Family Fun Night Success!
What a great night we all had at the Family Fun Night! It was fabulous to see so many families acquainting themselves with the new staff and introducing themselves to the parents associated with their child's class and of course enjoying the fine foods on offer!
It was also very rewarding to see the students proudly showing off their own classrooms, the specialist areas of Japanese, PE, the Gym/Hall, the Resource Centre and Computer Room.
I would like to thank the staff and parent volunteers who organised the catering and assisted with the serving throughout the night. Your help was greatly appreciated by all.

Annual General Meeting
Governing Council is the main decision making body of the school. The council determines the broad directions of the school and makes decisions about priorities, policy and the budget. It is representative of the community and monitors our improvement, priorities and financial position.
There are several sub committees of Governing Council that assist with decision making by doing the groundwork and reporting their recommendations to the Council. These sub committees include School Directions and Accountability, Finance Committee, OSHC Management Committee and Canteen Committee.

Members of the Governing Council act on behalf of the parent community of our school and are your ‘voice’ when making decisions about the school and its future directions.
Involvement in the Governing Council means committing yourself to attend two meetings per term.
Nominations for membership to the Governing Council or one of the sub committees are a formal requirement and you will find nomination forms available from the front office. So, if you believe that you can offer the school something towards helping your child and the school in general please complete a nomination form and come along to the Annual General Meeting!
For further information about the Governing Council and its role within the school, please contact Meg Schoder (Chairperson), any one of the Council members or me at your earliest convenience.

The Governing Council will be holding its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday 6th March starting at 7:30pm in the Resource Centre.

Greg Graham
2012 Materials and Service Charges
A reminder: the first instalment for the 2013 Materials & Service Charges is due on FRIDAY 22nd FEBRUARY.
If families are applying for School Card, please get your applications in as soon as you can. Please note that the Governing Council will be pursuing outstanding fees through a debt collection agency.

Governing Council Nominations
The Governing Council has 4 vacancies for the 2013-2014 Governing Council terms. If you are interested in joining the Governing Council, please collect a nomination form from the Front Office.

Parent Club
Christmas Stall Thanks
Many thanks to the parents and volunteers who helped out with the Christmas Stall held on the last day of term last year. The money raised from the stall enabled the school to buy the two new barbecues that were used at the Acquaintance Night.

Fundraising Events for 2013
The Parent Club have already started getting ideas for some fundraising ventures for 2013. These include the Sports Day Coffee & Cake Stall, Bunnings BBQ and a Sausage Sizzle on Election Day (September 14th). There will be a number of smaller fundraising activities also planned during the year. We look forward to your support in all of these activities.

Parent Club Meeting
The first meeting for 2013 will be held on Friday 22nd February in Room 7 in the Yr. 2/3 Classroom block from 2:00pm to 3:00pm. All new and interested parents are welcome.

School Information
New Playground Shade
Last week many of you would have witnessed the construction of the two new shade structures over the play equipment on the western oval. Now completed, they look fantastic! Upon its completion the students were quick to give it a good ‘try-out’, with all giving the ‘thumbs-up!’ This project was a joint venture between the Governing Council and the Out of School Hours (OSHC) Committee. Future plans to erect a shade structure over the eastern oval playground are now in motion.

Canteen Renovation
On Friday 15th February (tomorrow) work will commence on our Canteen renovation, where we will be replacing the benchtops and kitchen area with new cupboards and sinks. The work will involve the removal of the old benches, cupboards and sink. Over the weekend the contractor will install the new serving bench, cupboards and kitchen upgrade.
The canteen will be open for business on the Friday morning and for the regular lunch order service. After lunch the demolition will start. If there are any parents who are willing to help with the demolition work, please come along at 1:30. Your help would be appreciated.

Student Record & Consent Form
Updates Reminder
There are still a number of families who have not returned the following student information and consent forms:-
1. Local Excursions Consent.
2. The use of your child’s picture for newsletter and Website
3. The use of your child’s picture for classroom & office displays
4. The use of your child’s picture in media (i.e. local paper).
5. ICT Cyber Safety Agreement form.
6. Family Information and Medical Update

These forms are now overdue.

School Camp (Arbury Park) Information Meeting
Warradale Primary School has for a long time had a tradition of running a school camp to Arbury Park every three years. 2013 falls within this 3 year cycle.
The Year 6/7’s have decided to do their own camp – an Aquatics Camp in Term 4.
We have decided to exclude the four R/1 classes from camp due to their age. Something else special is planned for them during camp week.
The Arbury Park Camp will be offered to all Year 2-5 classes. The camp is not compulsory and any students not going will attend school and be included in another class for lessons.
For many families this will be your first camp experience and you may have questions or concerns.
In an attempt to answer some of these questions, we are holding an information session. The session will be next Wednesday the 20th February from
3:30-4:00pm in the Resource Centre. 
Information will be shared and general questions 
can be asked. Questions or concerns, specific to 
your child can be directed to me. Please ring the 
school for an appointment.
Rachel O'Reilly

**Student School Leaders 2013**

This is the second year that the school adopted 
the 'merit selection' process in selecting the 
School Student Leaders, where the students had 
to apply for the job of Student Leaders through a 
written application. This process was well received 
by both 6 & 7 students with a huge number of 
applications put forward. It also gave the students 
an insight into the 'real world' of employment 
where people have to apply for jobs and go 
through a selection process.

I am pleased to announce that the School Student 
Leaders and Executive Team for 2013 are: -
Student Leaders: Jazz (Rm 14) & Tyo (Rm 14)
Deputy Student Leaders: Jasmine (Rm 12) & & 
Marek (Rm 12)
Secretary: Micaela (Rm 12)
Assistant Secretary: Lauren (Rm 12)
Environment Officers: Paige (Rm 12) & James (Rm 
14)
Student Events Officers: Caitlyn (Rm 12) & Lauren 
(Rm 14)

There will be a formal recognition ceremony at our 
next assembly. Congratulations to our new student 
ambassadors!

**2013 House Captains**

I am pleased to announce that the 2013 House 
Captains and Vice-Captains are:-
**Comley House (Yellow):**
Captains: - Micaela (Rm 12) & Caitlyn (Rm 12)
Vice-Captains: - Thomas (Rm 14) & Mia (Rm 14)

**Hamlyn House (Green):**
Captains: - Marek (Rm 12) & John (Rm 14)
Vice-Captains: - Sarah (Rm 12) & Rohan (Rm 14)

**Harriss House (Blue):**
Captains: - Evalyn (Rm 14) & Tom (Rm 12)
Vice-Captain: - Jaydon (Rm 12) & Maddy (Rm 12)

Part of their role is to assist with major sporting 
activities such as Sports Day and PE week and to 
organise inter-house or year level sports events 
and competitions during lunch times for all of the 
children. Their first priority is to get prepared 
for our forth coming Sports Day scheduled for 
the end of term.

There will be a formal recognition ceremony at our 
next assembly.

**Nude Food Day Results**

This year we will be continuing our promotion of 
healthy and environmentally sound lifestyles by 
conducting more "Nude Food Days' throughout the 
year. Nude Food Days are designed to encourage 
people to reduce the amount of packaging and 
wrappers used in lunch and snack foods brought to 
school. Students are encouraged to bring their 
recess and lunch in plastic containers which can be 
taken home, washed and reused again. On previous 
occasions we have noticed a significant reduction 
in the amount of litter and rubbish collected after 
a Nude Food Day. Studies also have shown that it 
is cheaper for households to buy food items in 
bulk and pack them in a reusable container instead 
of buying individually packed biscuits and snack 
foods.

Our first Nude Food Day was yesterday with only 
½ bucket full of wrappers found in the yard. Thank 
you to those families who supported us in our 
attempt to eliminate paper and plastic rubbish.

**Library News**

The library is in its final stages of 
redevelopment with the installation of new 
shelving and a reconfiguration of the 
furniture. Along with the new furniture, 
the library will have a lick of paint over the next 
holiday break.

**Adult Borrowers Reminder**

The library offers parent borrowing cards to 
parents who wish to borrow additional books to 
read at home with their children. If you are 
interested, please come and see Tisha or Michelle 
in the library to set this up. You may find that 
some of the books in the Senior Fiction part of 
the library interest you as well!

Tisha Brett

**Program Achieve Awards**

Congratulation to the following students who were 
given the Program Achieve Awards for Week1:
Rm 3: Amber & Mitchell
Rm 4: Liam & Maja
Rm 6: Neriah & Sophie
Rm 8: Ryan & Connor
Rm 9: Nuzhat & Alexander
Rm 10: Harry & Emily
Rm 12: Aaron & Paige
Rm 14: Albert & John
Rm 15: Elsa & Jayden
Rm 16: Mikayla & Liam
Rm 17: Carenza & Callum
Rm 18: Ashley & Maddi
**SCHOOL SPORT**

Thank you to those families who returned their “Expression of Interest” form for their child to play school sport. Whether or not I register teams depends on the numbers I get for each sport. At the moment I have registered one Junior Kanga Cricket Team and a Junior T-Ball Team.

The Junior Kanga Cricket competition is for R/2 students but we can add a couple of older players to the team. This team is going to be coached by Joey (Jayden and Levi’s Dad). Training will be Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm. Please introduce yourself to Joey and help him at training. This team is full.

The Junior T-Ball Team is for R-2 students and is going to be coached by Grant (Callum’s Dad). Training for this group will be Tuesday night 3:30-4:30pm.

We have enough players for a 6/7 Volleyball Team. I have a parent who can supervise on a Monday night but still need a coach for this team to go ahead.

Rachel O’Reilly

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**Breakfast Club**

**Your support is needed!**

As you know the Breakfast club relies heavily on the support of members of our community with donations of foodstuffs and money. The Breakfast Club spends about $15 per week buying the weekly groceries (bread, milk, juice, fruit, etc.), which in turn, averages out to be about $600 over the year. The Club serves about 140 meals each week. At the moment the Club’s financial reserves are a little low. The Breakfast Club is seeking some financial support from community groups, businesses and corporate institutions. If you know of any type of business who may be able to help out with this worthy and valuable community program please contact Dianne Schroeder, Elaine Heesakkers or Greg Graham.

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

Guitar Tuition is available every Wednesday at school. Please call Kym Skurray on ph: 82969957 for further details.

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**Room 8**

We brightened up our room with paintings in the style of Kandinsky’s circles.

Wassily Kandinsky (1866-1944) was a Russian artist. He was the first artist to do abstract paintings. Kandinsky was inspired by music. He listened to the music and thought of the colours that he liked. We made up poems to go with our paintings. We used a mixture of nouns, adjectives, verbs and feeling words to make poems.

**Tunnels**  
Bright, delightful  
Spinning, bubbling, changing  
It makes me fuzzy  
Kandinsky’s  
By Elisha

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**Spirals**  
Bright, clear  
Spinning, shaky, rolling  
Sparkling ball of light  
Hypnotising  
By Holly

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**Circular, twirly**  
Spinning, bobbing, dancing  
Feeling beautiful and bright  
Kandinsky  
By Ella