What is PBS??

PBS = Positive Behaviour for Success

PBS (Positive Behaviour for Success) is a process to improve academic and behavioural outcomes for students. Mount Warrigal Public School has been involved in PBS for a number of years. We are in the process of introducing PBS fully into the Preschool.

PBS is an approach to enhancing the capacity of schools to educate all children by developing research-based, school wide, and classroom discipline systems. Many schools in Australia and overseas have a PBS approach.

The process focuses on improving the school’s ability to teach and support positive behaviour for all students. Rather than a prescribed program, PBS provides systems for schools to design, implement, and evaluate effective school-wide, classroom, non-classroom, and student specific discipline plans.

PBS includes school-wide procedures and processes intended for:

• **ALL** students, **ALL** staff and in **ALL** settings
• Non-classroom settings within the school environment such as walkways and the hall
• Individual classrooms and teachers, and
• Individual student supports for the estimated 3-7% of students who present the most challenging behaviours (Positive Action with Success program – PAWS).

**PBS is not** a program or a curriculum. It is a way of doing things to make school a safe, structured, consistent and a happy place.

**IT IS** a team-based process for systemic problem solving, planning, and evaluation. It is an approach to creating an environment within which school-based teams of educators are trained:

• Systems change
• Effective behaviour management principles and practices; and
• Application of research-validated instruction and management practices.

At Mount Warrigal Public School there are 4 core values and specific behaviours that are taught to the students that align with these values. They are:

**Be Safe. Think Safe**
**Be Kind & Thoughtful. Think Before You Act.**
**Be Proud. Show Respect.**
**Be a Learner. We all have the right to learn.**

We have a mascot, a big dog named Todo as Warrigal is Aboriginal for “native dog” and his sons Oscar and Warrigal who can be seen at our fortnightly assemblies and on signs around our school. Each term selected students who demonstrate positive behaviour receive in the mail a happy postcard from their teacher. Our merit system and Paws awards are also a part of PBS.

On the back of this sheet are the expected behaviours that students should demonstrate at school. They should be read in conjunction with the Department of Education and Communities Core Rules for Students in NSW Government Schools. If you have any questions about PBS at Mount Warrigal Public School please speak to a staff member.