From the Principal

End of Term 1
As this is the last issue of Jumbunna for the term I would like to thank the students and teachers for their commitment to excellence over the last ten weeks. As we move forward to the introduction of the new Australian Curriculum for K-10 in 2014 the school is developing the skills required by all students to be successful members of their communities and country. Critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, initiative and imagination are central to every student's development at Warren Central School. It is very heartening to see attendance rates on the rise and the number of days lost to suspension dramatically on the decline.

I trust that every member of the school community will have a safe and enjoyable school vacation. School will resume for all students on Wednesday 1 May 2013. The staff will be participating in a number of professional learning workshops and planning sessions on the Monday and Tuesday.

ANZAC Day
As in previous years Warren Central School will be attending the town's ANZAC Day March on Thursday 25 April 2013. As this falls during the holidays we would like to see as many students as possible being a part of this important community event. Students must be in full school uniform and meet outside the United Services Club car-park at 10:30am on the day. Mrs Taylor will be coordinating the school's participation in this year’s march.

P&C President
At last week’s P&C Annual General Meeting elections were held for office-bearers for the 2013 school year. Unfortunately the position of President was unable to be filled. This is a very important position within the school community and I ask all parents and carers to seriously consider nominating for this position. The P&C does a magnificent job in providing opportunities to extend the learning potential of the students. The role is very rewarding and previous presidents have enjoyed the position. If you are interested in the position please contact me on 6847 4438 during business hours and I can discuss aspects of the role with you.

Children’s Dental Clinic
In the last edition of Jumbunna I attached some very important information about this wonderful new program in Warren. The Western NSW Local Health District has launched a new dental service for children in Warren. This service will be available on either a Tuesday or a Friday each fortnight at the Warren Family Health Centre in Lawson Street. I again strongly urge all parents and carers to take advantage of this free dental service.

Updating Information
It is a legal requirement that parents and carers update their contact phone numbers and addresses with the school. This allows us to contact you if there is an emergency or other matter that requires prompt attention. Parents and caregivers must also notify the school of any medical conditions so that in the event of illness or accidents occur your child can receive the best medical treatment available. Please contact the school during school hours to amend your details.

From the Deputy Principal

EVERYDAY
Why is regular attendance at school important?
Regular school attendance will help your child to succeed in later life.

Attending school every day makes learning easier for your child and helps build and maintain friendships with other children.

If your child misses learning the basic skills in the early years of primary or high school, they may develop learning problems in later years.

- 1 day off a week = 10 days a term (2weeks - gone!)
- 1 day off a week over the period of 1 year = most of 1 term - gone!!
- If this pattern starts in Kindergarten and continues through to Year 6 almost 1 and a half years of learning is gone!!
- If this pattern continues through high school students will miss nearly three years of learning.
- If students miss days of learning they reduce the chance of achieving to their academic potential.

Uniform Award
Ruth Cant, Ben Gray, Abbey McCloskey, Ty Arnold and Laura Sayers
K-6 News

Assistant Principal Awards
Kinder – Jerome Amatto-Shepherd, Lillian Bailey, Patrick Barnett, Mason Bond, Bella Gough, Coby Hall, Angus Hendry, Lara Honeysett, Marley Kerr, Riley Price, Daniel Russell (x2), and Ryan Stanley
Year 1/2 – Lilly Higgins, Taylah Rolfe-Coppin
Year 2/3 – Zoe Bailey, Chelsea George (x2), Hunter Leach, Zephyr Nielsen
Year 4/5 – Heath Gough (x6), Katherine Owens, Christopher Buckman
Year 5/6 – Stephen Owens

Principal Awards
Hunter Leach, Taylah Rolfe-Coppin, Daniel Russell, Heath Gough

State Swimming is being held at Homebush this week. We wish all our students the very best in their endeavours.

The Easter Hat Parade
On 28 March 2013 K-6 held an Easter family lunch and Easter hat parade to celebrate Easter. It was wonderful to see so many families come into the school to have lunch with students and see the many amazing hats on display. Kinder were the first to show off their very creative hats setting the bar high for the rest of the primary students. The other classes followed displaying some wonderful modelling skills giving the audience a good laugh. Prefects awarded one prize per class for their chosen category with the prize being a large chocolate Easter bunny.

The winners from each class were:
Kinder- Lara Honeysett
1/2- Taylah Rolfe-Coppin
2/3- Natalie Walters
4/5- Lasharna Toomey
5/6- Jocelyn Gray
The Easter egg hunt was the most anticipated activity with all children getting involved. It was great to see the older students helping the younger ones to fill their hands with tokens to get as many eggs as possible.

Thank you to all staff who helped with all activities and a huge thankyou to Mrs McCormack for running the afternoon and getting last minute things organised.

K-6 would also like to thank the ladies in the canteen for the great lunch they provided.

**Stephen Owens**

**Peak Hill Softball/Cricket Gala**

On the 22 March 2013, 36 students travelled to Peak Hill. When we got to Peak Hill it looked like it may rain. Luckily the rain held off for the entire day.

The four teams included senior girls’ softball, junior girls’ T-ball, senior boys’ cricket and junior boys’ Kanga cricket. The teams went their separate ways to begin their games for the day.

Overall, the senior girls’ softball played well but unfortunately lost both games to some very skilled opponents. The girls showed some great sportsmanship and held their heads high in defeat.

The junior girls’ T-Ball team played with great enthusiasm and were successful in winning one out of two games.

The Kanga cricket team played hard and won one game out of three. Their determination and effort was commendable throughout the day.

The senior boys’ cricket team played well and won one game and lost one game. The boys played with great spirit and skill displaying good sportsmanship at all times.

All students should be proud of the way they represented Warren Central School throughout the day.

Thank you to Mrs Quigley for all her organisation before the gala day. Also, thank you to Mrs Noonan, Mrs Westgarth and Ms Oates for organising and supervising the teams. A huge thank you to our parent helper Mr and Mrs Barnett, Ms Darcy, Ms Kilpatrick and Ms Williams.

**Saranna Fisk**

**Disco**

Our first K-6 Disco is being held on Wednesday 10 April 2013. Cost for the disco is $1 per student and the theme for the night is ‘Stand Out In The Crowd’. Come along and have a fun-filled night of dancing, games, prizes and total enjoyment. The prefects run a canteen at the disco where students can purchase drinks, chips, lollies etc. for a minimal cost. Any proceeds received from events organised by the K-6 Prefect body in 2013 will go towards resources needed to support teaching and learning in the Primary Department as well as to selected charities.

**Rugby 7’s – Warren is hosting a Rugby 7’s Gala Day at Victoria Oval on Thursday 11 April. Felix Weston, Max Irving, Tyrin Darcy-Hutchinson, Kyle McClennahan, Riley Brown, Zeek Peschka, Stephen Owens and Louie Yilmaz will be representing our school at this event.**

**News from the DEC**

**Primary and Secondary Department Easter reading**

Have your kids signed on for the Premiers Reading Challenge? Get a head start with Easter reading time. Booklists are here: What’s your child reading right now?


**April school holidays**

Have you got April school holidays organised yet? It’s not too late to book for a Sport and Recreation Kids’ Camp. Watch the video to see how much fun these kids are having.

Primary Department

Parent-teacher interviews
Have you got a parent teacher interview coming up?
Here are some tips for getting the most out of these important meetings. Prepare a few questions to ask, and walk away with a plan.
Find out more:

School calendar
What’s on when? Stay on top of school holiday, term and state examination dates across NSW.
Find out more:

Secondary Department

Assignment starters A-Z
What projects or essays does your child have that are due by the end of term? One of them could be among the School A-Z website’s assignment starters – resources designed to point you in the right direction.
Find out more:

Buying an e-reader or tablet
E-readers may be a good way to get reluctant readers into books, plus they let you carry your library around with you wherever you go.
Find out more:

Dates for your diary:

Term 1:
2 &3/4/13 State Swimming – Homebush
10/4/13 K-6 Disco
11/4/13 Primary 7’s Rugby Union Gala Day
15/4-26/4/13 HOLIDAYS

Term 2
1/5/13 Students return to School
1/5/13 WCS Public Speaking Competition
3/5/13 WCS Cross Country – Warren Golf Course
14, 15 &16/5/13 NAPLAN – Years 3, 5, 7 & 9
20/5/13 Grip leadership – K-6 Prefects in Dubbo
21/5/13 CWA Public Speaking – Narromine
22/5/13 ICAS Computers
24/5/13 Jack Newton Junior Golf - Golf Clinic – WSC Oval
29/5/13 Netball Challenge - Coonamble
31/5/13 Gobondery/NARRAF Zone Cross Country
5/6/13 ICAS Science
10/6/13 Queen’s Birthday Long Weekend
11/6/13 Tournament of Minds selections begin for both Primary and Secondary
12/6/13 Western Region Cross Country – Wellington
17/6/13 ICAS Writing
18/6/13 ICAS Spelling
21/6/13 Gobondery/NARRAF Zone Touch/Netball – Warren
28/6/13 WCS Athletics K-12 Carnival – Victoria Oval
1/7–12/7/13 HOLIDAYS

Term 3
16/7/13 Students return to School
16/7/13 Tournament of Minds begins
19/7/13 NSW PSSA Cross Country – Eastern Creek
29/7/30/7/13 Life Education
29/7-2/8/13 EDUCATION WEEK
31/7/13 ICAS English
14/8/13 Performance – It’s A Mad World
9/8/13 Gobondery/NARRAF Zone Athletics – Victoria Oval, Warren
13/8/13 ICAS Mathematics
19/8-23/8/13 Book Week
22/8/13 Book Week Assembly
30/8/13 Western Region Athletics
6/9/13 Gobondery/NARRAF Zone soccer Gala Day – Trangie
23/9-4/10/13 HOLIDAYS

Term 4
8/10/13 Students return to School
1/11/13 Gobondery/NARRAF Zone Tennis Gala Day – Tottenham
17/11-22/11/13 STAGE 3 EXCURSIONS – Sovereign Hill, Ballarat

Ms J. Reeves – Assistant Principal Teaching and Learning K-8
Mrs F. McCormack – Assistant Principal Welfare

The Dubbo Science and Engineering Challenge 2013
Twenty five students of Warren Central School had a great opportunity to participate in the Western Plains Science and Engineering Challenge that was held on Thursday, 7 March at the Dubbo Turf Club.

A new initiative in 2013 was the inclusion of celebrity teams where the Dubbo City Council engineers went against a local engineering company, Branson, to prove whose bridge could take the most load.

This was the first time that the Secondary Department of Warren Central had chosen to represent itself without combining with other schools.

The students were all engaged and showed team spirit as they cooperated with fellow members to participate in the eight different challenges. Activities included building a catapult, constructing an earthquake proof tower, lighting up a city using the least amount of wires, designing a plane that could fly the longest distance,
creating an eco-habitech house, designing Mars Buggies that could hold on to a load in rough terrain and creating a car powered by a balloon.

This University of Newcastle outreach program gives participants a realistic view of the nature of Science and helps to bring out the investigative, innovative and creative aspects of students.

Although not a winner, the students found the activities to be rewarding and a satisfying experience.

I would like to thank Mrs Hamilton for the organisation and Mr Davis for helping with the supervision of students on the day.

Mr S. Chandra - Science Teacher

Secondary Sports Report
On Wednesday 20 March Daniel Stanley, Thomas Field, Craig Field and Ty Arnold represented Warren Central School in the CHS Squash Knockout. The first 2 rounds of the competition were held at the Dubbo RSL squash courts. In the first round the boys came up against Dubbo Senior Campus. After some great squash the boys won 3 matches to 1. A highlight was Ty’s commitment throwing
his body all over the court running his opponent around. Craig dominated his opponent in 3 sets.

In round 2 we faced a fresh Narromine High after they had a first round bye. Again the boys played some entertaining squash and were very committed, winning 3 matches to 1. Daniel and Tom both had convincing wins with Tom only dropping 13 points over the whole match.

Good luck to Abbey McCloskey, Jo Marks and Matt Marks who are competing at the CHS state swimming championship this week and Craig and Tom Field in their try outs for Western Zone Rugby League team.

Library Report
Premier's Reading Challenge
Warren Central School students are once again participating in this fantastic program devised to promote reading for students in Kindergarten to Year 9 in NSW. Our school has been participating in this program for the past seven years.

This year we would again encourage all children to participate. There are specially selected books from which the children have to read. Children in Years 3-9 have to read 20 books of which 15 must be from the list. Five books may be personal choice books. Children in K-2 are able to experience books which mean that they may be read to. They need to experience 30 books of which 25 must be from the list. All children in year K-6 will have the opportunity to participate in the challenge at school but we would encourage them to read at home as well. We encourage secondary students to complete the challenge independently. They need to complete a reading log which details the books they have read. They then need to be entered on line. Students are able to do this themselves or can hand their logs to me at school when complete. They are also encouraged to have one log at home as well as at school and they can simply be stapled together.

Our school is lucky enough to have literally thousands of books from the official PRC lists. This is largely due to the ongoing support from the P&C which has enabled us to purchase many books over the years and to keep our school collection current.

Further information is available from the library or by visiting the website. Simply Google "PRC NSW 2013" or enter the following address: https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html

The website is an interesting site. Families may have many books at home that are also on the list. Simply enter title or author in to the search box on the home page or browse the reading lists. Children may also enter their books themselves by logging in using their DET user name and password. Older children will be shown this at school. If you have any further questions please contact the library.

World Book Encyclopaedia
The library is currently subscribing to “World Book Encyclopaedia online”. This is available to all families, both at school and at home. We currently have access to three levels; World Book Kids, World Book Student and World Book Advanced. These Encyclopaedias contain much more than the usual information contained in traditional encyclopaedias, including quizzes, puzzles, graphics, videos and e-books. To check it out Google “World Book online”. User name is wcs3392 and password is library.

Library Classes
All students from K-6 have a weekly library class. During this time we strongly encourage all children to borrow from the library. We have a huge selection of both non-fiction and fiction books for children to select from. The benefits of reading to children when they are young are well documented. I would encourage parents of younger children to make time to read their library books with them. This will assist children in all aspects of their education and it is also enjoyable for both parents and children alike.

We encourage the use of library bags for all children as it is easier to keep track of their books and it also protects them. All children in Kindergarten to Year 2 must have a bag to borrow. Just a reminder about library times; Mondays: 4/5, Tuesdays:1/2, Wednesday: 5/6, Thursday: Kinder and 2/3.

Easter story Kinder Library

Overdue Books
Unfortunately there are many children with overdue books. When a child has an overdue book they are unable to borrow until they have either returned the book or reimbursed the library for the amount. This can seriously disadvantage your child. Please contact me if you would like to discuss this matter and we may be able to come to some arrangement.

Mrs N. Whittaker - Teacher Librarian
Moorambilla Try Outs
Warren Central students had the opportunity to try out for places in this year's Moorambilla children's choirs when Michelle Leonard, the Artistic Director of the multi award winning Moorambilla Festival, visited our school. Interested students from St Mary's and Trangie Central were also in attendance.

A Coonamble girl originally, Michelle is now a much acclaimed choral director who has worked around the world. She created the annual Coonamble festival as a way of giving back to the western region by exposing its children to music training at a standard usually only accessible to children in large cities.

The children work with expert tutors and as the festival always commissions original Australian music, they often have the privilege of meeting and working with the composers.

Says the esteemed Australian conductor Richard Gill, OAM; "Moorambilla Voices is a vital and specific program which nurtures the preservation of culture while encouraging the birth of new work. It is a unique project and one that should serve as a benchmark for communities nationwide. As Patron of Moorambilla Voices I commend her, her program and the concept wholeheartedly."

To be part of a Moorambilla choir is a memorable life experience. For those WCS students who are selected to take part, enjoy!

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The coaching is $25 per 3 hour group session. All players will need to be members of Warren & District Tennis Club. Junior membership is $30 for 1st child; $25 or 2nd; $20 for 3rd, 4th, 5th etc. This membership runs on a calendar year and will be valid until 30 June 2013.

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Moorambilla Primary students who attended the workshop.

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Registration Days
Thursday 4th April  Cost $70.00 Thursday 11th April
4.00pm - 5.00pm  4.00pm - 5.00pm

At Carter Oval (includes insurance)

Training: Thursdays 4-5pm starting 2nd May
Children must be registered before running on the field. A Parent/Guardian must be present at training.

More Information:
President: Graeme Barnett 0268475336
Secretary: Sally Wise 0268474292
Treasurer: Cherie Gough 0268474826
WARREN CENTRAL SCHOOL P&C

UNIFORM ORDER FORM

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TOTALS: 

For prices, please refer to the price list below.

Please enclose this form together with the correct money in a sealed envelope and return it to the school office. Orders will be delivered to the child’s classroom for K-6 students. Secondary student orders may be collected at the office.

Note: A small quantity of school hats will be kept at the school office for purchasing on any school day.

The P&C Uniform Shop is now located in the Breakfast Room located within the Secondary area, near the bus gate on Hale Street.

P&C Uniform Shop will be open for sales, browsing and trying on etc., by appointment only Thursday afternoon.

FOR ALL UNIFORM ENQUIRIES CONTACT MRS SAMANTHA THOMPSON ON 0438994342

UNIFORM PRICE LIST

Green bucket hats with school crest ........................................... $15.00
Polo shirts – lemon or white – with school crest ....................... $25.00
Bottle green sloppy joe with school crest ................................ $25.00
School Jacket with school crest ............................................... $75.00

K-6 girls skirt or skort
Skirt – sizes 2 – 8 ...................................................................... $25.00
Skirt – sizes 10 – 16 ............................................................... $30.00
Skort – sizes 2 – 8 .................................................................... $27.00
Skort – sizes 10 – 16............................................................... $32.00