



# Warradale Primary School

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## From the Principal Friday 2 July 2021

### KEY DATES & REMINDERS

**End of Term - Early dismissal - 2.10pm Friday 2 July (Week 10) *\*\*Reports home\*\****

**First day of Term 3 - Monday 19 July**

**Save the Date - Quiz Night - 23 October (Term 4)**

### COVID update

Some further COVID-19 restrictions and recommendations have been announced in South Australia this week. At this stage, the updated restrictions will have limited impact on school operations and processes, per the SA Health advice below:

- All adults entering our site must continue to sign-in using the QR code (or hard copy sign-in sheet available in the front office).
- Wearing masks is not required in preschool or school settings, unless a student or staff member chooses to wear one.
- End of term school events such as assemblies and performances can go ahead.

Thank you to all families who responded to our home internet/device access survey. This was a Department directive and the information collected will be used in the event of a lock down to enable us to support home learning for all students.

### Uniform

Following consultation between our uniform committee and supplier Spartan, some exciting changes are about to be implemented. From the beginning of Term 3, we will move to an online ordering system, with all uniform items available for purchase through the Spartan School World website. All items will be delivered to the school free of charge within a week of purchase, with sample garments for sizing still available at the school.

It must be stressed that the pending price increases that we have provided advanced notice around are not directly related to the change in purchase and supply arrangements. The reality is, we have done our best not to pass on incremental uniform price increases on most items over the past couple of years, in an effort to keep uniform items with our school logo as affordable as possible.

As we transition to having all supplied items embossed with our updated school logo, students can continue to wear garments with our traditional shield emblem. Stock currently held by Spartan with the shield logo will also remain available for purchase until sold out. Parents/caregivers can also continue to purchase generic uniform items (without our school logo) from retail suppliers like K-mart and Target.

## NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC Week 2021 is happening during the first week of the school holidays, from 4 to 11 July. The theme for 2021 is 'Heal Country, heal our nation', which recognises that 'Country' is integral to the identity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Schools and preschools are being encouraged to celebrate NAIDOC Week during the first half of term 3. We will continue to raise awareness and celebrate the diversity within our school community next term and beyond, to 'heal country' and educate our students about cultural perspectives and inclusivity.



## Children's University

We have 36 students in Years 4-7 enrolled in Children's University this year. Students need a minimum of 30 hours of extracurricular learning to graduate and already 12 Warradale students have enough hours to satisfy this requirement. Participating students have access to a huge and diverse range of online learning activities on the CUA Learning Portal. Since January this year, Warradale students have completed 273.5 hours of learning on this online portal - a truly amazing effort! Sally Owen - our CUA Learning Coordinator since 2015 - came to visit our students this week to talk to them about the program and hear about the learning that they have been doing. She then ran a short paper plane activity that ended with a 'fly off' in the Library. Sally will be back next term to prepare students for the graduation ceremonies, which will hopefully be taking place in Bonython Hall this year.

## Jam Band

This week R-5 students had the opportunity to participate in an interactive musical show, *Jam Band*. The band played instruments, sang pop songs and danced, with a focus on positive messages about kindness and looking after yourself and others. Randomly selected students even had the opportunity to actively participate in some of the pieces, complete with costumes and props! A big thank you to Natalie Scheepers, our wonderful Specialist Arts Teacher, who organised the event and pre-taught many of the songs performed. The afternoon was enjoyed by all, including our Finance Officer Marcia who showed off some of her moves!



## Holiday Challenge

As we enter the holiday break, I challenged students at our end of term assembly to practice using their manners over the next two weeks and to put them on show when we return to school next term. Saying please and thank you, opening doors for people, picking up litter in our community and showing gratitude to wonderful volunteers like our Breakfast Club crew by cleaning up after yourself, pushing chairs in and generally leaving spaces as we found them, are just some of the easy ways we can show respect... Remember - manners are free and kindness goes a long way!