



Wallerawang Public School Newsletter



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What's On? When?

WELCOME BACK

Primary Swimming
Carnival Wed 4/2
Portland Pool

First School
Assembly
Fri 6/2— 9:10am

Uniform Shop opens
TOMORROW
9-11am
2-3pm
FRIDAY
9-10:30am

Parent Information
Evenings—Week 3
Tuesday 10/2
Early Stage 1 6-7pm
Stage 1 7-8pm
Wednesday 11/2
Stage 2 6-7pm
Stage 3 7-8pm

District Swimming
Carnival
Portland Pool
Friday 13/2

From the Principal's Desk

What a great start to the new school term we had this morning. All students in years one to six energetically made their way into the school grounds, connected quickly with old and new friends and appeared excited to be starting the new school year. A quick assembly was held from 9:15am where children were allocated to classes.

At the end of last year on Saturday the 20th December the 2015 school captains and vice captains had their first representative experience, where they went along to Eskbank House for the official opening of the Christmas vacation tourist and promotional displays which included a beautiful selection of pottery from the students at our school. Mrs Welfare (our resident potter) coordinated the display at the centre, the purpose being to showcase Lithgow's talent to visitors as they visit the local historical site. Special thanks is extended to Mrs Welfare, our school leaders and their parents for supporting this event with providing transport and being in attendance. Some photographs have been included on page 3.

The **school canteen** will commence operation next **Monday 2nd February**. We apologise for any inconvenience experienced this week however the canteen has been fully refurbished (thanks to the P&C Association) and expected to be in operation for next week.

Class organisation and teachers for 2015 are as follows;

Kinder L Mrs Lamborn / Mrs Lang
Kinder R Miss Reid
1/2B Mrs Brown
1/2C Mrs Carr
1/2K Ms Fahey
1/2W Mrs Warner
3/4C Mr Campling
3/4F Ms Foster
3/4G Miss Gurney
5/6A Mrs Arkley-Smith
5/6F Mrs Fraser
5/6G Ms Graham

We welcome two new teaching staff to the team commencing this week. They are Mrs Arkley-Smith (5/6 teacher) and Mrs Carr (1/2 teacher). Mrs Arkley-Smith will be working with stage three for the year whilst Mrs Carr will work with class 1/2 for a minimum of 5 weeks, with a possible extension until the end of term (Note – this position may be filled by a permanent appointment during this term or early next term).

Teachers and School Support Staff spent yesterday participating in workshops and practical sessions focussing on planning and organisation around the needs of students, their learning and content for the year ahead. A very successful day was experienced by all in attendance which helped lead to the smooth and well-coordinated start for children today. For the first time in recent history it would appear we will go just beyond the 300 mark for student enrolments this year. We would then anticipate a levelling off of numbers over the coming years of around the 300 mark.

School Sign

The new school sign was struck by lightning at the end of last year and we have been unable to have it repaired as yet. It will hopefully be working again over the next week. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Kindergarten 2015

Next Monday morning 45 new Kindergarten children will commence, filling the school nearly to capacity. Staff are eagerly awaiting their arrival and we look forward to working with the new families in getting to know our school, our expectations and routines.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Parent teacher interviews

Parents and carers are asked to support school staff by arranging interviews with teachers via the front office staff (rather than approaching teachers in the playground or during class). Interviews can be arranged at any time throughout the year using this system.

The **school garden** continues to flourish thanks to the care and expertise of parent volunteer, Mrs Rushworth. See page 4 for an update.

School canteen will open for students on **Monday 2nd February**

School Uniform Shop will be open Thursday 29th January 9-11am then 2-3pm and Friday 30th January 9-10:30am

Swimming Carnival – Years 3-6 Portland Pool
Wednesday 4th February

Newsletter distributed each Wednesday afternoon unless previously advised of a change of day.

Duncan Auld

Principal—Wallerawang Public School

School Swimming Carnival

Next Wednesday is our primary school swimming carnival which will be held at Portland Pool. All primary children will be in attendance and any year 2 children turning 8 are only eligible to attend if they are able to swim 50 metres.

Permission notes were distributed today along with a pre order meal deal. **Please do not include meal deal money with pool entry and transport payments, these need to be kept separate.**

Ms Leanne Graham

Swimming Carnival Coordinator

School Crossing—IMPORTANT REMINDER

When using the school pedestrian crossing, children and adults must wait behind the yellow line until the Crossing Supervisor permits you to safely cross the road. This is in the best interests of every pedestrian and follows road safety guidelines.

Lost clothing from Term 4 2014

We always have a mountain of lost property gathered at the end of each term and term 4 was an absolute 'Everest'. All items without the school logo have been washed and sent off to The Smith Family. Items with a school logo have been washed and are kept in the sick bay shower area. They will be available for claiming until the end of Term 1 then they will be added to the clothing pool. The following items will be held for 2 weeks then sent off to the Smith Family also.

1 Black Polar Fleece jacket "Workies Netball" embroidered on the lower back Size 10

1 Black tee shirt – short puffy sleeves – size 6

1 White satin shorts – checkered pattern "Covo" 30cm waist

1 black 'Wave Zone' rash shirt size 8

1 Grey/pink stitching rash shirt 'Love' on front – size unreadable

1 blue shopping bag containing – 1 pink/white towel zig zag pattern.

1 pink rash shirt 'surf girl' size 8 and a pair of flowered swim shorts size 8 (maybe).

Please call and check out these items if they sound like yours. All other items had names in and have been returned to their owners. Please label all items with your child's name and class including lunch boxes and drink bottles.

Family Day Care

Kelly Cafe family day care has limited vacancies available for 2015. This service is approved and registered with the Bathurst Family Day Care—CCBCCR and also offers before and after school care. Please phone 6338 2800 for more information.

Eskbank House Pottery



display







Wallerawang Public School P & C Association

Our School Canteen is run entirely by volunteers and we need your help.

If you are able to help out in the school canteen please complete the form below and **return it by Friday 6th February**. This will allow the roster for Term 1 to be completed. We hope to have enough volunteers so you would only be required 1 day a month. On certain days where enough volunteers are not found the canteen will need to be closed.

Canteen Nomination Return Slip

Name: _____

Contact No: _____ Mobile: _____

CHILD'S NAME AND CLASS: _____

Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri
(Please circle your preference)

I can come: weekly fortnightly monthly

I am willing to be on the emergency roster: Yes /No

I would like to work with: _____

I am new and need an experienced helper: Yes /No

To help our canteen roster clerk even if you have been on the roster for years we ask that you return this form to allow all information to be updated.

Thank you for your support!