



Wallerawang Public School Newsletter



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What's On? When?

Uniform Shop opens
MONDAYS 2-3pm

School Assembly
this Friday 9:10am

District Basketball
trials WPS Stadium
Wed 25 Feb

Western Swimming
Trials Dubbo
Fri 6 March

School Photos
Friday 27 March

School Primary
Athletics Carnival
Jim Monaghan
Sportsfield Lithgow
Wed April 1

Last day term 1
Thursday
April 2

February 18 2015 Term 1 Week 4

From the Principal's Desk

The school choir and school leaders attended the **official opening** of the **Wallerawang Fire Station** last Thursday. The ceremony was very formal and demonstrated the significance of having such a new facility opening in our local area. The school choir led the ceremony in the singing of the National Anthem and also performed an unaccompanied item for those in attendance. The morning was well attended by locals and state-wide dignitaries all of whom were lifted by the spirit of the children. See page 3 for more photographs of the ceremony. Thanks is extended to Mrs Fahey and Mrs Fraser for leading the organization of the event.



The **District Swimming Trials** were held last Friday with all of our squad trying their hardest to earn their way to the next round of the swimming trials, to be held in Dubbo. Congratulations are extended to the whole squad for their participation, cooperation and sportsmanship on the day. Special recognition is extended to Ryan Neale (12/13yrs Runner-Up), Ben Seymour (11yr Champion), Wade Fraser (11yr Runner-Up) and Bailey Brown (Jr Boys Runner-Up). The school squad also performed very well overall with Wallerawang finishing in second position. Eight students from Wallerawang will represent the Lithgow District at the Western Region Swimming Trials in Dubbo on March 6;

Ben Seymour, Wade Fraser, Lachlan Taylor, Ryan Neale, Monique Gearside, Jessica Gearside, Bailey Brown and Ben Fraser.



Congratulations!

The **P&C Association** have very generously donated \$6500 towards the school's iPad project. This valuable assistance will supplement last year's donation to completely provide enough iPad for all Stage 3 students.

Children will probably have spoken to you this afternoon about **two emergency drills** we rehearsed during the day. Staff, students and visitors experienced a **'school lockdown'** and an **'emergency evacuation'** today. Under Work, Health and Safety requirements it is important that these procedures are practiced at least twice per year. Students followed instructions well and teachers will debrief and make any future changes or recommendations during their next staff meeting. Thanks to Mrs Nancarrow and Mrs Auld both of whom manage the complexities of WH&S at the school.

Commencing **next week** the **school canteen will be closed each Thursday** for the remainder of term one. This is due to volunteers not being available. Please ensure children bring along fresh fruit for their morning break, their own recess and lunch. Information notes have been distributed seeking volunteers to operate the canteen and we anticipate that with more volunteers coming forward this closure should only be in place until the end of the term. Please consider whether you can offer a day a week, a day a month or a couple of days a term; it all helps keep our canteen operating. Dates to remember for this term are, no canteen on: Thurs 26 Feb, 5 Mar, 12 Mar, 19 Mar, 26 Mar and 2 Apr.

School Contributions

Invoices will be issued to all families later this week for the voluntary school contributions which we collect to assist in covering the costs of essential equipment, books and resources. The individual fee is set at \$30 per child with a

maximum of \$60 per family.

Morning drop off zone in the school car park. A reminder to families that there is a designated drop-off point in the school carpark where no parking is allowed between 8:40 and 9:15am each day except for Friday (due to school assembly and parents needing to park). Signage is clearly displayed and parents are asked to observe the need for a quick drop off point in the morning. Thanks to Ms Graham for ensuring the signage is in place and returned each day.

In next week's newsletter I will detail expectations around **school uniform** and **ear rings**, seeking parent's assistance in ensuring uniforms are worn and that sensible jewellery is selected, minimising the possible risks of damage to ears and other places.

A big thank you to **Cheryl Rutherford** for her thoughtful and generous donation of hockey sticks and shin pads to add to our school hockey kit. They will be put to good use by both our girls and boys hockey teams.



Upcoming events:

School Uniform Shop is open each Monday afternoon between 2 and 3 pm.

Newsletter distributed each Wednesday afternoon via students unless advised otherwise.

Duncan Auld
Principal—Wallerawang Public School

Year 6 Fundraising Meeting
Tuesday Week 5 February 24
3:15-4pm

All welcome to attend



Headlice

A number of cases of headlice have been reported over the past week. Please check your children for headlice and provide the appropriate treatment if they are infected before sending them to school.

Rugby League team selections



Tryouts will be held on Friday 20th February at the school sports field at 8:40am. Students will need to bring their boots and a spare pair of socks.



EOI—District Rugby League Coaches

Mrs Fraser is looking for people who are interested in coaching the 11 years and open rugby league teams. They will need to be available for after school training sessions and to assist with district selections on Friday 13th March (12-3pm). They would also need to be willing to attend Western Region selections at Dubbo on Monday 30th March and also the David Peachey Cup in Portland on Tuesday 31st March.

If you are interested in being a coach please contact **Katrena Fraser** at Wallerawang School ASAP on 6355 1210



CANTEEN ROSTER

Thursday Feb 19	- Leanne Houlison, Katena Taylor
Friday Feb 20	- Kylie Williams, Krystan Griffiths
Monday Feb 23	- Kylie Mason, Renee Houlison
Tuesday Feb 24	- Kimberley Gunnulson
Wednesday Feb 25	- Julie Trestrail, Carol Chew

Chocolate Fundraiser

Chocolate boxes will be sent home to families who have indicated that they can assist with this fundraiser. They will be sent home with the youngest child at the end of this week. Money or unsold chocolates will be due back Friday 6th March.

Uniform Shop News

Sale items

PLEATED SKIRTS—\$5.00 EACH

3 x size 12

3 x size 14

3 x size 18

SKORTS—\$5.00 EACH

5 x size 18

Fire Choir



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

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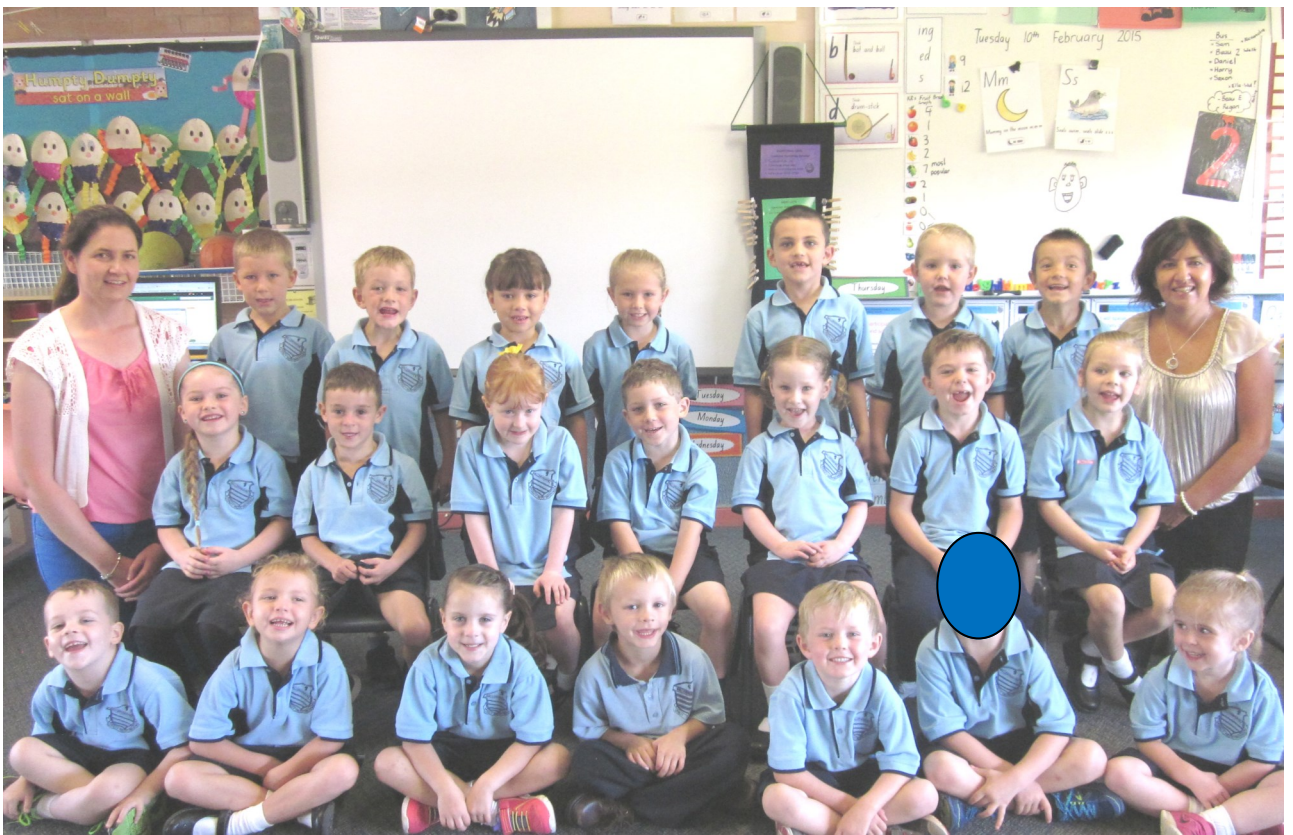
Week 3 Assembly



Kindergarten 2015



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SunSmart Snippet

The simplest way

...to keep your kids safe in the sun.

Did you know that when it comes to sun protection, not all hats are equal?

We all know hats help protect against skin cancer and eye damage.

But did you know that baseball caps don't provide much protection?

Baseball caps leave cheeks, ears, chin and back of the neck exposed to ultraviolet radiation, and to the real risk of skin cancer in later life.

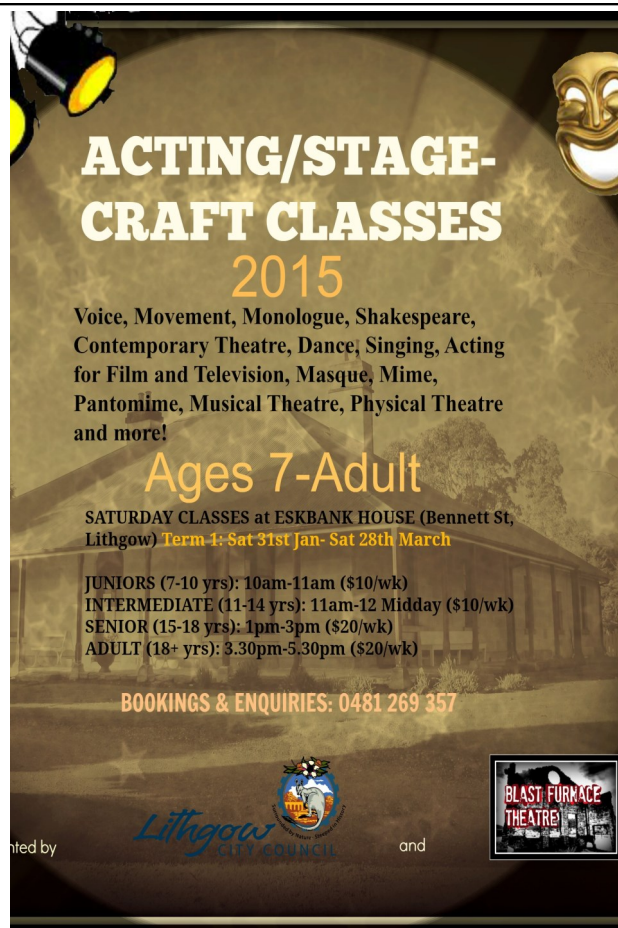
Choose a sun-safe hat

Sun-safe hats include broad-brimmed, bucket, or legionnaire hats. These hats are inexpensive, and give your kids the best chance of staying protected in our harsh summer sun.

Finally, don't forget to apply sunscreen in the morning before school! Enjoy summer, and remember to be SunSmart!



To find out more about being SunSmart visit our website sunsmartnsw.com.au or call 02 9334 1761

ACTING/STAGE-CRAFT CLASSES 2015


Voice, Movement, Monologue, Shakespeare, Contemporary Theatre, Dance, Singing, Acting for Film and Television, Masque, Mime, Pantomime, Musical Theatre, Physical Theatre and more!

Ages 7-Adult

SATURDAY CLASSES at ESKBANK HOUSE (Bennett St, Lithgow) **Term 1: Sat 31st Jan- Sat 28th March**

JUNIORS (7-10 yrs): 10am-11am (\$10/wk)
 INTERMEDIATE (11-14 yrs): 11am-12 Midday (\$10/wk)
 SENIOR (15-18 yrs): 1pm-3pm (\$20/wk)
 ADULT (18+ yrs): 3.30pm-5.30pm (\$20/wk)

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES: 0481 269 357

Lithgow City Council and 

Lithgow Netball

Lithgow netball association are running muster days at the valley plaza on 21/2 and 28/2 from 10-1pm opposite Sunny Ridge Butchers in the Lithgow Valley Shopping Complex. All current and new players are invited.



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 0408 795 580 for more information.



BOUGHT TO YOU BY BLINKY BILL CHILDCARE PORTLAND

SATURDAY
28th
FEB

Starts at
4:00pm

\$10
entry

Champagne on arrival
Light Refreshments Served

Massages - Tarot Readings
Nails - Waxing and Tinting

As well as stalls including:
perfume - kids clothes
body & face products
hair clips - cupcakes
whole foods - candles
photography - florist
soaps - tupperware
and many more

Some stall spaces still available, email kerenaleigh_lampton@live.co.uk for details

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT BLINKY RECEPTION OR AT THE DOOR
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