

## **Warrenheip Primary School**

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

<u>May</u>		
Fri	10	Winter Sports 1
T/W/T 14, 15,16		NAPLAN
Fri	17	Winter Sport 2
Sat	18	Election Day stall
Fri	24	Winter Sport 3
<u>June</u>		
Mon	3	School Council meeting 6pm
Mon	10	Queen's Birthday holiday
Tue	11	Pupil Free day
Fri	14 (tbc)	Whitten Oval excursion

## ? Weekly Puzzle ?

A bank had a scale that was balanced when there were 3 gold bars on one side of the scale and one gold bar and a 10kg weight on the other side. If the gold bars are all the same, what does one bar weigh?

Last week's winner: Aiden, Joel and David all guessed "Puss in Boots". These are too easy!

Dear Parents and Community Members,

I said at the end of last week's newsletter that I would trial uploading it to Facebook. Sadly, that trial failed at the first hurdle when I then discovered that I couldn't! Sorry to anyone who went looking. I'm going to have another go this week and see how we get on.

This week we have been preparing the Grade 3 and 5 children for the NAPLAN assessments which are held next week. Parents of children in grades 3 and 5 will get a note in this newsletter to explain more. I would just like to add that while we are keen for all the children to take the NAPLAN, I really don't want anyone to get too stressed over it.

NAPLAN is only a tiny snapshot of your child's capabilities on one particular day. It doesn't measure sense of humour, generosity, ability to smile, or many other things that could make a great human being. The reports are an important part of a school's assessment of its

progress, but not so important that children's mental health should be affected.

Over the next few weeks children in grades 4, 5 and 6 will take part in the annual Attitudes to School Survey. This is another of the things that the system measures us by but it is not in the least stressful for the kids, and is completely anonymous from start to finish.

Crazy Hair day today was a huge success! The kids loved showing off their new 'dos, and they all looked fantastic. As well as that we have raised over \$100 in support of Fiona Elsey Cancer Research. A fabulous result!

Election day is only just over a week away now so please remember our fundraising efforts for the day. Donations for the cake stall should be delivered to the school no earlier than next Friday. We will need a list of ingredients please and no cream or other perishable contents. This is usually a major fundraiser for the school so please help as much as you can.

Also, we still need helpers for the cake stall and the BBQ on the day. I am re-sending the volunteer form home today just in case you have misplaced it. Please try to give an hour of your time to help raise funds for your child's school.

We are now officially collecting stickers from the Woolworths "Earn and Learn" program. Warrenheip has a collection box at the branch in the centre of town and we can also accept tickets here at school. Are you able to help? We would be very grateful indeed!

I hope that tomorrow's winter sport is not rained off – I have to be in Melbourne tomorrow and Mr Molloy will be here. There will be more winter sport next Friday also.

Finally a reminder that book club is due back at school next Friday. as are the Grade 6 transition forms. Many thanks to those who have already sent them back.

Have a great weekend, Arthur Lane