EASTER HAMPER

Keep rolling in those Easter egg donations, chocolate donations and Easter decoration donations. The hamper is growing and beginning to look great. All proceeds go to the SRC to make some purchases on behalf of all their peers. Thank you in advance from the SRC.

EASTER HAT PARADE

The Easter Hat Parade is on Thursday 2 April starting at 9:30am for years preschool to 6. There will be an Easter art display, prizes for the best hat/bonnet and prizes for the colouring in competition. The raffle will be drawn at the end of the parade.

EASTER HAT PARADE RAFFLE

Want to win a basket full of chocolate ready for the Easter celebrations? It is easy, just buy a raffle ticket to be in the draw of the SRC Easter Hamper Raffle. You have to be in it to win it! Tickets will be $1.50 each or 3 for $3. Please return your money to your child's classroom teacher. There are plenty more raffle books available from your classroom teacher. Thank you for supporting the SRC.

P&C MEETING

The next P&C meeting will be held this Friday the 27th March after the assembly at 10am. All are welcome to attend.

BUNNINGS

ONE WEEK TO GO! This weekend, Sunday 29 March, you will find your dedicated teachers and school staff at Bunnings Hardware in Warrawong running the Sausage Sizzle. All staff members attending are giving up their Sunday to help raise funds for the school. There will also be a raffle and donations tin available on the day. So come on down, grab a sausage or 2 and support your school. We look forward to seeing you there.

Upcoming Events

- Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Sunday 29th March
- Preschool Photos - Group 1 - Mar 31
- Preschool Photos - Group 2 - Apr 2
- Easter Hat Parade Thu 2 Apr 9:30am
Weekly Awards

Gold Award
Reba, Blake, Ronan

Class of the Week
Ungah (HB7)

Infant Merit Award
Ayat, Aaron, Joel, Tyson, Tieka, Evan

Reading Award
Ford, Tyson, Ayat, Bella, Stephenie, Nicholas, Caleb, Aaron, Amelia

Green Award
Ronan, Alex

Birthdays
Declan

Primary Merit Award
Adrian, Courtney, Zac, Katerina, Jarwin, Ashaya, Chloe, Anastacia

UNIFORM SHOP
We have now restocked the uniform shop and items are ready for purchase.
School Shirts are $25
School Hats are $7
Shirt/Hat packs are $29
Open Monday, Tuesday & Thursday mornings. Please come to front office.

BREAKFAST CLUB
We have boxes of Weet-Bix and Apricot Fruity Bix for sale down at the canteen for $1 per box. If you are interested please see Mr Brown at 8:30am down at the canteen.

21 MARCH
Harmony Day

On Friday, students and staff at Kemblawarra Public School celebrated Harmony Day. Everyone was encouraged to wear orange to show their support for harmony and multiculturalism in Australia.
The day began with a Harmony Day themed assembly, where some of the primary students shared Harmony Day acrostic poems that they had written and then all students from preschool to year 6 participated in a colouring activity with their buddy classes in the afternoon. The resulting hand designs will go on display in the school hall.
A big THANK YOU to all who partook in the festivities. The day was a great success.
Gurugun (HB5)

Term One in Gurugun!

Gurugun is off to an excellent start to the 2015 academic year!

Studying Antarctica as our HSIE Term 1 topic, students have researched and built Antarctic scientific research stations as a part of their homework, created posters to raise awareness of the environmental issues affecting Antarctica and plotted natural and manmade landmarks on Antarctic maps.

Our Term 1 Science focus is 'weather' which has seen us predict weather based on weather patterns, learn about cloud formations and how they can inform us about the chance of rain on a given day, and built rain gauges from soft drink bottles to measure precipitation levels.

We were all very excited by the 40mm of rain that fell in Kemblawarra between 20 February and 6 March which was caught by our rain gauges!

Kemblawarra Public School, Preschool

Term 1, week 9

Both the Buroo and the Wombat room have been very busy the past week!

On Friday, we had our excursion to the Warrawong library. We loved listening to the librarian read us The Very Hungry Caterpillar and sing some songs with us. We also made a caterpillar craft which we got to take home. We also found our very own caterpillar in the playground, which was very exciting.

Later that day, we walked up to the big school to take part in some Harmony day activities. We learnt that Harmony day is all about celebrating all of the different people in Australia and is about being kind to everyone.

Both classes have also helped in making their own special class rules. This will hopefully encourage the children to take responsibility for their own actions and help our classrooms to be safe.

Reminders:

*Amanda would like her families to bring in a family photo

*Jo would like her families to bring in a baby photo of their child

*We are still waiting on some Emergency Contact & Medical Information forms to be returned. Please return them to your child’s teacher as soon as possible. Please complete them even if there have been no changes. Also please return the permission notes for STEPS eye screening.

*Easter hat parade is on 2nd April at 9:30 at the main school. The school is collecting Easter eggs for the Easter raffle. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.
Community Noticeboard

- **Bunning’s Warrawong** - Easter Family Night - Thursday 26th March 6pm-8pm  ph: 42760800  FREE
- **Tech Waratahs Rugby Club** - Junior Registrations Every Thursday from 5:30-6:30pm Saunders Ova;, Gwynneville, Wollongong TAFE contact: Dan Read  ph: 0414 628926
- **Kids’ Fishing Workshop** Kids 8-14 years old are invited to come and learn how to fish safely and responsibly. At Lake Illawarra Thursday 9 April, 10am-2pm. Cost $40. Contact: Stephen Thurstan  ph: 0438 245190 email: stephen.thurstan@dpi.nsw.gov.au

**Safety and Security**

Students, staff and school property are protected under the Inclosed Lands Act. It is an offence to verbally and physically assault any student or staff member on school premises.

School grounds are private property. No one is allowed on school grounds out of school hours unless they have permission. If anyone sees anybody they think shouldn’t be on the school grounds please contact School Security or the Police on 4276 5199.

**Word of the Week**

**persevere**

**Verb**

**Meaning:**

to persist in or remain constant to a purpose, idea or task, in the face of obstacles or discouragement

**Used in a sentence:**

The student’s school work was challenging but the teacher encouraged the student to persevere.

**POTATO AND LEEK SOUP**

**BY GEOFF**

**Ingredients:**

- 6-8 Medium Potatoes (peeled)
- 2 Litres Chicken Stock
- Chicken Stock Powder
- Parsley
- 2-3 Leeks
- 6 Cloves Garlic 2 tblsp (crushed)
- 600ml Cream
- Parmesan Cheese

**Method:**

- Cut leeks and potatoes into chunks. Add to large saucepan/boiler. Add crushed garlic, chicken stock and chicken stock powder to boiler.
- Bring to boil and cook til potatoes and leeks are soft.
- Remove from heat and using a stick blender, blend until all smooth.
- Add cream and blend.
- Ladle into bowls, add parsley. Add parmesan if desired.