



Wallerawang Public School Newsletter



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February 5 2015 Term 1 Week 2

What's On? When?

Uniform Shop opens
MONDAYS 2-3pm

School Assembly
Fri day 6/2— 9:10am

Rugby League Skills
Day Years 3-6
Friday 6/2

Parent Information
Evenings next week

Tuesday 10/2
Early Stage 1 6-7pm
Stage 1 7-8pm

Wednesday 11/2
Stage 2 6-7pm
Stage 3 7-8pm

Wallerawang Fire
Station Official
Opening 11am
Thursday 12/2
(School Choir &
Student Leaders)

District Swimming
Carnival
Portland Pool
Friday 13/2

Canteen Meeting
6:30pm
P&C Meeting 7pm
Monday 16th Feb
ALL WELCOME

From the Principal's Desk

What a delight it's been to work with staff, students and parents over the last week in preparation for the busy school year ahead. This week we welcomed our new group of kindergarten children to the school. 44 bright shining faces, all in school uniform and all with smiles and enthusiasm.

Yesterday we held the annual school **swimming carnival** at the Portland pool. It was a great day for kids with all four houses represented in colours and participation rates extremely high. Carnivals such as this one cannot progress without lots of preparation, planning and then parent support on the day. Special thanks is extended to Ms Graham, Mrs Nancarrow, Mrs Dick and other staff for their role in leading the planning and organisation for the day. A special thank you to Kylie Williams and Alana Star for making the lunch orders for the swimming carnival yesterday which included delivery to the pool. There were over 110 orders as well as feeding the infants children back at school which was a mammoth task to prepare especially with the canteen renovations not quite complete.

Also, thank you to Kimberley Gunnulson and Anna Fitzgerald for their assistance with canteen rostering and ordering to ensure the start to the new year has been as smooth and productive as possible.

Please consider volunteering for the canteen roster, even if it's only once a term, so that we can continue to run the canteen five days a week. Return your nomination form that has been sent home today by tomorrow afternoon.

Swimming Carnival Results

Winning House: **WOLGAN**

Junior Boy Champion:	Logan Ward	Runner Up:	Bailey Brown
Junior Girl Champion:	Keelee Fraser	Runners Up:	Lucy Neaves & Tylah Piggott
11 yrs Boys Champion:	Ben Seymour	Runners Up:	Billy Rushworth & Wade Fraser
11 yrs Girls Champion:	Sophie Clark	Runner Up:	Piper Woolsey
Senior Boys Champion:	Ryan Neale	Runner Up:	Lachlan Taylor
Senior Girls Champion:	Katahna Woolsey	Runner Up:	Rachel Cook



Parent Information evenings will be held next week where parents are invited to come along, meet their children's teachers, find out about routines and class expectations, hear about upcoming programs of study and also have the opportunity to ask questions of particular teachers.

Tuesday 10th February – School Library

Kinder Parents 6pm-7pm

Year One / Two Parents 7pm-8pm

Wednesday 11th February – School Library

Year Three / Four Parents 6pm – 7pm

Year Five / Six Parents 7pm – 8pm

Please come along and show your support to school staff. These sessions are only offered once throughout the year and the beginning of the year is a great time to get informed, meet with teachers and be a part of your child's education.

Next week the school choir and school leaders will attend the **official opening** of the **Wallerawang Fire Station** from 10:30am. School staff were delighted when invited to bring the choir along and celebrate with local residents the importance of such an excellent facility in our town. Ms Fahey, Mrs Fraser and myself will attend with the children.

Parents are urged to ensure that items of clothing such as hats and jumpers along with other equipment, including lunch boxes, drink bottles, pencil cases and school bags are **clearly labelled** with children's names. This ensures a quick and easy return when things go missing.

The first **school assembly** for the year will be held this Friday at 9:10am. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend. Ms Fahey's class, 1/2K, will be presenting a special item!

A reminder to parents when **dropping off children** in the morning **not to park in the staff car park**.

Please comply with the "drop off" instructions and only "drop off" in the designated areas which are signposted, or alternatively, park along Barton Avenue and utilise the supervised pedestrian crossing.

Attached to this week's newsletter is the **term one planner**. Please use the calendar to keep abreast with upcoming events and add extra items to it as we advertise new events and commitments.

Parent teacher interviews – parents 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.

Upcoming events:

Best Start school assessment program for Kindergarten children commences in week 3 (more details about this program at the information evening next week)

School Uniform Shop will be open on Mondays between 2-3pm.

Newsletter distributed each Wednesday afternoon via students unless previously advised of a change in date.

Duncan Auld

Principal—Wallerawang Public School

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 1 more week 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.

Canteen Reminder

Children need to bring their own spoons from home for certain foods they are bringing to school to eat that require this. The canteen will have to charge for spoons if children continue to ask for them.

Exciting Book Club News

The first issue of Scholastic Book Club has been sent home today and is due back 17th February.

Scholastics have made some changes so that now each child needs only one catalogue with the content carefully selected by their team of experts to satisfy a wide range of reading levels, while remaining age appropriate.

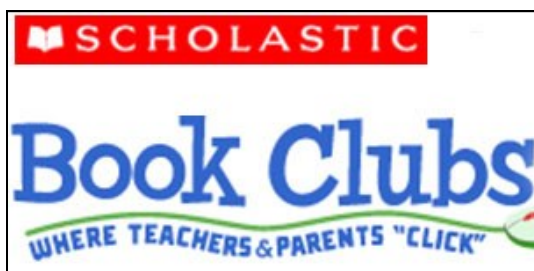
The 'EXTRA' choices for a wider age span have been included in the back section of all catalogues. Ordering and distribution has been made easier for both you and the school. The School has opted '**in the LOOP**' (Linked Online Ordering & Payment) system for parents allowing you to go online, place your order and make the necessary payment without the need to fill in forms and receipt numbers.

Go to **scholastic.com.au/LOOP** but please don't return your order form to the school. It could cause a double up in the system. The school will still earn the usual reward points and the order will come back to the school, already packaged for distribution to your child.

Scholastics have introduced the **Gold Coin Program** for every issue of book club. Now every child has the chance to own a great book for a gold coin, and experience independent reading for pleasure.

The good old fashioned option of using the money box money and paying cash is still available for your child if they bring in the completed order form and the cash in an envelope and hand it to the class teacher as part of the normal morning money/note collection process. Any cheques should be made payable to 'Scholastic Australia'.

Special for Issue 1, 2015 – Every child who places an order has a chance of finding a **Golden Ticket** worth \$2, \$5, \$10 or \$20 in their book when it arrives. There are **2000 Golden Tickets** to be found to be spent with Book Club in 2015. Enjoy some good books and good luck!



School Garden

The school garden is currently sprouting pumpkins, corn, tomatoes, zucchini and cucumbers!



Playground Sporting Equipment

In an effort to promote physical activity and curb playground management issues, a variety of sporting equipment items such as soccer balls, footballs, skipping ropes etc. will be available before school, at recess and at lunch. In order to support this initiative, children can bring handballs and tennis balls to school but they are asked to leave their footballs, basketballs (bigger balls) etc. at home. This is because there will be an abundance of sporting equipment items available for all children to use from kindergarten to year six. We would also like to avoid the damage and loss of the children's own sporting equipment as this is not only quite distressing for the child concerned but expensive for the parents as well.

Our house captains will be briefed and will be entrusted with new responsibility as a part of their school responsibility. Their guidance will also be sought for arranging other forms of physical activity at school as well. I thank the teachers, parents and students for supporting our school and this new playground initiative.

Mr Campling

Swimming Carnival



Swimming Carnival





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!



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to make ice blocks.

Summer afternoons are hot and sticky in Australia, and kids come home from school tired and hungry. Get them eating fruit with these super easy, fruit-filled ice blocks ...



Place any combo of finely diced fruit into moulds like: mango, blueberries, strawberries, watermelon, rockmelon, kiwifruit, drained canned peaches, apricots or pineapple in natural juice, or passionfruit pulp.

Top with a fruit juice of your choice then freeze until solid – at least 4 hours, or overnight.

Enjoy watching your kids eat fruit!

For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit



WALLERAWANG WARRIORS



JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

MUSTER DAY

Friday 6th February 2015

Wallerawang Oval 3:30pm-4:30pm

Ages 5 – 16yrs

Great kids/Great Club

Referee candidates also wanted 14 yrs and over.

Any enquiries contact

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JACK & JILL PRESCHOOL LITHGOW PRESENT

PAXTON'S MPS JOURNEY TRIVIA NIGHT



6 MARCH 2015
FRIDAY 6:30PM
LITHGOW GOLF CLUB
FOR TICKETS AND MORE INFO
CALL KATHY 63523738

FOLLOW PAXTON'S JOURNEY
facebook.com/paxtonsmjsjourney

Lithgow and District Basketball Association

Muster Days

Junior Basketball Competitions 2015

For more information
Contact: 63521635

When: 11th and 12th February, 4.30pm to 5.30pm

Where: Lithgow Sports Stadium, Barton Street
Lithgow



Who: Boys and Girls

The competitions will be for
players eligible to play under
12s and above.

Competition beginning 25th and 26th February.

Cost: will be \$4 a game +
registration.

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.