Dear Parents / Carers,

Cross Country

The annual school Cross Country Carnival will be held TOMORROW starting at 9:30 am. We will hold the event next door on the council oval. We will begin with the 8/9 year olds. 10 years and under will be completing a 2 km course while the 11 and 12 year olds will complete a 3 km run. All students in Years 2—6 are expected to participate. Please remember to wear sports uniform, appropriate joggers, hat and bring plenty of water. Parents are also very welcome to watch their children run.

Anzac Day

On Friday April 12 at 1 pm we will hold our school Anzac Ceremony where members from Toukley RSL will join us. Please come along and join us for this special assembly.

Anzac Day Service and March

The Toukley RSL Sub Branch has invited Warnervale Public School choir to participate in the commemorative ANZAC Service on 25th April 2013. This is a huge honour for our school and we are really looking forward to participating in the Service.

Mrs White, Mrs Nakhoul and Miss Moran have been working with the choir each week and they are very pleased with how hard the choir are practising their new Anzac Day hymns and songs. We look forward to many families being able to join us on the day.

Students who are interested in marching with Warnervale Public School will need to meet Mr Green at the Toukley Coles Car Park (cnr of Yaralla and Ron Alt Ln) on the day. All students are required to wear school uniform. The parade will form up in the car park and the march will commence once all participants are ready. Exact times will be available on the school website in coming days for all interested students/families.

At the conclusion of the march, refreshments will be available for all participating children, complements of the club. Parents are required to collect their children from the Toukley RSL car park at the conclusion of the march.

Students involved in the school choir are to attend the club directly and prepare for the service. Choir students will not be involved in the march.

Term 2 Staff Development Days

All teaching staff will be involved in two days of professional learning on Monday April 29 and Tuesday April 30. Teachers will be involved in a series of practical workshops focussing on our School Plan for the next 3 years. These workshops include: The Australian Curriculum, Writing, Reading, Welfare and mandatory Health Care procedures. Students begin Term 2 on Wednesday May 1.

Term One

We have had a very busy and productive Term 1. Thank you to you, the parents of our wonderful students, for your support. To those who assist with reading groups, home reading, covering books, sports programs, canteen assistance, P&C and fundraising.

I wish you all a very happy holiday. We all look forward to seeing you again on Wednesday May 1 for the start of Term 2.

Regards,

Ms Jill Carter
Principal
Environmental Club
Beans are plentiful in our school garden at the moment. This week, students in our club harvested then tasted their fresh green beans that were grown from seed this term.

Singleton Horse Sports Day
Any Warnervale Public School students wishing to attend the Singleton Horse Sports Day that will be held on Friday 17th May 2013. Please contact the office on 4392 1358 for further information before the end of this term.

Attendance
The Education Act 1990 requires your child to attend school each day that instruction is provided unless prevented from doing so by sickness or other good reason. The Act requires you to explain your child’s absences within seven days of their occurrence. Failure to do so will result in an unjustified absence being recorded.

Students who have significantly high level of absences are monitored by school and regional personnel. Such students may be required to follow an attendance improvement plan.

Students that are absent from school for a significant amount of days are likely to miss important curriculum content, which can affect their academic performance.

There are currently a number of students being monitored and these students will receive a note in relation to their attendance. Mr Green

Lost Property
Please check the blue lost property box located in the office foyer before the end of term. All unclaimed items will be donated to our clothing pool.

If you have any items of clothing that your children have outgrown, it would be greatly appreciated if you could donate to the school’s 2nd hand clothing pool.

Stage 2 Jenolan Caves Overnight Excursion
Just a reminder that your $50 deposit is required to secure your child’s place in this year’s overnight excursion to Jenolan Caves.

Relocating Students
Any students that will be leaving Warnervale Public School at the end of Term 1, can you please ensure that you contact the office.

P&C Fundraising News
After such a successful Easter raffle in Term 1 we are now preparing for early next term when we will have a gift stall to show our appreciation for all the wonderful and special Mums, Grandmothers, Nannas and Aunties in our children’s lives. There are many beautiful gifts to choose from this year including pedicure sets, nail polish, calenders, colourful scarves, tootsie warmers, travel mugs, deluxe pens, manicure sets, beaded bracelets, key rings and more!

The stall will be open on Wednesday 8th May during class time and Thursday 9th and Friday 10th May before school from 8.45am each morning. The cost is $5 per gift and includes a gift tag! Thank you P&C Team

Warnervale Public School is one of the 15 participating schools in Run Around Australia 2013 at Lake Haven Shopping Centre!

The campaign commences on Monday 15th April 2013 and will run for 6 weeks until Sunday 26th May 2013. Simply present shopping receipts at the Customer Service Centre or into our WPS drop box at Lake Haven Shopping Centre. WPS are awarded kilometres for dollars spent at stores that are allocated to our school.

Please check your child’s bag for an information brochure giving some healthy food options for you to pack in your child’s lunchbox. Crunch & Sip is a NSW Government health program that many schools take part in as it aligns with our ‘fruit break’ routine. Also check out our website [WPS Crunch&Sip] for more information.

Woolworths—Earn & Learn
Woolworths - Earn and Learn is back for 2013. Earn & Learn starts on 9th April. You receive one sticker to place on your card for every $10 spent. You can pick up the cards from any Woolworths store.

Once your card is complete drop it into the collection box in the school foyer. The more stickers we collect the more resources we can obtain for our school. Last year, we were able to provide each stage with wet weather games, extra maths resources, puzzles and art materials.