Dear Parents / Carers,

Happy P&C Day - 7 March

P&C Day provides an opportunity to acknowledge the valuable contribution parents, carers and community members make in supporting and enhancing the education of students in our public schools. We want parents and carers to be a part of their children’s learning. There is a lot of evidence suggesting student learning improves when their parents and carers are supportive and involved. Whether it’s helping in the classroom with the teaching program, volunteering in the school canteen, refereeing for sport, using their skills to advise on specific school projects or organising working bees to help improve the school resources, the benefits to students are significant. On behalf of the children and staff at Warnervale we wish you a Happy P&C Day!

School Photos—March 26

Today you will receive your package from advancedlife photography. Please read through the package carefully. Our school photo day is Tuesday March 26. All order envelopes must be returned before photo day. They will be stored at school prior to the photo day. If you require a sibling photograph please request an order envelope from the office. Orders will not be accepted after the photo day. Correct money is essential as change will not be available on photo day.

Early Arrivals

Thank you to those parents who are following the Department of Education and Communities policy and ensuring that their children do not arrive at school early. There are still a number of students who are arriving at school at least 30—40 minutes too early. Teachers do not go on duty until 8.45am. Until this time they are busy in meetings or classrooms preparing for the day. Children at school before this time are unsupervised.

Canteen

New Menu Part 2 will be sent home on Friday. Look forward to some exciting new yummy lunchtime meals. Remember the canteen is only open for lunches on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

ICAS Assessments

2013 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools provide an external assessment situation for students from Years 3 to 6 in the areas of Computer Skills, Science, Writing, Spelling, English and Mathematics. Students will receive a copy of the note today outlining the competitions.

School Contributions

Government funds provide the basic framework for our resources. However we rely on parent contributions to provide additional items. The money raised from the general school contributions will be used to purchase much needed resources to enrich your child’s education. Our school contribution is $40 per child per year. Payments can be made for the year or $10 per term.

P&C Meeting

The March meeting and the AGM of the P & C will be held on Tuesday March 12 at 7pm. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Regards,

Ms Jill Carter
Principal
Canteen—Pizza and Popcorn and Popper Meal Deal
Please return your order form and money to the office by Friday 8th March. Please circle your choice of pizza. No other lunch orders will be taken on the day. Refunds will not be given if absent on the day of the meal deal.

Kindergarten First Day Photos
Have you ordered your Kindergarten 8”x10” professionally printed on gloss paper.

Photos are on display in the foyer. If you wish to purchase please complete an order form available from the office enclosed with the correct money (cash, cheque or credit card details). All orders are to be returned by Friday 8th March.

School Banking
To redeem tokens you can use a redemption card which can be supplied by School Banking or you can simply write a note requesting what your child would like to redeem. Please place request and tokens in the yellow wallet and send it in on banking day. Orders will be filled in 1 - 2 weeks. All rewards are worth 10 tokens. Rewards that are currently available are:

⇒ Dollarmite character money boxes
⇒ (Pru, Pat the dog, Cred, Spen and Addy)
⇒ Hand Ball
⇒ Wallet
⇒ Knuckle Game

School banking day is every TUESDAY and everyone is welcome to join.

Reading with your child at home
When your children see you reading and writing in everyday life – whether reading for pleasure, sharing a story with them or making a shopping list – it teaches them that they are useful skills. Here are some things you can do at home to help your kids with reading. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/en/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/reading-with-your-child-at-home

Eggcellent Easter Extravaganza Raffle!
Please come dressed in multicoloured mufti on Friday 8th March and donate some chocolate Easter eggs to our P&C fundraising raffle. (Nut free of course!)

Last year generous donations helped to make about 30 prizes! We will collect eggs on arrival at the gates and in classes.

Children will receive a book of raffle tickets to take home and sell to family or friends! Please return all tickets and money to school before the raffle is drawn on Tuesday 26th March. Funds from this fundraiser help to purchase resources from the school’s wish list!

Thank you for your support and good luck!

Handy Hints - Good number sense
Maths is a numbers game but for some students - and parents - the figures don’t add up. Here are some strategies to help children to work out problems in their heads in a way that makes sense to them.


Meet Nick Jr’s Dora The Explorer at Bunnings Lake Haven
Thursday, 21st March 5pm-8pm FREE

*Facepainting * SnowCones * Hot Dogs
*Jumping Castle *Fairy Floss * Popcorn
*Kids Craft *Mini Jeeps (weather permitting)

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