

Wentworth Public School

Newsletter

5th September 2012



### **PRINCIPAL'S NEWS**

Well done Trish Jones and all her helpers for an excellent NAIDOC day. The weather was especially kind to us for this great day of activities.

Thank you to the students and families who were able to lend a hand over the weekend and spread pebbles and softfall. It only took a couple of hours and helped make a difference in our playground.

I would also like to acknowledge Robbie Knight and the great effort he has been making to umpire a Rugby game for our Primary students on the oval each lunch time. The students involved are really enjoying his expertise.

### **PRIORITY SCHOOL PROGRAM**

Unfortunately our school has not qualified for the Priority School Program next year.

This means we will need to be a little bit more creative with funding to support the programs in our school. Lots of changes are going to happen for school funding from both a State and Federal level in 2014. It will be interesting to see what this will mean for us.

Have a great week

Natalie Hopcroft

Acting Principal

# SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2012

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
				6/9 Book Orders & Money due AASC	7/9 Rugby Gala Day Final Payments Due for Canberra & Swan Hill Excursions	8/9 Wenty Shire Elections
9/9	10/9 Kids Club	11/9 Infants Eisteddfod AASC	12/9	13/9 AASC	14/9	15/9
16/9 Canberra Excursion Leaves	17/9 Kids Club	18/9	19/9 Swan Hill Excursion Leaves	20/9	21/9 Last Day of Term 3	22/9
7/10	8/10 Term 4 Starts for Staff & Students	9/10	10/10	11/10	12/10	13/10
14/10	15/10 Kids Club	16/10 AASC Commences	17/10	18/10 AASC	19/10 Early Learning Group Commences 9-11am	20/10
21/10	22/10 Kids Club	23/10 AASC	24/10	25/10 AASC	26/10 ELG 9-11	27/10

## **BOOKCLUB**

Anyone wishing to order books from this month's bookclub please return orders and money by Thursday 6th September.

## **FATHERS' DAY BREAKFAST**

What a terrific atmosphere we had in the school grounds early Friday morning with the annual Father's Day Breakfast event. It was wonderful to see so many dads / grandfathers attend. Thank you to those who donated the eggs and all the helpers who assisted in creating such a successful occasion.

## **FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE**

4/5H would like to thank everyone for supporting their fundraising efforts. The lucky winners of the prize hampers were Craig Wellard and Kiara Kneebone.

## **CANBERRA AND SWAN HILL EXCURSIONS**

Final payments are due the 7th September. Contact the office if you are unsure of the amount.

## **YEAR 5/6 RUGBY GALA DAY NOTES**

Please return the Rugby Gala Day permission note, attached to last week's newsletter to the office by Thursday 6th September.

## **MILDURA EISTEDDFOD**

Infants will be performing a the Mildura Eisteddfod on Tuesday 11th September at Trinity Lutheran College. A note is going home today and parent helpers will be announced as soon as possible. We only received confirmation yesterday.

Trish Slade

## **AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR NATIONAL CAPITAL EXCURSION**

Students from our school will soon be undertaking an Educational Tour of the National Capital. While on this tour they participate in a variety of educational programmes focused on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

**The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship Education. To assist you (the parent) in meeting the cost of the Excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per eligible student under expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid directly to the school upon completion of the Excursion.**

We would like to Thank the Australian Government for their support of this program.

We hope that the Excursion is a rewarding experience for all students.

## **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.

## **INFORMATION EVENING**

There will be an information evening for all interested parents with children starting Kindergarten in 2013 on Thursday 18th October at 6.00pm. During the evening there will be a tour of the school, information talk/questions, Year 5 buddies will run games for the incoming students and a BBQ tea offered.

## **RESULTS OF JACKPOT BAKERY SHOW POSTER COMPETITION**

<b>Year 5</b>	1st Amber Thompson
<b>Year 4</b>	2nd Bronte Rix
<b>Year 2</b>	2nd Chanelle Ricardi
<b>Year 1</b>	3rd Laura Hancock
<b>Kinder</b>	Honourable Mention - Zac Pearce

**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](mailto: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.**

7 <sup>th</sup> September 2012	Di Page	Sharon Hopfner
14 <sup>th</sup> September 2012	Kellie Ricardi	Amber Baird
21 <sup>st</sup> September 2012	Sheryl Brown	Kaye Hyde

**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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## FUSION DRILLDANCE TEAMS

### *NOW RECRUITING*

Under 9 - MYSTIK FUSION

Under 12 - SONIK FUSION

Under 17 - COZMIK FUSION

SENIORS 18 and over - ATOMIK FUSION

MASTERS 30 and over - GALACTIK FUSION

Training at Irymple South Primary School at various times.

### WHAT IS DRILLDANCE?

DrillDance teams perform exciting and challenging routines in categories such as Dance, Prop and Drill-Team.

Teams choose the costumes and music to match the theme of each routine and have the opportunity to compete at state and national championships, as well as perform at local community events.

DrillDance offers a unique opportunity for people of all ages to have fun whilst keeping fit and healthy. DrillDance not only provides meaningful physical activity, good deportment, poise and mental stimulation, it can also provide social contact for people of similar age group and/or similar interests and the friendships formed are an important part of the sport.

For further information please contact DrillDance Mildura

Secretary - Jennifer Marshall - 0429 196 010

President - Tracey Anderson - 0409 008 880



## **COOMEALLA WENTWORTH CRICKET CLUB JUNIOR TRAINING**

### **UNDER 10, UNDER 12 and UNDER 14**

Training will commence Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> September from 4:30pm at George Gordon Oval, and will continue through to the first game on the weekend on October 13/14. All players will be made most welcome.

### **Milo cricket program (ages 5 -8)**

Registration day Thursday, October 11 (first week of term 4), George Gordon Oval, Dareton from 4:30-5:30pm.

Milo cricket offers children the opportunity to learn lots of new cricket skills like batting, bowling, catching and throwing, as well as social skills allowing them to meet new friends and have fun.

Participants receive a free 10 week structured program.

For further information phone Jeremy Giddings on 50248202 (ah).

## **WENTWORTH JUNIOR SOCCER TEAM TRAINING**

When: Wednesday 29th August

Place: Wentworth Public School Oval

Time: 3:30pm to 5:30pm

Age Groups:

Sub Group 6-12 Years

Junior Group: 13-17 Years

Please come along and join in !!!!

For further information please contact Mallee Family Care on 0350277600 to register

## **KINDER NEWS**

It is great to see the kinder children working hard in our classroom. They are all showing some improvement in their reading, and it would be great to see some of them reading more at home. It is important that they practice reading and can identify words in the books. Reading the same book several times is also beneficial, as they become more familiar with unknown words, and they improve their fluency.

Naidoc was busy yesterday, and I am sure everyone had an enjoyable day.

Blanche and I will be on long service leave for the rest of the Term, and the class will be looked after with Mrs Farnsworth this week and for the rest of the time Mr. Baird. There are lots of activities planned for you, so we are sure you will have lots of fun and learning happening in the room.

Regards, Chris Larwood.

## **YEAR 1/2S NEWS**

Well done to our star student of the week, Amos Byers for his improved attitude and application to class work. We had reading awards and our class awards were given to Tobias, Nellie, Holly and Channele - congratulations!

Our father's/ special person's breakfast went really well last Friday. Thank you for attending and sharing our special morning.

In maths we are continually working on early arithmetic strategies- particularly subtraction and this week we are beginning our work on time- please practice o'clock and digital time on the hour and  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour at home as it quite a difficult concept to understand.

We have been working very hard in 1-2S on following our school values, about bullying and about how to have friends you need to be a good friend- please discuss this at home with your child.

In 1-2 S we are focusing on **all things science**. Our displays and learning areas are coming together and we are researching into the types of jobs you can have in science. Chemistry and chemists are our focus this week.

Homework is coming out this week and our apologies for the last fortnight. A spelling list of words to practice is also being sent home for those who wish to do extra practice at home. Thank you for all your support and effort at home with home reading, sight words and homework, it is really making a difference to your children.

Trish Slade

## YEAR 1/2G NEWS

Well it has been another great week from all the kiddies! Good work Briley Etrich for being chosen as our Student of the Week, and nice work Robbie, Nathan and Kurt for receiving Achievement Awards.

Our Maths focus this fortnight will be telling time and in our literacy and science sessions, we will be continuing to look at spiders and creepy crawlies.

Cheers,

Brian

## YEAR 3/4S NEWS

Thanks to everyone for coming along and supporting the Father's Day Breaky last Friday. The children had a wonderful time showing their father's or special friend around the school.

What a wonderful Naidoc Day we had yesterday. The children said their favourite activities were boomerang throwing, making Johnny cakes, listening to stories from the Elders and learning about Mungo from the Mungo Rangers.

We are having such wonderful weather this week. It is starting to warm up and it is important the children bring a bottle of water to school. They can leave their water bottle in the classroom if they want to. We also have a No Hat, No Play policy so please encourage your child to bring a hat every day.

The year 4 students only have a couple of weeks until their Swan Hill excursion. They are getting very excited.

This week in maths we are focusing on fractions and also looking at how they are used in the kitchen and garden. If you are free between 12.00-1.30pm on Thursdays we would greatly appreciate any helpers in the kitchen. We only have two more weeks and it is a great opportunity to observe the fantastic program in the kitchen. Please contact the school if you are interested.

Hope you have a great first week of Spring.

Jordana Shields

## YEAR 4/5H NEWS

Spring is sprung and isn't it fabulous to see. It really makes you want to get up and do something. Thank you to all the families who donated to our father's day raffle and sold tickets. We again made a good profit and have covered all we needed to raise for the year six dinner.

It was great to see the students having a wonderful time participating in the various NAIDOC activities. This week we are looking at perimeter in Mathematics, which leads on from our focus on length.

A reminder also that students need to be wearing a hat at school. It is becoming tiresome every time we go outside we have to spend a lot of time looking for and borrowing hats. The school policy is **No Hat, No Play**, or in the classroom setting it means sitting out of activities.

Our student of the week is Connor McKay and our class award recipients are Jayde Green and Jamah O'Donnell.

Only a couple of weeks now till camp and the end of term. Have a great start to Spring.

Cheers Jen

## YEAR 6M NEWS

It was great to see so many people at last Friday's special Father's Day Breaky. The students had some interesting feedback about the event.

Attached to today's newsletter is a note regarding the Canberra Excursion for those attending. A reminder for those who haven't finalised their payment for the excursion, final payments are due this Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> September.

Due to all Year 5 and 6 being involved in this Friday's Rugby Gala Day down at McLeod Oval, the Year 6's will have their spelling test tomorrow. The collection of all reading logs and diaries will also take place tomorrow. Unfortunately there are still a few students who don't seem to remember their reading logs and/or diaries on a weekly basis.

The Canberra/Government assignment is due next Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September. As part of the assignment, the students will be presenting their work to their classmates throughout next week.

Year 6 and along with myself wish to thank Vince for the wonderful 'Friendship' bench he has constructed as part of this years Year 6 farewell gift to the school. Throughout the past weeks the students created a number of mosaic designs for the bench. A combination of designs was chosen by the class and the 'hands-on' mosaic process commenced last week. Stay tuned to seeing it on display near the entrance of the Kitchen Garden in the upcoming month. A special thank you to Stacey Cullinan for assisting with this project.

The second part to the farewell gift is a quilt for the sickbay. Thank you to Mrs Rees for all the time she put in in sewing together the quilt using the students individual squares designs.

Take care and have a safe week

Sandra Marziano

## Achievement Certificates

**Kinder L: Kurt Trewin & Angus Hopfner**

**1/2G: Kurt Gooding, Robbie Watters- Behsmann &  
Nathan Edwards**

**1/2S: Tobias Watson-Kiely, Holly Bysouth, Nellie Baird &  
Chanelle Ricardi**

**3/4S: Hannah Darby, Karly Russell & Terique Rose**

**4/5H: Jayde Green & Jamah O'Donnell**

**6M: Raymond Green, Jardan Kennedy &  
Nick Stanborough**

## Principal's Awards

**Jack Cullinan, Amos Byers, Mitchell Bysouth, Travis Witte  
& Sean McKinnon**

## 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.



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## **Student of the Week**

