



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

NAPLAN

On Tuesday 12th, Wed 13th and Thursday 14th May our Year 3 and 5 students will participate in the National Assessment Program (NAPLAN).

What is NAPLAN?

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7, and 9. All students in these year levels are expected to participate in tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

How are NAPLAN test results used?

- Schools use results to identify strengths and weaknesses in teaching programs and to set goals in literacy and numeracy.
- School systems use results to review programs and support offered to schools.
- Students and parents may use individual results to discuss progress with teachers.
- Teachers use results to help them better identify students' needs.

Ways you can help

The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to reassure your child that NAPLAN tests are just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day.

For more information about NAPLAN: visit

www.nap.edu.au

School Cross Country

Thank you to Miss Shields for organising the fabulous cross country event today. It was also great to see so many spectators and helpers at the event.

Real Life Maths

What is the best way for our students to learn about money? We think working in a shop is a pretty good way. With this in mind we have jumped at an opportunity to support the local Opportunity shop and teach our kids some valuable life skills by getting Jodie Morgan and two students at a time to work two times one hour shifts at the shop on Tuesday afternoons. Our school captains will start the process next Tuesday with an induction session and then the following week and there after a roster will be in place allowing all Year 6 students (to start with) experience working with money in this real life setting.

May/June 2015

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				7/5 School Cross Country Newsletter	8/5 <i>Mother's Day Afternoon Tea 3pm \$5 pp</i>	9/5
10/5	11/5	12/5 Shared Experience Day	13/5	14/5	15/5 <i>Jamie Oliver Food Revolutions Day</i>	16/5
17/5	19/5	19/5 UNSW Digital Tech (Computer) Competition	20/5	21/5 P&C Meeting 3:45pm	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
31/5	1/6	2/6	3/6	4/6	5/6	6/6

This Week's Newsletter

Attachments

- ♦ Receipts

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 commu-

School Wellbeing Policy

The staff are currently reviewing the school's Wellbeing Policy which includes sections titled; Anti Bullying, Discipline Code, Attendance Procedures and General Wellbeing. Once staff are happy with the documents they will be given to the P&C for comment and following this placed on our website for the school community to access.

School Plan

Our school plan for 2015-2017 has now been added to our school website. If you do not have access to a computer, we are able to print it off and send it home if requested.

Candle Making

Thank you very much to Rachel Wellard for making candles with the children.

Have a great week,

Natalie Hopcroft

Principal

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Today we held our School Cross Country. All results will be printed in next week's newsletter. Thank you to all the staff and parents for your wonderful help today. Well done to all the children who got out there and competed!

The Murray Darling PSSA Cross Country combined with Barrier Cross Country will be held on **Friday 29th May** at the Australian Inland Botanical Gardens. To gain a spot your child needs to have finished in the top six of their age group. This only applies to students aged 8 years and above. Students who qualify will receive information regarding the carnival next week.

Jordana Shields

Sports Coordinator

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos arrived this week. The School Leaders and Sports Captain photos should arrive later.

TRACKPANTS

Track pant orders from April have now arrived and are available from the office. If you missed the April order I will be putting in another order on Friday 15th May.

P&C NEWS

Please Note Change of Date

Our next meeting will be on *Thursday 21st of May at 3.45pm.*

LUCKY SQUARE FUN NIGHT

We have set a date for this fun evening. It will be on the last day of term, the 26th June. I will have more info on this in next week's newsletter, so keep your eyes open

Regards Tammy Fordham

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

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.

TRACKPANTS

Limited stock is kept at the office. Orders will be sent at the end of each fortnight (during the winter months), as long as we have enough orders.

Styles available—Leisure Track Pants—\$20, Fleecy Track pants—\$15 and Micro fibre Track pants—\$25

CLASS NEWS ITEMS

KINDER B

Hello Everyone,

Last week Kinder got to choose their buddies for Term 2, we then enjoyed having our buddies help us make life size images of ourselves. These are proudly displayed on our back wall and look stunning. This week we have also enjoyed learning a little about Mexico with our buddies and making piñatas and castanets.

The Cross Country was held today, thank you to all the helpers who came along to help and to cheer the children on. Kinders have been training very hard for this event and are aware how important it is to keep our bodies fit and healthy

Well done to all Kinders who are wearing their school uniform with pride every day.

Reminders

Homework is due this Friday 8th May.

Cross Country this Thursday.

Home readers changed every Monday and Thursday.

Donations of fruit/vegetables welcomed for our morning fruit breaks.

Have a great week and keep smiling!

Leanne Byrnes

1/2S NEWS

Every student from 1/2S handed in their homework last week. Thank you for all your support and I look forward to seeing the children's colourful homework again tomorrow. Keep up the wonderful work.

Last Tuesday, 1/2S had the best time with our buddy class learning about the Mexican celebration Cinco De Mayo. Mrs Halls' Class helped us make piñatas. I hope the children enjoyed breaking them at home. A big thank you to our buddies!

Today the children had their school cross country. 1/2S have been training very hard during PE and we were really looking forward to running. It was wonderful to see so many parents come along and support.

DON'T FORGET tomorrow we have our Mother's Day afternoon tea starting at 3pm. Hope to see you all there!

A few reminders:

Any fruit donations for the Crunch and Sip program would be greatly appreciated.

Readers are checked and changed every day.

Today I sent home the children's school photos. Hope you enjoy!

Jordana Shields

YEAR 1/2R

Welcome to another busy week. There has been quite a bit happening this week. Firstly, we celebrated Cinco de Mayo day with some buddy activities on Tuesday. The children made piñatas out of lunch bags and sombrero hats from Marie biscuits and jubes. Everyone had lots of fun learning about Mexico's history and why they celebrate this day.

We have been busy making our Mother's Day gifts (no trying to pry information out of the children mums, carers and nans. This is top secret) and I must say they are all looking beautiful. We hope that you love the gifts as much as we loved making them. Still on Mother's Day, a reminder that an invitation for our ***Mother's Day Afternoon Tea*** went home on Friday. A big thank you goes to Mrs Halls for organising the fantastic invitations and their design and I hope that you can come and have a cuppa and scone with us.

Today, we had our **whole school cross-country run**. Well done to all the students who participated in the run. Everyone deserved a well-earned drink at the finish line. Well done to Miss Shields for all of her outstanding organisation once again.

Finally, I would like to wish all the mums and carers in our school a Happy Mother's Day and hope that you are all spoilt rotten as I hope I will be.

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

Well done to all the boys and girls who have been training so hard for the school cross country this week. As a class, we have collectively run over 150kms in training this term - WOWZERS!!!

Homework was sent home on Monday and is due tomorrow. Students have been reminded of this each day. Those who are not able to complete it will need to see me in the morning to sort out its completion.

NAPLAN starts on Tuesday and we have been doing some good practice in class. Students in Year 3 will be doing their NAPLAN assessments in my room and those in Year 5 will go to Miss Marzie. Mrs Halls will have our Year 4's during those periods.

It has been wonderful to see a big improvement in the home reading this term. Each student has set an individual goal that they would like to achieve by the end of the term and almost everyone is well on their way to meeting them. It is my intention to give every student at least one reading award this term!

Thanks to those helpers who have been coming in for cooking on a Monday. If you're available after assembly, we would love for you to join us in the kitchen and the garden.

Cheers,

Brian

MRS HALLS NEWS

This week we are enjoying another big week of activities across the school. Yesterday our class enjoyed working with Miss Shield's class to learn about the Mexican celebration, 'Cinco de Mayo' as part of our cultural awareness program. They all enjoyed making a paper bag piñata to take home.

Tomorrow the whole school will be taking part in the X-Country from McLeod Oval. I am looking forward to seeing the fitness my class have been doing at school paying off for all of my students. At the start of the year we set a goal for all students in Mrs Halls' class to be able to jog the full distance of the X-Country. I wish all my students the best for achieving their goal.

Then to finish off the week we will be celebrating Mother's Day on Friday at 3pm with an afternoon tea. All students have brought home an invitation for their loved ones to attend. I hope to see as many of you there as possible.

Homework and home reading continues this week. I will be chasing a few students who are not regularly returning their home readers. Even if students do not get a chance to read at home please return them each day as this allows them to read with our classroom aides Kacey and Maria.

A reminder to all parents that next week all Year 3 and Year 5 students across the school/Australia will be taking part in NAPLAN testing from Tuesday the 12th of May.

Have a great week everyone.

Jenny

MISS MARZIE'S CLASS

Last week the class got to work for the first time this term with their new Kinder buddy. This term the Kinders got to choose their Year 6 buddy, then a Year 4 or 5 back up buddy to assist them throughout the term. This week they celebrated a special Mexican activity creating colourful piñatas. I'm sure they had a wonderful time, not just making, but also breaking the piñatas.

For the past two days I have been away in Broken Hill and in my absence the class did a fantastic job working co-operatively with Mrs Crisp on Tuesday and Mr Baird yesterday. Well done class.

Today the class tried their hardest down at the school cross country. Congratulations to all for competing and wishing those who gained a spot in the PSSA Cross Country which is being held on the 29th May all the best.

On Tuesday 19th May, the class will be taking part in this terms first 'whole school shared experience'. They will be rotating through a number of fraction based activities as a class. Thank you to all who organised the activities for the students to learn and enjoy.

Tomorrow we hope to see as many mum's as possible join us for a well earned afternoon tea. The event commences at 3pm down towards the Kitchen Garden area.

Reminders:

- Donation of any fruit and vegies for our daily Crunch & Sip.
- Homework sent home Tuesday's (usually) and due back by the following Monday.
- Spelling Test Friday's.

Diaries with up to date reading entries due every Friday.

Wishing all Mother's a restful weekend,

Sandra Marziano.

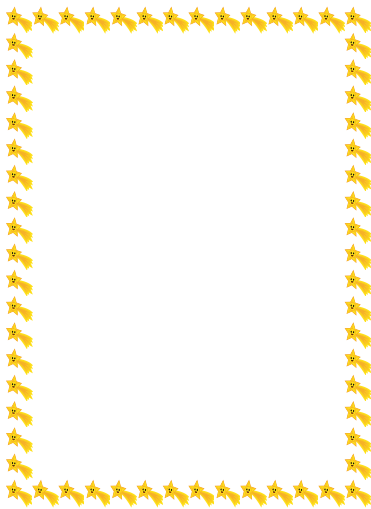
 * **Achievement Certificates** *
 * Kinder: Samantha Watters-Behsmann & Jade Whitfield *
 * 1/2S: Tyson Lever & Clay Harmer *
 * 1/2R: Maxwell Baird & Ellie Vines *
 * Mr Gray's Class: Olivia Baird & Ryan Norris *
 * Mrs Halls' Class: Tobias Watson-Kiely & Thomas Stokes *
 * Miss Marzies' Class: Matthew Hancock & Karly Russell *

Purpose Statement

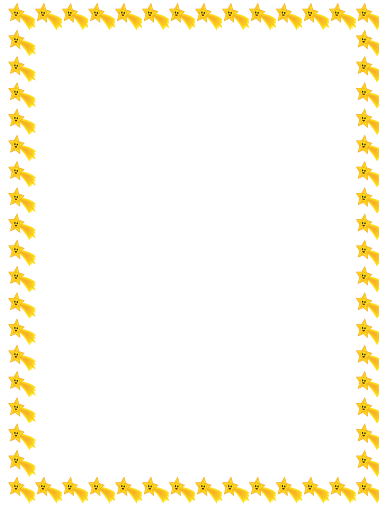
Wentworth Public School prepares our students for a successful future by providing quality educational opportunities for all, which encourage life-long learning. We emphasize strong reading, writing and math skills, the learning of new things, getting along with others, having fun and following school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

Student of the Week

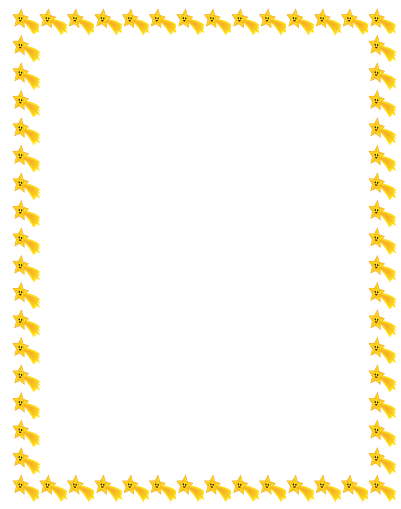
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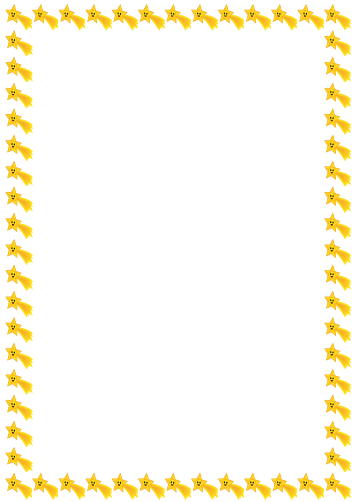
Toby Rankin: Playing on the playground equipment.



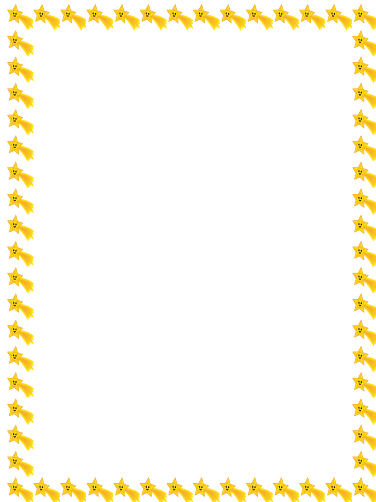
Mitch Humphreys: Playing with my friends.



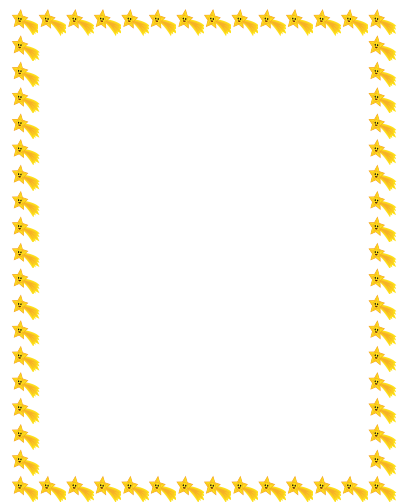
Milla Harmer: Art



Dylan Wellard: Cross country training.



Jayden Miller: P.E



Thomas Bottrell: Kicking the footy.

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