

Wentworth Public School

Newsletter

9th October 2013



More photos from our fantastic concert. If you would like to re-live the magic, please send in a labelled USB memory stick with your child and we will make a copy! (Donations appreciated!)

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2013

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
	7/10 NSW Public Holiday	8/10 Term 4 commences for Students	9/10 Cricket Clinics Whole School	10/10	11/10	12/10
13/10	14/10 Kids Club 3:30pm- 5pm	15/10	16/10	17/10	18/10	19/10
20/10	21/10 Kids Club 3:30pm to 5pm	22/10	23/10	24/10	25/10 Year 3/4 Sports Day Book Club orders due.	26/10
27/10	28/10 Kids Club 3:30pm to 5pm	29/10	30/10	31/10 School Information Evening For 2014 Kinder Enrolment — 6pm	1/11 Early Learning Group	2/11
3/11	4/11 Kids Club 3:30pm to 5pm	5/11	6/11	7/11	8/11 Early Learning Group	9/11

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Welcome back for a very busy Term 4! All classes made a great start yesterday, with consistent level C and D behaviour throughout the school. This makes teaching and learning lots of fun! I was particularly pleased to see the work that a number of students across all classes had done over the holidays. It was really impressive to read Kindergarten diaries and to share with some Year 3 students, their success in reading improvement. It is wonderful when children start to take responsibility for their own learning and start to see the benefit of regular practice! Keep up the great work.

CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS

I would like to commend all of the Year 4,5,and 6 students who represented the school on excursions in the last week of last term. I believe that you represented our school admirably and all had a great time as well.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the teachers who organised these excursions and accompanied the students. It is a big ask to take on such a responsibility and your enthusiasm and efforts are greatly appreciated.

SOME LINKS FROM THE DEC!

Getting off the lounge

It's never been more important for children to get off the lounge and take a break in the great outdoors. You'll find the benefits aren't just health-related .

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/why-your-child-may-learn-better>

Premier's Spelling Bee app

The app is free at Samsung Apps and features two categories for junior and senior primary school aged children, with a number of levels that increase in difficulty. Most adults would find the high levels in the senior category a challenge!

Find our more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/premier-s-spelling-bee>

APP OF THE WEEK— Try "Quick Math"

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS

The Active After School Sports program will start up again next week. The sports for this term will be cricket and games.

Please remember that the times for Active Afters are 3:45 - 4:45 on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Cheers,

Brian.

RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP PROGRAM

This Friday the infants will be having a visit from Cecilia Myers. Cecilia is an educator who specializes in teaching children about how to interact safely with dogs and other pets. As part of the program she will be bringing a dog in to the school for demonstrations. If you have any questions about what is happening, please come and see me.

Cheers,

Brian

BOOKCLUB

Book club went home today and any orders and money are due back to the office by Friday 25th October.

CANTEEN NEWS**CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4, 2013.**

11 th October 2013	Kellie Ricardi	
18 th October 2013	Mandy Bone	
25 th October 2013	Donna Moylan	Amanda Trewin
1 st November 2013	Kelli Saunders	Kaye Hyde
8 th November 2013	Kathryn Baird	Brenda Davis
15 th November 2013	Becky Bysouth	Bonnie Thompson
22 nd November 2013	Larni Baird	Roslyn Watters-Behsmann
29 th November 2013	Sheryl Brown	Nelin Spary
6 th December 2013	Donna Moylan	Amanda Trewin
13 th December 2013	Kelli Saunders	Fiona Cullinan
20 th December 2013	Kathryn Baird	Amber Baird

Donut Days for Term 4 will be on 18th October & 20th December.

STRAWBERRY & HORSERADISH PLANTS

Strawberry Plants—\$1.50

Limited amount of Horseradish plants—\$3.00

COOMEALLA WENTWORTH CRICKET CLUB JUNIOR

TRAINING

Under 10, Under 12, Under 14 and Under 16

Training will commence Thursday 19th September from 4:30pm at George Gordon Oval, Dareton and will continue through to the first game on the weekend on October 13/14. All players will be made welcome.

Milo Cricket Program (Ages 5-8)

Registration day Thursday October 10 (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)

MURRAY DARLING SWIMMING CLUB

All members of the public are welcome (Prefer to be able to at least swim one lap of the pool) New members welcome. Encourages fitness, fun and achieving personal bests.

Training starts 28th October.

Training: Dareton Public Pool, Monday & Wednesday 5:15pm (finishing time varies depending on age)

2013/14 Fees: \$175 competitive swimmer

\$150 learn to swim (maximum 2 yrs)

Fees do not include season tickets to Dareton Public Pool (phone Wentworth Shire for enquiries)

Fees entitle the members to training (5 months), insurance, Sunraysia Swimming Fees and entry to some competitions.

For more information contact Teresa Crisp (Coach) ph: 5027 4701

email: teresa@plummer.com.au

MELBOURNE SHOPPING TRIP—WENTWORTH PRESCHOOL

FUNDRAISER

Wentworth Preschool has organised a ladies shopping tour to Melbourne to visit 10 selected warehouse outlets that are not open to the public. Coach departs Wentworth Post Office late Fridays evening October 25th and return on Sunday October 27th at approximately 8pm. The Cost is \$270, this includes travel, accommodation, full buffet breakfast, pub lunch and unlimited wine Saturday and the tour!

A few include Dianna Ferrari, Natio, Bonds & Toyworx including handbags, shoes, sports brands, beauty, linen, jewellery and clothing.

We will be visiting the Victoria Markets on Sunday morning before departing.

For more information or to book a seat please email:
shan_mitch@bigpond.com or phone 0400200959

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

Hello and welcome back for the final school term this year. The focus this term will be on listening to reading and making sure it is fluent and does not sound like a robot is talking. When listening to your child read encourage them to reflect on how they think their reading sounds. It should sound like their voice when they are talking normally. If the sound is more like a robot they may need to drop back a couple of reading levels to improve how it sounds. Reading books over and over again can also help with this. We call books that have already been read 'familiar books' and they are an important part of learning how to read. Children should be reading 4-5 familiar books a day. This can include at school and at home. Thank you for encouraging your child to keep up their reading over the holidays, it makes a big difference. I aim to have all students reading above Level 5 by the end of term but the ideal is Level 9.

A homework task came home yesterday. It also has some information about fluency when reading and some follow up activities to do based on books read. For news this term I have also planned for the students to talk about specific things to do with books.

Please read the timetable over the page to find out what each topic is when and what day your child is on because it may have changed.

Week and topic	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Weeks 2 and 3 <i>*Favourite character from a book</i>	Charlie Ellie Saxon Hugh	Jacob Janay Shauna Malakai	Lucy Max Michael Tyson	Mitch Allan Noel Zandi	Olive Riley Ryan Mavis
Weeks 4 and 5 <i>*Retell a favourite story</i>	Charlie Ellie Saxon Hugh	Jacob Janay Shauna Malakai	Lucy Max Michael Tyson	Mitch Allan Noel Zandi	Olive Riley Ryan Mavis
Weeks 6 and 7 <i>*Make up a new ending for story</i>	Charlie Ellie Saxon Hugh	Jacob Janay Shauna Malakai	Lucy Max Michael Tyson	Mitch Allan Noel Zandi	Olive Riley Ryan Mavis
Weeks 8 and 9 <i>*Act out story</i>	Charlie Ellie Saxon Hugh	Jacob Janay Shauna Malakai	Lucy Max Michael Tyson	Mitch Allan Noel Zandi	Olive Riley Ryan Mavis

The sound we are covering this week with our Jolly Phonics program is 'th'. In rotations there will be some work on segmenting words into their parts (eg vol-can-o), using a variety of writing formats to write about the holidays, making 'at' 'et' and 'it' word lists and using the computer to make math pictures showing groups of objects

On Friday it is a special day because we will be celebrating Buster Bear's 6th birthday. We will have a little party and then do some writing about this adventure.

It will be all systems go for the run home. Please drop in at any time and if you have some spare time (what's that? I hear you say) we would love to have you spend some time in the room with us.

Kind regards,

Natalie

1/2S NEWS

Hi welcome back to our final term of 2013. I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday and is ready to learn.

In class we are planning some excellent learning about living things for news this term.

Please do not bring any toys. The children will be given topics about living things. The note will go home on Friday.

Keep up the reading and writing practice at home.

Thank you,

Trish

3/26 News

Here we are again! I hope that everyone had a lovely holiday.

This term should be nice and busy (but hopefully not quite as busy as last term!), with lots of fun activities and adventures planned. The fun will kick off this Friday with a responsible pet ownership seminar happening for Kinder to Year 2.

This term we will revisit the idea of Pen-pals. We have established a partner class at Young North Public School who are looking at the same topics. We will be exploring the ideas of technology and communication in the 21st century, with a focus on email, digital media and video conferencing.

I plan to have big push on reading this term. The home-reader program will start up straight away, so please make sure you are swapping over your readers as often as you can. Homework will recommence in week two.

Cheers,

Brian

4/5H News

Welcome everyone to the final term of 2013. For 4/5H this term is very busy as we begin to fulfil our role as next year's leaders of Wentworth Public School.

Towards the end of the term year 5 will need to present their leadership speeches to the school. It would be a good idea to start talking at home about what makes a good leader and what is expected of a student who is elected into a leadership role. These speeches are to be completed at home. Students will not be given time at school to develop their speeches. I am willing to help students and will give them time to practise the speech they have developed at home. I will let you know the exact date of the speeches in the next week or two.

Year 5 also have to set up the year 6 dinner venue and prepare the decorations and meal. The farewell dinner will be held on the 16th of December. Another diary date for the calendar is presentation night on the 12th of December.

Our term 4 literacy focus will be on animation and we will be working closely with year 6 for part of the unit of work. In mathematics our first two weeks will focus on volume and capacity.

Cheers Jenny

YEAR 6M

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope everyone has had a well deserved break and are ready for another busy term.

I wish to congratulate those Year 6's who attended Canberra.

Overall they were a fantastic group to take and represented our school wonderfully. We wish to thank Miss Shields who also assisted on the excursion.

Throughout the first half this term, the students will be allocated a session where they too will be the 'teacher'. The students are very excited about being given the opportunity to be the teacher and I'm looking forward to viewing what exciting activities they will come up.

This term some of our weekly routines remain the same with spelling lists going home Monday's and the test on a Friday. Diaries collected every Friday with reading data entries. Mrs. Rees will still be taking Art on Tuesdays and Science every Wednesday, along with Miss Shields Library sessions on Fridays. The class will also continue with their recorder sessions with Mrs Judith Tilley on Mondays.

Year 6's Kitchen Garden sessions will still be held on Thursdays this term. Any extra help in the kitchen is very much appreciated. This will also give you the chance to see the students work on the class gift to the school projects.

Our main themes this term are Remembrance Day and Animation/ Moviemaking.

Enjoy your first week back,

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.

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Year 6 Canberra Excursion