

Wentworth Public School

Newsletter

27th March 2013



### PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

#### HAPPY EASTER!

We had a great 'E' Day on Monday, with the children enjoying the planned activities. It was wonderful to hear our Year 6 recorder group and the Kindergarten children singing at assembly. The children all enjoyed their sausage sizzle lunch. Just a reminder that there is no school this Friday or next Monday, due to the Easter holiday.

#### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Our school holidays do not coincide with Victoria this term. Our last day of school is Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> April.

#### U3A RECORDER GROUP

Today, Mrs Tilley organised the recorder group from U3A to work with our Eisteddfod students and to give a short concert for the school. It was wonderful to have them join us, and we thank them for their time.

#### HARMONY DAY

Last Thursday was Harmony Day and our children participated in activities and a shared morning tea. I would like to thank Year 6, Miss Marzie and Jodie, Dawn and her helpers for organising the food for this. Once again, we were amazed to see so many community members join us for the day.

That's it for this week! Have a great break and don't eat too much chocolate! (Can there ever be too much?)

Cathie Eddie  
Principal.

# MARCH/APRIL/MAY 2013

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
				28/3 AASC 3:45—4:45pm	29/3 Good Friday	30/3
31/3	1/4 Easter Monday	2/4	3/4 AASC 3:45-4:45pm	4/4 AASC 3:45—4:45pm	5/4 Yr 4/5H & 6M River Excursion	6/4
7/4	8/4 UNSW Comp Entries Close Kids Club	9/4	10/4	11/4	12/4 Donut Day Last Day of Term 1	13/4
	29/4 Staff Development Day	30/4 Staff Development Day	1/5 Students return for Term 2	2/5	3/5	4/5
5/5	6/5 Kids Club	6/5	8/5	9/5	10/5 School Cross Country	11/5
12/5	13/5 Kids Club	14/5	15/5	16/5	17/5	18/5

## **ABORIGINAL STUDENT MEETING**

In our weekly meetings, we have been talking about '*Identity*', knowing who you are and where you come from. Students in Primary classes will be putting together an Identity poster which will be displayed in the school. The students will be given some homework for this small project. We have also been talking about RESPECT, and the students needed to find out a symbol or picture, from their family, which represents Respect. If you have any questions regarding this project or would like to help, please contact me at the school .

## **PERSONALISED LEARNING PLANS ( PLP)**

PLPs are a part of the Aboriginal Education and Training Policy, which states that every Aboriginal student in the school will develop one as part of the two way learning (home to school and school to home). PLPs will be discussed and developed at interviews in partnership with teacher, parents and student. If you have any questions regarding PLPs, please contact me at the school.

## **HARMONY DAY**

Thank you to Year 6, Miss Marzie and Jodie for their help with the morning Tea on Harmony Day and a big thankyou to Dawn, Donna, Sonya and Marg for cooking the dampers.

## **NAIDOC PACKS**

Once again the NAIDOC packs are ready to order. The items are: NAIDOC pack- \$2.50, Respect bands \$2.00, Beanie- \$3.00, Silicone wrist watch- \$3.50 and Polo shirts- \$8.50. Orders need to be in by 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2013. A sample pack has been ordered and will be sent out to the school soon.

Thankyou

Trish Jones AEO

## **REMINDERS**

**UNSW Competitions**—Entries Close on Monday 8th April

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

**School Banking**—Wednesday Morning

## **CLASS LIBRARY SESSIONS**

Kinder - Friday

1/2S - Tuesday

2/3G - Thursday

3/4M - Wednesday

4/5H - Friday

6M - Wednesday

## **SCHOOL FEES—ALL STUDENTS**

\$20 per child

\$50 per family (if you have more than 2 children)

## **KITCHEN GARDEN FEES (Students in Years 3 to 6)**

### **For Term 2, 3, & 4**

\$15 per term

## **VOICE AND PIANO LESSONS**

Louise Judd has vacancies in her program on Tuesday. Please phone her for more details on: 50248370 or 0408596944.

Louise can also teach Clarinet and Saxophone but students have to have their own instruments. Louise conducts these lessons during school times at the school on Tuesdays.

## **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.

## **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](http://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.

## **HEAD LICE**

Please check your child's hair regularly for Head Lice. Hair must be treated before children are permitted to attend school.

### **Wentworth Junior Soccer Team**

**When: Every Monday**

**Place: Wentworth Public School Oval**

**Time: 3:30-5:30pm**

**Age Group: Between 8yrs to 17 yrs**

**Please come along and join up**

**For Further information please contact: Aaron Taylor—Mallee Family Care  
on 50277600 to register**

**LOWER ANABRANCH SPORTING & LANDCARE GROUP INC.**

are holding their **Annual Picnic and Sports Day** on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2013** at **1pm sharp**.

Starting with the kids running races. Entry free, Raffle and Lolly guess held.

Afternoon tea supplied including cordial for the kids. BYO drinks, Shared evening BBQ, please bring meat and a salad. Evening entertainment provided. Coin roll. **A great family day!**

**All welcome.**

**Year 6 Canberra Excursion Fundraiser**

**Easter Raffle Winners**

1st: Ned Lamond

2nd: Craig Wellard

3rd: Craig Wellard

## **Kid's Stuff**

### **'Fun support groups for kids aged between 5 and 12 years from separated/divorced families'**

Mallee Family Care will be running Kid's Stuff groups in 2013 - the goal of these groups is to support children through their parent's separation and/or divorce. In the sessions children will experience fun activities, discussions and games all aimed at focusing on strengths and coping strategies.

The groups run for 6 weeks, 2 hours per week from 4pm to 6pm at 105 Lemon Avenue Mildura - Term 2 dates are;

**Monday nights - April 29, May 6, May 13, May 20, May 27, June 3.**

**Total Cost \$30, conc apply, no child will be excluded due to inability to pay.** It does not matter how long parents have been separated for. An interview time will be arranged with parents to discuss each child referral to the groups.

Groups will run each Term and school holiday options will be available.

#### **The group weekly sessions cover these topics:**

- \* What's happened to my family?      \* Things are different now.
- \* Sad days, bad days and glad days.      \* I am not alone.
- \* I am an amazing person.      \* Adjusting to a new life.

**If you are interested in hearing more about the Kid's Stuff groups or to register, call Lisa-Maree or Tania on 50 217400 or email; [lmstevens@malleefamilycare.com.au](mailto:lmstevens@malleefamilycare.com.au) or (Made possible by Mildura Rural City Council Community Project Grant)**

**IMPORTANT CANTEEN NEWS**

1. Some children are not handing their lunch order in the morning before school and then bringing their lunch order up at lunch time and expecting hot food. The canteen only prepared enough hot food for the amount ordered in the morning. In future the children who forget to put in their order will be given a sandwich
2. The only drinks available at recess time will be bottled water.

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

5 <sup>th</sup> April 2013	Mandy Bone	Kaye Hyde
12 <sup>th</sup> April 2013	Kathryn Baird	Amber Baird

**Next Donut Day:** 12<sup>th</sup> April 2013. Donuts are \$1 each.



## KH NEWS

'Happy Easter' to everyone. I hope you have an enjoyable and safe long weekend. Hopefully you have had some time to spend helping your child learn their sight words. This is a very important step in helping your child become independent readers and writers.

As I said last week there is no homework this week or next due to the Easter break. This week's talk topic is books. Remember the Friday group will be on Thursday this week. There are no news groups next week.

Congratulations to our 'Student of the Week', Tyson Lever. Well done to Michael McDermott and Olive Watson Kiely, who were nominated for being caring to others.

Happy Easter,

Natalie Hopcroft

## YEAR 1-2S NEWS

Congratulations to our star student for this week Thomas Hann who was chosen by his classmates for his excellent active listening and always following our school values. This week Caitlyn F, Kurt and Jazmayne also received awards for trying hard, teamwork and a positive attitude to learning.

Our Easter E-day on Monday was really enjoyable and many parents and family came along to lend a hand or sent in craft materials for our class to share - thankyou, all of our hats looked fantastic! Well done to Miss Marzie and Mrs Hopcroft for their excellent organisation.

Just a reminder that I have allocated some topics for news and this week it is **favourite animals**. Please try to prepare your child for this topic rather than bringing in toys.

Have a safe and relaxing Easter break and see you all next Tuesday,  
Trish Slade.

## YEAR 3/4M NEWS

Happy Easter week everyone! I hope everyone enjoyed our Easter E day celebrations on Monday, I had a fantastic day and loved all the hats the children made.

Even though it's a short week, homework still went home on Monday. Please remember to bring this back tomorrow for marking.

Our kitchen garden timetable has changed. We will now be attending gardening from 9.45-10.30am and Kitchen from 10.30am-11.30am. Your help in the kitchen would be greatly appreciated, so if you are able to help out please let me know.

Congratulations to Summer Halls who was our 'Student of the Week' and well done to our class award winners Tom B and Brianna.

I hope you all have an enjoyable long weekend and a Happy Easter.

Bridgit Milne

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## YEAR 4/5H NEWS

Happy Easter week everyone. As this is a short week and so is next week I will be sending homework home today and it does not have to be returned until Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> April. Our E-Day celebrations went well and it was great to see so many parents and grandparents join in on the day.

Our class has been able to purchase several books with our icy pole money. So far we have bought all the Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Big Nate and Dork Diaries series, The 13 and 26 Storey Tree house books and the last Rondo book. The students have done a great job so far and it is great to see the students adding books to our wish list. Well done 4/5H.

There will be no library this week so if students need to borrow for the break please have them bring in their returns and I will see that they are able to borrow on Thursday instead.

Congratulations to Josh Verstappen who has been chosen to be our 'Student of the Week' and well done to our class award winners Jaclynn Hanneman and Lotte Tukutau.

Have a great Easter and enjoy the extended weekend.

Cheers Jen

## **SPECIAL YEAR 4/5H & 6M NEWS**

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, our first venture down to the river for the Murray Darling Basin Authority project will be on Friday April 5th. We are also incorporating a program called 'Get Hooked It's Fun to Fish'.

We will be leaving school at 9:30am and returning at approximately 1:00pm. In conjunction with taking samples from the Darling River behind the Wentworth Services Club, we will also be setting up for part of the day near the wharf.

We encourage students to bring in a fishing rod/line and bait to take part in the fishing section of the day; along with a picnic rug and their recess. They will not be back at school for a canteen recess order. Make sure you bring a bottle of water.

Please feel free to join us for the event.

## YEAR 6M

We welcome to the Year 6 class Daniel Gatt. The Year 6's have made Daniel feel very welcomed.

The class did a fantastic job last Thursday catering for the Harmony Day morning tea. It was wonderful to hear that everyone enjoyed the feast.

Extra copies of the Information Guide and Expression of Interest' form for parents and carers to read and complete regarding Year 7 were sent home last Friday. It is important that these are returned. They were due back by last Friday. Thank you to those who have already sent them in.

Thanks to those who were able to make it to last Monday's E'Day and/or provided materials for the students Easter hats. Congrats to the class for a wonderful recorder performance; and thanks to Mrs. Tilley. Due to this being a short week, as well as the next, homework won't be due back until Tuesday's for the following two weeks. This week's spelling test will be held on Thursday.

Reminders:

- **Art smock (essential)**
- 1L or 600ml milk/juice cartons rinsed out.
- Year 6 Canberra Excursion notes returned by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

Wishing you a safe Easter weekend,  
Sandra Marziano

**FOR SALE**

**Blood Plum Jam**

**In**

**The Front Office**

**\$4**

**All proceeds towards the**

**Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program**

**Achievement Certificates**

**Kinder H: Michael McDermott & Olive Watson-Kiely**

**1/2S: Kurt Trewin, Jazmayne Parke & Caitlyn Farnsworth**

**2/3G: Robbie Watters-Behsmann & Laura Hancock**

**3/4M: Brianna Bagnall & Thomas Bottrell**

**4/5H: Lotte Tukutau & Jaclynn Hanneman**

**6M: Amber Thompson & Daniel Gatt**

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## **Student of the Week**

