A huge congratulations to all of the 2014 graduates, for all of their hard work and determination. The SACE achievers were Dalveena Sumner, Catherine Solomon, Telisha Lindsay and Darby Lee. Shannon Richards also officially finished in 2014 as his results were held over, due to school based traineeship commitments. Well done to all of these students and good luck for the future! It is worth noting that completing SACE at Warriappendi is a significant team effort, with all staff contributing, usually over many years, to the building of student confidence, skill and self drive. The staff commitment to our students is an example of state school best practice and our mandate is clear and simple: Attend Warriappendi regularly and we will ensure that you complete SACE. This year we have several Year 12 students who are hoping to finish this year, and again I highlight the importance of regular attendance and effort. It is with some sadness that I announce that Anton will retire as Warriappendi bus driver at the end of the term. Good luck and thanks for all of your hard work and commitment. We will start Term 2 picking up students in the white van, and Rowan, who has been working at Warriappendi for the past year will be driving. As there are only 11 seats, we may temporarily ask some students to find their own way to school. Bus tickets will be provided.

Chris

### DIARY DATES

#### EVENTS

**TERM 2 STARTS**
- **TUESDAY**
- **28TH APRIL**

**PUPIL FREE DAY:**
- **MONDAY**
- **27TH APRIL**

**NAPLAN (YR 9S)**
- **12TH, 13TH & 14TH MAY**

Don’t miss our BIG BREAKFAST on the first day back
- **Tuesday**
- **28th April**
VET

VET is summarised as accredited training in job related and technical skills. It is such a valuable area of study for senior secondary students as they are able to develop skills and knowledge that relates to an industry area, get formal qualifications, earn SACE points and establish pathways into further education or employment.

2015 is a new year for VET as we continue to develop plans in expanding the quantity and quality of VET which is delivered at Warriappendi. For the first time we will be running a short course week in week 8 term 2. During this week senior students will be able to achieve their ‘Provide First Aid’ certificate and Learners Permit.

Progress is being made on the designs for the Trade Skills Centre and this is looking to go to tender within the next month or two. By mid 2016 we should have a fully functional industry standard cooking facility for our students to access with their Hospitality programs.

We are half way through the semester and running a Certificate I in Hospitality mainly with our year 10 students. These students will complete 7 units during the semester as well as a one day Barista course which is booked in for Tuesday the 2nd June. For most students this is their first experience with a VET mode of study, which is slightly different as it is divided into units and runs with student workbooks. Students have made a great start and are looking promising for completing this qualification.

The year 12s are working on their Certificate III in Community services work (half qualification) which when finished would allow them to enter into employment or further study in Youth Work, Disability, Housing, Justice Support and Aged Care, to name a few. This is such a valuable qualification for the students to have and despite a sleepy start to the course students are progressing towards completing the 5 units by week 7 term 2.

A reminder to students and families that there are two study days scheduled in the holidays to provide extra support to senior students. **On Tuesday the 14th of April, there will be a SACE catch up day and on Friday the 24th of April Tara will be running a Certificate III Community Services catch up and Leila will provide a SACE Art catch up. Please encourage students to attend these days as they provide a great opportunity for students to finish overdue work and stay on track with their assignments.**
2014 Achievement Day

[Images of people at an achievement day event]
Visiting Teacher

My name is Philip Walker and I am a pre-service teaching student from the University of South Australia. I'm currently completing my Masters in Secondary Teaching, and will be conducting my final placement at Warriappendi school. I will have the opportunity to complete my placement from the 27th of April to the 29th of May. Though my major teaching area will be Design and Technologies and my minor will be in Aboriginal Studies, I look forward to participating in all teaching areas within the school.

Nunga Tag Carnival

On Thursday the 12th of March all the Senior Students, Junior Students, and myself attended a Nunga Tag Carnival down at Christies Beach High School. For the first game we played it was against Brighton High school. While playing this game I must say some of the highlights where being able to see everyone be happy when we scored a try. For the second game we played we versed Christies Beach High school, we did extremely well and won our first game against them. My highlight for this game was scoring my first try and being able to win our first game. For the third game we played Bowden Brompton, we didn't win this game but we didn't lose either. We showed really good sports man ship. My highlight of this game was being able to keep the boys back in there half of the field and not letting them get the better of us girls. For the second to last game we ended up playing Reynella East we didn’t end up winning, we ended up having a tie. By this time we was definitely feeling the pain in our legs. While playing this game my highlights was watching my team play properly and get more try’s. For the last game we played Brighton High School again we lost the first time versing them and then we versed them again we drew against them this time and we showed and lot more sports man ship then the first game we played. Before we played our last game my legs where feeling tired and like jelly I didn’t really want to play but I did it for our team. The highlights of this match were being able to draw with the team we had lost to earlier in the day. Over the whole day my Challenges I faced was having to try and keep running even though your legs are tired and you feel like crap. I dealt with this by telling myself that the day is almost over and I will be able to rest my legs soon. The success I had was being able to play the game properly without stuffing up. I knew I had this because I started to improve after games and picked up on my mistakes and worked to improve.

Tashara Wilson - Nunga tag reflection
Senior School Update

Congratulations to the four graduates of 2014 and the 2013 graduate who successfully submitted his Research Project. Of the five students, Shannon Richards is in a supervisory role at Woolworths, Telisha Lindsay, Dallveena Sumner and Catherine Solomon are going on to complete their Certificate III in Community Services and Darby Lee is enrolled and attending The Centre for Aboriginal Studies in Music. We are very proud of them and hope they will stay connected with us in the future.

Stage 1 SACE subjects involve a variety of literacy and numeracy skills, career development, cultural knowledge and history and personal skills and fitness. Many thanks to Craig Abbott for his creative thinking with PE and his commitment to providing students with the opportunity to participate in excursions and the Power Cup. Student determination with Power Cup improved considerably last year, with many students completing all tasks and enjoying the carnival. We are hoping that this year will see a continuation of great participation in the competition. Aboriginal Studies continues to be a strong subject within the Stage 1 curriculum and it is encouraged that family and other members of the school community support this subject through guest speaker presentations, workshops and excursions. Another successful subject is PLP– where students engage with guest speakers in order to understand the capabilities and complete work experience in order to build their employability skills.

Well done to the 2014 students who worked tirelessly with Leila Haq and Donna Gynell (Community Artist) to produce an outstanding mural which now is part of the Warriappendi landscape.

Some Year 11 and 12 students are finding the pressure of assignments and deadlines to be stressful. Please encourage your child to keep up the determination, as they are fully capable of finishing SACE and will be very proud of themselves at the end of 2015. We are running some catch up sessions in the holidays (14th & 24th April), so it is a great opportunity for them to complete some work and reduce the pressure.
This is a still shot taken from the video the junior students wrote and recorded in Aboriginal Studies lessons (with the help of promotions and productions manager, Rowan Pullen) to welcome guests to Achievement Day. The junior students used the welcome as an opportunity to acknowledge Kaurna elders, past and present, and their ownership of the land which Warriappendi is built on. Students also talked about where they came from – which included:

- Point Pearce
- Pt Augusta
- Adelaide plains
- the West Coast,
- Flinders Ranges
- Raukan
- Kalgoolie

and what mob that they dentified with. These included:

* Narrunga, Ngarrindjeri, Nawu, Banggarla, Wangkathaa and Andyamathanha.

They also acknowledged that at our school, and among the entire students and staff cohort, there are even more language groups represented that this!