



## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

The staff are looking forward to catching up with families and friends at our annual "Welcome" night.

This year we have decided to hold it at the Junction. This will allow families to be involved in fishing if they wish .

Please be aware that the Staff are **not** responsible for the supervision of children at this event. Students will need to be accompanied by adults. Any child that arrives without an adult will be sent home.

The event is from 5-7pm See you there.

### WELCOME

We welcome Mitch (Year 1) and Olivia (Year 5) to our school this week.

### JOB LIST

Thank you to the five families that contacted me and offered assistance to complete jobs on the wish list attached to last week's newsletter.

The jobs that are still left include:

- ⇒ Kitchen Garden whipper snipped/mowed
- ⇒ Room 1 Garden clipped, mulched & replanted.

If any families are able to help us out with these two jobs it would be greatly appreciated.

### SHARED EXPERIENCE

On Monday Mrs Halls organised our first Shared Experience for 2015. It was a great day and the students were able to inform me at the end of the activities what to do in an emergency.

The classes will now spend some time in the classrooms doing follow up activities to support their learning.

Have a good week.

Natalie Hopcroft

Principal

## March/April 2015

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				5/3 Welcome Night 5-7pm	6/3 Murray Darling PSSA Swimming Carnival	7/3
8/3	9/3	10/3	11/3	12/3	13/3	14/3
15/3	16/3	17/3 Book Club orders due.	18/3 School Photos  NSW State Library Visit 10-11:30  UNSW Competition Entries Close	19/3 P&C AGM 7pm in School Library	20/3	21/3
22/3	23/3	24/3	25/3	26/3	27/3 <i>Donut Day</i>	28/3
29/3	30/3	31/3 Science Discovery Project Day	1/4	2/4	<i>Good Friday</i>	

### This Week's Newsletter

#### Attachments

- Receipts
- UNSW Competition\_Entries

### 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.

### **BOOK CLUB**

Book Club orders and money for Issue 2 are due back to the office by Tuesday 17th March.

### **MURRAY DARLING SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

This Friday, we have 37 children representing Wentworth Public School at the Murray Darling Swimming carnival. The carnival is being held at the Dareton pool starting at 10am sharp. All notes and money need to be returned to the front office as soon as possible. I would like to wish all students the best of luck!

### **BARRIER SWIMMING CARNIVAL AND BARRIER TRIALS**

Last week we had two students, Holly Bysouth and Mieke Dwyer, travel to Broken Hill to compete in the Barrier Swimming Carnival. Both girls represented their school proudly and enjoyed the new experience. Well done!

Last week we also had four students travel to Broken Hill to trial for their chosen sports. Shanay Lawrence-Hall, Holly Bysouth and Nellie Baird trialled for netball; and Darcy Saunders trialled for the boys AFL team. All students gave it their all but unfortunately didn't make it into a Barrier team. Well done to all students for your massive commitment and best of luck giving it a go again next year. We are proud of you all.

Jordana Shields

Sports Coordinator

### **UNIVERSITY OF NSW INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS**

Each year children from Year 3 to Year 6 choose to enter these competitions in English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling, Writing and Computer Skills. These competitions will take place in Term 2 and Term 3 but entries close on **Wednesday 18th March**. If your child is interested in entering any of the competitions, please send in the forms attached to this week's newsletter and money, back to the school by **Wednesday 18th March** (If you are sending a cheque, please make it out to 'Wentworth Public School'). No late entries can be accepted.

## **WENTWORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOIR**

Students from Wentworth Public School Choir will perform at the Wentworth Town Hall - Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm for approximately 45 mins

- Choir Students should be there 20 mins early.

*The performances at the Town Hall at 5 pm will be:*

*Wentworth Public School Choir*

*Two choirs together*

*Sacred Heart Primary School choir*

**Program For - Walk Wentworth Sing - Sunday March 15 2015 at Wentworth**

Various locations in Wentworth FREE

Commencing at Artback Gallery and Cafe

**1.00pm @ Artback Gallery and Cafe**

*Rio Vista Social Club*

*Burundi African Choir*

*Women in Harmony*

**2.00pm @ Wentworth Town Hall**

*Sunraysia Community Choir*

*Turkish Choir*

**3.00pm @ Catholic Church**

*Sunny St Singers*

*Filipino Choir*

*Chinese Choir*

**4.00pm @ Uniting Church Hall**

*Musicality*

*CWA Choir*

*Dominique Chorale*

**5.00pm @ Wentworth Town Hall "Hear those Children Sing!"**

*Wentworth Public School Choir*

*Two choirs together*

*Sacred Heart Primary School choir*

**7.30pm @ Wentworth Town Hall "Big Sing" combined choirs (for adults and children)**

**9.00pm** Singalong session at Artback with Marilyn Air and Fay White

There will be two combined choir workshops in Mildura with Fay White, conducted in the week leading up to the Day of Choirs.

**8.00 - 9.30pm, Wednesday 5 March 2015**

Church of Christ, Corner Deakin and Tenth Streets

**2.00 - 4.00pm, Saturday 8 March 2015**

ADFA Building, 31-33 Deakin Avenue

Singers who are not part of any choir are very welcome to be part of the event by coming to the workshops and performing in the "Big Sing" at 7.30pm in the Wentworth Town Hall.

**P&C NEWS**

Hello and welcome back for another great year at Wentworth Public School ,firstly I would like to send out a huge thank you to a few families for your help at the Australia day lunch which was a last minute dash around for Bec Bysouth and her band of helpers.

Thank you also to Gary, Hayden, Mandy ,Kelli, Leanne Anthony, Kathryn and Nat for cooking and serving the BBQ at the carnival.

I would also like to send out a great big thank you to Nathan Fordham, Hannah Fordham Tim Vines and Ross Hall as without your help the tennis court fence wouldn't be going ahead so thanks again to those families.

We are also having our P&C AGM on the 19th of this month at 7pm and would love to see some new faces and its only \$2 to become a voting member. I look forward to seeing you all soon,

Regards your P&C President Tammy Fordham

**CANTEEN NEWS**

**ORDERING:** Ensure your child's name and teachers name/class is written on their lunch orders. Lunch & Recess orders are to be on separate bags, with no hot food available at recess.

**CLASS NAMES:**

Kinder	1-2S	1-2R
Mr Grays Class	Mrs Hall's Class	Miss Marzie's Class

**Donut Day for Term 1 - 27th March**

If you are unavailable to do canteen on your rostered day, please call Kathryn (ph. 0407 847 717) as soon as possible, or we will have no canteen for that Friday. This is due to a shortage of volunteers.

Kathryn

0407 847 717

[kathryn-baird1@bigpond.com](mailto:kathryn-baird1@bigpond.com)

**CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 1, 2015**

6th March	Roslyn Watters-Behsmann	Nelin Spary
13th March	Fiona Cullinan	Cynthia Vines
20th March	Shannon Mitchell	Andria Heywood
*27th March	Kathryn Baird	Kylie Heywood

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### HOOK IN2 HOCKEY PROGRAM

The Sunraysia Hockey Association will be running the popular Hook In2 Hockey Program again this season. This program starts on Wednesday 4th March at 6pm at the Hockey Turf, Elventh Street Mildura. It covers all the basic skills needed to play Hockey and it is most suited for children 6-12 years old.

It is a six week program and the cost is \$50, which includes a pack with a stick, ball, shinguards, mouthguard, playing singlet and much more!

For more information, please visit our Sunraysia Hockey website or call my self on 0409 835 470

Jodie Morvell—Hook In2 Hockey Coordinator

WENTWORTH SPORTING CLUB are presenting the "The Australian Katy Perry Tribute Show" (also includes a Robbie Williams and Pink Tribute) on Friday March 27th at the Wentworth Sporting Club. Doors Open at 7:30pm and Show starts at 8pm.

**Tickets:** \$10 Members/\$15 Non Members. \$5 Children (10 years—under 18 years)

(\*Kids 10+ must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times)

### WAVES OF FUN AT PORTSEA CAMP

The Camp is for children aged from 9 to 12 years. Our group will be about 40 children. The bus will leave Mildura on Saturday 28th March and return on Thursday April 2nd. The cost per child is \$285 which includes travel, accommodation, meals and activities.

Lots of great activities: Swimming, Snorkelling, Canoeing, High Ropes, Giant Swing, Fishing, Flying Fox, Disco, Bike Riding, Face Painting & Arts and Crafts.

**Apply Today:** The Portsea Camp—Mildura Support Team, PO Box 13080, Mildura Vic, 3500. Phone 50234166

For more information: [www.theportseacamp.com.au](http://www.theportseacamp.com.au) Or [info@portseacamp.com.au](mailto:info@portseacamp.com.au) or find us on facebook

Mike Saunders Organiser—Mildura Support Team Phone: 50234166 or email [mike-s1@bigpond.com](mailto:mike-s1@bigpond.com)

## TENNIS TENNIS TENNIS

**Wentworth Junior Tennis** practice will commence the 2015 season on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March. No experience necessary, free coaching given to beginners. To be eligible for junior tennis at Wentworth children must turn 8 by 31 December 2015 and no older than 17.

Practice is from 4.00pm to 5.30pm. Pennant tennis is played on Saturday mornings and the season commences on May 2. Annual membership is only \$30.00, payable after season has commenced.

For more information contact Cheryl Vines on 50276286 or 0428522969.

**Twilight tennis** for senior players will also commence on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at

6pm. \$5 per person (includes tennis and sausage sizzle). For further information contact Hayden Baird on 0427572177.

The Wentworth Tennis Club has been asked to put out an expression of interest for professional tennis coaching which will be available in Wentworth for juniors and seniors if enough are interested. Mildura Lawn Tennis have 2 new coaches and they are prepared to include Wentworth in their program. Please advise asap.

Cheryl Vines on 0428522969 or email [cvines@tpg.com.au](mailto:cvines@tpg.com.au)

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY BASKETBALL CAMP @ The Toyota Hothouse**

Wednesday April 1<sup>st</sup> & Thursday April 2<sup>nd</sup> for Boys & Girls aged 5 - 12

Camp runs 10am - 3pm daily with all children to bring a basketball, lunch & drink bottle

Please call 5023 2241 for more details or forms can be downloaded at [www.mildurabasketball.com.au](http://www.mildurabasketball.com.au)

**REMINDERS**

**HEAD LICE**

Please check your child's hair regularly for Head Lice. Hair must be treated before children are permitted to attend school.

**STUDENT BANKING**

The School has Student Banking through the **Bendigo Bank** on **Wednesday mornings**. Children bring their bank books and money to the School office before school and the Bendigo Bank staff collect them and return the books the following day.

**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](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**

All hats are now \$10

**FACEBOOK**

We can be found on facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/wentworthpublicschool>

### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

School Photographs will be taken on **Wednesday, 18th March**.

Children who receive a newsletter (eldest in the family) should have received the following last week:

- A photo envelope with their name

And if it applies to them

- An envelope for each sibling

The following envelopes are available from the front office:

- Family photo envelope (for students attending this school only)
- School Captains, Vice Captains, Prefects & Sports Captains photos envelope

The school **does not** open these envelopes so please ensure that you have the correct money in them or have enclosed a cheque written out to '*msp photography*'.

Envelopes should be returned to the school by **Tuesday 17th March**. We will hand them to photographers on **Wednesday morning**



## CLASS NEWS ITEMS

### KINDER B

Hello Everyone,

Goodbye Summer and welcome Autumn! (I say with great relief). Today I have been in Broken Hill attending a 'Best Start' Professional Development course.

Everyone enjoyed our Safety Day on Monday, a huge thankyou to all the Services that came along on the day to share their knowledge with us. We will follow up in class talking about these services and building on our vocabulary knowledge.

This week sees Kinders continuing with the 'Getting Along' unit. This week we are focussing on the value of 'Responsibility'. Students have begun to take readers home that they have made at school, please take the time to enjoy listening to your child read these books.

All Goal Setting interviews have taken place, if you have any questions or concerns about the Best Start Assessments please pop in either before or after school to discuss them.

I look forward to catching up with you all at our Welcome Night at the Junction on Thursday evening. It should be a lot of fun.

#### Reminders:

Assemblies are every Monday morning at 9.25 am, everyone is welcome.

Library borrowing day for Kinders is Tuesday, they will need a bag to borrow books.

Canteen is open every Friday.

Homework is due this Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

Leanne Byrnes

### YEAR 1/2S NEWS

It's great to see so many of the children keeping up with their home reading. Thank you for supporting the program and keep up the wonderful work! This Friday I will be out for the Murray Darling Swimming Carnival. Therefore I will not be changing readers this Friday but will get the children to bring home two readers tomorrow. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Last Monday we had a wonderful time at the Safety Day. I am sure the children came home excited about all they had learnt from the day. A particular favourite was hearing the siren on the fire engine and climbing into the back of the ambulance! From this shared experience we will have plenty to write about over the next few weeks. Thanks to Mrs Jenny Halls for organising the day and thank you to all the services who came along and presented.

**DON'T FORGET** we have our Welcome Night this Thursday 5-7pm at the Junction. Bring along your fishing equipment to do a spot of fishing and a picnic for dinner. Come along and enjoy the night. I hope to see you all there!

#### A few reminders:

Homework due every Friday.

All fruit donations are greatly appreciated.

Library borrowing Thursdays. Children must use a library bag.

Jordana Shields

**1/2R NEWS**

We are continuing with the 'Getting Along' unit. This week we are focussing on the value of 'Responsibility'.

Last Monday was our Safety Day. All the students enjoyed the day. Thank you to Mrs Jenny Halls for organising the day and all the presenters.

Don't forget our Welcome night at the Junction this Thursday night 5-7 pm. Bring a picnic tea and your fishing rods. We hope to see you there.

Good luck to all the students competing at the swimming carnival on Friday. Enjoy your day and swim well.

Well done to all the people that are reading at home. Just a reminder that Home Reader books can be swapped on Tuesday and Thursday.

Library borrowing is Thursdays. Books can't be borrowed without a bag.

Homework was sent home on Monday and due in Friday. Each week the students will complete:

- spelling list words ( Look and Say, Cover, Write and Say, Check)
- a sheet of mental
- home reader (daily reading)
- 4 activities from the grid (one each night)

Thank you. Have a great week.

Jodi Garraway and Jann Lawrence

**MR GRAY'S NEWS**

Thank you to all of the parents and carers who have come in for the goal setting meetings this week. There are still a few people that I need to catch up with, so if you have not made it in yet, please arrange for a meeting as soon as possible.

It was fantastic to see so many students completing the homework last week! Please make sure that it is handed in on a Friday morning.

I would like to see more students reading at home each night. We are in week six now and it is my expectation that all students should almost be up to their 25 nights reading award. Please make sure that the nightly reading is being recorded in their dairies. All students have access to readers and library books and have indicated that they have something that they are reading.

Brian

**MRS HALLS' CLASS**

Wednesday again I cannot believe how the weeks are ticking over. Our fitness focus is continuing and the students are all enjoying a range of fitness activities including Electro Combat, walking and running. It is great to see the students really enjoying this and even asking to do more.

Thank you to all my wonderful helpers at cooking last week, it really helps when we have lots of hands on deck.

Homework went home this week and is due for return on Friday. This is a routine that will continue for the term.

Hope to see you all at the 'Welcome Event' at the junction on Thursday evening. Just a reminder however students cannot attend the event without a parent or carer being with them.

Jenny Halls

**MISS MARZIE'S CLASS**

Last week I forgot to mention there was a fourth class member who travelled to Broken Hill for Barrier trials in the area of AFL. Sorry Darcy, we hear they were impressed with how you conducted yourself. Great effort.

On Monday the school/class had a terrific time thanks to Mrs Halls organisation of a whole school experience based on 'Safety'. Thank you to Mrs Halls for arranging such an important event and topic area.

Due to the PSSA Swimming Carnival which is being held this Friday, diaries will be collected tomorrow with up to date reading data. This week's spelling test will also be held tomorrow due to the swimming carnival. A fantastic first effort for most students in completing their math homework. It was also great to see that some students had the chance to access their spelling list via the website mentioned in last week's newsletter and complete some extra tasks.

Thank you to Beryl (Claire's Nan), Bronwyn (Shanay's mum) and Cheryl (Jane's Nan) for helping in the Kitchen this week.

Don't forget to bring along a picnic dinner and fishing rod down to The Junction tomorrow and join us for a family get together from 5 - 7pm. This is a great opportunity for people to catch up and even meet new families.

I wish to thank you all for attending the Goal Setting Interviews. Today all the students in my class were given an envelope which has a copy of their Personal Learning Plan for you to keep as a record of discussions held.

**Reminders:**

- \* The 'Information Guide and Expression of Interest' form for all Year 6 students are to be completed and returned to the office no later than **Friday, 13th March** for them to be sent off.
- \* Year 6 Canberra Excursion deposits are due before the 27th of March, 2015.
- \* School Photo envelopes & money orders.

Hope to see you down at The Junction tomorrow evening,  
Sandra Marziano

**YEAR 6 INFORMATION**

When school photos are taken on March 18<sup>th</sup>, a special Year 6 group photo will also be taken. Today all Year 6 students were given a special group order envelope that can be returned before photo day if you wish to order the Year 6 group photo.

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* Kinder:   Aidan Darby & Ford Fisher                                           *
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* 1/2S:    Layla Thompson-Muggeridge & Tyson Lever                             *
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* 1/2R:    Ellie Vines & Michael McDermott                                       *
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* Mr Gray's Class: Libby Saunders & Kayden Robinson                           *
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* Mrs Halls' Class: Tobias Watson-Kiely & Monique Payne                         *
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* Miss Marzies' Class: Matthew Hancock & Dean Bone                             *
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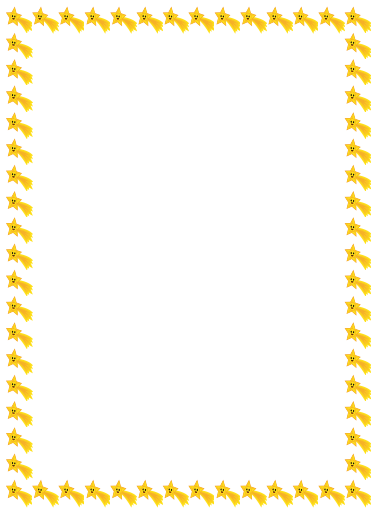
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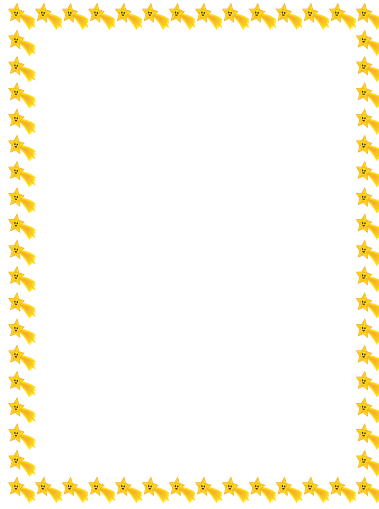
Wentworth Public School prepares our students for a successful future by providing quality educational opportunities for all, which encourage life-long learning. We emphasize strong reading, writing and math skills, the learning of new things, getting along with others, having fun and following school values.

## Student of the Week

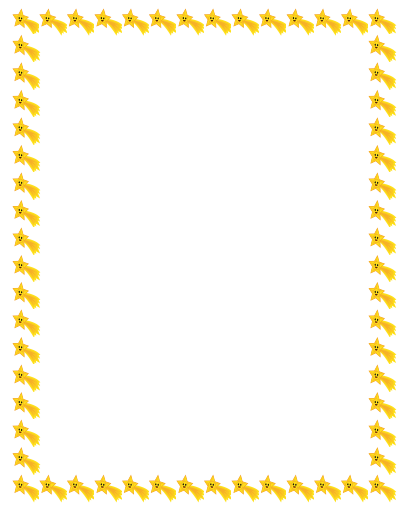
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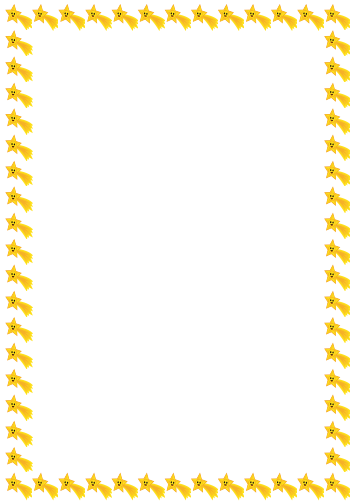
**Shantay Burow:**  
Everything.



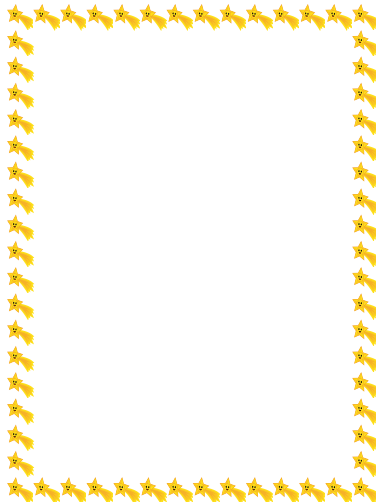
**Lucy Cullinan:** I liked the  
fire truck.



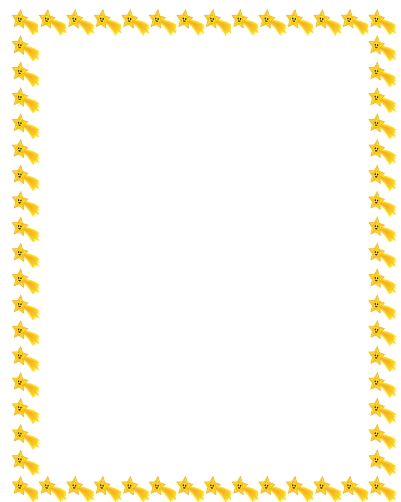
**Clay Harmer:** It was fun.



**Olivia Baird:** If I was  
here yesterday I would  
have liked to be tied to  
the ambulance bed.



**Natasha Simmonds:** I liked  
the police.



**Jane Cullinan:** Everything  
was great and informative.

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