

Wentworth Public School

Newsletter

17th July 2013



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

WELCOME BACK!

I hope you had a wonderful holiday and are ready for an action packed Term 3! We have athletics carnivals, the Wentworth Show and our school concert this term. Our senior classes are also involved in excursions at the end of term! How will we fit it all in?

REPORTS AND INTERVIEWS

School reports have been sent home today. It is important that these are followed with a parent/student/teacher interview. Accompanying the reports is a letter with available times for these interviews. Please complete this form and return it to your child's teacher as soon as possible so that interviews can be arranged.

FAMILY BREAKFAST

Next Friday, 26th July, we will be having a family breakfast here at school. The students are making invitations for all families and we ask that you return the RSVP so we have an idea of how many to cater for. We are also asking for a gold coin donation per person to assist with costs. This is payable on the day.

SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The date of the carnival has been changed to **Tuesday 6th August**. This has been made necessary to ease organisation with staff availability.

JULY/AUGUST 2013

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
14/ 7	15/7 Student Development Day	16/7 First Day of Term 3	17/7	18/7	19/7	20/7
21/ 7	22/7 Kids Club 3:30pm—5pm Parent /Teacher interviews all week Book Fair 9am to 9.25am	23/7 Parent / Teacher inter- views all week Book Fair 9am to 9.25am	24/7 Parent / Teacher inter- views all week Book Fair 9am to 9.25am 3.30 to 4.30pm	25/7 Parent / Teacher inter- views all week Book Fair 9am to 9.25am 3.30 to 4.30pm	26/7 Family Breakfast 8am Book Fair 9am to 9.25am	27/7
28/ 7	29/7 Kids Club 3:30pm- 5:00pm	30/7	31/7 AASC commences	1/8 AASC	2/8	3/8
4/8	5/8 Kids Club 3:30pm- 5:00pm	6/8 School Athletics Carnival	7/8 AASC	8/8 AASC	9/8	10/8
11/ 8	12/8 Kids Club 3:30pm- 5:00pm	13/8	14/8 AASC Oral Health Survey	15/8 AASC Oral Health Survey	16/8	17/8

WENTWORTH SHOW

The children are already busy organising their show entries, with some classes well on the way to having them done! The school has been asked to provide a choir for the opening on the Saturday, so I am keen to hear from any children who are interested in singing the national anthem on the day. We will also be having our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden display as well.

CONCERT

The school concert is on Thursday, 12th September. All classes are busy beginning to organise items. I am sure we will present a very entertaining show!

That's it for this week!

Cathy Eddie,

Principal

LIBRARY

The Book Fair is being held all next week in the library. The children can purchase books from 9am to 9.25am every morning and on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. All purchases are to be **cash only**.

The Term 3 borrowing times are:

Tuesday - 2/3G and 4/5H

Wednesday - Kinder and 1/2S

Thursday - 3/4M

Friday - 6M

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORT

Due to parent interviews are next week AASC will commence on Wednesday 31st July 2013.

STUDENT MEDICAL FORMS

During Terms 3 and 4 we will be updating our medical records systems to ensure we have the most up-to-date information on your child's health.

If you have a child with a medical condition you will receive a copy of the new forms in the mail and will need to fill them out and return them to us as soon as you can.

The good news is we have already started collecting some of this information, which means less for you to do.

The new forms will help us collect your child's important medical information and the introduction of new systems will mean we'll be able to better manage the daily and emergency health needs of your child.

We appreciate your support as we start collecting the information, and if you have any questions please call.

SPORTS NEWS

Over the next couple of weeks we have a couple of students representing Barrier at state carnivals. This week Chanelle Ricardi and Olivia Hopfner are travelling to Sydney to compete at the NSW PSSA State Cross Country carnival. Next week Chloe Hyde will be competing for the Barrier Netball team at the NSW PSSA State championships which is being held in Broken Hill.

Wishing all three ladies good luck and we hope you have a wonderful time and enjoy the amazing experience.

Please take note that our school athletics carnival has been pushed back to **Tuesday 6th August**.

This Friday the junior boy's (8, 9 and 10 years) high jump will be completed after lunch. Unlike the swimming carnival where the students select their events the athletics events are all compulsory. Unless your child has a satisfactory reason for not competing, all students are entered in every event. The students will be practicing each event for Friday sport.

RUFUS RIVER MEMORIAL DAY

Join us to pay tribute to the ones who were lost, and help promote unity and reconciliation.

Lake Victoria is a place of great spiritual importance to the Aboriginal Community, with evidence of occupation dating back 18,000 years. Thousands of burials are believed by archaeologists, to be in and around the Lake Victoria and Rufus River area.

We are planning a memorial day at the Rufus River campground Lake Victoria, on August 25th 2013 to remember the ancestors lost and to promote reconciliation and unity within the community.

All members of the community are cordially invited and we are seeking support, sponsorship and participation for the planning of this special day.

Please direct all enquiries to Steven McGlashan

(Lake Victoria Program Manager)

0429036385

When: Sunday 25th August 2013

Where: Lake Victoria

Time: 11am - 2pm

Light refreshments and a sausage sizzle lunch provided

Alcohol and Drug Free event. Children must have adult supervision

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.

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—PER YEAR

\$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

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.

P and C NEWS

BINGO

We are in need of helpers for Bingo on a Thursday each week from 12.30pm to 3.00pm. Please, if you can help out let the school know and they can pass your name on. Bingo is a great fundraiser for the year and it would be sad if we lost it through lack of helpers.

Tammy.

P & C President.

NATIONAL ORAL HEALTH SURVEY

Today with the newsletter all children will receive a special envelope from the NSW Health Centre for Oral Health Strategy. Information contained in the envelope explains about the National Oral Health Survey to be carried out at our School in August.

Once completed the forms are placed in the return envelope and posted free back to Sydney.

The Dental Check at school is conducted by our local Dental Therapist, Lisa Testa ON THE 14TH AND 15TH AUGUST. This important survey is in addition to our normal Dental Service provided to the school. The Dental Van will be located at the Wentworth School later in the year as usual.

Lisa will be happy to answer any questions parents may have about the survey and she can be contacted on 0419 990 264

CANTEEN NEWS - URGENT:

URGENT - PLEASE HELP!

We have lost a number of Canteen Helpers in the last 12 months due to them either commencing full-time employment or leaving the School. **WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF MORE CANTEEN ASSISTANTS.** Whether you are a Parent, Grandparent or Carer and could spare just 1 Friday a Term from 8:45am - 2:30pm, your help in the Canteen would be greatly appreciated. We will roster you on with an experienced Canteen Assistant, so you don't need to be nervous! Please consider helping us.

Below is the roster for next term. If your name is in the roster but the date is not suitable, or you are unavailable this term, please contact Kellie Ricardi at kelliericardi@bigpond.com, or on 5027 8131. If your name is not listed in the roster and you'd like to assist in the Canteen, please contact Kellie also. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Canteen Roster - Term 3, 2013.

19 th July 2013	Becky Bysouth	Bonnie Thompson
26 th July 2013	Kathryn Baird	Brenda
2 nd August 2013	Kellie Ricardi	
9 th August 2013	Kelli Saunders	Amanda Trewin
16 th August 2013	Mandy Bone	Nelin Spary
23 rd August 2013	Kellie Ricardi	
30 th August 2013	Larni Baird	Kaye Hyde
6 th September 2013	Amanda Trewin	Kelli Saunders
13 th September 2013	Sheryl Brown	Fiona Cullinan
20 th September 2013	Kathryn Baird	Amber Baird

Donut Days for Term 3 will be on 26th July & 20th September.

KH NEWS

Great to see a lot of smiley faces yesterday. I could really notice that all of the students have grown up quite a lot and are very keen to learn for the second part of the year.

I have not sent home any homework this week. We will be back to normal next Monday.

Also starting next week I have made some changes to the News routine. Instead of having weekly topics I have made a list of suggested talking/listening activities and the children can choose which one they would like to do each week. The rostered day will be the same as last term. The suggested activities are; telling a joke, magic trick storytelling or a song.

I will have student brag books with me during the Parent/Teacher interviews and you will be able to take it home with you for a longer look. I would just like it returned as soon as possible. Thanks.

I have attached an interview timetable with the newsletter. Please indicate your first three preferences and I will try to accommodate them. It is really important to come and discuss your child's report with me and together we can make sure the learning opportunities that are done at home and at school are worthwhile for your child.

We have changed the library borrowing day to Wednesday this term.

The sounds we have covered recently include 'ai' and j. Later this week we will look at 'oa'.

Have a great week,

Natalie

YEAR 1-2S NEWS

Welcome to term 3 everyone!

I hope everyone has had a restful and fun break; we have a really busy term planned! We have our athletics carnival, the Wentworth show and our school concert coming up. We would love help with our show craft, costumes and props for our concert item, so if you can spare some time please let me know. Reports will be going out to families today and also a note with interview times for next week, I look forward to speaking to each family about your child's progress. Please keep sending in fruit and veg for our fruit breaks each day.

This week, Tamzin Elliot 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.

Have a great week,

Trish Slade.

YEAR 2/3G NEWS

Welcome back everyone. It has been lovely to see everyone so excited to return to school this term!

No homework has been assigned for this week; however, home-readers will be as usual. We will be back to normal with homework next Monday.

As part of our art entries for the Wentworth Show this year we will be making felt monsters. If you have any spare ribbons, googly eyes, buttons, felt etc. that you would like to donate to the class supplies, it would be greatly appreciated. Also, if you would like to help students create their master pieces, please come and see me and we can arrange a suitable time.

Changes for this term include:

- Library between recess and lunch on Tuesdays
- Kitchen Garden program for the whole class on Friday (any parent or adult helpers would be MOST APPRECIATED!!!)
- Knowledge Seekers and SELL literacy groups in the morning sessions Monday- Wednesday

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I look forward to catching up with you soon.

Cheers,
Brian

YEAR 3/4M NEWS

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope you all had fantastic holidays and have come back to school refreshed and ready for a busy term!

Our weekly routines will remain very similar this term. Homework will go home on Mondays (beginning next week). This will include a maths sheet, spelling and morning programme. Homework needs to be returned on Fridays, ready for marking and testing. Please also ensure you are reading daily with your child and recording it on their reading log. Our topic for this term is Space.

Our Kitchen Garden day is still on a Tuesday this term. If you are able to help out in the kitchen please let me know. Any help is much appreciated.

Library day is Thursday.

Accompanying this week's newsletter is your child's mid year report and interview notes. Please read reports carefully so that we will be able to discuss them more explicitly in next week's interviews.

Thanks,

Bridgit Milne

YEAR 4/5H NEWS

Welcome back everyone; I hope you all had a fantastic break. This term is going to be very busy with Wentworth show, concert and camp. We will have camp notes out to you by the end of the week.

We have had some timetable changes so library will now be on a Tuesday afternoon. We will also have the pleasure both Mrs Rees and Fiona to support. Mrs Rees will assist with Mathematics and Fiona will continue to support a range of students with their learning. Mrs Farley will be taking my release time and her focus will be science.

Cooking will continue to be on a Wednesday. We are always looking for helpers between 12 noon and 1.30pm in the kitchen. I also need to remind students that they still need to bring a packed lunch on cooking day as at times we may not prepare meals for the kids to eat or plans may change.

Interview notes have gone out with reports, as usual it is a first in best dressed system. If you have any problems attending interviews during the allocated times please give me a call and I will do my best to arrange a more suitable time.

Cheers Jenny

YEAR 6M NEWS

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope you all had a wonderful and enjoyable two week break and are ready for another busy term.

Year 6's main theme this term will be Space and Canberra / Government. Although we don't have a final figure for the Canberra excursion, we hope to do so soon.

Some of our weekly routines remain the same with spelling lists going home Monday's and the test on a Friday. As is homework, which is due back Friday's unless there is a special reason for changes. Diaries are also collected and reading data checked every Friday.

This semester the students will have Mrs Rees every Tuesday for Art and on Wednesday's for Science. Mrs Tilley will be continuing to take our Monday recorder sessions and Library has now changed to Friday's with Miss Shields.

Year 6's Kitchen Garden sessions will still be held on Thursday's this term. Any extra help in the kitchen is very much appreciated.

On Friday 2nd August we will be holding our annual Athletics Carnival. If you are able to assist in anyway, timekeeping, etc, please let us know.

Accompanying this week's newsletter is your child's mid year report and interview notes. Please read reports carefully so that we will be able to discuss them more explicitly in next week's interviews.

Wishing you a safe week,

Sandra Marziano

STEWART HOUSE FUNDRAISER

The Stewart House bouncing balls are still being sold from the front office for \$3.00 each.

KITCHEN GARDEN FEES—YEARS 3-6

Kitchen Garden Fees for Term 2 were \$15. Please contact the office if you are unsure if you have paid these. These fees are to cover the extra ingredients (not grown in the garden) used to cook their meal each week.

Kitchen Garden will be extended to the Year Two's next term.

SCHOOL FEES

\$20 per child or for a family of 3 or more \$50.

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.

LOST PROPERTY

There are quite a few jumpers, track suit pants etc. in the lost property box here in the office, if you have lost anything please come in and have a look

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Naidoc Day Last Term on 26th June 2013.