



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Lot's happening this week. We will be having a visit from the Minister of Education "Adrian Piccoli" tomorrow. He is calling through the area and has asked if he can drop in. We look forward to showing him through our beautiful school.

Mrs Halls and authors, Jaxon, Summer H, Matthew and Montana all attended Buronga School yesterday to attend the launch of their book about the Cullinan Family. This group are to be congratulated on a job well done. Copies of the book are available in our school library.

Last night we hosted a pool party to celebrate the end of year. Thanks to Mr Gray for organising this event.

Leadership speeches will be this Friday starting at 9:30am in the hall. Guests are welcome to attend and hear the speeches. Good luck to all the Year 5 candidates.

Well done P&C for an outstanding catering job over the weekend at the Ski Race.

Also thank you for setting up a food stall at our pool party.

CLASSES FOR 2015

After a lot of discussion and thoughtful consideration we are currently working on the following class break down for 2015:

Kinder— Ms Leanne Byrnes (with a Teacher's Aide)

1/2—Miss Shields

1/2—Term 1 — Mrs Lawrence 3 days

- Mrs Garraway 2 days (with a Teacher's Aide)

1/2— Term 2 —Mrs Rees 4 days

- Mrs Garraway 1 day

3/4/5— Mrs Halls (with a Teacher's Aide)

3/4/5— Mr Gray (with Literacy support from Mrs Larwood)

4/5/6— Miss Marziano

There are many reasons behind doing the classes this way. We have listened to the students, staff and parents requests for Literacy groups to continue and the request to operate Maths groups as well.

To do this with the least disruption we feel placing the students into Literacy based class groups and keeping the students with the same teacher all day will be the most productive.

Within each of the classes the reading range will be within about 10 different levels.

December 2014

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
				4/12	5/12 Leadership Speeches (Year 5) 9:30am 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-
	2/2 Staff Development Day	3/2 Staff Development Day	4/2 Year 1-6 commence	5/2	6/2 Primary Swimming	7/2
8/2	9/2 Kindergarten Commence Intensive Swimming Program starts	10/2	11/2 Primary Swimming	12/2	13/2 Primary Swimming	14/2

This Week's Newsletter

Attachments

- Receipts
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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.

If we were to place the classes into more traditional groups such as 3/4, 4, 5, 5/6 the range would be more like 20 levels.

This year's Literacy Group have proven to us that our students cope best when placed in groups of similar academic ability.

As always, please come and have a chat if you would like further clarification about the plans for 2015.

School will resume for Years 1-6 on Wednesday 4th February, Kinder will start on Monday 11th February.

Teachers will be involved in school based planning on Monday 2nd February and will be attending a trauma based workshop at Dareton on Tuesday 3rd February.

If you are requiring information about NSW schools over the holidays the School A-Z website— schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au specifically the back to school 2015 and Public Schools web pages will be useful.

Natalie Hopcroft

Principal

P&C NEWS

The P&C would like to hugely thank the following families for supporting and volunteering their time for the first Wentworth Ski Race.

Kelly Saunders, the Watson-Kiely family, the Hyde family, the Witte family, Grease Daymond, Noel & Ann Whitchurch, the Verstappen family, Jade Millard, Amber Baird, Leanne Hancock, Larnie & Anthony Baird, the Bysouth family, Caron Milner, Sheryl Brown, Mick & Jackson McDermott, Mandy & Kevin Bone and my wonderful husband Nathan Fordham who also took two days off work. A gigantic Thank you to Dean Bone and Hannah Fordham.

These two started Friday afternoon to set up and worked all weekend without complaint. Dean and Hannah, you did yourselves proud the way you kids worked over the past weekend it's hard enough for an adult let alone a child. So give yourselves a big pat on the back, you deserve it.

This event took quite some organising, setting up in two locations on Friday, cooking and serving all day Saturday and Sunday, rostering and sourcing supplies, things we do in our own time or in some cases take time off from our work, all this so we can support your children and the school.

The boat race itself was great on the weekend. The crowds were a bit of a flop on Saturday, but we made up for it on Sunday. We are hoping that next year, the ski club will make some changes ensuring it is more successful.

So thank you again to all those families who put your hands up and showed up. We hope to see some of you again next year and maybe a few new faces.

Cheers

Your P&C President

Tammy Fordham



2014 - Midway Dance Concert, Mercy Theatre

Laura Hancock, Ellie Vines, Lucy Cullinan, Jane Cullinan, Summer Halls, Montana Norris, Olivia Daymond, Olivia Baird and Kayden Robinson.

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 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.**

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

With only two more canteen days left in the term, please note some drink and ice cream items/flavours may not be available. There are only a few chocolate Nippy's milk left, but lots of strawberry Nippy's. We will do our best to provide everyone's exact orders. Come and see us if we've given you a different drink and you want to swap it.

I apologise for any inconvenience.

Please also send me an email if you are able to help out one Friday a term next year as a canteen volunteer, or if you are a current volunteer who is unable to be on next year's roster.

Thanks, Kathryn

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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.

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.

K/1/2B NEWS

Hello Everyone,

It is great to be back on class this week. The workshop in Dubbo last week was very informative and has given both Miss Shields and myself many strategies and ideas to implement in our classrooms. I am off class this Wednesday for a final session of L3 training.

For the volunteers' lunch next Wednesday 10th, all K/1/2 students have been asked to bring in a plate of sweets. These can be dropped off on the morning either at the classroom or at the kitchen. I am hoping that every student is able to bring something in for this special lunch to thank the wonderful volunteers who come into the school and help.

A few reminders for this week:

All Homework is due this Friday.

Donations of fruit needed for our morning fruit break.

Keep smiling

Leanne Byrnes

Early Learning Group

For the final two sessions ELG runs for 3 hrs; 9am-12noon. Fruit is provided for our morning break but the children may like to bring in their own snack and water bottle. Students are encouraged to bring in/wear something related to our focus colour or theme for 'Show and Tell'.

5/12/14 - FOCUS; purple

12/12/14 - FOCUS; Christmas

Leanne

YEAR 1/2S NEWS

Last night it was wonderful to see so many families attending the pool party. We were lucky to have such amazing weather and the pool was very nice for a dip. I hope you all had fun!

Last week was the final opportunity to borrow readers for the year. If all readers could be returned by this Friday I would greatly appreciate it. Library books will need to be returned as well. Next Monday's assembly will also be the final opportunity for the children to receive a reading award for the year. So please send in your child's reading logs to be checked for the achievement of any major reading awards reached this week.

This Friday each child in 1/2S and 3/4/5M will be receiving information about the Volunteer's Luncheon. The lunch is being held next Wednesday 10th December, to celebrate and thank the many volunteers who help in some way at the school. Instead of each child bringing a plate of food, we will be making sandwiches with our buddy class 3/4/5M. Each child will be given one ingredient that they will need to provide for the sandwiches eg. a loaf of bread or a lettuce. Your given ingredient will need to be sent in next Wednesday. On Friday, I will also be sending out information about the 1/2S fun day and movie night.

Next Monday will be our final garden and kitchen session for the year. Please feel welcome to come along at 10am (garden) or 10:30am (kitchen) to help us out. Any assistance is greatly appreciated.

Unfortunately I am out of school again today due to a Literacy course. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Hope you all have a lovely week.

Jordana Shields

YEAR 3/4H NEWS

I had a wonderful night last night at the pool. It was great to catch up with everyone. Our next important event will be our volunteer's lunch on the 10th of December. 3/4H are expected to provide the fruit to make fruit platters with for this event. If all students could please make a small donation of fruit it would be appreciated and I will organise for it to be made into platters.

Students will have bought home an invitation for the sleepover on Friday night with all of the important details on it. If you have any further questions please give me a call at the school.

Have a great week.

Jenny Halls

YEAR 3/4/5M NEWS

In Miss Marziano's absence there are just a couple of reminders for everyone.

- There will be no homework while Miss Marziano is away.
- A reminder that Year 5 leadership speeches will be made this Friday the 5th of December at 9:30am
- The volunteer's lunch will be held next Wednesday the 10th of December and all classes have to provide ingredients for the meal. Please look out for a flyer coming home that will have a list of the items required by your class group.

SPECIAL YEAR 5 & 6 NEWS

Year 5 students have been given the opportunity to practise delivering their leadership speeches to an audience today. They have been given some advice on how to improve their speech/delivery and should use the next two nights to take onboard this advice and polish off their work. The speeches will be presented at 9:30 on Friday in the hall. Good luck to all of the boys and girls!

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

Good luck to all of the Year 5 students who will be doing their leadership speeches on Friday. I know that they have put a lot of time and thought into them and it will be nice to get to see them delivered on stage.

We are right into the swing of Christmas in 5/6G and I am putting a call out for any extra decorations, lights or tinsel that you may have lying around. We would love our classroom to be the most Christmas, joy filled, place in the whole school. So any donations would be greatly appreciated!

Year 6 students need to be close to finishing their farewell speeches, as they will need to be ready for next Friday. Please make sure that they are well on their way to being completed.

Congratulations to Montana, Summer, Jaxon and Matthew for launching their book this week, they should feel a great deal of pride from this accomplishment!

Thank you to Jackson and Joshua for being excellent Mo-Bros on Tuesday night at the pool party. With their assistance, I was able to raise \$261.50 for Movember. Thank you to everyone for their donations!

Cheers

Brian Gray

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:	Jamaya Kennedy and Monique Payne
1/2S:	Kurt Trewin and Jordy Teasdale
3/4H:	Jane Cullinan and Drew Thompson
3/4/5M:	Callan McInnes and Mathew Hancock
5/6G:	Thomas Baird and Montana Norris

Student of the Week for Week 9 Term 4

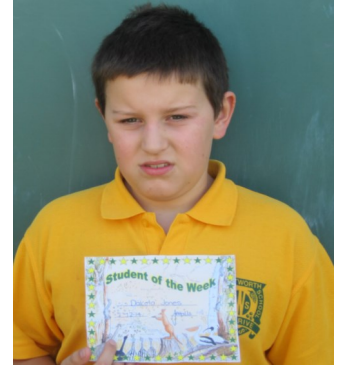
What is your favourite Christmas Carol?



Harley Jones:
Rudolph the Red
Nose Reindeer



Bailey Heywood:
Jingle Bells



Dakota Jones:
Jingle Bell Rock



Libby Saunders:
Santa Clause is Coming to Town



Noah Mitchell:
Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer

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