to get some down time over Easter. Term 2 has a number of important school milestones in it: students in grades 4 – 6 will complete the Student Attitudes to School survey, while students in Grades 3 and 5 have NAPLAN in mid-May. After that there will be some school based testing before teachers write the semester 1 reports.

This first newsletter is a particularly busy one as we have several things coming up that we need to let you know about.

Firstly, there is a permission form attached for the Athletic Sports next Friday. This is held at Llanberris and parents need to drop their children off directly to Llanberris by 8.45am, and be back to pick up again around 2pm. We will need a couple of parent helpers on the day so please consider lending a hand to run the shot put event or to help out with the tabloid sports for the younger kids.

You would have seen on the news over the break that a general election has been called for Saturday 18 May. This means that we will once again be running a cake stall and an early morning BBQ. A request for help has come home today - please consider lending a hand to help raise much needed funds for your child's school. Please also start to bake ahead and freeze goodies for the cake stall. We had a fabulous spread last time round and it would be fantastic if we could do even better this year.

With Mother's Day coming up it is time to be thinking about gifts for Sunday 12th. Samantha (Xavier's mum) will be helping us out this year and the gifts look set to be lovely, so look out for the permission form today.

On Thursday 9th May we will be holding a Crazy Hair day to raise money for the Fiona Elsey Cancer Research Institute here in Ballarat. Please see the flyer which is attached and try to do a bit of fundraising among family and friends. Donations can be sent in to school where they will be rewarded with balloons and wristbands, or can be made online at fecri.org.au. Just follow the links to the Warrenheip PS donation page!

We have now applied for tickets to the Bulldogs game at Mars on 11 May. To promote the game the bulldogs are running a colouring competition which is attached and needs to be returned before next Friday.

Congratulations to David (first in) and Joslene (very complete explanation) for the response to the weekly puzzle from before Easter. To only travel on three legs of a journey (South, West and then North again) and return to your starting point you would have to start at the North Pole. That would make the bear a Polar bear, and the answer was 'White'! There's a new puzzle this week. answers from Monday morning!

Have a great weekend, Arthur Lane