



Werris Creek Public School

CONTACT

Safety • Respect • Achievement

Term 1. Week 4

18th February 2020

Calendar - 2020 February

Week 4

Wed 19th - White Cross
thru to Dental Visit
Fri 21st

Fri 21st - Zone
Swimming
Carnival
- 2:15pm School
Assembly
(K & Yrs 1-3
Performance)

Week 5

Fri 28th - Regional
Basketball Trials



Our Mission Statement

**At Werris Creek Public School we
ensure high levels of
learning for all students.**

**Our staff believe that all students
can excel, and they willingly
challenge and change their own
practices to meet that end.**

Message from the Principal

Yaama

What a fantastic swimming carnival we had last Thursday. The behaviour of our students was excellent and the effort our swimmers put into their events and those cheering from the sidelines was fantastic to see. A big thank you to our staff, in particular to Mrs Urquhart who all worked hard to make sure the carnival ran smoothly and a big thank you to our parent helpers including Mick Arnold, Rick Patterson, Shane Woods, Cilla Saunders, Amy Crothers, Krystle Sky and Suzanna Armstrong for assisting with the carnival.

Digital Devices and Online Services

A new policy governing student use of digital and online services has been released for implementation in NSW public schools from the start of Term 1 2020. The policy restricts the use of digital devices, including mobile phones during school hours.

We understand that some students may require a mobile telephone or portable device for reasons relating to their safety when travelling to and from school. If this is the case, they must bring their device to the front office as soon as they arrive at school. Devices will be held securely during the day. Students will be required to collect their device at the end of the school day.

Voluntary School Contributions

Each year we ask families to support their child/children by donating \$30.00 per child or \$50 per family to the school. This voluntary school contribution is used to purchase needed resources for our students. We appreciate your support. Voluntary school contributions can be paid at the front office.

School Assembly

Our first whole school assembly will be this Friday 21st at 2:15pm in the hall. We would love to see you there.

Zone Swimmers

Congratulations and good luck to our students who will be swimming in the Zone Swimming carnival this Friday 21st February. Our students who made it through to zone are:

Jorja	Kaleb	Cooper	Emily
Mia	Brodie	Savannah	Ryan
Aaliyah	Jay	Harry	Ruby
Taniell	Jarvis	Tamika	Isla
Molly	James	Jay	

Learning with Passion

KH – I got to listen to some students do some awesome reading

Lebron – shared with me his hard work in writing

2/3M – I got to see 2/3M's magical handwriting and hear what every student was proud of.

Tremayne – shared his amazing information poster with me

2/3B – I was impressed with their thinking in how to solve the subtraction of two numbers.

Over and Above

Emily – for going over and above in making sure the classroom is clean and tidy.

Isabella M – for always willing to help with anything in the classroom

Jessica – for always making sure everything is packed away in the classroom

Shania – for going over and above to give everything her best effort

Braxton – for always cleaning up without a fuss

Anna – for going over and above to improve her writing

Lachlan – for going over and above to improve his writing

Ataya – for continually looking out for and offering to help younger students

Savannah, Aaliyah and Trinity – for spreading lots of kindness around the school

Lucas – for showing kindness to a kindergarten student in the playground

Paisley – for going over and above to keep her peers safe

Jorja – for encouraging her peers at the swimming carnival to finish their races

Matthew – for assisting staff at the carnival with running swimming times to the judges and recorders

Jay – for going over and above to make our staff smile every day

Sarah May and Paisley – for going over and above to ensure our playground is a clean and tidy place to play

Yarloo

Jodie Bishop

School Banking day is Thursday



Remember, **Thursday** is School Banking day and students can bring in their weekly deposit.

The new Kindergarten students will be bringing home a Parent Guide today with regards to School Banking.

School Banking is a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

If your child has lost their book, please contact your School for a replacement or visit any [Commbank](#) Branch.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at **Werris Creek Public School.**

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2020 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking.



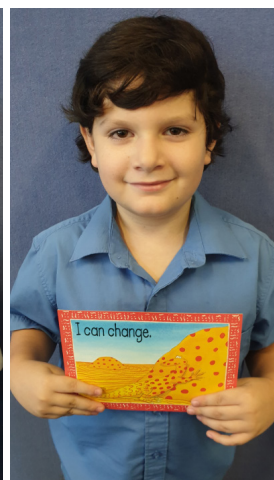
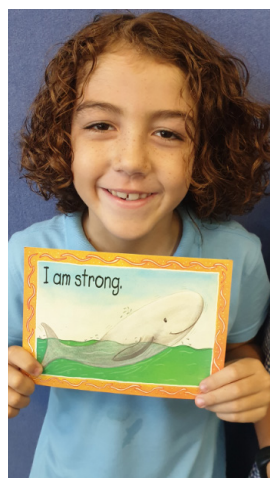
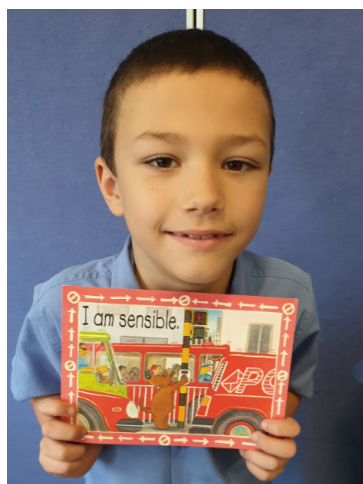
Our Contact is available via e-mail.

If you would prefer to receive a copy of the Contact Newsletter via e-mail please see the school office and we will add you to our e-mailing list.

White Cross Mobile Dental Care

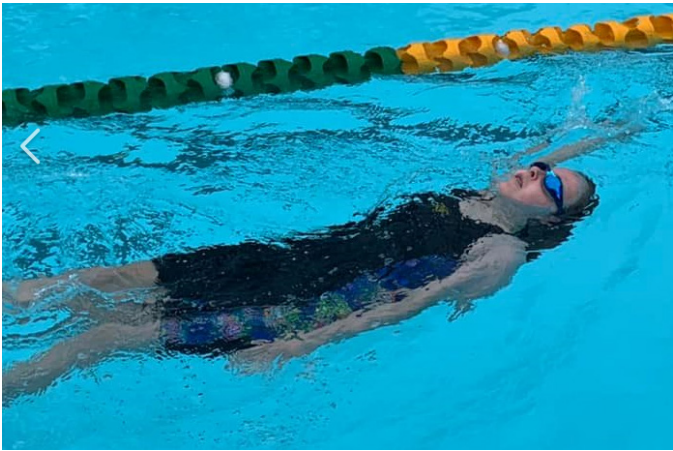
White Cross Mobile Dental Care will again be visiting our school this week on Wednesday 19th February through to Friday 21st February. If you did not receive a note please contact the School Office. If you wish to access this service please return form as soon as possible to the school office.

We are loving being part of 2/3 M. To get to know each other we each chose a strength that we believe we have. The children were very excited to tell each other about their strengths. I think you will agree that the children in 2/3 M are strong in so many ways. Mrs Mills and 2/3M





SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2020



P & C NEWS



Our AGM was held on Thursday 13th February and our new executive committee was voted in. Positions are held by the following members:

President -	Amanda Toone
Vice President -	Ally Patterson
Secretary -	Dee Wand
Treasurer -	Barb Woods

We look forward to another fantastic year of assisting and fundraising for our students.

CLOTHING POOL

Our Clothing Pool is open and has many items for sale at great prices.

If you wish to purchase any items from the clothing pool please see the office for details.

We are now accepting donations, please leave all items for donation at the office.



Canteen Roster

Mon 17th	Jenny
Wed 19th	Melissa
Fri 21st	Jenny

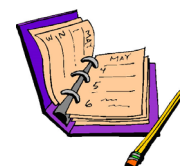
Mon 24th	Jenny
Wed 26th	Melissa
Fri 28th	Jenny

P&C Annual General Meeting

It's never too late to join our P& C.. Come along and see what we are all about..

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 12th March, 2020 at 1:35pm in the School Kitchen located next to the Library..

We look forward to seeing you there.



Werris Creek minor League

SIGN ON DAY – SATURDAY
29th FEBRUARY 2020

8am – 11am

Hoamm Park, Single Street – WERRIS CREEK
Hot BBQ breakfast and Drinks available for purchase.



Registration fee is \$100 – includes shorts and socks. **YES we accept active kids vouchers!!**

****Please activate voucher before sign up ☺****

YEAR 6 STUDENTS MOVING INTO YEAR 7 IN A NSW GOVERNMENT SCHOOL IN 2021

Students in Year 6 will be bringing home an Expression of Interest Form for placement in Year 7 at a NSW government school next year. If you are seeking placement in a non-local school, please provide reasons for seeking non-local placement.

Please complete and return this form to the school's office.

All Expressions of Interest must be returned on or before Friday, 20th March 2020.

Year 6 proudly presents a



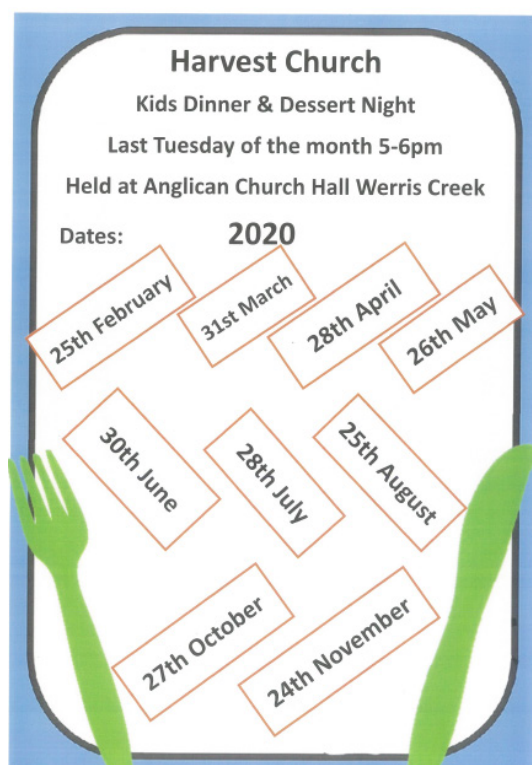
Students are to read as many books as they can between weeks 4 and 8 inclusive, Monday 17th February to Friday 20th March. Record texts in the provided form (which will be provided once the entry fee is paid) and have signed by a parent. Every 5 books read earns a ticket for the major prize; a \$50 Kmart Voucher. There are other prizes up for grabs and all students who participate will also receive a certificate.



Entry into the Readathon cost \$5 and is payable to the front office. All proceeds will go towards Year 6 Fundraising. Forms are due back to school no later than Friday the 20th of March.

Kinds Regards,

Mrs Wand and Year 6



Quirindi Toastmasters

STRUGGLING TO FILL OFFICE BEARER POSITIONS?

Do you want to...

Refresh the skills of your executive and members alike?

Have efficient & productive meetings?

Meeting Procedure Workshop.

Tuesday March 3rd 2020.

Quirindi High School Library.

7.15 for a 7.30 start.

We would like to invite office bearers, members and interested individuals to a free event being hosted by the Quirindi Toastmasters. The meeting procedure workshop will cover formal and informal meeting procedures. Prepared by Bob Kirchner former Toastmaster District Director based on his many years of experience conducting Meeting Procedure Training Workshops.

Topics to be covered:
1. Handling of motions
2. Handling of amendments
3. Rules for motions and amendments
4. Stages of a meeting (the formal business of Minutes, Correspondence and Reports)
5. Procedural Motions

Tea, coffee and nibbles provided and the opportunity to participate in demonstration business meeting.

Contact Chris Owen President 0447 605436 or Annette Wallis VP Public Relations 0427 796863

RSVP please.

www.toastmasters.org



PLC
PRESBYTERIAN
LADIES' COLLEGE
ARMIDALE
1887

5 February 2020

Dear Principal, students, staff and school community

BE INSPIRED – the countdown to TOKYO 2020 Olympic Games is on!

OLYMPICS UNLEASHED IS COMING TO OUR REGION – Friday 28 February.

So, time to get excited!

The Olympics Unleashed Program presented by OPTUS is coming to **ARMIDALE** featuring 9 time Olympic medallist and media personality, **LIESEL JONES** (Swimming) and bronze medallist **Holly Lincoln-Smith** (Water Polo).

The event will be hosted at Presbyterian Ladies' College, Armidale and partnered by the Northern Inland Academy of Sport (NIAS) on Friday 28 February from 5pm, with a presentation, athlete meet & greet, and activities. BBQ & drinks will be available for purchase.

Please share this information with your students, athletes, coaches, parents, supporters, family, friends and community generally, as **EVERYONE** is invited!

To register go to: <https://www.plcarmidale.nsw.edu.au/events/upcoming-events>
Phone PLC Armidale on 6770 1700, or contact me on development@plcarmidale.nsw.edu.au for more details.