



# Warradale Primary School

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## From the Principal Friday 17 September 2021

### KEY DATES & REMINDERS

**Sports Day - Thursday 23 September (W10)**

**Student Enterprise Day & Casual Day - Friday 24 September (W10)**

**\*\*Last day of Term 3 - Friday 24 September (W10) - 2.10pm dismissal\*\***

**First day of Term 4 - Monday 11 October (T4 W1)**

**\*\*Student Free Day - Monday 25 October (T4 W3)\*\***

### Robyn's farewell

A special whole-school assembly was held today, Friday 17 September, to farewell the amazing Robyn Terlikowski who is retiring at the end of this term (her last official school day will be next Friday 24 September).

While the assembly was unfortunately not open to parents due to on-going COVID restrictions, it was recorded, and will be shared with families via Seesaw. A 'socially-distanced farewell guard of honour' on the Eastern Oval did provide an opportunity for students and some families to thank Robyn, under COVID-safe restrictions! Robyn is a Warradale treasure who has had an immeasurable impact on an extraordinary number of students and families over the past 26 years.

While she thoroughly deserves a long and enjoyable retirement, Robyn's retirement will leave a huge hole in our school community and she will definitely be missed.



### Term 4 staffing

- The process to appoint Robyn's replacement has been completed, with Jo Green accepting an on-going SSO2 position commencing start of Term 4. A further permanent SSO1 position has been advertised for a Term 1 2022 start, to support our Leadership and Administration Team.
- Year 6/7 teacher Bec Maddigan (Room 3) will be taking long service leave for all of Term 4. Courtney Jones has been recommended to take over Room 3 and will work with Bec in the coming weeks to ensure continuity of learning and support for students and families.
- With Courtney Jones covering Room 3, we will be consolidating our complexity support into two days per week next term and Kathryn Archer has been recommended for this role.
- Brooke Mooney (Year 4/5 teacher) is taking maternity leave from the end of this term, so Brooke Bottrell will teach two days per week in Room 8 next term and Anne Flannery will increase to three days.

### Last day of term - early dismissal

Students will be dismissed an hour early at 2.10pm on the last day of term, next Friday 24 September. Please contact our OSHC team if you will require after-school care for your children.

## Hats and sun safety

From the beginning of next term, students will recommence wearing sun safe hats for all outdoor learning and play. Any students who do not have a sun safe hat during play breaks will be directed to a shaded area or indoor learning activity. A limited supply of school hats are available for purchase through our front office, or alternatively, wide-brimmed or legionnaires hats can be purchased from retail outlets such as K-Mart or Big-W. Please support your child to organise a hat now so they are ready for Term 4!

## Sports Day

Our Sports Day will go ahead this Thursday 23 September. With parents unable to attend, staff will do their best to capture the day in images and share with families via Seesaw. Please support your children to come in their team colours, with a sun-safe hat, sunscreen, enclosed shoes and a refillable drink bottle.

## Student Enterprise Day

On Friday 24 September, a small number of students who submitted applications will be supported to run an Enterprise Day stall in lessons 1-4. Due to Covid restrictions, participating students are unable to sell food items, but a range of other goods, services and activities will be available for other students to purchase/participate in. Each class will be allocated a time to visit the stalls and all students are welcome to bring a small amount of loose change (gold and silver coins only please) to spend during their allocated time. Funds raised will go towards a student-nominated school improvement project.

## Cyber safety

Our year 3-7 students were involved in cyber-safety presentations from SAPOL this week, covering a range of online safety content. Information provided to participants included the importance of online privacy settings and protecting your personal information. There are approximately 8 Billion people in the world and an estimated 5 billion of them are online, with public profiles on any applications or interfaces potentially viewable by any of these 5 billion people.

The catch-phrase 'Be Aware', with reference to the acronym 'A-W-A-R-E', is a helpful reminder of how we can all keep ourselves safe online.

**Appropriate:** *Make sure what you are posting or viewing is appropriate to you and your audience*

**Who:** *Make sure you know who will see it*

**Accurate:** *Make sure it is accurate*

**Respectful:** *Be respectful of yourself and others*

**Environment:** *Be aware of the environment around you in photos you post, which may give away information about you or your location*



**Top 5 online safety tips for kids**

- 1** Set up your device to protect your information.
- 2** Explore safely & tell an adult if you see anything online that makes you feel yuck.
- 3** Limit who can contact you when you're playing games.
- 4** Stop all contact with anyone online who asks you to do anything you don't want to do. Report and block them.
- 5** Ask for help if anything online is bothering you.

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