



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

URGENT

P&C crisis. Unfortunately the positions of Secretary and Treasurer have not been filled. As a result of this the P&C will not be able to operate.

There will be a last chance opportunity for parents to attend the next meeting on

Thursday, May 14 2015

at 3.45pm

and hopefully come to some arrangements to allow the P&C to remain operational. We have been very fortunate over the past few years to have some very dedicated parents who have held the executive positions and worked tirelessly to raise money and make positive contributions to Wentworth Public School. If there are no new families prepared to take on these roles and join the P&C we will have no other option but to cease operation.

The previous executive have offered to assist new office bearers and give as much as assistance as needed. I would love to have a chat with any parents who may be considering helping out and would like more information.

The next meeting will be very important and decide the future of our school's P&C body.

ANZAC SERVICE

We held a very moving school ANZAC Service last Thursday. It was hosted by our extremely competent school leaders: Summer, Jaxon, Montana, Thomas, Karly and Lyle. It was also a pleasure to have Jamowen play the didgeridoo during the laying of the wreaths and letters. Thankyou to the family members who were also able to attend this special occasion. I also thank Miss Marzie for organising the event.

Following our own Service it was great to see so many of our students attend the very wet town march on Saturday. The staff; Mr Gray, Miss Shields, Ms Byrnes, Mrs Halls and myself were extremely proud of how the students represented our school. Thank you.

UNIFORM

Thank you to all families for making an effort to comply with Winter uniform requirements. After having a look around myself on the weekend, for kids green school pants, in Mildura, I can appreciate how difficult it is to find the items.

If anyone is having difficulties with finding or paying for uniforms please contact me and I will do my best to help out.

BEYOND BLUE

Please find attached to this week's newsletter some information regarding a visit from the Beyond Blue Bus this Friday. Students will be invited to have a free sausage. Please note the school canteen will still operate as normal on Friday.

Thanks to Grumpy for offering to cook the BBQ and to Fishers for donating the food.

March/April 2015

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				30/4	1/5 Beyond Blue Bus visiting 1pm	2/5
3/5	4/5 Book Club Orders Due	5/5	6/5 ThinkUKnow Presentation 3.30-4.30pm at school	7/5 School Cross Country Newsletter	8/5	9/5
10/5	11/5	12/5 Shared Experience Day	13/5	14/5	15/5	16/5
17/5	19/5	19/5 UNSW Digital Tech (Computer) Competition	20/5	21/5	22/5	23/5
24/5	25/5	26/5	27/5	28/5	29/5 <i>Barrier/ Murray Darling Cross Country</i>	30/5

This Week's Newsletter

Attachments

- ♦ Receipts
- ♦ School Cross Country permission note
- ♦ Beyond Blue Flyer

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.

CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE

The sisters will be commencing Catholic Scripture this Friday morning at 9.30am— 10.00am. All students who have indicated that they are Catholic on school enrolment forms will attend unless parents/guardians contact the school and request withdrawal from the program.

MARILYN BARNFIELD AWARDS

For new families to the school the 'Marilyn Barnfield Award' is an initiative we introduced last year to acknowledge students who go above and beyond their normal school duties. For example help out at a working bee or attend an ANZAC march. Each 25 dots on a card, stored in my office, mean the child receives a certificate and a reward.

25 result in \$10.00 Canteen voucher

50 result in \$15.00 voucher at Newsagent

75 result in \$20.00 at Fishers and 100 allows the student to receive the Key to the school which comes with special privileges eg. Sitting on a chair at assembly.

It is with great pleasure that I announce we have some students who will be receiving the first 25 dot canteen voucher and certificate at next Monday's assembly.

OFFICE HOURS

I would like to please ask that families try and avoid coming to the school office after 3.30pm and wanting to pay for uniforms, excursions etc.

The office staff are not supposed to work after 3.40pm. Fortunately for us Janet often does work later but it is not a good idea to assume that the office will be open and available for payments. If possible it would be a lot more suitable to come before 3.30pm. Thank you for your cooperation.

CONTACTING ME

One of the favourite parts of my job is the contact I have with our school families. We have been having a lot of successes lately with home/school partnerships to ensure the best outcomes for your children and our students.

Good open communication is extremely important and it has been a real pleasure chatting with so many families about how we can work together to make sure all of our students succeed.

NEWSLETTER NEXT WEEK

Next week's newsletter will be available on Thursday instead of Wednesday due to office staff training.

Have a great week,

Natalie Hopcroft

Principal

BOOK CLUB ORDERS

Issue 3 Book Club orders and money are due back by Monday 4th May. Please ensure your child's/ children's name are on the order.

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Attached to today's newsletter is a permission note regarding the School Cross Country. Please note the age groups are as follows:

8/9/10 year olds - 2km

11 year olds - 3km

12/13 year olds - 3km

All students 7 years and under run a 1km track but do not qualify for the Murray Darling Cross Country.

I hope to see you all there!

Jordana Shields

TRACKPANTS

I am placing an order for trackpants on Thursday 30th April, if anyone is interested in ordering any. We keep limited amount of track pants in stock so if you are thinking of getting some through us you will need to order them. The options available are

Leisure Track pants (Girls Style) - \$20

Fleecy Straight Leg Track pants—\$15

Microfibre Track pants—\$25

P&C NEWS

Hello. Monday night we had a P&C meeting with only one new parent showing up. This does not fix the problem of not having a treasurer or secretary. If we cannot fill these positions at the next meeting we may have to fold and this would be such a huge loss for your children. As many of you know we do our best to support the school as much as we can, so please think about it. We all are busy with jobs, sports, family commitments but if we lose the P&C then your children and the school will suffer. Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 14th of May at 3.45pm**. We have made it at this time because quite a few of you have said you can't make a night time meeting, so we hope you will make the effort to make it to this one. I don't often grovel but I am now. We are desperate so please, please think about joining, Mums, Dads, Carers even Grandparents are welcome. So please remember THURSDAY 14TH MAY 3.45 PM.

INTERNET SAFETY - THINKUKNOW - ONLINE SAFETY AND SECURITY FOR PARENTS VIDEO CONFERENCE

ThinkUKnow is an internet safety initiative which aims to raise awareness of the issues which young people face online and whilst using mobile phones. It is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police (AFP) and Microsoft Australia, and is now proudly supported by ninemsn and Datacom.

Wentworth Public School will be hosting a ThinkUKnow presentation next week on Wednesday 6th May at 3:30pm - 4:30pm in the Tech room. All parents and carers are encouraged to attend. This presentation will cover topics such as how young people are using technology to have fun, online grooming, cyber-bullying, inappropriate content and e-security.

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to learn more about how young people **have fun** online, how you can help them to **stay in control** on the net, and how to **report** a problem.

Please note the presentation is tailored for the adult audience and presenters ask that young people are not present.

CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN ORDERING:

Please ensure you supply a separate lunch bag for recess and lunch orders. On each bag please remember to put the **student's name and teacher**. Total all orders and put correct money in each bag. All food (including ice creams) need to be ordered before 9.30am. ***Hot food is not available at recess.*** Please remember to keep your lunch bags if you have ordered an ice-cream, these must be taken to the canteen to collect your ice-cream.

No Curlwaa fresh in stock currently, please check newsletter weekly for updates on stock.

HELP NEEDED!!

Parents / Grandparents, could you spare one Friday (8.45-2.30pm) per term to help out? Without some new names on the roster, our canteen will be closed on days that volunteers are not available. Please contact Kathryn if you are available; kathryn-baird1@bigpond.com or

0407 847 717

CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 2, 2015

1st May	Mandy Bone	Leanne Hancock
8th May	Roslyn Watters-Behsmann	Nelin Spary
15th May		
22nd May	Shannon Mitchell	Andria Heywood
29th May	Becky Bysouth	Bonnie Thompson
5th June	Kathryn Baird	Charlotte Cullinan
12th June	Cynthia Vines	Cheryl Vines
19th June	Kelli Saunders	Cherie Milner
26th June*	Kathryn/Kylie	Mel Whitfield

**** Our next Donut Day for Term 2 will be on 26th June***

Please contact me asap if your not available on the date I have you down for, and which date(s) you would be available. It is no problem to swap the roster around if everyone has some notice.

If you are not on the roster we still have room for more volunteers, so please make contact with me.

Thanks, Kathryn

Ph: 0407 847 717

kathryn-baird1@bigpond.com

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

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>

You can look at this even if you are not on facebook.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Sunraysia Hockey Association is looking for new players in Under 8s, Under 10s, Under 11s, Under 13s, Under 15 Boys & Under 16 Girls, Senior Men and Women. Training and Games are held at the hockey field off 11th Street. Please speak to a club contact or go to a training session. For more information you may speak to Sunraysia Hockey Association President Andrew Carrigan on 0417072559.

Club training nights are as follows.

Monday: Koowinda Contact Daf Scholes 0408246537

Tuesday: Rivaside Contact Jess Melsen 0400131254

Wednesday: Waratahs Contact Jodie Morvell 0409835470

Thursday: Wanderers Contact Wendy Kelly 0488041965

WDJFNC AUSKICK & NET SET GO 2015

WENTWORTH JUNIOR FOOTBALL & NETBALL CLUB AUSKICK WILL COMMENCE WEDNESDAY THE 22nd April 2015

4:30PM AT THE GEORGE GORDON OVAL DARETON

NET SET GO - A NETBALL PROGRAM FOR GIRLS 5-10 YEARS WILL COMMENCE AT 4:30PM WEDNESDAY 10TH JUNE 2015

REGISTRATION FOR BOTH PROGRAMS IS FREE

Training for U10 & U12 Football and U11 Netball has now also commenced on Wednesdays at 4:30pm FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

DALE KING 0419 822 410 (reception@kingconstructiongroup.com.au)

OR MARITTA WATSON 0428 210 902 (watson.jm@bigpond.com)

AUSSIE HOOPS BASKETBALL PROGRAM Term 2 @ The Toyota Hothouse

Open to Boys & Girls aged 5 - 7 Commences Friday May 1st at 4.15pm

Please call 5023 2241 for more details

Thanks

Adam Tarr

General Manager, Mildura Basketball Association

Phone (03) 50232241

manager@mildurabasketball.com.au

Www.mildurabasketball.com.au

GOL GOL PUBLIC SCHOOL COUNTRY FAIR

SUNDAY May 3rd—10am start

CLASS NEWS ITEMS

KINDER B

Hello Everyone,

Congratulations to all students in Kinder for a great start to term 2. We have hit the ground running and I am positive we will see some great learning happening this term. Well done!

We have started our home reading program. Please take the time to listen to your child read each night and mark it off in the log book. When they have reached 25 nights reading they will receive an award at our Monday morning assemblies. Readers will be changed every Monday and Thursday.

Home work also went out on Monday and students have 2 weeks to complete it. It is due back on Friday the 8th May.

Across the school we are focussing on our school uniform. Please make sure that you wear the correct school uniform every day. If you are out of uniform you are required to send a note in with an explanation.

I hope everyone is training and building up their fitness in anticipation of the cross country which is on Thursday the 7th May. All Kinders will run a 1km track.

Have a great week and keep smiling!

Leanne Byrnes

1/2S NEWS

Congratulations to Clay Harmer and Tyson Lever for being elected our Term 2 SRC representatives. Last week Clay and Tyson hosted their first class meeting and are both looking forward to going to the school SRC meetings this term.

In our PE sessions in the morning we have been practicing for the School Cross Country which is being held Thursday 7th May. All students will be running an event on the day. In 1/2S, the 7 years and under students will be running a 1km track and the 8 year olds will be running 2km. The children are enjoying the challenges of long distance running.

A few reminders:

- Homework was sent out to all children last Monday and is due back this Friday.
- Readers are checked and changed every school day.
- Any fruit donations for the Crunch and Sip program would be greatly appreciated. Please take to the office.
- Library borrowing every Thursday.

Hope you have a super week.

Jordana Shields

YEAR 1/2R

Wow, Term 2 has kick-started with a bang. Last week we focused our learning around ANZAC Day. We read stories, made ANZAC biscuits, went on an excursion to the Information Centre to hear about the history of some very interesting local war artefacts and participated in an ANZAC service at the school that was extremely well run by our school leaders. I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate each and every one of our leaders and Miss Marzie for an outstanding effort. I would also like to thank all the parents who sent in flowers and greenery for our class wreath. Our wreath was colourful and beautiful. We were also able to make up a number of smaller bouquets with the remaining flowers for the children to place at the school monument.

Last week we voted for our new SRC Representatives. Congratulations to Maxwell Baird and Lucy Cullinan, who were elected by their peers to represent the class this term.

Homework will go home this week and homereaders went home last Thursday. Please ensure that your child is reading regularly. If you have any questions or queries regarding homereading or homework, please come and see me.

I am out of the school today (Wednesday) for L3 training but I will be back tomorrow.

Lastly, I would like to thank all of my gorgeous little cherubs for welcoming me back with open arms and minds. We are going to have an amazing year.

Have a wonderful week

Cheers

Natalie Rees

SPECIAL NEWS FOR ALL PRIMARY CLASSES

As some of you may be aware, British chef Jamie Oliver has travelled many parts of the world in the hope of promoting healthy eating. This year the students in Mr Gray's, Mrs Halls and Miss Marzie's class will be participating in Jamie Oliver's Food Revolution Day which is being held on Friday 15th May. Please find attached to this week's newsletter more information regarding this event. If you are able to assist with any donations of the ingredients required on the day, can you please mention which and quantity on the return slip. Thank you for your support.

MR GRAY'S NEWS

Thanks to all of the kids from our class who marched in the rain on ANZAC Day. It was great to see our students understanding their responsibility to commemorate the sacrifice of our service men and women.

Great job to all of the students who undertook research on their personal ANZAC history. It was extremely interesting to watch as kids told their family stories to the class and made deeper connections to the ANZAC story.

Well done also to those who completed their under the sea research task. We now have a wealth of knowledge that we can draw on as we start our new topic for the term. It has been evident that there is a huge deal of newly acquired interest in the monsters of the deep!

I have challenged those kids who have not yet received their '25 night reading award' to do so by week five of this term. We are reading every day in class, but this needs to be supported with personal reading at home. For those who have received their '25 nights' certificate, I have asked them to aim for two reading awards this term!!!

Please remember that we have kitchen garden on Monday mornings and we would love helpers!!!

Cheers,

Brian

MRS HALLS NEWS

Welcome back to term 2, 2015. I hope you all had a fantastic Easter break. I apologise for my late return to the term, however I would like to congratulate the children on a wonderful start.

Today my year 5 students had a wonderful visit to the Arts Centre in Mildura to see the ANZAC exhibition. We also had a bit of fun visiting the Mildura tip shop where the students got to purchase some recycling materials for the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen garden.

A lot of students in my class are about to sit NAPLAN, which begins on the 12th of May. We will be focusing on NAPLAN in class so the children understand what to expect during the test. We are also taking part in a writing workshop with Paul Stafford via VC with Miss Marziano's class to help the students develop their narrative writing skills.

Reminders

- Readers need to be coming into the classroom each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. It is very important that all of my students are reading regularly at home.
- Homework has begun again this week.
- Library borrowing will now be on a Thursday.
- Cooking/Gardening continues to be on a Wednesday morning. Volunteers are always appreciated.
- Donations of fruit/veg for 'Crunch n Sip' should be left at the front office.

Have a great term everyone.

Jenny

MISS MARZIE'S CLASS

Congratulations to our school leaders for doing a fantastic job running our school ANZAC service last Thursday. Thank you also to those who were able to send in some flowers/greenery for the ANZAC wreaths. It was very much appreciated.

Last Thursday we had our first of two part video conferencing sessions with author Paul Stafford which was based on writing a narrative. Tomorrow part two will be on persuasive text.

The class had a number of first events last week which were all terrific. Their first 'year level' session on Wednesday, Science with Mrs Garraway on Thursday and the flexible sport session on Friday with Mr Gray. Not to forget the very amusing / loudish music lesson with Mr Robinson on Friday. It's great that the students are able to be given such diverse lessons. Thank you to all involved.

Congratulations to Nellie Baird and Drew Kuzman who were voted in by their class peers to be Term 2's SRC Reps for the class. Thank you to Jack Andrews and Callan McInnes who both did a terrific job in that position last term.

This year I have subscribed for the class to be able to create their own comics on the website my class used last year for the School Magazine, Bitstrips. All class members have received login instructions to be able to use this website.

Today the students in Year 5 and 6 took a bus trip into the Mildura Art Centre to view an exhibition which is linked to our ANZAC studies. Thank you to Jodie Morgan for organising this event and to the students for representing our school so well throughout the excursion.

Please read the item in the newsletter regarding Internet Safety. If you able to, I encourage you to attend this VC which is being held in the Tech room on the 6th of May.

Reminders:

- * Donation of any fruit and vegies for our daily Crunch & Sip.
- * Homework sent home Tuesday's and due back by the following Monday.
- * Diaries with up to date reading entries due every Friday.

Hope you have a great week,
Sandra Marziano.

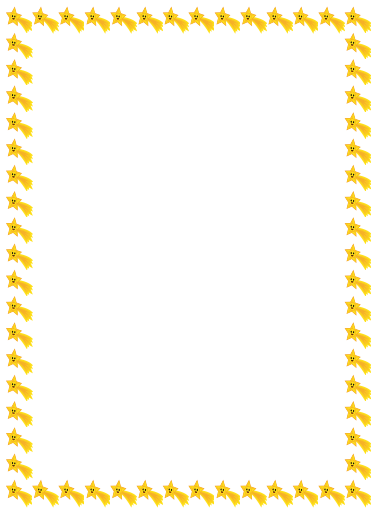
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 * **Achievement Certificates** *
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 * **Kinder: Kasey Dwyer & Nicholas Witte** *
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 * **1/2S: Zac Donohue & Brodie Cooper-Gunn** *
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 * **1/2R: Charlie Baird & Allan Mitchell** *
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 * **Mr Gray's Class: Haylee Darby & Jayden Dannatt** *
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 * **Mrs Halls' Class: Shamontay Payne & Briley Etrich** *
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 * **Miss Marzies' Class: Haider Alassani, Jesse Crisp, Jasmine McDermott & Thomas Baird** *
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Purpose Statement

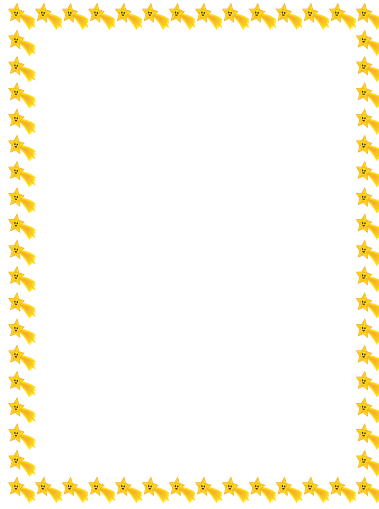
Wentworth Public School prepares our students for a successful future by providing quality educational opportunities for all, which encourage life-long learning. We emphasize strong reading, writing and math skills, the learning of new things, getting along with others, having fun and following school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

Student of the Week

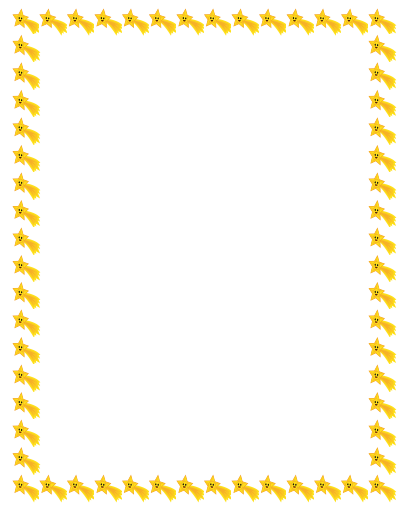
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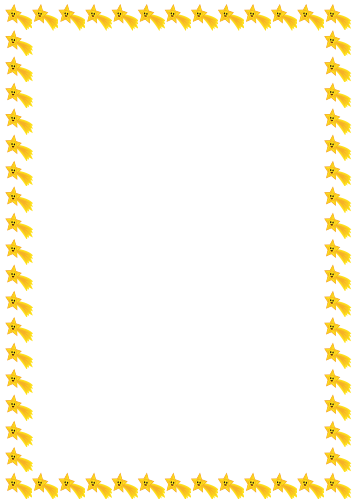
Jacob Alassani: Playing in the playground.



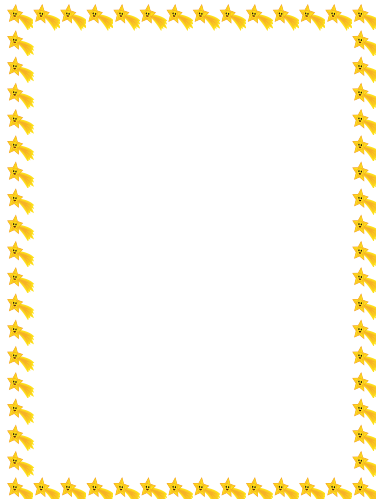
Rupert Clark: Having Miss Shields.



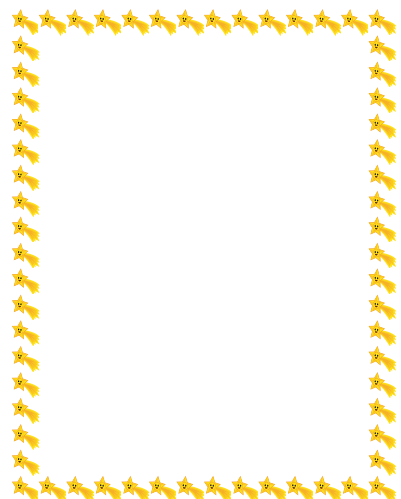
Olive Watson-Kiely: Having Mrs Rees.



Jamowen Kennedy: Doing art.



Kurt Gooding: Seeing my mates.



Drew Thompson: Seeing my mates.

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