



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

We have certainly had some interesting weather over the past few days. Thanks to Tammy and Nathan for cleaning up some of the storm damage on the weekend. Luckily we didn't get hit too badly. One shade sail, a couple of tree branches and quite a mess. Our school cleaner Tracey did a fantastic job getting the yard cleaned up.

ROADS AND MARITIME VISIT

I had a consultation with a representative from RMS (Roads and Maritime) yesterday who carried out an observation on our road use during the school drop off, lunch and pick up times. I was able to gain a lot of informative information from her. One of the things that she has made me aware of that I am not legally allowed to use a stop sign or stop traffic at the school crossings. Only people who have been trained are allowed to do this. Cars are required to stop at a crossing if the flags are displayed. The vehicle is to remain stopped until the pedestrians are completely across the road. I have asked for some brochures about school crossings to be sent to the school and will attach to a future newsletter. Please remember to use either of our school crossings when crossing the road.

IRYMPLE SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL VISIT

We had a fantastic visit from some staff and students from Irymple South Public School yesterday. They requested a visit to our school to look at how our kitchen/garden program operates.

It was lovely to see our students play host and be able to explain how the program works and the benefits it has brought to our school.

Thanks to Jodie and Mrs Halls for organising the visit and the many helpers who assisted on the day.

SCHOOL FUNDING

This week we have been notified of our main school funding for 2015.

A resource Allocation Model (RAM) is used by the NSW Government to determine funding for individual schools. The RAM provides many benefits to schools by:

- allocating most funding on a per student basis.
- Distributing resources to schools based on the characteristics of those schools and the students within them. This will result in additional schools receiving funding to support students with identified needs. In addition, schools identified as having students with the highest need will be funded at a higher rate.

November/December 2014

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
23/11	24/11	25/11	26/11	27/11	28/11 No ELG this week Magazine orders due	29/11
30/11	1/12	2/12 Active After School Sports 3.45—4.45pm	3/12 Special Visitor Luncheon \$20 per head	4/12	5/12 Leadership Speeches (Year 5) ELG 9-12pm Yr 3/4 Sleepover —12.00pm	6/12
7/12	8/12	9/12 Active After School Sports 3.45—4.45pm	10/12 Volunteer Lunch @ 12pm	11/12 Presentation Evening—Club 6:45	12/12 ELG 9 -12pm	13/12
14/12	15/12 Year 6 Farewell	16/12	17/12 Last day of Term 4	18/12		

February 2015

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Satur-
			4/2 Year 1-6 commence	5/2	6/2	7/2

This Week's Newsletter

Attachments

- Receipts
- Swimming notes
- Uniform orders
- Pool party permission notes
- Coomealla HS Newsletter (Yr 6)

Graduate Profile

When I leave Wentworth Public School, I want to love to learn new things and be able to complete reading, writing and numeracy tasks confidently. I want to be respectful of myself and others and have good communication skills.

- Providing increased funding that goes directly to schools. This will make school planning easier from year to year.
- Shifting from the previous funding model where schools managed around 10% of the total public school education budget to more than 70% being managed by schools.
- Allowing for more flexibility, innovation and decision making in schools to meet student needs. In 2014, NSW public schools received funding based on the first two components of the RAM: the targeted (individual student) funding and equity funding for Aboriginal background and Socio-economic background students.

In 2015, two new equity loadings will be delivered for:

- ♦ Low level adjustment for disability
- ♦ English language proficiency.

Both loadings are determined by the most recent student data and needs based methodology.

Eligible schools will also receive funding details of the new location loading to address additional costs faced by NSW schools that are geographically remote or isolated.

These are the first steps to implementing a fairer funding model which meets the needs of individual students and recognises that different schools have different needs.

Natalie Hopcroft

Principal

YEAR 6 FAREWELL DINNER - DISCO

As part of our Year 6 Farewell Dinner celebrations on the 15th December, we will be holding our traditional disco. Year 3 and 4 are invited to attend this part of the night. The disco is held at the Wentworth Tennis Club and begins at 7.15pm and runs until 8.30pm

SCHOOL MAGAZINE FRONT COVER COMPETITION EXTENDED

Front cover design entries has been extended to this Friday 28th November.

NO NAME ON THE FRONT.

Entries can be dropped off at the front office.

SCHOOL MAGAZINE ORDERS

Orders for this year's copy of the School Magazine are now being taken. The closing date for orders is Friday November 28th.

The cost will be \$10. We only print the number of orders received.

Copies of last year's magazine are available for viewing in the school office.

Please return the attached slip and money to the office by **Friday 28th November**.

School Magazine 2014 Order

Students Name: _____

Number required: _____ Money enclosed: \$ _____

Parent/Carer Signature: _____

KITCHEN GARDEN NEWS

Celebrate the new season at our Summer Luncheon!

Our Primary Literacy Group 4 students are super excited to show off their cooking and hospitality skills, at our first Summer Luncheon. We cordially invite their family and friends to this wonderful event.

When: Wednesday 3/12/14

Time: 12 noon

Cost: \$20 per person for a gourmet 2 course lunch (prepared and served by our talented students)

Seating is limited, so please make sure you book early by contacting the office on 50 273 146

Please pay at the office prior to the 3/12/14. If you have any questions, please see Jodie
Cheers

Jodie

SCHOOL UNIFORMS FOR 2015

After much consultation with families and students, P&C have decided to keep the current school uniform for 2015. However we are still looking at changing the uniform in the future. Please note that due to price increases from our supplier our uniform will increase from the start of December 2014.

Shirts from \$15 to \$20

Shorts from \$10 to \$15

Hats from \$6 to \$10

**The uniform company have allowed us to extend the lower price until
Friday 5th December.**

P&C MAJOR RAFFLE

P &C are holding a major raffle to raise valuable funds for your children.

Every family will receive a book of ten. Each ticket is \$2.00

First prize is a house boat holiday kindly donated by the Verstappen Family

Second prize is a Decorative Lead Light Lamp kindly donated by Peter and Pam Kneebone

Third prize is a \$50 Fishers voucher

If you require more raffle books, they are available at the school office.

Thank you for your support,

P&C Committee.

CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4, 2014

28th November	Kelli Saunders	Amanda Trewin
5th December	Fiona Cullinan	Cheryl Vines
12th December	Kathryn Baird	Kylie Heywood

* *The next Donut Day for Term 4 will be on the 12th December*

CANTEEN NEWS

A few reminders;

- * Drinks and ice-creams are available at lunch and recess this term
- * Curlwaa Fresh orange juice is back on the menu for \$1 until stock runs out
- * *Fruit Salad* frozen yoghurt is no longer available (only Mango or Strawberry)

Please order your drinks and icecreams on your order bags in the morning and return your bag after you have eaten your order to collect your icecream.

A short note to say thanks to all the canteen volunteers, your time in the canteen on Fridays is greatly appreciated! If any parents / grandparents would like to help out in the canteen one Friday per term in 2015, I would love to hear from you, please give me a call or send me an email.

Thanks, Kathryn

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CASUAL WORK AVAILABLE IN ADMINISTRATION
AT COOMEALLA HIGH SCHOOL 2015

Casual Work available in administration at Coomealla High School, in 2015, available for 6 weeks with a possible extension. If you could please forward a 2 page resume including 2 referee's. The successful applicant will need to have a NSW working with children's check done at Roads & Maritime. If interested please contact Jo Pardoe on ph 03 5027 4506 fax 035027 4837 or email: johanna.pardoe@det.nsw.edu.au

Closing date 3rd December 2014

ATHLETES FOOT DONATION

Athletes Foot will donate \$5.00 from every pair of shoes purchased, towards new sporting equipment for our school. Buy your 2015 school shoes from Athletes Foot and leave your docket in the 'Wentworth' box in store.

K/1/2B NEWS

Hello Everyone,

Just a few reminders this week as I am away in Dubbo for a work shop.

This is the last week of homework. Year 2's home work is due this Friday 28/11, and K/1's is due the following Friday 5/12. This is also the last week of readers being sent home; please be aware that students can borrow books from the school library and the town library and this is highly encouraged. It is most important that they are given lots of opportunities to read over the Christmas break.

Next Monday 1/12/14, K/1/2 B are again doing Kitchen Garden, if you are able to assist between 10am and 11.50am it would be greatly appreciated.

There is no Early Learning Group session this week, 28/11. The following session on Friday 5/12 is from 9am to 12 noon.

Don't forget the Pool Party next Tuesday 2/12/14 from 5pm to 7pm. Hope to see you all there.

If you have any questions or concerns please see Mrs Hopcroft in my absence.

Keep smiling

Leanne Byrnes

EARLY LEARNING GROUP

See below for times and dates.

Friday 5/12/14 - 9am to 12 pm

Friday 12/12/14 - 9am to 12pm

Leanne

YEAR 1/2S NEWS

Wow it is hard to believe we are coming into the final weeks of the school year. We have a busy couple of weeks coming up!

Next Tuesday 2nd December we are hosting a family pool party at the Wentworth Pool from 5pm to 7pm. I hope you can come and join in our celebration for the end of the year. Please bring along a picnic basket and enjoy the evening.

This week is the final week of literacy groups and therefore the final opportunity to borrow readers. All readers need to be returned next week but please encourage your child to keep up with their reading over the holidays. I know my children would love to say thank you to Miss Marziano, Mrs Larwood, Mrs Farley and Mrs Byrnes for being their literacy teachers this semester.

Last Monday we had another kitchen and garden session. We were so lucky to have a number of helpers this week. I am always blown away with the generosity of people giving up their time to come along and assist our little learners! Thank you to Beryl, Cheryl, Sierra, Beth, Kelly and Amber for giving up your valuable time.

On Wednesday 10th November, Wentworth Public will be having a luncheon to thank all the volunteers who have helped at the school throughout the year. 1/2S will be making sandwiches with their buddy class 3/4/5M on the day. Further information will be sent home next Wednesday regarding what ingredients students will need to bring to make these sandwiches.

I am out of school for the rest of this week due to a course in Dubbo. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Reminder: Last week was the final week for homework. Thank you everyone for your wonderful support throughout the year.

Have a wonderful week!

Jordana Shields

YEAR 3/4H NEWS

Welcome everyone to the final week of literacy groups. This week we have been working hard to complete all of our work for our groups.

Our rewards night is going ahead and I would like to thank all of the parents who have volunteered to join me at the pool. As the children receive their total reward points I will send out an invitation to attend the night. We will be having a quick smoko at the end of the school day prior to going to the pool. However if students wish to bring money and purchase items at the pool canteen they are more than welcome to. Our tea will be takeaway and a can of soft drink. If anyone has any questions about the night please contact me at school.

Please look out for the note for next Tuesday's whole school pool party. We really need the note returned to help with organisation.

Have a great week.

Jenny

YEAR 3/4/5M NEWS

Only three weeks to go and we are still busy completing some amazing work.

The class have been having a great time throughout the term teaching their younger buddies some technology skills. They have produced some work using Comic Life, MSWord and are now using either PowerPoint or Moviemaker to produce some mini movies.

The class are looking forward to the family pool party which is being held at the Wentworth Pool next Tuesday afternoon from 5 - 7pm. We hope you can come along and enjoy the end of year celebrations. Bring along a picnic basket to enjoy in the relaxing atmosphere.

Reminders:

- ⇒ Any outstanding reading materials borrowed through their literacy group teacher needs to be returned.
- ⇒ Math Homework and Reading Data (diaries) due tomorrow.
- ⇒ Fruit donations for Crunch and Sip.

Stay sun safe,

Sandra Marziano

SPECIAL YEAR 5 & 6 NEWS

A reminder that both Year 5 and 6 replies for the Year 6 Farewell Dinner are due back by Friday 5th December.

Dress Code Reminder: Boys are expected to wear trousers, a button-up shirt, tie and correct footwear (not sports shoes or thongs!). The girls should have clothing that covers their shoulders and is of an adequate length. Strapless/spaghetti strap tops and short skirts are strongly discouraged. If you are unsure about your child's clothing, you are most welcomed to send it in for Mrs Hopcroft or Miss Marzie to double check for you.

YEAR 5/6 NEWS

This week will be the last week of Literacy Groups for the year. It has been wonderful to see how successful the groups have run and I think that all students should be proud of their efforts. Even though Literacy Groups has ended, students will still be expected to maintain their reading at home. I would love to see everyone reading up until the end of the year.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the family picnic and pool night next Tuesday. It should be a great opportunity for a relaxing catch up at the end of the year.

With a couple of weeks to go, we are running low on fruit break supplies. If you have a spare bag of fruit lying around, please send it in!

And finally, all Year 5 and 6 students need to please make sure that all RSVPs have been returned for the Year 6 Farewell dinner.

Cheers,

Brian

Purpose Statement

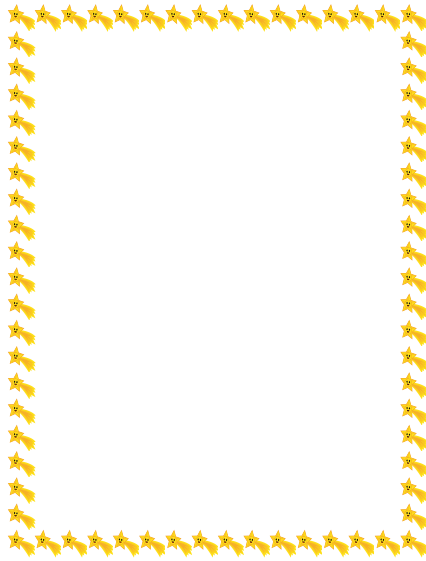
Wentworth Public School prepares our students for a successful future by providing quality educational opportunities for all, which encourage life-long learning. We emphasize strong reading, writing and maths skills, the learning of new things, getting along with others, having fun and following school values.

Achievement Certificates: Showing respect to everyone and everything

Kinder/1/2B:	Billy Ward and Zac Donohue
1/2S:	Kye Lawrence-Hall and Charlie Baird
3/4H:	Mieke Dwyer and Liv Baird
3/4/5M:	Amelia Paech and Jack Andrews
5/6G:	Summer Halls and Josh Verstappen

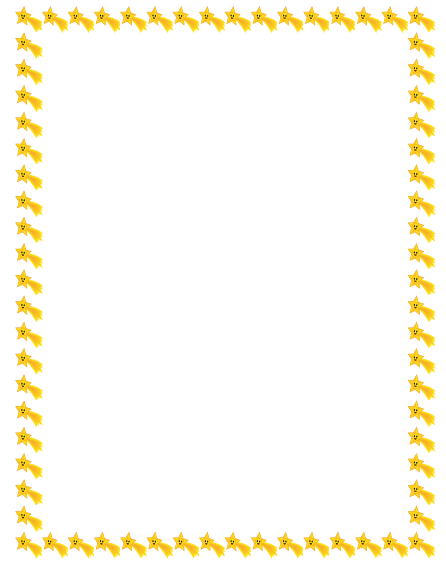
Student of the Week for Week 8 Term 4

What's your best tip for staying safe in a hail storm?



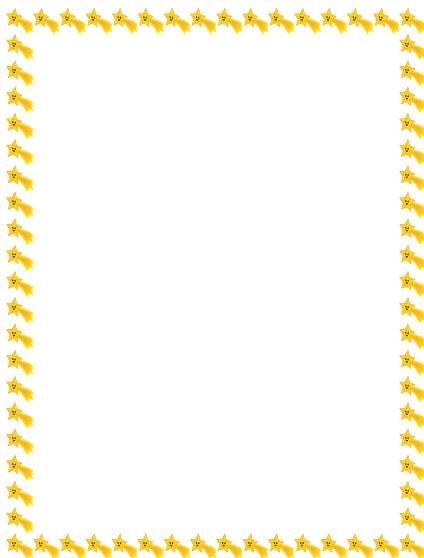
Karly Russell:

Stay inside and
don't go outside at
all!!



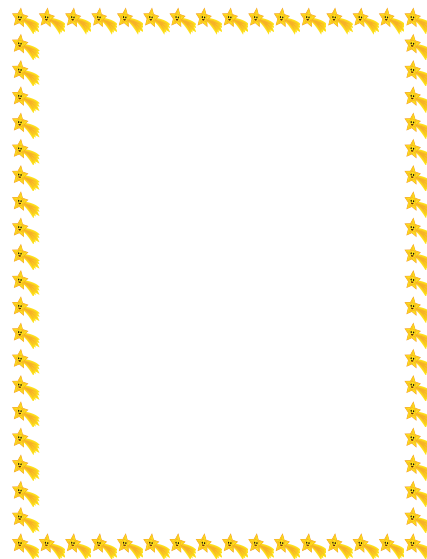
James Vine:

Put a bike helmet on your
head!



Immanuel Rogers:

Go inside and look out!



Isaiah Dwyer:

Stay in a house and don't go out!

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