



Warrenheip Primary School Newsletter

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DATES TO REMEMBER

May

Sat 18 Election Day stall

Fri 24 Winter Sport 3

June

Mon 3 School Council meeting 6pm

Mon 10 Queen's Birthday holiday

Tue 11 Pupil Free day

Fri 14 Whitten Oval excursion (3 – 6)

Tue 18 Bulldogs HQ excursion (3 – 6)

Responsible Pet Ownership (all)

Thu 20 Library Excursion (Bulldogs Read)

? Weekly Puzzle ?

Mary Ellen has 7 guests at her birthday party and everyone wants a piece of cake. How can Mary Ellen cut the cake into 8 pieces if she's only allowed to make three straight cuts and she can't move the pieces as she cuts them?

Last week's winner: Joel – well done!

Dear Parents and Community Members,

It has been a busy and fulfilling week this week. Well done to all the children who took part in the NAPLAN testing this week. It is never easy to attempt an external assessment like this but the children really took it in their stride and will have learned some lessons about resilience and 'having a go'. This afternoon we had a glorious day for a winter sports session – winter weather like this makes me really glad to live in Australia.

Next week we are quiet and steady with only the winter sports session on Friday to break things up. To accommodate winter sports we will have a hot lunch on Thursday next week again – forms are attached.

This week we had a bit of a moment when we discovered that some of the mastic which holds the glass in to the windows of the old portable (not the one the children learn in!) had become old and was breaking up. This was concerning

because the mastic was made back when it was acceptable for asbestos fibres to be added to the glue. We reported this the same day to the departments 'make safe' contractor who came straight out and removed all of the possibly contaminated material and re-sealed the windows. If you noticed the warning tape this week that was for the clean-up. We have been given the all clear by the monitoring people who assure us that everything is safe and 100% useable, but it was better to be safe than sorry.

I have been working this week on the 2020 parent handbook and have made an addition to it, as part of the recommendations for homework, which I am sending home to you all this week. It is called '50 things...' and is a list of things that you could consider helping your child to experience while they are still young enough to enjoy them. Next year's new families will get the list as part of the handbook so I wanted to share it with you first. Any comments or feedback are most welcome.

We have been pleased to welcome Miss Georgie Finch to

our school this week. Miss Finch is a student teacher who will be with us for another 3 weeks. Unusually (for a student) Georgie is actually a fully registered teacher already who is re-qualifying in the primary area. Because of this she will not need the same level of supervision as a 'real' student so if your children tell you that she has been left alone with them in the classroom that is why; in fact she is working in other schools as a casual staff member too!

Also joining us next week only is my daughter Frances. Frances is doing work experience here at Warrenheip and I have made a list of jobs to keep her busy!

A short and sweet newsletter today as I was kept busy with winter sport which I hope that the children enjoyed!

*Have a great weekend,
Arthur Lane*