Dear Parents,

We are having a very eventful week at Waratah Public School with special presenters sharing important information with our students.

Environmental Talks
Last Friday Mrs Amanda Gregory conducted class sessions for our students on the prevention of pollution in our waterways. This complements the environmental work that classes are undertaking. After the session our students were very motivated to improve both ours and the general waterway health. On Thursday Mrs Butler’s class and some of the environmental team will participate in an excursion to see how rubbish in our waterways affects our environment.

Financial Literacy – Stage 2
Our Stage 2 really enjoyed the financial literacy course on Tuesday. The purpose was to develop students’ understanding about how to use money wisely. The mantra used was “Speed to needs and wait for wants”. This was a very interactive, current presentation which involved all the students. The presenter, Heather Beeken, (Coach Cash) used narrative and engaged all students.

Young Teen Talks Year 6
Also on Tuesday Year 6 enjoyed learning about growing up and the responsibility of becoming adults. Ms Suzie Blackwood was very informative, delivering the information in a clear and down to earth manner. She and Ms Palmer were very impressed at how maturely our Year 6 students took in this vital information and cooperated with the sessions. In particular, the students’ feedback questions were really excellent.

Athletics Carnival
This Friday, weather permitting, we will be holding our Athletics Carnival at Number 2 Sports Ground in Newcastle. The carnival will be for all students K-6 with the K-2 students coming for a shorter time. Parents and families are most welcome to join in on the day. If it is raining the carnival will be held on the following Friday at the same venue.

Regards

Maria Williams
Newcastle Catchment Area Excursion
3/4B and members of the Environment committee, please remember our excursion to visit the Newcastle Catchment Area is this THURSDAY 23 MAY. Bring your hat, morning tea, lunch and raincoat as we go rain or not. Thank you
Mrs Butler

Sports Carnival Reminder
Our annual sports carnival will be held on Friday 24 May. Cost for the carnival is $5 and is payable at the office by Thursday 23 May. (NO REFUNDS)
Junior—(K-2 children turning 7 in 2013)
10.00 am—12.30 pm
Senior—(Yrs 3-6 and Year 2 children turning 8 in 2013)
9.45 am—2.45 pm

School Photos
Our school photos will be taken on Tuesday 28 May for the whole school and 3 day preschool and Thursday 30 May for the 2 day preschool. Cost of packages will range from $16 to $43. Family packs cost $16 to $22. Photo packs were sent home last week. Envelopes for family photos are available from the school office. Students are asked to bring back photo orders and correct money on Tuesday 28 and handed to the photographer. Please note that the office is not handling photo money, all transactions are directly with the company.

Parent Helpers for Public Speaking
If you are interested in helping our children prepare for the upcoming public speaking competitions next term please see your child’s class teacher.
Thank you

Interschool Chess Challenge 2013 (endorsed by the NSW Junior Chess League)
On Monday 17 June, there will be a chess competition for interested students, to be held at Swansea High School. This is a tournament for individual students who have a strong understanding and working knowledge of chess, it is not suitable for beginners. If your child is interested in taking part in this event, please contact Mrs Christie by next Friday 31 May. There will be a limited number of spaces.
Mrs Christie

Office Receipting
Due to finance requirements EFTPOS payments will only be accepted between 8.30 am—10.30 am and 2.00 pm—3.00 pm. Cash payments are accepted at any time. Correct money can be left in the office mail box in envelopes available at the office. Thank you for your cooperation

K-2 Awards Term 2 Week 3

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Class of the Week 2C
Playground Award Adrian

PROUD SUPPORTERS OF WARATAH PUBLIC SCHOOL

P&C NEWS
P&C Meeting Monday 3 June 6.00 pm
Library
If you have anything that you would like to add to the agenda please email Anne.
a.tempo@bigpond.com
Everyone is welcome.
P&C Pie Drive
Pie Drive order forms have come home with this Bulletin. All orders are due back in by Friday 7 June. There are some yummy pies and cakes to choose from so why not ask your friends and family if they want to order some too? The family with the most amount of orders will win a 2013 / 2014 Entertainment Book! Spare order forms can be found above the P&C post box or at the canteen.

THE UNIFORM SHOP
Long Sleeve Polo Shirt Orders
Orders for long sleeve polo shirts have been placed with the supplier and will be ready in approximately 2-3 weeks. Those orders paid in full will be sent home with your child unless advised otherwise. Orders still requiring final payment can be made at the Uniform Shop during the usual opening times.

School Photos – 28 May
A reminder that school photos are just around the corner. Drop into the Uniform Shop and have your child looking smart for their photo day.

Cheers Richelle
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Waratah Public School
150 Year Anniversary
2014 Fete
If you would like to join the 150 year Fete Committee or just have some ideas on how we can celebrate please join us on Wednesday 19 June 3.15 pm in the Multipurpose Room.

2013/2014 Entertainment Book
Now Available For Only $60
Packed with hundreds of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers from the best restaurants, cafés, hotel accommodation, attractions and activities. Layby is available. See form attached.

Shopping Bus Trip
26 October 2013
Start gathering your friends together for the shopping trip of a life time. Have fun, win prizes and grab some great bargains. $55 a seat incl. lunch.
(Ticket layby is available)

Child Care Position
P&C Meetings
Must be qualified
Paid Position
Send your details to waratahpandc@yahoo.com.au
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**KIDS AT SEA**

I would be able to help with the sewing of costumes for the school musical.

Child’s Name: ____________________

Class: ________________

Parents Name: ____________________

Contact Number: ________________

Signed: ____________________

(Parent/Caregiver)

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**2013/2014 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK ORDER**

Name __________________________________________ Phone __________________

Child’s Name ______________________________________ Class _________________

Quantity ___________ @ $60.00 each  Total Amount $______________________

Layby Request       Yes/No

Please complete the slip and return with money in a sealed envelope marked “Entertainment Book” to the P&C Post Box (located at the main office)

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**Uniform Shop Order Form – Embroidered Long Sleeve Polo**

Your Name…………………………….. Best Contact Number ………………………

Childs Name………………………….. Class ....................

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Head lice - a guide for parents

To prevent head lice
- Tie your child’s hair back
- Tell your child not to share hats or clothes
- Check your child’s hair regularly

If your child has head lice
- Treat the child’s hair using one of the methods suggested below
- Continue to send your child to school
- Inform the school so they can inform others to check their children’s hair, your child doesn’t have to be identified
- Do NOT use household chemicals (such as kerosene or methylated spirits) to treat lice.

Comb and conditioner method
Head lice breathe through small openings along their abdomens called spiracles. Coating hair in something thick and slimy like a white hair conditioner makes these openings close over, shutting down the louse’s breathing for about 20 minutes. Although the louse will not die with this method, it does slow it down so that you can comb them out.

You can do the following:
- Sit your child in a low position in front of you and put on a DVD for your child to watch as you work.
- Wrap a towel or kitchen paper around your child’s shoulders to catch conditioner spill.
- Apply lots of conditioner to the scalp and massage it through all hair shafts. Lice live close to the scalp, so make sure you cover the hair shaft close to the scalp. Combing will spread the conditioner onto the rest of the length of hair. Every hair has to be coated to ensure it reaches the lice.
- When the hair is detangled and manageable, use a fine lice comb to comb out each section several times.
- After each comb out, wipe the conditioner on the paper towel. If the child has head lice, you will see them on the towel.
- Keep combing each section of hair until no further lice, nymphs or eggs appear on the paper towel. Often you will see lots of old egg casings that may take a while to remove.
- Once you have combed and re-combed each section of hair, either plait or tie the hair back.

Commercial lice treatment
A commercial lice treatment (available from your local chemist) can be effective, but you will need to read the label and follow the safety instructions carefully. Generally, treatment must be applied twice (one week apart) to catch all growth stages of the lice.
When using a lice treatment only treat the heads that actually have head lice or else you are really just contributing to lice resistance of treatment to products.

USEFUL TIPS
Head lice often gather on the crown of the head. A good head lice comb should also remove nymphs, the stage between egg and adult louse - teenagers! These can be difficult to identify with the naked eye, but appear as small insects on the paper towel.