

Wentworth Public School

Newsletter

1st May 2013



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

WELCOME BACK!

I hope that you all had a great holiday! We are looking forward to a busy, but exciting term! Our staff has had two jam-packed days of professional learning and we plan to implement some new strategies and programs throughout the coming weeks. We also welcome the return from Long Service Leave of Mrs Natalie Rees, who will be working with our "Knowledge Seekers" group and taking class release.

RAISED RESPONSIBILITY

As some of you are aware, our school welfare and discipline policy embraces the ideals of Marvin Marshall's "Raised Responsibility". Our children have an understanding of the levels of behaviour and our school values. This term, we plan to reinforce the principles of this program and ensure all staff, students and community members know what we are trying to achieve at Wentworth in this regard.

Our students will be taking part in some workshops tomorrow and Friday to re-visit our expectations and review our school values.

During the coming weeks, we will include small items about the program and how it can help parents, as well as teachers, to 'raise individual responsibility' in our children.

For those who are interested in doing some reading about the program, you can find out more information at the following website: www.marvinmarshall.com

MAY/JUNE 2013

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
				2/5	3/5 Rugby Clinic—4/5 & 6M	4/5
5/5	6/5 Kids Club	6/5	8/5 AASC	9/5 Rugby Clinic 4/5H AASC	10/5 School Cross Country	11/5
12/5	13/5 Kids Club	14/5 NAPLAN	15/5 NAPLAN Book club Due back AASC	16/5 NAPLAN AASC	17/5 Rugby Clinic 4/5H & 6M	18/5
19/5	20/5 Kids Club	21/5 UNSW Computer Skills Comp	22/5 AASC	23/5 AASC	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 GRIP Leadership Conference</i>	29/5 AASC	30/5 AASC	31/5	1/6
2/6	3/6 Buddies2 Performance \$5 per child Kids Club	4/6	5/6 AASC	6/6 AASC	7/6	8/6

NAPLAN

Naplan tests for students in Years 3 and 5 will be conducted during Week 3, from 14 - 16 May. We ask that a special effort be made to ensure that students arrive each day on time and well rested, so they can do their best. These tests can support our teaching by providing valuable information to support class programs.

ATTENDANCE

I would like to remind all families that it is essential to provide a written explanation for absences, even when a verbal explanation is given. This just helps us maintain accurate records. Explanations need to be supplied no later than two days after an absence.

It is possible to gain a certificate exemption from attendance from the principal for family holidays and other special circumstances. These must be applied for in writing before the absence occurs.

EISTEDDFOD

This term, we have a number of students who are participating in the Mildura Eisteddfod in recorder ensembles and in dance. We thank these students for the interest in representing our school.

CONDOLENCES

Many of you are aware of the tragic accident that took the life of a student at Gol Gol School during the holidays. Our thoughts and prayers are with the staff and students, family and friends who have been affected by this sad event.

Cathy Eddie
Principal.

BOOK CLUB is due back Wednesday 15th May.

SCHOOL PHOTO'S are back and they will be going home with your child tomorrow.

REMINDERS

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

School Banking—Wednesday Morning

CLASS LIBRARY SESSIONS

Kinder - Wednesday

1/2S - Tuesday

2/3G - Wednesday

3/4M - Thursday

4/5H - Friday

6M - Tuesday

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

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.

FOR SALE

Blood Plum Jam in The Front Office—\$4

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

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS

AASS will be recommencing in week two. We will be conducting rugby and netball activities on Wednesday afternoons and golf on Thursday afternoons. AASS is a **free** program that runs after school from 3:45pm to 4:45pm. If you are interested in joining up, please see one at the ladies at the office for a permission slip.

Cheers,

Brian

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.

WDJFNC AUSKICK 2013
WENTWORTH JUNIOR FOOTBALL & NETBALL CLUB AUSKICK
WILL

COMMENCE WEDNESDAY THE 8th May 2013
4:30PM AT THE GEORGE GORDON OVAL DARETON
REGISTRATION AVAILABLE AT THE GROUND
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
SCOTT ON 0419 505 678 OR GLEN ON 0427 770 050



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

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 or (Made possible by Mildura Rural City Council Community Project Grant)

KH NEWS

Welcome back for Term 2. We especially welcome Zandi and Mavis to the class this term. Homework books should have been returned to school yesterday and your child would have brought home some tasks to complete before next Monday. They included a math task, reading worksheet and sound activity. I hope you enjoyed looking through your child's brag book over the holidays and have now sent it back to school for some new additions this term.

This week we will be introducing the sounds g, o and u. The sound books were sent home late last term and can stay at home for your child to add these letters to it. I will let you know when to send them back to school.

A reminder that the first news topic this term is Superheroes and that will start next week. The roster will be the same as last term.

The Kindergarten class will be involved in an excursion to Mildura Art Centre on May 28th. We will be seeing a performance and having lunch at Jaycee Park. The cost will be \$10. A permission note will come home with next week's newsletter.

Have a great week,

Natalie Hopcroft

YEAR 1-2S NEWS

Welcome to Term 2 everyone!

I hope everyone has had a restful and fun break; we have an exciting term planned!

There was a fabulous turn out of students for our part in the ANZAC march. Congratulations, you were all wonderful ambassadors for our school.

This week, Jamaya Kennedy continues to be our star student for always following our school values and for always being a D behaviour student. We will have our first assembly next Monday morning; it will be a special ANZAC commemoration. Don't forget the cross country is next Friday- keep up the practice at home.

Have a great week,

Trish Slade.

YEAR 2-3G NEWS

Welcome back everybody! I hope that you all had a relaxing break. We have a really busy term ahead of us; with NAPLAN, cross-country and our local history unit all happening, it should be quite exciting.

In literacy we are continuing to look at persuasive writing and will be reading and working with '*The Dog with a Secret*' as a scaffolded text. The spelling and homework programs will be resuming in week two. In maths we will be looking at numerical strategies over the next fortnight.

Please note also, that our class library time has moved to Wednesday afternoons.

Cheers,

Brian

YEAR 3/4M NEWS

Welcome back everyone. I look forward to another enjoyable term!

Have a great week

Bridgit.

YEAR 4/5H NEWS

Welcome everyone to the start of Term 2. I hope everyone had an enjoyable break. Year 4/5H will have to start the term running as we have so many great things happening.

Firstly I need to put out an urgent reminder that I need donations of items suitable for our Mother's Day hamper. This is a major fundraiser for our class and if we are successful it cuts down the fundraising work load across the year. As it is our responsibility to provide funds for the year 6 dinner. I will be sending home raffle books for sale this week. The cost will be 50 cents a ticket.

This term we are beginning our local history, local artists unit, which will focus on Mungo and its settlement. Steve Hederics will also be conducting sketching lessons over three sessions, with more local artist hopefully to follow.

On Friday we have a rugby clinic and library.

Cheers Jen

YEAR 6M

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you all had a safe and restful two week break and are ready for another busy term.

A number of events are occurring within the first few weeks. Please ensure you write them on your calendar.

Rugby Clinics for Year 5 & 6 - 3rd & 17th May

Rugby Gala Day 24th May

School Cross Country - 10th May

GRIP Leadership Conference in Mildura - 28th May.

MDBA & Fishing Excursion No 2 - 31st May

There are also a number of other events which will be mentioned in later newsletters.

Please find attached to this newsletter the permission note for the GRIP Leadership Conference Year 6's will be attending.

Homework and spelling will recommence next Monday and is due back Friday's.

Our main theme this term is Local History, focussing on the river and local artists; then Space near the end of the term.

Enjoy the short week,

Sandra Marziano



WENTWORTH SHOW - 2013

JACKPOT BAKERY SHOW POSTER COMPETITION



The Wentworth Show Society along with Jackpot Bakery of Wentworth is sponsoring the 2013 Show Poster Competition for pupils from district Primary Schools. Each entry will be judged and prizes awarded to posters from each class: Kinder to Year 6. Some entries will be displayed to publicise the Show. Prizewinners will be shown in the hall next to the Visitor Information Centre at the Memorial Rooms until Show Week when they will be in the Bendigo Bank Schoolwork shed. NO ENTRY FEE is required but please remember to help the judges, the pupils full name (eg John Smith) school and class must be written on the back of the poster. PLEASE NOTE: if a pupil is in a combined class then we need to have which class it is (eg Yr 3/4).

If this full information is not indicated the poster will not be judged.

No poster to be more than 25cm x 35cm please. Poster must include "Wentworth Show" and the dates of the show: 24th & 25th August 2013 somewhere on the front. This year we have added something NEW, you may like to include an image of "TUBBY THE ROBOT" OR XTREME MOTOR- BIKES in your poster. Then come to the Wentworth Show and see them for real.

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DATE
Friday,
26th
July*

Entries to
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126 Darling Street,
Wentworth

More in-
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ANZAC DAY MARCH

It was wonderful to see so many students attend the Wentworth Anzac Day march. We had children across all age groups. Our school leaders did a wonderful job placing the flowers at the cenotaph as well as the remembrance crosses. Thank you for coming along and representing your school.

Jordana Shields