Upcoming Events

**FEB**
26th Assembly 12.45pm
6P item performance
Swimming for Sport

**MAR**
11th Assembly 12.45pm
5 DB item performance

**APR**
1st Deadly Australians Visiting Performance

Community Notices
* Clean Up Australia

Notes to be returned
* ICASTests
* Primary Excursion
* General Consent

Quote of the Week

Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.

Henry Ford

Congratulations
Our last week at Warialda Public School has been a genuine mix of exciting activities and engaging learning tasks. As I move around the school, it is incredibly impressive to observe our students participating in tasks that are extending their learning needs. It is also very satisfying to see just how quickly our students have settled in to the routines of a new school year. Congratulations boys and girls!

In the lead up to our swimming carnival, our students had the opportunity to elect the 2016 Sporting House Leaders. I am very pleased to announce that the Rose Sport House Leaders are Cooper Rose, Grace Sleiman (Captain's), Jack Williams and Paige Collings-Hall (Vice-Captains). The Cleal Sporting House Leaders are Darcy Wood, Kaylee Mintoff (Captain's), Isaac Armstrong and Siobhan Potter (Vice-Captain's). I know that these students will do a tremendous job in leading their respective houses.

Last Monday, our students and army of parent helpers braved 40 plus degree heat to hold our annual swimming carnival. Whilst the scoring was incredibly close, Rose House recorded a hard fought victory to claim the title of Champion House for 2016. Each and every race was contested with impressive sportsmanship. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this wonderful event. A more detailed overview of results is included in this newsletter.

Over the past two weeks, I have been conducting trials to select our PSSA Cricket 1st XI. The trials have been open to all boys from Year 3 to 6. It has finally been possible to select a team. Congratulations to Isaac Armstrong (c), Will Mayne, Charlie Horn, Jack Digby, Jack Williams, Alex Waller, Toby Bell, Logan Biddle, Travis Clarke, Cooper Rose, Angus Digby and Will Jones (12th Man) who will contest this years knockout competition. Moree East Public School forfeited their scheduled fixture meaning we progress to the second round. The second round fixture will be played against Moree Public School in Warialda in the next fortnight. Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the trials.

On Wednesday afternoon, our students participated in a brilliant workshop (visiting show) – A Blaze of Science. The show was truly spectacular with students awestruck by the amazing scientific experiments conducted. It was very pleasing to see just how excited the students were by the subject of science. Who knows, perhaps some of our students may have been inspired to pursue a career in a scientific field?

This week, 6P will host the very first assembly of 2016. Our fortnightly assemblies are a sensational way for the school to acknowledge the achievements of students. It is also an opportunity for students to showcase their talents! Due to our weekly swimming program, this weeks assembly will commence at 11:50am. Please join us at this special event!

It has been very pleasing to look at the statistics relating to the Skoolbag App that our school is now utilising. In the past week, the number of people using this application has nearly doubled. Each week, the application is developing complexity and serving more and more functions. Parents are able to access all school notes (including the general consent form) and inform the school of student absences. If you have not already downloaded this app, I would encourage you to do so.

All classes within the school have commenced their homework program. All classes use a consistent layout of a homework grid. The benefits of using a consistent layout for homework are many. Most importantly though, it means from year to year, students and parents are presented with a document that is familiar and they understand how the process works. This year, one of the grids on the homework sheet is dedicated to our PBL program. This has been included to further reinforce the values being taught at school.

Whilst it is still a few weeks away, please ensure that you have pencilled into your calendar, Wednesday the 9th of March from 5:30pm to 6:30pm for an opportunity to meet the teacher. I genuinely believe that this will be a wonderful opportunity to further strengthen the relationship between our brilliant school and wider school community. A successful school is one where the relationships between the school and parent community is strong.

Have a productive and rewarding week!

Kind regards,

Dan van Velthuizen
On Monday the 15th of February, our school hosted the annual swimming carnival. Despite the temperature soaring to 40 degrees, our children participated with impressive enthusiasm. A special thank you to each and every volunteer who assisted throughout the day. Without your generous assistance, it would simply have been impossible to run the carnival.

Thank you also to Mr Allan Colley for his assistance in officiating as Referee at the carnival and for all of his help in setting up for the event.

Congratulations to all of our boys and girls who showed impressive sportsmanship. A real highlight was hearing students encouraging each other with such a genuine sense of caring.

**Champions**

Junior Boys Runner Up – Lachlan Mayne  
Junior Boys Champion - William Reardon  
Junior Girls Runner Up - Mia Montgomery  
Junior Girls Champion - Ally Horn  
11 Years Boys Runner Up - Darcy Wood  
11 Years Boys Champion - Toby Bell  
11 Years Girls Runner Up - Liliana Reardon  
11 Years Girls Champion - Georgia Curtis  
Senior Boys Runner Up - Charlie Horn  
Senior Boys Champion - Will Mayne  
Senior Girls Runner Up - Lacey Smith  
Senior Girls Champion - Abbie Kent

2016 Champion House - Rose

**Warialda Public School 2016 District Swimming Squad:**

Isaac ARMSTRONG, Harry BARWICK, Toby BELL, Tom BELL, Brendan COOK, Georgia CURTIS, Angus DIGBY, Lisa DIGBY, Imogen HALL, Luke HALL, Sam HALL, Sophie HALL, Austyn HANSEN-BROWN, Ally HORN, Charlie HORN, Abbie KENT, Lucy LOCKYER, Lachlan MAYNE, Will MAYNE, Brayden MILLER, Mia MONTGOMERY, Scarlett NIEDDU, Siobhan POTTER, Liliana REARDON, William REARDON, Cooper ROSE, Taeya ROSE, Lilee SANKEY, Lacey SMITH, Jack WILLIAMS, Darcy WOOD.
# P & C News

## Canteen Menu - New Items

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These can now be purchased at the canteen.

## WPS P & C AGM

Thursday 10th March 2016  
5.00pm in the School Library  
All Welcome

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# Notices

## PBL Draw - Week 2

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WARIALDA PUBLIC SCHOOL

GENERAL CONSENT NOTE - 2016

I hereby do give / do not give permission for my child/children to participate in walking excursions within the township of Warialda which are from time to time organised by the school and which have the approval of the Principal.

Student Name: ______________________________________ Class: _______
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Parent/Caregiver Name: _______________________________ Date: ___/___/___
Signed: ____________________________________________

CONSENT TO PUBLISH YOUR CHILD’S PHOTOGRAPH - 2016

I hereby do give / do not give permission for my child’s photograph to be published in: the school newsletter/the Warialda Standard/DET journals/the school’s website. I understand that no names will be published accompanying photographs on the school website.

Student Name: ______________________________________ Class: _______
Student Name: ______________________________________ Class: _______
Student Name: ______________________________________ Class: _______
Parent/Caregiver Name: _______________________________ Date: ___/___/___
Signed: ____________________________________________

CONSENT FOR YOUR CHILD’S TO WATCH PG MOVIES – 2016

I hereby do give / do not give permission for my child/children to watch PG rated movies at school which have the approval of the Principal.

Student Name: ______________________________________ Class: _______
Student Name: ______________________________________ Class: _______
Student Name: ______________________________________ Class: _______
Parent/Caregiver Name: _______________________________ Date: ___/___/___
Signed: ____________________________________________

PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN BACK TO SCHOOL ASAP. THANK YOU.
Community Notices

Clean Up Australia Day – March 6th

Warialda Lions Club has registered a site for this year’s Clean up Australia Day and invite any interested people to get involved.

We will commence at 10am and will spend around an hour focussing on different areas of the town.

We will meet at Captain Cook Park and volunteers will need suitable footwear, hat, drink bottle and gloves. We will have limited rubbish bags to distribute. Children will need to be under the supervision of a responsible adult.

Since the National Event commenced in 1990, Australians have donated more than 28.2 million hours, removing an estimated 302,213 tonnes of rubbish from 151,909 sites across the country.

We are fortunate to live in the beautiful area of Warialda but unfortunately some people are not responsible with rubbish disposal and this can be seen throughout our community and its waterways. Together we can make a difference and give up an hour or so of our time to help make a difference to our community.

For any further information please contact 0427 414 627