

Wentworth Public School

Newsletter

30th October 2013



THE SUCCESS OF STUDENTS LEAD LESSONS

This term Year 6 are demonstrating how well they can organise themselves by running their own lessons in class as the 'teacher'.

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2013

Sun	Monday	Tues-	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
			30/10 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	31/10 AASC 3:45-4:45pm <u>School Info</u> <u>Evening</u> For 2014 Kinder Enrolment —6pm	1/11 Early Learning Group commences 9am to 11am	2/11
3/11	4/11 Kids Club 3:30pm—5pm Parents & Comm W/shop 6.30- 8pm	5/11	6/11 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	7/11 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	8/11 Early Learning Group	9/11
10/11	11/11 Kids Club 3.30pm—5pm	12/11	13/11 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	14/11 AASC 3:45-4:45pm Year 6 CHS 1/2 day Orientation	15/11 Early Learning Group	16/1 1
17/11	18/11 Kids Club 3.30pm- 5pm	19/11	20/11 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	21/11 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	22/11 Early Learning Group	23/1 1
24/11	25/11 Kids Club 3.30pm - 5pm	26/11	27/11 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	28/11 CHS Year 6 Whole Day Orientation AASC 3:45-4:45pm	29/11 Early Learning Group	30/1 1

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

It is great to be back in Wentworth after being in Sydney for the State Principal's conference. While it is good to hear new information, it is always better to be home!

While in Sydney, I took the opportunity to visit Hunters Hill Public School and speak with their principal, Mr Sakuna Pho and other staff members from their school. It was an excellent opportunity to compare notes and find out how we could develop a partnership between the schools. This was followed by a visit to our school by Mr Pho and his Assistant Principal, Mr Brad Newhouse. They were very impressed with the children at Wentworth, their lovely manners and the programs that we run here. We are looking to starting a positive partnership with Hunters Hill!

FOOTWEAR

It is important that children wear covered in shoes to school, particularly when they are involved in the kitchen program. Enclosed shoes are also better for playing in the playground and participating in sport. Please ensure that your child wears appropriate shoes to school.

ROTARY CLUB OF WENTWORTH COLOURING COMPETITION

Congratulations to Danielle and Chloe who won their sections of the recent Museum Colouring competition. They were presented with their awards last night at a special Rotary Club dinner.

Kirra-Lee, Bronte, Olivia D and Bailey also made the finals. Well done!

PARENTS & COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

An opportunity to provide input into the school's future direction!

As a part of our extra funding that we have received to support the school, we are conducting a three day workshop to develop a comprehensive plan for future directions for the school. This will involve all sections of the school community—staff, students, parents and caregivers and community.

The process is being facilitated by Jane Kovacs from Quality Learning Australia and comprises of several sessions over the three days. **Parents and community are invited to attend a workshop session on Monday, 4th November from 6:30pm-8:00pm.**

The purpose of this workshop is to collect parent, carer and community input as to the desired future direction of the School. This comprises: School Purpose, Vision, Values and Behaviours, Graduate Profile and Priorities.

This is a great opportunity for all to work constructively towards shaping our school's future and we would love to see as many of you there as possible. Please complete the attached form to let us know if you are coming.

The teachers will be involved in sessions on the Sunday and selected students will be participating on the Monday and Tuesday.

This will be an excellent chance to assist the school in a positive way!

PARENTS AND COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

I _____ will be attending the Parents and Community Workshop on Monday, 4th November, 2013.

6.30pm to 8.00pm.

Signed _____.

CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4, 2013

1st November	Kelli Saunders	Kaye Hyde
8th November	Kathryn Baird	Fiona Cullinan
15th November	Becky Bysouth	Bonnie Thompson
22nd November	Larni Baird	Roslyn Watters-Behsmann
29th November	Sheryl Brown	Nelin Spary
6th December	Donna Moylan	Amanda Trewin
13th December*	Kathryn Baird	Amber Baird

CANTEEN NEWS

* The next DONUT DAY will be on 13th December

Please remember to keep your lunch bags if you have ordered an icecream and bring them to the canteen to collect your ice-cream.

TERM 4 IMPORTANT DATES

31st October—Kinder 2014 School Information Evening—6pm

14th November—Year 6—Half Day Orientation Day Coomealla High School

28th November—Year 6—Full Day Orientation Day—Coomealla High School

12th December—Presentation Evening

16th December—Year 6 Farewell Dinner

18th December—Last Day of School Year for students

TERM 4 KITCHEN GARDEN FEES for 2-3G, 3-4M, 4-5H & 6M

Fees (\$15) for the Kitchen Garden Program for Term 4 are now due. If you are unsure if you have paid please check with the school office ladies.

FRUIT BREAK

If anyone is available to cut up fruit for the students Fruit Break on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, it would be greatly appreciated.

If one or more mornings suit, please contact the office.

RFDS ROWATHON CATERING

Special thank you to Di Page for her efforts in organising the P&C's portion of the RFDS Rowathon Catering, held over the recent long weekend. Also a BIG thank you to her small but dedicated band of volunteer's who assisted in any capacity. Job well done by all.

SRC NEWS

Tomorrow SRC will be running the '**Bike/Scooter Safety and Activities**' event at lunchtime. As mentioned in last week's newsletter, the participants will be given the changes to work through a number of activities. Please note that it is a requirement that **helmets** are worn not only for the bike safety tasks, but also for the scooters. SRC were very explicit about the rule, **NO HELMET, NO PARTICIPATION**.

FOR SALE MUSCOVY DUCKS & DRAKES

- Laying Muscovy ducks—\$12 each
- Muscovy Drakes—\$15 each

Phone: 0478275177

FOR SALE STRAWBERRY PLANTS & HORSERADISH PLANTS

Strawberry Plants \$1.50

Horseradish Plants \$3

**COME & TRY SWIMMING AND MEET OLYMPIC MEDALLIST
ANDREW LAUTERSTEIN**

Due to the success of the recent All Schools Swim Meeting, Sunraysia Swimming is holding a "Come & Try" meet for swimmers who may be interested in competitive swimming.

"Come & Try Swimming" will be held on **Friday 15th November** at the Mildura Waves Outdoor Pool commencing at 5pm.

Events are 25 metre Freestyle, Backstroke, Breastroke & Butterfly.

At the conclusion of the Come & Try session stay and watch the Sunraysia Swimmers go head to head—club vs club for pennant points.

Entry is free to all competitors and spectators. Please register your interest with Gaylene Veal cveal@bigpond.net.au by Wednesday 13th November.

Enquiries: Robyn O'Brien 0438110497

EARLY LEARNING GROUP

Once again we will be running our highly successful '**Early Learning Group**' program for students commencing school in 2014.

A parent/guardian information night will be held at the school on Thursday 31st October starting at 6pm. The evening will consist of a meat and salad tea, games for the children with the current Year 5 students, school tours and an information session.

Student sessions will commence the following day starting at 9am until 11am. Children only need to bring a hat and water bottle for the first week. Sessions will then take place every Friday for the remainder of the term. The children will take place in developmental activities, getting to know you tasks and learn about the school.

If you know of any school age children that will be coming to Wentworth Public School next year please let them know about the program or give their names to the front office.

Kind Regards,

Natalie Hopcroft

Kindergarten Teacher

KH NEWS

This week the students are very excited to be finishing the final sound blend in the Jolly Phonics book one. The final two sound blends are er and ar. On Monday we made biscuits with a mixer to reinforce the er sound. On Thursday we will be making doctor kits to go with the ar sound. We will then spend some time revising all of the sounds and using this knowledge to make lots of words.

We congratulate Olive Watson-Kiely who is our Student of the Week this week.

In maths we are working with patterns and looking at counting by 2s. During rotations in the morning we are working on a unit called 'Places we Know', building words with vowel sounds in the middle, writing every day, reading familiar books and making mobiles to match the characters. I have been making the editing of work a focus in writing and encouraging the students to underline words that do not look right.

Early Learning Group starts this week and while I am taking that group on Fridays, Mr Weinert will be working with the Kinder class. This maintains continuity with the Kindergarten class because Mr Weinert also has the class for some time on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We have welcomed another visit from Angus who has left his 'School of the Air' program for two weeks to get more of an idea how school works.

Have a great week,

Natalie

1/2S NEWS

Congratulations to our star student for this week Immanuel who was chosen by his classmates for his improved effort in trying to stay in level D and C. Congratulations also to Josh, Haylee and Kurt who received merit awards this week.

Our class is participating in some personal safety lessons based around the child protection education unit as set out by the NSW Department of Education. These lessons will be held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons starting next week. Lessons will deal with a stage 1 focus in the areas of recognising abuse, power in relationships and protective strategies. If you have any queries or concerns please make a time to contact us at school.

News this term is about any mini- beast using the same rostered days as in previous terms. Children can bring photos, drawings, power points, books- whatever they need to speak about their news. Please do not bring toys into class.

We are skipping in P.E and sport this term, please ensure that children come to school each day in suitable footwear.

Please remember to bring in fruit and veg for our fruit break each day and please look in the lost property box in our classroom for hats and jumpers.

Keep up the great work with reading at home. Children in 1-2S have made some impressive improvements in their reading.

Keep asking questions at home about what your child has just read as this will aid in their comprehension and retelling skills and practice the sight word lists. Improving our writing is our focus this semester. We are writing information reports at the minute, also a Mini-Beast class book using alliteration and next week we start on Australian Animals. Learning about Mini-Beasts has been fantastic and the children have really produced some excellent work.

A highlight has been designing and making a snail racing track, holding snail races and our nature table has been a buzz of excitement for everyone.



Have a great week,
Trish Slade.

3-2G NEWS

Well done to all of the Year Three students who participated in the Lightning Premiership last Friday. Each of the students did a fantastic job representing the school and an awesome day was had by all. Big thanks also to the P&C Ladies who did a stellar job with the lunch orders!

Please be aware that there is no homework this week in 2/3G!

Home readers will be going out as per usual though. So please keep bringing them in and reading every night!

For the next two weeks we will be moving our Kitchen-Garden day to Thursdays. If you are available on a Thursday and would like to come in and help; we are in the Garden from 9:45 - 10:30 and the Kitchen from 10:30.

Congratulations to Dylan Bagnall from being nominated as our Student of the Week this week! Well done also to Dylan W, Dakota and Drew who have been trying especially hard to demonstrate active listening in class time.

Next Monday we will be participating in a Video Conference run by Questacon in Canberra. The focus of the VC will be on the life cycles of animals and should complement nicely with what we are doing here in the classroom.

Cheers,

Brian

YEAR 3-4M NEWS

What a fantastic day we had last Friday at the 3/4 sports day! We all had a lot of fun participating in the different sports. Big congratulations goes out to all the students on their fantastic behaviour!

We had a great start to Morning Programme last week, remember to check what item and day you are on at the beginning of the week so you are well prepared. Keep up the awesome reading at home too, it's so great seeing the big improvements everyone is making!

Congratulations to Laurel who was our Student of the Week last week. Also congratulations to AJ and Holly who received achievement awards.

Don't forget about 'Bike and Scooter Safety' day on Thursday. Remember to bring your helmet!

Enjoy your week everyone .

Bridgit Milne

4/5H NEWS

As this busy Term rolls on I will have lots of reminders in our weekly newsletter for all of the upcoming events. I will include important calendar dates etc. to remind you and myself of all the things occurring this Term.

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- 31ST of October (Thursday Night) all year 5 students are required at the school for our Kinder Information Evening. The children do not have to wear uniform however they do need to bring their manners as they will be on show to the community and will be taking on their leadership role in the school.
- 7th of November all year 5 students will be taking part in T20 Cricket at the McLeod oval.
- 8th of November our extension group will have their book launched at the Gol Gol School at 10am (a note will follow)
- 6th December leadership speeches at 9.30am for year 5 students.
- 12th December presentation evening
- 16th December year 6 dinner and disco

Next week I will be off class on Monday and Tuesday as I will be taking part in our Quality Learning PD. Mr Weinert will be on the class for the duration of my absence.

Congratulations to Karly Elliott who is our 'Student of the Week', and to Bailey Heywood and Kirra-Lee who received our class awards.

The students have really been enjoying our Chinese language lessons and when you combine that with our 'Festival Celebrations' unit we are studying in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden classroom sessions the children are really learning a lot about other countries and cultures. It has been interesting to see some of the comparisons they have made between the things they celebrate and enjoy to those of other countries.

Have a great week everyone. Cheers Jenny

YEAR 6M NEWS

On Monday Year 6 displayed their culinary skills to some special guests from Hunters Hill Public School. Hunters Hill Public is the city school we are beginning a partnership with to promote professional sharing. The class gift projects are coming along wonderfully. It's marvellous how they have all contributed to the creativity of the tasks.

Congratulations to Amber T and Jet for a fantastic dance lesson on Friday and to Travis also for his inspiring music lesson and performance. We look forward to Kiara's science lesson tomorrow, followed by James and Dom's sport session on Friday.

This term Year 6's along with 4/5H will be taking part in a number of VC's. They consist of a dance/drama session via Sydney Opera House and two animations sessions from Questacon, Canberra. They will also take part in some hands on science and maths session from Questacon. For the science session which is being held on the 22nd November, the students will require a range of equipment. Most of this will be provided by the school, but there are some items we would greatly appreciate any assistance with. They are 2L soft drink bottles, safety glasses, bike pump (preferable foot pump) and newspaper. If you have any of these items could you please send them in? The bike pump can be sent in closer to the date.

Reminders:

- * T20 Blast event (cricket) on Thursday 7th November for all Year 5 and 6 students at McLeod Oval.
- * Coomealla High School enrolment forms, etc can be handed in at the office by Wednesday 13th November and we will take them across on the half day orientation which is the 14th November.
- * Permission note and \$1 for the half day orientation to Coomealla High returned by Friday 1st November.

Have an eventful week,
Sandra Marziano

REMINDERS

Kids Club is held every Monday 3:30pm to 5pm

School Banking—Wednesday Morning

NUTBAN

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.

FRUIT BREAK

We urgently need fruit for all classes for fruit break. Please if you can help it would be greatly appreciated.

NEWSLETTERS ON THE NET

A compressed version of the School Newsletter is available on the School's Web page: www.wentworth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

If you wish to receive the newsletter via email please let the office ladies know your email address and they will organise this to happen.

***** Achievement Certificates

Kinder H: Zac Donohue & Zandi Elliott

1/2S: Kurt Trewin, Haylee Darby & Josh Poth

2/3G: Olivia Baird, Dakota Jones, Dylan Wellard &

Drew Thompson

3/4M: Holly Bysouth & Alex Mitchell

4/5H: Bailey Heywood & Kirra-Lee Bride

6M: Murphy Baird, Mitch Bysouth & Amber Shaw

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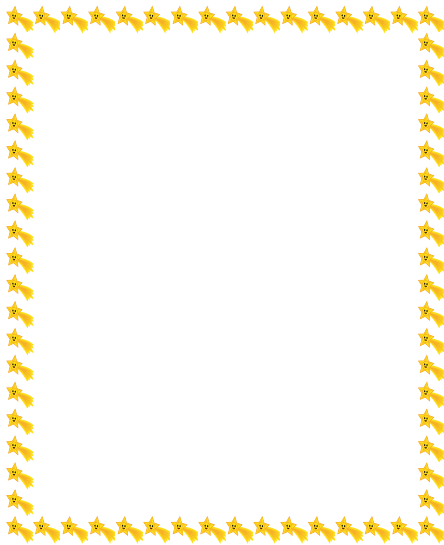
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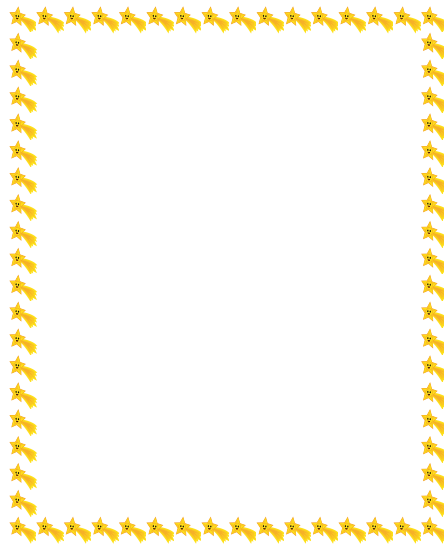
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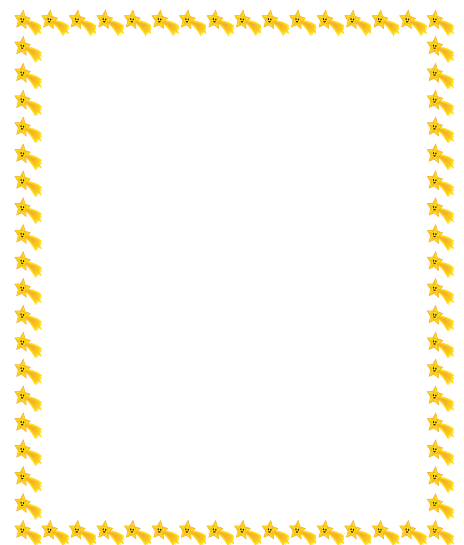
Student of the Week



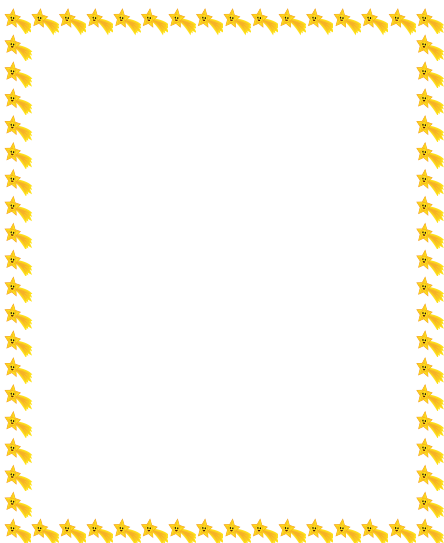
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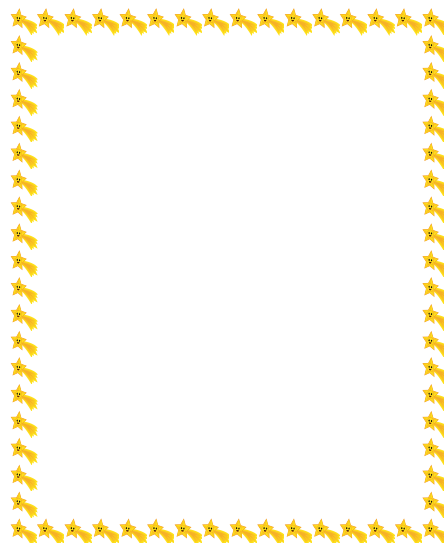
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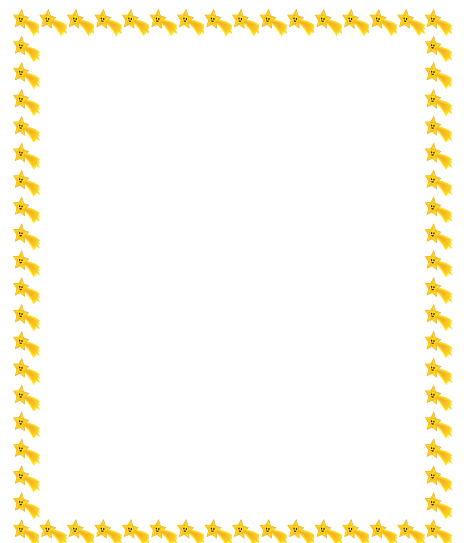
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