

Wentworth Public School

Newsletter

30th May 2012



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Missing school leaves gaps in your education

Did you know?

If your child misses as little as eight days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed a year of education.



RECONCILIATION WEEK

I would like to commend Jordan, Harley and Tyrone on the excellent presentation they did at our school assembly on Monday. It is important to acknowledge important events in our history and "Sorry" day is one of these. The boys did a great job in presenting the information about the day and week.

WORKING BEE

I hope to see many families here on Saturday to assist with some much needed maintenance around the school. We will commence at 9:00am and need to eradicate some prickly weeds on the oval, "fluff" the softfall under the playground equipment, fix chairs in the kitchen and spruce up the garden outside the office. All families represented will go into a draw for a Fishers' voucher.

MAY - JUNE 2012

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
				31/5 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	1/6	2/6 Working Bee - 9am
3/6	4/6 Kids Club 3.30-5pm	5/6 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	6/6 UNSW Science Comp	7/6 Last Day for Book Club Orders AASC 3:45-4:45pm	8/6 The Protectors Performance 2pm - \$5	9/6
10/6	11/6 Public Holiday	12/6 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	13/6	14/6 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	15/6	16/6
17/6	18/6 UNSW Writing Comp Kids Club 3.30-5pm	19/6 UNSW Spelling Comp AASC 3:45pm-4:45pm	20/6	21/6 Last Day of AASC 3:45pm- 4 :45pm	22/6	23/6
24/6	25/6 Kids Club 3.30-5pm	26/6	27/6 Book- fair	28/6 Bookfair	29/6 Bookfair Last day of Term 2	30/6
15/7	16/7 Staff Development Day	17/7 Students return	18/7	19/7	20/7	21/7

PARENT WORKSHOP

The PSP parent workshop that was scheduled for next Wednesday has been cancelled, as the presenter, Julie Loxley, is unable to make it. It will be rescheduled at a later date

SCHOOL STAFF

As you will be aware, Mrs Farley has gone on maternity leave and Mr Gray has taken over her 1/2 class. We look forward to having Mr Gray join our staff on a full time basis.

Unfortunately, Mrs Slade had an accident on the weekend, while practicing "Jump Rope For Heart" and hurt her knee. We are still waiting to hear when she will be able to return to school, but are hoping she will be right to hobble around next week! Fingers crossed that she will be okay soon!

We also have teachers attending professional learning at the moment and this has meant some changes to teachers on classes. There seems to be a shortage of emergency teachers, but all classes should be covered without too much disruption.

EXCURSIONS AND VISITORS

Our students have participated in a couple of walking excursions this week and they are completing some great work in class about what they have learned. We also had a visiting presenter; William Hannah, today and Sian Harris will be here tomorrow to work with students

Cathy Eddie

Principal

BOOKCLUB

Last day for Bookclub orders is Thursday 7th June. All orders will be processed on Friday 8th June.

BARRIER REPRESENTATIVES

Three of our students proudly represented the Barrier region in their chosen sports last week. Annabelle Rix travelled to Sutherland and played at the NSWPSSA Girls Basketball championships. Annabelle had a lot of time on court and her team finished 9th in the tournament. Jack Cullinan and Nick Stanborough travelled to Griffith to play in the NSWPSSA Australian Football championships. The Barrier team finished ninth in the tournament and Nick received a most consistent award for his efforts. Well done to you all.

Jordana Shields

Sports Coordinator

.EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

Please make sure that you keep the school office up to date with any changes in telephone numbers and addresses. It is very important that we have correct numbers to contact you in an emergency.

HEAD LICE

At present we have an outbreak of head lice in the school. Please check your child's hair regularly for Head Lice.

Hair must be treated before children are permitted to attend school.

Please ensure your child has their own hats.

THE PROTECTORS PERFORMANCE - BULLIES BEWARE

The performance will take place in the school hall on **Friday 8th June** at 2pm. The performance is aimed at all children Kinder to Year 6. The **cost is \$5** per child.

Please return the note and money to the school office by **Thursday 7th June**

"THE PROTECTORS" SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

I give permission for _____ to attend the "The Protectors" Performance in the School Hall on Friday 8th June at 2pm. The cost is \$5 per child.

Enclosed is \$ ____

Signed _____ Date: _____

Would \$500 help you to pay for school camps, books, uniforms, a lap top or even sports costs?

Saver plus could be the program for you and will match your savings \$1 for \$1 up to \$500 to go towards education costs for families.

To join Saver Plus you need:

- a Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- to be 18 or over
- to have an income from paid employment
- to have a child attending school

Please call Janice Peake or Elena Nemtsas at Haven on: 50184200.

CANTEEN.

Please contact Kellie Ricardi at kellie_ricardi@aanet.com.au, or on 0400 673 845 if your name is not listed in the roster and you'd like to assist in the Canteen. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Canteen Roster - Term 2, 2012.

1 st June 2012	Di Page	Larni Baird
8 th June 2012	Donna Moylan	Teresa Crisp
15 th June 2012	Donna Moylan	Kaye Hyde
22 nd June 2012	Kathryn Baird	Amber Baird
29 th June 2012	Sheryl Brown	Mandy Bone

STUDENT BANKING

The School has Student Banking through the **Bendigo Bank** on **Wednesday morning**. Children bring their bank books and money to the School office before school and the Bendigo Bank staff collect them and return the books the following day.

If your child wishes to bank but does not have a Bendigo Bank account, the paper work is available through Mrs Shields at the front office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

GIRL GUIDES have vacancies

for girls aged 5 - 18 years in Sunraysia. Guiding offers activities designed to meet personal challenges, to learn team building and leadership skills, and to make new friends.

For more information of units in your area.

Contact District Leader Amanda McNabb 0437706296

Basketball Victoria Under 12 Skills Days

at the Toyota Hothouse for boys & girls born in 2001 & 2002.

Saturday July 28th & Sunday July 29th

Please call the MBA for more details on 5023 2241

Wentworth Little Geckos Playgroup

**Every Monday and Wednesday from 10.30am to 12.30pm at
Wentworth Public School**

Families welcome to come along and have a yarn up! Relax and mingle with friends and family within the community

Activities for the children such as:

- ♦ Making arts & crafts animals
- ♦ Children can do paintings
- ♦ One of the days we will go to the Library

Indoor & Outdoor Activities. Snacks and Drinks provided

For further information please contact:

Lois Taylor or Maralea Nua on 50274067 or 50277600

Wentworth Public School**Absence Note**

Student Name: _____

My child was absent from school on ____/____/2012

Reason –Sick ☐ Family ☐ Appointment ☐ Other ☐

Details _____

Signed _____ Parent/Guardian

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NUT BAN

As we have students who have a **SEVERE** allergy to nuts, children are requested **NOT** to bring any nuts or products containing nuts, in their lunches. Please also remember this when bringing birthday cakes or other food into the classes. It is best to check with your child's teacher with regard to children in the class with allergies.

LOST PROPERTY

We have quite a lot of lost property in our sick bay (swimming tops, goggles, beach towel, lunch boxes and drink bottles) . If your child is missing any of these please come and have a look for lost property. **Please remember to put your child's name or initial on anything they bring to school so we can get it back to them.**

KINDER L NEWS

Congratulations to our award recipients this week. Student of the week is Kurt Trewin with Jordan Scott, Angus Hopfner and Zac Pearce receiving achievement awards. These students have been choosing to follow school values and operating in level C and D. Well done.

Yesterday, we went for a walk around the town to look at some of the historical sites and buildings and we would like to say a HUGE thank you to all the parents and helpers that helped to make our day a success. We visited the Ruby paddleboat, the oldest church built on the Darling River - St. John's, and lots of other historical sites, and the children had a great day.

A reminder about the roster for Talking and Listening - each child has an allocated day in our class each week, so please remind them of their given day. Please encourage your child to discuss the given topic, as this will help them to actively participate in this activity in class.

Please continue to listen to your children reading their books and continue to read to them. The efforts you put in helping your children in reading reflect in their achievements in the classroom. Readers need to be returned every day to be checked. Readers will usually be changed Monday to Thursday.

Have a great week,

Regards, Chris Larwood

YEAR 3/4S NEWS

The children had a wonderful beginning to our new unit relating to the local history with an excursion down to the canoe tree. They all had a great time learning about the history of the canoe tree, sketching, bug catching and photography. We have been completing a lot of activities relating to the excursion this week. A big thank you to Mrs Rees for organising the day, the children had a fantastic time. Also thank you to all the helpers who came down to support the excursion. We greatly appreciated your assistance.

I was very impressed to hear that the Year 3's did a wonderful job in their Naplan tests while I was away. Well done! Mr Baird had a wonderful time teaching you all while I was away.

Spelling lists went out yesterday (excluding Knowledge Seekers) due to the excursion on Monday. All folders must be returned every Friday ready for their spelling test.

Hope you have a wonderful week.

Jordana Shields

YEAR 4/5H NEWS

Hi everyone and welcome to another busy school week. I will be away again on Wednesday and Thursday for professional development.

This will be my last trip away for some time. The children are lucky to have Mr Baird as their classroom teacher during this time.

This week we have started our unit on local history, focusing particularly on the river. Our excursion went well so we are off to a flying start.

Our class are looking for donations of fruit for fruit break. It would be nice to see some different people bringing in fruit instead of the same students all of the time. Our class are also hoping for some volunteers to help in the kitchen on a Tuesday between 12noon and 1.30pm.

Our student of the week is Kirra-Lee Bride who is always working in levels C and D. The class have selected Aden Taylor-Tate and Murphy Baird to receive our in class awards. I congratulate all of these students who are all positively contributing to our classroom.

Have a great week everyone.

Cheers Jen

YEAR 6M NEWS

Congratulations to Nick, Jack and Annabelle who were representatives in the Barrier teams for AFL and basketball last week in Griffith and Sydney. Also to Brodie who participated in Queensland with a Sunraysia Baseball team to play in the Australian Little League Championships.

The class had a terrific time last Friday working with Mr. Doyle, Jacob, Matt, Melissa and Mae from Coomealla High. They were able to produce a wooden pencil case. If they ran out of time for the wood burning design, they are able to bring them in this week and finish it off in class.

Thank you to Leanne Hancock who assisted the Year 6's in the kitchen last week, whilst our usual weekly volunteer Stacey Cullinan was away. We are very grateful for this support.

Our local excursion to the Canoe Tree on Monday was fantastic. Thank you to Mrs Rees for organising a successful event and to all who assisted in some way.

A final cost for the Year 6 Canberra excursion should be announced soon. Although this is yet not available, any ongoing deposit will make it less of a hassle for you later on.

Coomealla High School Disco

Year 6's from all the primary schools have been invited to the attend the next Coomealla High School Disco. On the next page is the information regarding this event. Can you please inform me if your child is attending by Monday 4th June. The high school requires names/numbers of students attending. They will then send the entry tickets to us to give out to the students before the disco.

Hope you have a sunny week,

Sandra Marziano

YEAR 6M NEWS Cont... COOMEALLA HIGH SCHOOL DISCO

DATE: Thursday the 7th of June

TIME: 7:00 - 10:00 pm (Parents will be required to drop off and collect their child from the auditorium doors).

VENUE: Coomealla Memorial Club Auditorium (upstairs)

COST: Free (must have ticket to enter, see below)

DRESS: Dress up in your favourite sports gear or team sport. There will be prizes for best dressed, door prizes and activities.

BRING: Students may need to bring money for soft drink.

RSVP: Year 6 Teacher, 4th June.

Achievement Certificates

Kinder L: Angus Hopfner, Jordan Scott & Zac Pearce

1/2G: Robbie Watters-Behsmann, Callan M^cInnes &
Kaleb Bride

1/2S: Thomas Stokes & Drew Thompson

3/4S: Bailey Heywood, Matthew Hancock & Terique Rose

4/5H: Murphy Baird & Aden Taylor-Tate

6M: Jardan Kennedy & Bradley Edwards

Principals Awards

**Jardan Kennedy, Harley Jones, Tyrone Jones, James Vine
&
Nell M^cKenzie**

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Student of the Week

Kurt Trewin

Amos Byers

Dakota Jones

Summer Halls

Kirra-Lee Bride

Ricki Martin