



### **PRINCIPALS NEWS**

Last Friday, I became aware of a lot of noise and excitement in the playground during class time. It was coming from a group of students who seemed to be having a great time.

Wondering what could possibly be making them so happy I made some enquiries and found out that it was a reincarnation of the TV show "The Block". The Year 5/6G class were busily involved in staging their own series of renovating and building. I look forward to seeing and hearing about their adventures in the coming weeks. It was great to see such an enthusiastic group of learners.

### **THANK YOU**

I would like to thank Bob, Nelin and Nehemiah Spary for assisting me with painting the office and putting some new furniture together over the last week. Also thanks to Jasmine Jolley for helping Bob with the painting last Friday.

### **MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA**

Our special Devonshire tea afternoon will start at 3pm. When you arrive could you please collect your child/ren from their classroom and go to the Kitchen? \$5 per adult is to be paid at the door.

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# MAY 2014

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat
4/5	5/5	6/5	7/5	8/5	9/5 Mother's Day Afternoon Tea 3:00pm	10/5
11/5 Mothers Day	12/5 MD PSSA Cross Country	13/5 Naplan Yr 3 & 5 AASC 3:45- 4:45pm	14/5 Naplan Yr 3 & 5	15/5 Naplan Yr 3 & 5 Wimmera Hearing Van Visiting	16/5	17/5
18/5	19/5	20/5 UNSW Computer Competition AASC 3:45- 4:45pm	21/5	22/5	23/5	24/5
25/5	26/5	27/5 AASC 3:45- 4:45pm	28/5	29/5 Grip Leadership Day—Year 5 & 6	30/5	31/5
1/6	2/6	3/6 AASC 3:45- 4:45pm	4/6 UNSW Science Competition	5/6	6/6 Barrier Cross Country	7/6

## **YEAR 5 2015 OPPORTUNITY CLASS**

Government schools use a range of strategies to meet the educational needs of gifted and talented students. One strategy is opportunity class placement which provides intellectual stimulation and an educationally enriched environment for gifted and talented students.

Offers for opportunity class placement will be made on the basis of the Opportunity Class Placement Test results and school assessment. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on **Wednesday 23 July 2014**.

If you would like to apply for opportunity class placement in Year 5 in 2015 on behalf of your child, you need to do so soon.

Most applicants are expected to apply on the internet and submit their application online. They will need to have an email address (not the students email address), access to the internet and a printer.

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from **Monday 28 April 2014** at [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement). Online applications close on **Friday 16 May 2014**. Applications after **Friday 16 May 2014** will generally not be accepted.

If parents do not have internet access, commercially printed application forms will be available on request from the school on **Monday 28 April 2014**. They must be completed and returned to the school by **Friday 16 May 2014**.

The applications will be processed by the school in exactly the same way whether you apply online or submit a commercially printed form. Parents are to submit **ONE** application for each student.

## **ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITY PROGRAM**

This program will start again next Tuesday 13th May at 3.45 to 4.45pm. Angela Morvell will continue to be the sports coach and this term is looking at Basketball.

Students must be registered with the program to attend. Forms are available from the office.

## **RECORDER**

Some of our senior students have been invited to attend the Red Cross exhibition on Friday to play the recorder at this special event. There will be two groups playing as well as Matthew, Dean and Sarah performing solos.

Thank you to Mrs Tilley and the students for taking part in this event.

## **NAPLAN**

All students in Years 3 and 5 will be taking part in the nationwide NAPLAN testing next week. The tests are held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Apart from changes to Literacy groups and the Kitchen/Garden program there will be no disruptions to the school day.

## **CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE**

There will be no Catholic Scripture this Friday 9th May, the sisters are unavailable.

## **LUNCHTIME INTEREST GROUPS**

I was delighted to have Jaxan and Thomas B come and show me a lego tech tank they had made during lunch time interest groups. This term we have included activities at lunch time that are run by the staff to try and allow a broad range of options for students to do during the lunch break. Some of the activities include lego tech, woodwork, craft, art, dance, cooking, electricals and sport.

I thank the staff for taking on this venture and giving up an extra lunch time break to allow the programs to happen.

Have a great week,

Natalie Hopcroft

## MURRAY DARLING CROSS COUNTRY

Due to the heavy rainfall the Murray Darling Cross Country was cancelled last Friday. So the Cross Country team is off to Euston this Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May. The event will take place at the Euston Recreation Oval and will commence at **9.40am**. The bus will be departing from school at **8.15am**.

Students will need to wear their school sports uniform, bring warm clothing for cool weather, appropriate running shoes, a hat, plenty of water and food. Children with asthma will need to carry their puffers with them on the run.

The Euston P&C will be running a canteen on the day. Orders **will not be** taken but the following food and drink will be available to purchase. **Please note: there have been some price changes.**

Pies \$4.00	Hot chips with gravy	Powerade \$5.00
Sausage rolls	Plate of sandwiches	Fruit box \$2.00
Hot Dogs \$2.50	Tea, coffee, hot	Cakes, slices
Pumpkin Soup \$2.50	Water \$3.00	Lollies and other items

All the best to the competitors!

Jordana Shields

**WANTED:** If anyone has any unwanted exterior house paint Trish Jones would greatly appreciate it, as the children will be painting murals. If you can assist please leave the paint at the front office, Thankyou.

## CANTEEN ROSTER FOR TERM 2, 2014

<b>9th May*</b>	Kathryn Baird	Brenda Davis
16th May	Kelli Saunders	Kaye Hyde
23rd May	Nelin Spary	Sheryl Brown
30th May	Roslyn Watters-Behsmann	Shannon Mitchell
6th June	Becky Bysouth	Bonnie Thompson
13th June	Kelli Saunders	Amanda Trewin
20th June	Fiona Cullinan	Cheryl Vines
<b>27th June*</b>	Kathryn Baird	Kylie Heywood

***\* Donut Days for Term 2 will be 9th May and 27th June***

If you are unavailable to do canteen on your rostered day, please call Kathryn (ph. 040 784 7717) as soon as possible, or we will have no canteen for that Friday. This is due to a shortage of volunteers.

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### This Weeks Newsletter Attachments

- Receipts
- Year 5 2015 Opportunity Class Expression of interest forms—Year 4
- Grip Leadership Permission notes Years 5 & 6

## **REMINDERS**

### **HEAD LICE**

Check your child's hair regularly.

### **NUT BAN**

No nuts or nut products at school.

### **STUDENT BANKING**

Bendigo Bank Student Banking on Wednesday morning.

### **NEWSLETTERS ON THE NET**

A copy of the newsletter is on the School's Web page:

[www.wentworth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.wentworth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

### **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)**

\$15 per term

### **UNIFORMS— HATS**

Hats and Uniform items available from the office.

### **VOICE AND PIANO LESSONS**

Louise Judd has vacancies in her program on Tuesday—contact the school for her phone number.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### NEW DATE

The Lower Anabranh Sporting and Landcare Group Inc.  
will be holding their Annual Picnic and Sports Day  
on Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup> 2014.

To be held at the Anabranh Hall,  
STARTING AT 10AM SHARP.

Entry Free. Raffle and Lolly guess held.

Afternoon Tea supplied. Cordial for the kids supplied.

BYO drinks, Shared lunch: BBQ meat supplied. Please bring a  
salad to share.

A great family day! All welcome.

## SPECIAL WEEKEND CARTOON PROGRAMS

### Buronga—May 24th—May 25th

**Costs:** Short Day \$40 per child per day (9am-3:30pm)

**Long Day:** \$45 per child per day (9am-6pm or part thereof)

**Night Camp:** \$25 (6pm-9pm) Saturday Night

More Information: [www.illustrating-man.com.au](http://www.illustrating-man.com.au)

Or pamphlets available from school office.



**WDJFNC AUSKICK & NET SET GO 2014**

WENTWORTH JUNIOR FOOTBALL & NETBALL CLUB AUSKICK WILL  
COMMENCE WEDNESDAY THE 14<sup>th</sup> May 2014  
4:30PM AT THE GEORGE GORDON OVAL DARETON

NET SET GO – A NETBALL PROGRAM FOR GIRLS 5-10 YEARS  
REGISTRATION IS AT 4:30PM WEDNESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2014  
PROGRAM TO COMMENCE TUESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE 2014

**REGISTRATION FOR BOTH PROGRAMS IS FREE**  
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL STEELE 0409 437 469  
OR JODIE 0428 591 334

**JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE IS HERE!!!****AGES 5 – 12YRS****EVERY SATURDAY IN MAY 10AM – 11AM**

**3rd May**— Nichols Point Oval— Fifth St and Koorlong Ave, Nichols Point

**10th May**— Nichols Point Oval—Fifth St and Koorlong Ave, Nichols Point

**17th May**— Robinvale Riverside Park—Robin St, Robinvale

**24th May**— Nichols Point Oval—Fifth St and Koorlong Ave, Nichols Point

**31st May**— Chaffey Secondary College—Havilah Cres, Mildura

For more information contact: **Martin O'Rourke** on 0417 229 755  
**morourke@nrl.com.au**

Register now at: **www.srl.sportingpulse.net**

Click on "Junior Registration"

**Free NRL Kit for every registered participant.**

## K/1/2 B NEWS

Hello Everyone

K/1/2, Grumpy, Trish and I have been busy getting to know each other this past week. They have been teaching me all about their school, routines and Code of Co Operation.

This term Mrs Hopcroft will continue with L3 lessons in the K/1/2 room and Mrs Farley will also join us for literacy lessons two days per week. Mrs Larwood will also continue working with K/1/2 in mathematics lessons three days per week. We are very lucky to have all this extra support to help your children achieve to the best of their abilities. K/1/2 will continue to have music lessons with Judith Tilley on Monday's.

Last week we welcomed Alannah to our class. We hope you and you family have settled in well to Wentworth.

This term we will be doing a COGs unit on 'Changes', where we will be looking at how we and other living things can change in different ways over time. I would like to ask if each student is able to bring in a photo of when they were a baby/toddler before next week so that we can see how we have changed, as we have grown older/bigger.

Reminders:

- Homework will go home each Monday and needs to be returned the following Monday.
- Library borrowing day is Thursday.
- Year 2 students should be changing their home readers daily. K/1 will begin taking home readers this term.
- Donations of fruit and veg for our Crunch & Sip program.
- Mother's Day afternoon tea this Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May.
- Please make sure that all items of clothing, especially jumpers and hats have names on them.

I would just like to take this opportunity to thank all staff, students and parents for making me feel very welcome and a part of WPS.

Thank you,

Leanne Byrnes

## **YEAR 1/2S NEWS**

Congratulations to Charlie Baird and Kayden Robinson who are our new SRC representatives for 1/2S. They did a wonderful job running their first meeting last week.

The children did a wonderful job making their Mother's Day invites with their new buddies from 4/5M. Hopefully you all received your afternoon tea invites last Monday. I hope you can all come along.

Due to the Timetable changes Year 1/2S will now be borrowing library books on Thursday. So please encourage your child to bring their library bags tomorrow.

A few reminders:

All students received homework last Monday. Homework must be returned every Monday.

Readers are checked and changed every Tuesday and Thursday.

Next Monday I am attending the Murray Darling Cross Country so the children will have Miss Marziano. I will also be out Wednesday, Thursday and Friday next week due to Reading Recovery Training in Broken Hill.

Hope you have an awesome week!

Jordana Shields

## **YEAR 3/4H NEWS**

Wow, hasn't the cold weather set in. I cannot believe that winter is not even here yet and we are already freezing.

In mathematics we are focusing on length for a second time to ensure all students have developed a good understanding of how to accurately measure distances using millimetres, centimetres and metres.

Due to time table changes I would like all students to bring their diaries into the class for marking on a Thursday rather than a Friday. This will ensure I am up to date with everyone's reading and that I have time to write in any information that parents might like to see or need to know.

NAPLAN is next week for all Year 3 and Year 5 students, beginning on Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup>. NAPLAN does tend to wear students out so next week will be kept fairly low key to help them to be the best they can be.

Sport will hopefully begin next week. All of the students have elected which sports they would most like to be a part of (netball, volleyball and soccer) and the students have been informed of what their sport will be for the following period of time.

Have another great week.

Cheers,

Jenny

## **ELECTRICAL ITEMS**

I am looking for any old electrical items to pull apart during the lunchtime activity I am running. Items such as old stereos, toasters and radios anything that the children could dismantle and explore. If you have any items that could be of use please drop them into the 3/4H room or to the office.

Thank you,

Jenny

## YEAR 4/5M NEWS

What an amazing rainfall we had last week. This didn't deter the students from having a terrific start to the term. It was great to see how many continued with their daily reading during the Easter break.

Congratulations go to Holly Bysouth and Nellie Baird who have been voted in as our Term 2 SRC Reps. In their absence, Chloe Nash and Jack Andrews will step in and assist.

This terms main unit of study is based on volunteers and today we were lucky enough to have Mrs Marg Bottrell come in and talk to the class about Meals on Wheels. Thank you to both Mrs Bottrell for coming in and sharing with the class how important this organisation is, and also to her grandson Tom for organising our special speaker.

Due to the Murray Darling Cross Country being held next Monday and NAPLAN on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for Year 3 & 5's, normal Literacy groups will not be running for the whole of next week. Therefore our Kitchen Garden will run in class groups for next week at different times. Year 4/5M will be having Kitchen Garden on Tuesday from 12:40—2:00pm. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Reminders:

- Donation of any fruit and vegies for our daily Crunch & Sip.
- Water bottle and art smock.
- Daily return of diaries for any addition information to be added.
- Library book borrowing Thursday's.
- Mother's Day Raffle (refer to Year 5 Special News)

Happy Mother's Day for this Sunday,

Sandra Marziano.

### **ALL YEAR 5's NEWS - MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE**

Last Monday all Year 5 students were given their Mother's Day Raffle ticket booklet with instructions to sell. Money raised will go towards the Year 6 Farewell Dinner.

We are still asking for any donations big or small to go towards the raffle prizes. A huge thank you for those donations that have come in. Sold and unsold tickets/butts and money are due back this Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May ready for the lucky tickets to be drawn. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Sandra Marziano.

### **YEAR 5 & 6 SPECIAL NEWS**

As mentioned last term, all Year 5 & 6 students will be involved in a GRIP Leadership Conference in Mildura on the 29th May. Please find attached to this week's newsletter a pink GRIP Leadership permission slip for all Year 5 & 6's. Could these please be completed and returned by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to see me.

Regards

Sandra Marziano

### **LITERACY GROUP 4 HOMEWORK**

Homework in Literacy Group 4 will be structured a little differently for the first half of the term. As a part of the Kitchen Garden Program, we will be participating in Jamie Oliver's ***Food Revolution***. The students will be required to complete a number of tasks at home that accompany the unit. These tasks will replace the 2 personal choice activities each week. The student will still however need to read daily and work on their spelling matrix. I will be sending a note home with more information and details about this project next week.

Natalie Rees

## YEAR 5/6G NEWS

We have started our unit based on "The Block" this week. It has been awesome to watch the kids' audition tapes and to see them so excited about the activities. The class is currently having a go designing and budgeting their 'ideal room' and it has certainly been very interesting. We will be making and creating things along the way, so if you have any materials or items that could be used for making models or designs, any donations would be greatly appreciated.

Primary sport starts next week and the kids should all know what sport they have selected. Please make sure that your child comes to school in sport appropriate clothing on Fridays.

I look forward to seeing all the mums at our Mother's Day afternoon tea, this Friday. Remember it is five dollars per adult.

Have a good week,

Brian

### **Achievement Certificates**

**Kinder/1/2B: Jarrah Thorne & Shantaya Burow**

**1/2S: Olive Watson-Kiely & Oscar Crisp**

**3/4H: Jayden Miller & Laura Hancock**

**4/5M: Jasmine McDermott & Nellie Baird**

**5/6G: Lyle Thorne & Jameika Kennedy**

### **Music Certificate**

**Josh Verstappen**

### 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

### 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.

## Student of the Week

How do I help others?

Alannah Shiner: If they fall over I help them up.

Charlie Baird: If I see someone looking lonely I go over and play with them.

Laurel Andrews: I help do the dishes at home with mum and Steven.

Matthew Hancock:  
I feed the animals.

Jackson McDermott:  
By offering my assistance at school and at home.