

DATES TO REMEMBER

Fri	Mar 31 st	Term 1 ends: 2.30pm finish
Tue	Apr 18 th	Term 2 starts
Tue	Apr 25 th	ANZAC day public holiday
Fri	Apr 28 th	Winter Sport
Mon	May 1 st	School Council meeting 6pm
Wed	May 3 rd	Marine Discovery Centre Queenscliff
Thu	May 4 th	Life Ed. Van visit
Fri	May 5 th	Athletic Sports (Llanberris)

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty."

Winston S. Churchill

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Term 1 is over! What an adventure it has been for me, and such a pleasure too. We have had an action packed term with heaps going on, and we are already setting up for more events and activities next term. The first of those are in the dates section above.

School Review

The final day of the school review took place last Friday. It is a big meeting, with the Reviewer, a representative from the Department, two other Principals as well as representation from school council and the school staff. We now wait for the reviewer to send us his final report so that we can begin to make the first plans for the next 4 years. The report itself will be presented to school council once it arrives. Thank you to all who took the time to be part of the review process, both this year and last. Whether you attended the panel day, or simply made the effort to complete a survey, your input will help to make Warrenheip Primary School a better place; thank you!

School Portal

We are in the process of setting up a portal which will gradually begin to help you with many of the communications to and from school. Eventually there will be many reasons to use the portal, but for now, we are intending to start with a calendar and news function. This will mean that parents can receive email updates on things that are important at school, like hot lunches, casual clothes days, excursions, etc. To get this set up could I ask you all to please provide us with the preferred email address for communication with you? If you would like both parents to receive an email that is fine - just give us both addresses, but if you only want one reminder then one address will do. The best way to do this is to send us an email (Warrenheip.ps@edumail.vic.gov. au) or use the 'contact' page on the school website, or the 'contact' button on the Facebook page.

At this stage we cannot use SMS to send out news items because we are not paying for that part of the portal.

While we get things set up please be aware that the normal

newsletter will still continue to be issued every week (or as often as I can write it!) so please continue to look out for it in your child's school bag on a Friday.

<u>Reminder</u>

Please don't forget that next term starts on Tuesday 18th April to allow for the Easter weekend.

Finally, I have just been told that I will be staying on as Principal of Warrenheip PS once Andrew officially retires in May. I am very happy indeed to be given this fantastic opportunity. I have been made to feel so welcome here this term and I have really enjoyed the new challenge of this great little school so it is wonderful to be able to stay on to help the WPS community move forward over the next few years!

Have a great Easter break, See you next term!

Arthur Lane