

Wentworth Public School

Newsletter

15th August 2012



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

P&C MEETING

P&C will be meeting tomorrow night in the school's technology room. There are some important pieces of information I will be sharing at this meeting including an update on the new Local Schools/Local Decisions model, Every Student/Every School and our school's Anti bullying policy.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have quite a few students not wearing the correct school uniform at the moment. Could you please assist us in making sure correct clothing is worn? Including hats.

WENTWORTH SHOW

Our students have been invited to sing the National Anthem at the opening of the Wentworth Show and the VIBE groups perform their dances.

All students in K-6 are invited to help sing the National Anthem at approximately between 2:00pm and 2:30pm.

Students do not have to wear school uniform.

A note will be included in next week's newsletter asking for numbers.

Have a great week

Natalie Hopcroft

Acting Principal

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2012

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
				16/8 AASC P&C Meeting 7pm	17/8	19/8
19/8	20/8 Kids Club	21/8 AASC	22/8	23/8 Barrier Aths Carnival Aero Aths Complex AASC	24/8	25/8 Wenty Show
26/8 Wenty Show	27/8 Kids Club	28/8 AASC	29/8	30/8 AASC	31/8	1/9
2/9	3/9 Kids Club	4/9 NAIDOC DAY AASC	5/9	6/9 AASC	7/9 Rugby Gala Day Canberra Excursion Final Payment Due	8/9 Wenty Shire Elections
9/9	10/9 Kids Club	11/9 AASC	12/9	13/9 AASC	14/9	15/9
16/9 Canberra Excursion	17/9 Kids Club	18/9 AASC	19/9 Swan Hill Excursion	20/9 AASC	21/9 Last Day of Term 4	22/9

BARRIER ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On Thursday 23rd August, the Barrier Athletics carnival is being held at the Mildura Aerodrome sport complex. The following children achieved a top three result at the Murray Darling PSSA carnival in the track and field to qualify for Barrier; Brent Cruse, Nick Stanborough, Sean McKinnon, Annabelle Rix, Sara Hancock, Jardan Kennedy, Connor McKay, Chloe Hyde, Amber Thompson, Bronte Rix, Lyle Thorne and Montana Norris. Well done!!

Congratulations to Brent Cruse and Bronte Rix for achieving equal champion in Senior Boys and Junior Girls at the MD carnival. Notes went out for the Barrier carnival last Friday and need to be returned by this Friday. Please contact the school if you have any questions or concerns.

DENTAL VAN NEWS

This week Lisa is away at a Conference so the Dental Van will not be open. Next week Lisa and Veronica will be at the Dareton Clinic on Wednesday and at the Balranald Clinic Thursday and Friday so the Dental Van will also be closed for the whole week.

Lisa and Veronica will return to the Dental Van on Wednesday 29th August and all of the remaining students will have their Dental Checks completed.

P&C MEETING

The P&C Meeting will be held this Thursday (16th August) at 7pm in the Technology room.

EARLY LEARNING GROUP

Our very successful Early Learning Group program will be operating once again during Term 4. Children who have turned 4 before 31st July 2012 are eligible to attend. Could you please contact the school and book a place for your child or let someone who has a child old enough for the program know about it?

More information is available from the office if required.

STOPWATCH MISSING

FROM ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

We have lost one of our stopwatches. If you were timekeeping at our Carnival could you check your coat pockets etc in case you accidentally kept one?

Thanks

REMINDERS

- **Head Lice Checks** - do them regularly
- Bendigo Bank Student Banking - Every Wednesday
- Nut Ban - No nuts or nut products to be eaten at school
- Change of student details - please make sure the school has your latest phone numbers, address and emergency contacts
- Lost property box is in the sick bay - please label everything your child brings to school
- Return absence notes when your children are away from school.

COLES SPORT FOR SCHOOLS VOUCHERS

Although Coles have now stopped giving out vouchers, we still have the box in the front office collecting them

KITCHEN GARDEN

Vince is looking for donations of any length pine posts that he can use in the Kitchen Garden. He would like 50 if possible. If you can help please contact the front office.

VIBE ALIVE

Congratulations to the students for a great performance at VIBE and a special **Thankyou** to Mrs Halls and Sharon Hopfner for their help on this trip.

Aboriginal Parent Meeting

There will be a meeting held on **Tuesday 28th August** at Wentworth Public School, **10am**. *Please note the date has changed.*

NAIDOC Day

Will be held on **Tuesday 4th September**, starting at 9.30am and finishing at 1.30pm with a BBQ lunch. Normal class time after Lunch.

Parents/ community are welcome to come along to help and support any school event, please contact me at the school if you would like to join in.

Trish Jones AEO

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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COMMUNITY NEWS

PRESCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT FUNDRAISER

On Friday 17th August 2012 at 6pm. Cost is \$5.00 per child. This includes popcorn and a drink. See you there. Ring the Preschool for more information.

WENTWORTH LITTLE GECKOS PLAYGROUP

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

Families are 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

WHK MILDURA JUNIOR HEAT TRYOUTS

Boys and Girls Under 12s to Under 18s

Commence from Saturday August 25th

For more details please call the Mildura Basketball Association on 50232241

CANTEEN NEWS

Below is the roster for this term. If your name is in the roster but the date is not suitable, or you are unavailable this term, please contact Kellie Ricardi at kelliericardi@bigpond.com, or on 5027 8131. If your name is not listed in the roster and you'd like to assist in the Canteen, please contact Kellie also. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Canteen Roster - Term 3, 2012.

17 th August 2012	Mandy Bone	Nelin Spary
24 th August 2012	Teresa Crisp	Donna Gold
31 st August 2012	Kellie Ricardi	Amanda Trewin
7 th September 2012	Di Page	Sharon Hopfner
14 th September 2012	Kellie Ricardi	Amber Baird
21 st September 2012	Sheryl Brown	Kaye Hyde

KINDER NEWS

Greetings one and all! We have been having a great week in Kinder. The highlight so far would have to be the timely visit of 'Mr Echidna'. To the students delight and perhaps teacher's concern, an echidna was found burrowing in the school playground on Monday. The kindergarten class tends to believe he made a visit to the school especially for us as he must have known we have been studying echidnas!

This week we have also begun working on our 'crazy clowns', 'scary monsters' and various animal faces to be displayed at the show. The students have loved being creative and developing their masterpieces.

Thank you to all the parents who have been sending in fruit with their children, it is much appreciated and thoroughly enjoyed. Please remember to label your children's property, such as hats and jumpers.

We look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming Wentworth Show. Have a great week and keep warm!

Regards, Grace Early.

Thank you kindly,

Grace Early.

YEAR 1/2S NEWS

Well done to our star student of the week Tobias Watson- Kiely for his attitude in class and the respect he shows everyone and everything. We will be catching reading awards at next week's assembly and our class awards were given to Amos, Laura, Thomas and Hannah - congratulations!

We are getting ready for the Wentworth show and we would really appreciate any help on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday afternoon. Both of the 1-2 classes are working very hard on our show craft and "Willy the Wimp". In maths we are continually working on early arithmetic strategies and this week we started on money.

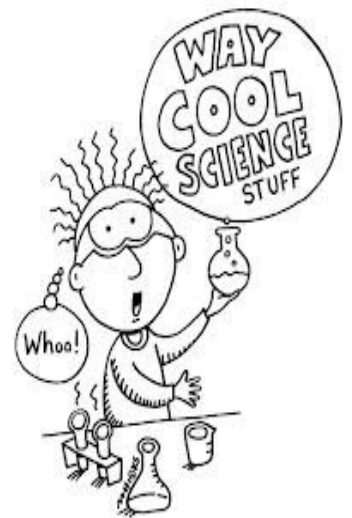
After this week, we are focusing on all things science and we can't wait!!! The little scientists in 1-2s asked the questions:

"Why are there so many different species of birds on the rivers at Wentworth at the moment?" and "Why are there so many fish in the rivers at the moment and is this unusual for this time of year?" All input is greatly appreciated.

We are wondering if anyone has any expertise in science- would they be willing to come in and share it with our class. Please let me know at school, you would be so welcome.

Have a great week,

Trish Slade



YEAR 1/2G NEWS

Bravo to all the kids for some fantastic work in our literacy sessions over the last few weeks. The class has written and illustrated their very own storybook, *Gorilla Man the Nerd*, based on the text we have been studying, *Willy the Wimp*. The class is very proud of their work and would love to show it off to any parents that are keen to see what we have been up to lately.

Brianna Bagnall has been chosen as our Student of the Week this week. She was chosen for consistently exhibiting our school values in everything she does. Amelia, Dylan and Callan we also nominated to receive achievement awards for positive contributions to our class. Well done guys!

This week we will be joining with 1/2S for some maths games and our focus topic for the next fortnight will be money! This will also be the last week we look at Willy the Wimp in our literacy sessions.

If there are any parents that still need to catch up for a parent-teacher meeting, please pop in before or after school to arrange a time.

Cheers,

Brian

YEAR 3/4S NEWS

We have had such a busy couple of weeks in 3/4S. The children are enjoying their music lessons held every Monday by Judith Tilley. I'm having a fabulous time learning the alto at the same time. Most of the students now have their own recorder which is kept at school and are able to practice during the week if they choose to. Some of the children still need to pay the \$4 fee to receive their personal recorder. Just hand the money at the office. Any questions or concerns please contact the school.

This term in the garden we have been looking at safe and unsafe practices. The children having been making some fantastic posters including their own photos. Hopefully we will have them displayed in the classroom for you all to see soon. In the kitchen parents are welcome to come along and assist. We are always looking for helpers. I'm sure your child would be very excited if you turned up to help out with the cooking.

My apologies to you all I forgot to inform you last week that I am currently in Broken Hill for a Reading to Learn course. I will be back tomorrow.

I hope you all have a fabulous week.

Jordana Shields

4/5H News

I am back from another successful VIBE festival. I really enjoyed the whole excursion and found the messages behind all the activities to be excellent advice for everyone.

The term is sneaking past already and I have remembered that Father's Day is not far away, which means it is time for us to run another fundraising raffle. I am calling for donations of items suitable to be placed in a hamper as a prize for Father's Day. I have thought about this a bit and if people are too busy to send in items I do not mind if you make a donation of money and then I will buy the suitable items myself. I will begin sending home raffle books as of next week so we get a good start on sales.

Our student of the week this week is Olivia Daymond. Our class awards go to all of the students who attended VIBE. I was very impressed by their behaviour and by the way they represented the school during their time away.

On Friday—17th August—we are having a sewing day to make our show items—if you would like to come and join us you would be made most welcome.

A quick reminder that we are always looking for volunteers for the kitchen program every Tuesday between 12 and 1.30pm.

Have a great week.

Cheers Jen

YEAR 6M NEWS

Well what a tour we are having in the Kitchen Garden. First we travelled to India, followed by Sri Lanka and Vietnam. Today we landed in France. Mrs. Eddie may be physically travelling around the world, but the Year 6's are using their taste palettes to enjoy the experience of other countries. Thanks to Jodie for this opportunity.

There are still a few Canberra medical and zoo notes that need to be returned. Can these please be sent in as soon as possible?

Four students have had their first guitar tutoring VC with Mr Scotton from Coomealla High. It is a terrific way to make the transition to high school easier.

The spelling test is back to normal on Friday this week, as is reading log and diary collection.

Happy taste bud travels,

Sandra Marziano

Achievement Certificates

Kinder L: Zac Pearce & Jarrah Thorne

1/2G: Dylan Wellard, Callan McInnes & Amelia Paech

1/2S: Laura Hancock, Hannah Fordham & Amos Byers

3/4S: Montana Norris & Summer Halls

4/5H: Vibe students

6M: Sara Hancock & Jardan Kennedy

Principal's Awards

Lyle Thorne & Alannah Wellard

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Student of the Week

Jamaya Kennedy

**Tobias
Watson-Kiely**

Brianna Bagnall

Bailey Cain

Olivia Daymond

Abby Taylor