

Wentworth Public School

Newsletter

10th April 2013



## **PRINCIPAL'S NEWS**

### **HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

We are at the end of very busy term, with many activities already planned for Term 2. I wish you all a happy and safe holiday. I would also request that students stay away from the school buildings and surrounds over the holiday break. Please feel free to make use of the oval, though.

### **ANZAC DAY**

This year, Anzac day falls in on the second Thursday of our holidays. Miss Shields will be coordinating our students for the town march and we invite all students to participate as a mark of respect. It would be lovely to see as big a group as we had last year!

### **STAFF FOR NEXT TERM**

Mrs Shields will be taking long service leave for much of next term. We wish her well on her well-deserved holiday! Mrs Canning will be taking her place during that time. We also welcome Mrs Rees back from her leave. She will again be working with us for three days each week.

Cathy Eddie

Principal

# APRIL/MAY 2013

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
				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 Rugby Clinic—4/5 & 6M	4/5
5/5	6/5 Kids Club	6/5	8/5 Little Geckos Playgroup to recommence	9/5 Rugby Clinic — 4/5H	10/5 School Cross Country	11/5
12/5	13/5 Kids Club	14/5 NAPLAN	15/5 NAPLAN	16/5 NAPLAN	17/5 Rugby Clinic 4/5H & 6M	18/5
19/5	20/5 Kids Club	21/5 UNSW Computer Skills Comp	22/5	23/5	24/5 Rugby Gala Day	25/5
26/5	27/5 National Sorry Day  Kids Club	28/5 Muckheap Excursion K-2  <i>Year 6</i> <i>Leadership</i> <i>Conference</i>	29/5	30/5	31/5	1/6

## **Anzac Day Parade - 25<sup>th</sup> April**

We would like to encourage as many students as we can to march for the school on Anzac Day. The march begins at **10:45am**. Children must wear their school uniform and meet me out the front of the Artback Café fifteen minutes before the march (**10.30am** sharp). Our school leaders will be placing flowers at the cenotaph during the ceremony. I hope to see you there.

Jordana Shields

## **Casual Dress—Friday 12th April**

This Friday all children can wear casual dress. Please make sure they still adhere to the "Sunsmart" rules. (No singlet tops and they still must wear a brimmed or legionnaire hat)

## **STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN RECIPES**

Jodie Morgan has kindly run off some of the recipes she has used this term with the children. Please find attached to the newsletter.

## **Little Geckos Playgroup**

The Little Geckos playgroup will recommence on Wednesday 8th May. 11am to 1pm in the Wentworth Public School Heritage building.

## **CANTEEN HELPERS REQUIRED URGENTLY FOR TERM 2**

If you are able to help please contact Kellie Ricardi on 50278131 or [kelliericardi@bigpond.com](mailto:kelliericardi@bigpond.com)

## **REMINDERS**

**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

## **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.

## **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.

## **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.

## **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.**

## **POONCARIE FIELD DAY -SATURDAY MAY 4th**

### **CHILDREN'S EVENTS**

#### **Colouring Competition**

Age Categories - Preschool, Kinder to Grade 2, Grades 3 - 6

Entry forms available at [www.pooncariefieldday.com.au](http://www.pooncariefieldday.com.au) Entries to be received/delivered to Pooncarie Telecentre by Thursday 2nd May

#### **Boot Art Competition**

Junior Category - under 16 (& Open Event)

Entries to be received by 10.00am on Saturday 4th May

#### **Well Worn Bush Hat (no caps)**

Junior Category - under 16 (& Open Event)

Entries on the day

#### **Mothers Day Competition**

Cup Cake Decorating - win a prize for Mum for Mother's day

Age Categories - Up to Grade 2, Grades 3 - 6

Entries to be received by 10.00am on Saturday 4th May

#### **Whip Cracking**

Age Categories - 10 & under, 11 -16yrs, open Entries on the day

#### **Bush Photo Competition**

Subject - My Pet

Age Categories - Under 10yrs, 11 -16yrs.

Entries to be received/delivered to Pooncarie Telecentre by Thursday 2nd May

Photos to be no larger than A5 size

**\* Colouring, Boot Art, Photo & Mothers Day entries require name, age, class, school name or home address and contact phone number attached to each entry.**

**[www.pooncariefieldday.com.au](http://www.pooncariefieldday.com.au)**

## **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**

12<sup>th</sup> April 2013                      Kathryn Baird                      Amber Baird

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

**Wentworth Preschool Fundraiser**

Wanted ladies for shopping trip to Melbourne to tour the outlets. Bus leaves Wentworth late Friday night 25th October, returning and Wentworth Sunday 27th October at 8pm.

Cost approximately \$240, includes Travel, Accommodation, Lunch and Wine—Saturday and full buffet breakfast on Sunday morning before hitting the Vic Markets.

For more information contact Shannon Mitchell 0400200959 or email: Shan-mitch@bighond.com



## KH NEWS

I hope everyone has an enjoyable and restful break from the routines of school life. Thanks for the great support and follow up that you have all provided during Term 1. We have achieved some great results and I look forward to seeing the student's development next term. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Grumpy (aka Alan Cullinan) and Stacey who help every morning with our Perceptual Motor Program and Rotations. Their help has been truly invaluable. Our class has been fortunate to have had a lot of assistance from family members during the term and it has all been appreciated.

Congratulations to Charlie Baird, who is this week's Student of the Week and also to Mitch and Ellie for receiving nominations for Achievement Certificates. Two more 25 night reading awards were also handed out this week. Well done to Mitch and Max for their great reading efforts.

Our class will be taking part in the Kitchen/Garden program tomorrow morning. If any adults are available to assist that would be great. We start our garden class at 9.45am and then cooking is from 10.30-11.30am.

Homework came home on Monday. It included a reader called 'Colours', a game, a worksheet and a copy of the sound/sight word sheet the students use during their writing sessions. They have also brought home their sound books for revision over the holidays.

Animals, Hobbies, Occupations, Australia and finally Other countries.

See you soon,

This week's news topic has been 'Holidays'. Due to the late start first week back next term, we will not have news groups that week. Next term the topics will be Superheroes, Fairy tales, Transport, Animals, Hobbies, Occupations, Australia and finally Other Countries.

Please make sure the homework is completed and brought back on the first day back next term. Children have also brought home their Brag books this week to be shared over the holidays. They also need to be back on the first day next term.

See you soon,

Natalie

## YEAR 1-2S NEWS

Jamaya Kennedy is our star student this week for always following our school values and for always D behaviour student. This week Stevie, Summer and Kaleb also received awards for trying harder, great work and being helpful in 1-2S.

Today we had our cooking and gardening day and it was wonderful. Thank you to Vince and Jodie for including our class in this fantastic program. Also thanks to the parents/ carers who came in to help with the cooking.

We have made some real improvements this term and I really love this special little group. Thank you all families for your support and teamwork, Please keep safe over the break and see you all next term.

Have a great week,

Trish Slade.

## **YEAR 3/4M NEWS**

I hope the students will not be too disappointed but there will be no homework this week.

Also there will not be any kitchen garden activities during the last week.

Congratulations to Holly Bysouth who was our 'Student of the Week' and well done to our class award winners Piper Nash and Nellie Baird. I hope you all have an enjoyable holidays and a safe break.

Regards Jeromy Baird

## YEAR 4/5H NEWS

Well we had a great time fishing on Friday and we even caught a few fish. The students were very well behaved and represented themselves well in the community. I would like to thank all the parent helpers who assisted on the day. I made our job of untangling lines much easier.

Next term we will be focusing on local history which will include studying Mungo National Park. We will also be engaging the talents of some of our local artists. There will be a note sent home at a later date about our art program.

Year 5 are responsible for raising funds for the year 6 dinner and last year we found running both the Mother's and Father's day raffle achieved great results. So I am asking families to make donations of suitable items to our Mother's Day Hamper. The students will begin selling tickets immediately after the holidays.

Congratulations to Harley Jones who is our 'Student of the Week' and to Alannah Wellard and Zac Hyde for receiving the class awards.

Have a great and safe break everyone and I look forward to seeing everyone in term 2.

Cheers Jen

## YEAR 6M

WOW! What fantastic weather and experience Year 4/5H and 6M had last Friday down by the river. The fish were biting and the student's attitude was outstanding. It was terrific to be able to take the two classes down as part of our Murray Darling Basin and Get Hooked projects. Thank you to those adults who were able to join us and a huge thank you and well done to the students for their amazing behaviour. Our next adventure will be on a Friday early next term. Last week's homework task was due back yesterday. Homework has been going home weekly and will continue to next term. As part of the homework tasks are spelling words the students should be practising. It is extremely important that reading occurs daily at home. Please ensure this continues throughout the two weeks holidays and the data is entered into the children's diary in the daily reading record section. Congratulations to the whole class for a wonderful first term effort. The leadership demonstrated by some of the students is fantastic and how quickly they have taken on the role with success.

Next term on the 28<sup>th</sup> May, the Year 6 will be participating in a GRIP Leadership conference being held in Mildura. A note regarding this event will be sent home early next term. The conference is unique in that it concentrates specifically on training student leaders for their role as school leaders. The style, topics, and content of this conference all focus on what the students can do right now.

Reminders:

- Year 6 Canberra Excursion notes were due back last Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Student numbers were given to the organising school.
- Art smock
- Fruit for daily Crunch & Sip

Wishing you a safe and restful break,  
Sandra Marziano

FOR SALE

Blood Plum Jam In The Front Office

\$4



**Achievement Certificates**

**Kinder H: Ellie Vines & Mitchell Hayes**

**1/2S: Stevie Clark, Kaleb Bride & Summer Lever**

**2/3G: Drew Thompson, Dylan Wellard & Dekota Jones**

**3/4M: Nellie Baird & Piper Nash**

**4/5H: Alannah Wellard & Zac Hyde**

**6M: Amber Shaw, James Krahner & Shyann Wellard**

**Principal's Awards**

**Stevie Clark, Eta Tukutau and Kiara Kneebone**

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## **Student of the Week**

