



Wallerawang Public School Newsletter



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May 6 2015 Term 2 Week 3

What's On? When?

Assembly
Friday 9:10am

Uniform Shop
OPEN
Mondays 2-3pm

Infants Athletic
Carnival
Friday 15 May

Mother's Day
Stall
Last chance to
purchase
Thursday
lunchtime
school hall

BOOK CLUB
DUE BACK
TOMORROW
THURSDAY
7 MAY

Rugby League
WPS vs LPS
10:30am Fri 8 May

Netball Team to
play in Bathurst
Schools Cup
Friday 8 May

From the Principal's desk

Last Friday due to an incredibly wet and boggy sports field we were unable to run the K-2 Infants Athletics Carnival. Weather permitting the carnival will be held on Friday 15th May.

On Monday and Tuesday this week children were provided the opportunity to purchase Mother's Day gifts which were prepared, packaged and sold by our P&C volunteers. This is a wonderful community service for our children and the variety of gifts available was once again tremendous. Thank you is extended to the volunteers that made the stalls such a success, much appreciated. Gifts will again be available for purchase on Thursday at lunchtime.



Happy Mother's Day

Yesterday student cross country representatives totalling 41 students from our school joined representatives from other district schools to compete in the District Cross Country held at Lake Wallace. Zig Zag Public School staff coordinated the event where more than 180 children competed for places at the Western Region Cross Country to be held in Geurie later this term. Results have not yet been released by the coordinating school. Keep an eye on the school sign in the next couple of days for results along with a full report in next week's newsletter. See page 2 for more details.

A survey was distributed last week requesting your assistance in deciding upon arrangements for the school fete which will be held in term four. Please complete the survey and return it to class teachers tomorrow so that we can make an informed decision about proceeding with the fete. Thank you to families that have already completed the survey.



School photographs were distributed yesterday to all classes except 3/4C who received theirs today. Also distributed today were the family and group photos. Please advise office staff if you have not received your pre-purchased photograph pack or family photos. Families that did not order a photo pack will have received an information card with log in details and unique identity number which allows you to go online and purchase them now.

Supplementary photos taken on the day that are available for purchase include whole school, school leaders, house captains, SRC, choir, instrumental, David Peachey Shield, Russell Richardson Cup and tennis. Photographs are available for viewing at the front office on request and also in the library windows. A powerpoint presentation of these photos will be included at this Friday's assembly. A form has gone home today with details to order online. Discounts apply to online orders. Order envelopes are available at the front office if you prefer to pay by cash or cheque. Closing date for orders is Wednesday 20 May.

The school garden is being prepared for our winter crop. Mrs Rushworth's gardening expertise is invaluable with students reaping the rewards. See page 4 for the latest news.

On Friday this week a number of students will attend sporting events which include Rugby League, Netball and Boys Hockey. Detailed notes have been distributed to students involved. Thank you in advance to parents supporting students with travel to these events and best wishes to the students as they compete in their chosen sports.

Year 3 and 5 students are gearing up for the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) which will be administered next week. All students in Years 3 and 5 participate in this assessment process and individual student reports are provided to families detailing children's strengths and areas for growth. Mrs Foster and Mrs Fraser coordinate the NAPLAN Assessment program within the school and are working with students now in preparation for next week.

The School Plan 2015 – 2017 has now been uploaded to the school website under the 'Our School' tab. <http://www.wallerawan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/school-management-plan>. Three strategic directions have been developed through consultation with parents, students, staff and community members over the past 9 months all of which encapsulate the work of staff in leading the education and organisation of the school.

Central to all school organisation and planning is our focus on 'excellence in teaching and learning' 'excellence in leadership' and 'community partnerships.'

You will also find the 2014 Annual School Report (ASR) on our website which is a fascinating overview of life and times at Wallerawang School in 2014. Staff contributed to this document and it is certainly worthwhile reading if you would like a comprehensive overview of programs, initiatives, future plans and other contextual school information. The ASR is located at <http://www.wallerawan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/annual-school-report>

Parents of students in Year Four are invited to consider applying for enrolment in the district 'Opportunity Class' for 2016 which operates from Lithgow Public School. An information package is available from the front office which outlines the process for applying and details a very comprehensive fact sheet. All applications must be completed on-line and the website closes to applications on Friday 15th May. Website address <http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/learning/k-6assessments/ocplacement.php>

I extend thanks to families for supporting the mufti-day at the end of Term One to raise money for the peo-

ple of Vanuatu so badly affected by the devastating cyclone in March. Students raised \$197 which has been forwarded to authorities responsible for supporting families who have lost housing, clothing and vegetable gardens.

School assembly will be held on Friday from 9:10am and will include the general award structure and an item from class 3/4F. I encourage families to come along and share assemblies with the students and staff. We look forward to your regular attendance.

From Tuesday 12th May through until Thursday 4th June I will be on long service leave. Arrangements are in place for Mrs Lamborn to relieve as Principal during this time and provisions have also been made for Mrs Foster and Mrs Fraser to contribute to school planning and principal support during this time. Mrs Brown will manage the K-2 infants section of the school during this time.

Calendar update:

No assembly in week 4, Friday 15th May

Duncan Auld
Principal—Wallerawang Public School



Sports News

District Cross Country

The District Cross Country was held at Lake Wallace on Tuesday 5th May. It was a sunny but breezy day with the majority of the course still boggy from last week's rain. We had 41 school representatives complete the course. Our 8s, 9s and 10s boys and girls competed in a 2km version of the track while our 11 and 12 year old boys and girls competed on a 3km track. All our students gave their best and Mrs Lamborn and I are very proud of them. Official results will be announced and winning certificates will be presented at an assembly in the near future. Thanks is extended to our P&C for organising Mr Whippy for light refreshments and to our parents that helped on the day.

Western Area Boys Touch Trials

Please note that Western Area Boys Touch Trials has been brought forward from Friday the 15th of May to **Monday 11th of May.**

Chris Campling—Sports Coordinator

Primary Athletics Report



On Wednesday, 29 April the Primary Athletics Carnival was held at Jim Monaghan oval. It was a great day of competition and sportsmanship for all of those in attendance. All events were successfully completed on the day except for the junior boys and girls high jump which could not be attempted due to the slippery grass. Participation and competition points were collated across the day with **Thoondu** being this year's **winning house**. **Gili, Awa** and **Wolgan** finished closely behind one another for the remaining places. Thank You to the staff, parents and Lithgow High students for your assistance throughout the day. It is greatly appreciated as the day cannot run without your help. The District Athletics Carnival will be hosted by Wallerawang at Jim Monaghan Oval on Friday 31st July (Term 3 Week 3). First and Second in the field events and 800m will be eligible to participate at the district carnival while First, Second and Third in the 100m and 200m will be eligible. Students who placed will be advised and invited to attend the District carnival.

Congratulations to the following students for attaining Champion or Runners Up in your age groups. These athletes were consistently successful in many events across the day. Trophies and medallions will be presented later in the term.

Age Group	Champion	Runner's Up
Junior Boys	Wil Stockton	Bailey Brown
Junior Girls	Sophie Lane	Gabrielle Dray
11 years Boys	Lachlan Reilly	Ben Seymour
11 years Girls	Piper Woolsey	Lisa Su
Senior Boys	Lachlan Taylor	Cooper Giles
Senior Girls	Olivia McDonald	TBC

Congratulations to everyone who participated to make it a great event!

Mr Campling
Athletics Coordinator



GARDEN NEWS

On Friday the 1st of May Stage 2/3 had the opportunity to plant a seed for our winter crop. The seeds were cos and iceberg lettuce, broccoli and cauliflower.

Kindergarten's peas are growing nicely. Towards the end of the term KL and KR will be able to harvest the peas.

During the term Stage 1 will be able to plant their carrots and beetroot into the garden. See image below of plants.



The Environmental Crew continue to work hard at maintaining the garden. Each member took home a pumpkin and had some excitement delivering the school's biggest pumpkin to Mrs Warner. As produce is ready students will have the chance to sample and take vegetables home.



Happy gardening
Mrs S Rushworth



Sport and Recreation Sports Taping courses in Lithgow

Sports taping is an important skill for coaches, trainers, teachers, parents and players involved in sport. Correct sports taping can help prevent injury and also help with injury rehabilitation.

Introduction to Sports Taping - beginner technical and practical advice of taping including ankles, fingers and thumbs. 6pm-9pm 6 May

Advanced Sports Taping - advanced techniques for the shoulder, elbow, wrist, Achilles tendon and knee. 6pm-9pm 7 May

Call Sport & Recreation on 6362 6623 for more info or visit .

www.dsr.nsw.gov.au \$60/ person per level

Lithgow Library

Young Writers Group –this group is running every Wednesday during Term 2 for students aged 8-15. The session is being run by a local author. If you are interested in creative writing, come along on Wednesday from 3:45 - 5:00pm. No booking needed and it's FREE!



Well worth a visit!!

Lithgow Library Learning Centre is hosting several displays focussing on World War I to commemorate the centennial year of the ANZAC's. The exhibitions will be available for your perusal until 26 May.

Exhibition items include:

- Poppies on display
- State Library Touring Display of Images
- WW1 Embroidered Postcards
- Uniforms from WW1
- Memorabilia from WW1
- Historic photographs on display

A great opportunity to see these rare items.



Year 6 Fundraising Raffle—Fire Wood

Don't miss out on your tickets for this great winter prize, get ready to snuggle in front of your warm fire!

Prize: One cubic metre quality Red Gum wood

Tickets : Any Year 6 student or the front office

Cost: \$1.00 / ticket

Drawn: Week 4 Assembly **15th May** (not June as was printed on tickets)

All tickets sold or unsold must be returned to school by Wednesday 13th May

Our prize has been generously donated by:

Good Earth Landscaping
Supplies—Lidsdale



Stewart House Day 2015 Donation Drive

For your chance to win a \$4000 FAMILY HOLIDAY place your \$2 donation in the Stewart House envelope that went home last week and **return to school by this Friday 8 May.**

GOOD LUCK!!



CANTEEN ROSTER

Thursday May 7	Lorraine Bradford Rita Doalman
Friday May 8	Janee Taylor Casy Anthes Carina Carter
Monday May 11	Vicki Schumack Heather Palmer
Tuesday May 12	Gabrielle Wardle Vera Foong
Wed May 13	Julie Trestrail Glenda Schroder

Mother's Day Stall

The Mother's Day stall was a great success with many children purchasing gifts for their mothers.



A big Thank you to all the ladies that volunteered to help with the stall.

There are a few items left so the children will have the opportunity on Thursday lunch time to visit the stall.

Student Representative Council (SRC)

SRC badges have finally arrived and will be presented to SRC representatives at the Week 4 assembly. Thank you for your patience.

Year 6 Fundraising Committee

The next meeting for Yr 6 Fundraising Committee will be tomorrow Thursday the 7 May at 3:15pm for all who can attend. We will meet in the library.

Public Speaking Competition

Our annual Public Speaking Competition is well underway with students presenting and enjoying some wonderful speeches within their classes.

Once every child has delivered a speech, semi-finalists will be chosen from each class. Semi-finals will then be held for Stage teachers to select 3 finalists per grade. Class teachers will advise students if they are required to present their speech again in the semi-finals.

At a special assembly on **Wednesday 27th May (Week 6)**, the **3 finalists from each grade** will present their speeches before the school and a panel of 3 judges. The Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 finals will be conducted from 10.15 am. The Stage 2 and 3 Finals will be held following recess, commencing at 11.35 am. Parents of those children speaking in the finals will be advised by Week 5. Everyone is welcome to attend this special assembly.



Susan Dick and Leeanne Graham
Public Speaking Coordinators

"I've Got a Teenager?!*!"

Parents are recommended that; "If something is not working, do something different. If something is working, do it again." So running for another year is a positive parenting/ carer of teenagers group- "I've Got a Teenager?!*!"

This group focuses on 4 main areas from the Positive Parenting Program to help parents gain tools that will better assist them in the task of parenting; such as Positive Parenting with Teenagers, Building resilient young people, Encouraging Appropriate Behaviour, Managing Problem Behaviour and Dealing with Risky Behaviour.

Parents & carers of teenagers that have previously attended the group had only positive feedback at the end of the program. Of the surveyed parents/carers 100% said they would recommend or attend future Parenting Group Programs. After attending the program, parents have given feedback such as "I am now more confident in parenting and I can look after myself better too" and "It is nice to know that there are other parents out there going through similar issues and that I am not alone." They also commented about facilitator Meg Benson, Adolescent and Family counsellor at LINC "Meg gave individual time and care to each person", "Meg kept order and kept to the subject" and "I was respected as a parent by Meg, and I was even given the option of receiving free one-on-one counselling afterwards, which was useful."

This year there are two 4 week programs to be held at 2 different venues commencing May 27th in Portland during the day time and Oct 7th at LINC in Lithgow during the evening time.

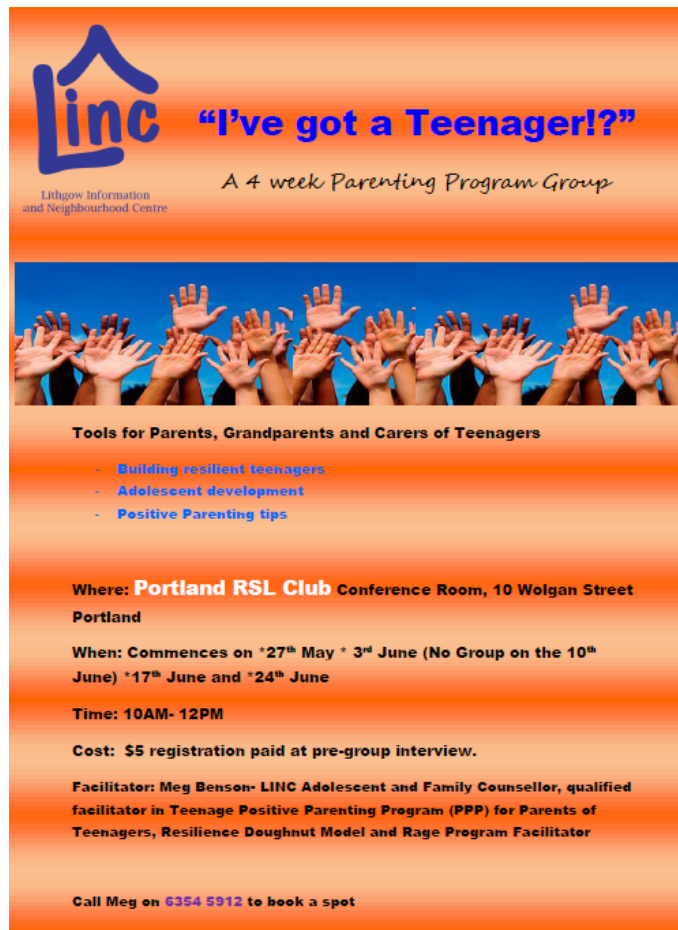
Commencing shortly at the Portland RSL Club Conference room, the 4 week program starts on Wednesday May 27th, June 3rd, (NO GROUP June 10th), June 17th and June 24th from 10 am - 12 pm.

At LINC the program commences on Wednesday October 7th, October 14th (NO GROUP OCTOBER 21ST), October 28th, November 4th and is Likely to be on during the evening from 6.30 -8.30pm

Group participation will cost \$5 one off registration fee for all handouts.

Phone Meg Benson (Mon- Wed) on 6354 5912 to book.

You will be offered a half hour personal pre-group information session for participation in either of the two groups.



Linc
Lithgow Information
and Neighbourhood Centre

"I've got a Teenager?!*!"

A 4 week Parenting Program Group

Tools for Parents, Grandparents and Carers of Teenagers

- Building resilient teenagers
- Adolescent development
- Positive Parenting tips

Where: Portland RSL Club Conference Room, 10 Wolgan Street
Portland

When: Commences on *27th May * 3rd June (No Group on the 10th June) *17th June and *24th June

Time: 10AM- 12PM

Cost: \$5 registration paid at pre-group interview.

Facilitator: Meg Benson- LINC Adolescent and Family Counsellor, qualified facilitator in Teenage Positive Parenting Program (PPP) for Parents of Teenagers, Resilience Doughnut Model and Rage Program Facilitator

Call Meg on **6354 5912** to book a spot

NSW Spectacles Program and eligibility requirements

What is the NSW Spectacles Program?

The NSW Spectacles Program (the Program) assists financially disadvantaged people in NSW by providing free spectacles and other optical appliances to improve their vision and avoid preventable decline in eye health.

The Program provides funding to participating optometrists and optical dispensers to supply spectacles and other optical appliances to eligible clients free of charge.

The Program is funded by the NSW government and administered by Vision Australia.

What does the Program provide?

If you meet the Program eligibility criteria you are entitled to, in any two-year period to receive:

One pair of single vision spectacles; or

One pair of bifocal spectacles.

If you have particular clinical conditions, you may be entitled to other items including contact lenses, tinted lenses or low vision aids.

These items are provided free of charge through the Program. You can choose to pay an additional fee for items that are not available through the Program (such as multifocal or progressive lenses and non-standard frames).

Who is eligible to access the Program?

The Program is available to low income earners who meet the eligibility criteria:

Most providers participating in the Program are optometrists who can conduct your eye examination. Vision Australia's website (www.visionaustralia.org/spectacles) lists all participating providers across NSW.

Where can I get further information?

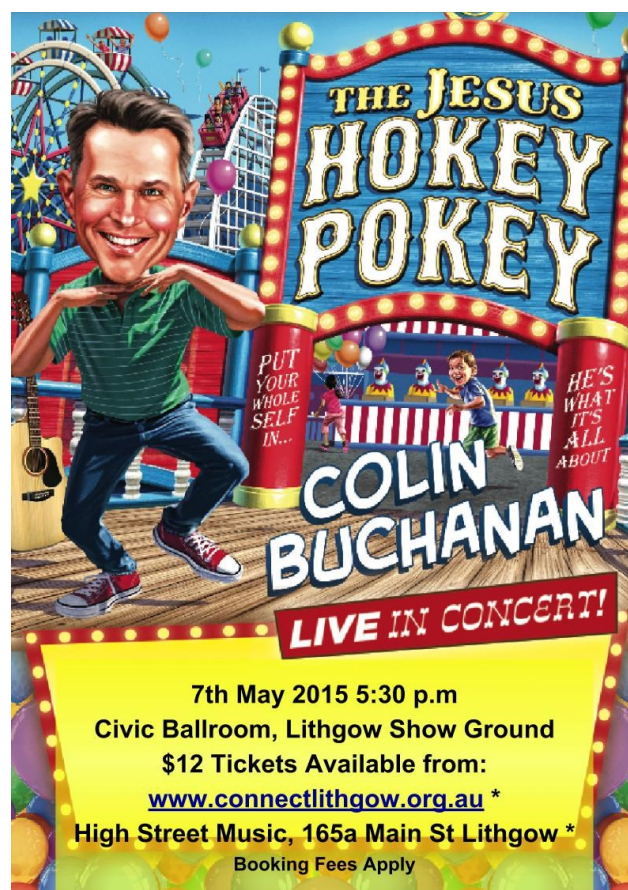
For further information on the NSW Spectacles Program, visit the Vision Australia website

www.visionaustralia.org/spectacles

Or contact Vision Australia on:

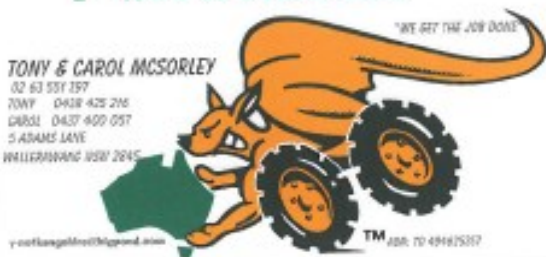
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After 15 years at Wallerawang, we have now moved to our fully equipped studio at Portland.

For more information phone Master Instructor Steve Ashbridge, 6th Dan Black Belt, on 0409 305 327. You can also visit our website at: www.muyehtaekwondo.com

Mother's Day

Every customer that has work done in the next 2 weeks goes into a draw* to WIN the following special from Stoo-de-ho 26

*Mini facial with neck and shoulder massage
Plus a free eyebrow wax*

* drawn on Friday 8 March at 4pm



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Lithgow District Netball Association

NetSetGO is Netball Australia's introductory program for netball. It has been developed to provide children from the age of 5 to 10 years with the best possible introduction to Netball, ensuring enjoyment and continued participation within the sport.

Program commences Monday 4th May 2015 4pm-5pm for 10 weeks at Wang Indoor Stadium Cost is \$55. Please contact Kerrie on 0411607287



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