

Wallerawang Public School

Important Dates

November 2017		
Wed 1	Stage 3 - Canberra Excursion	
Thurs 2	Stage 3 - Canberra Excursion	
Fri 3	Stage 3 - Canberra Excursion	
Mon 6	Early Bird (3) 10:00am - 11:10am	
Mon 6th to Fri 10th	Swim School starts Leaving school at 9.15 am	
Fri 10	Photos Yr6 and Sport	
Mon 13	Early Bird (4) 10:00am - 11:10am P&C Mtg 6:30pm in the Library	
Wed 15	Leichardt Public School Band visit	

Newsletter Term 4, Week 4 - 1st November 2017

Principal: Janine Macky Assistant Principal Early Stage 1/Stage 1: Mrs Jenny Lamborn Assistant Principal Stage 2: Mrs Katrina Foster Assistant Principal Stage 3: Mrs Katrena Fraser



Friday 17th November

Schools Spectacular Excursion for Years 3-6

Friday 24th November - \$60

Please be aware there are limited numbers on this

excursion and they are

filling fast!



Fresh Food Pantry

12th November

St Pauls Anglican Church - Lithgow St Stephens Anglican Church - Portland For more info phone 6351 3070 77 Barton Avenue, Wallerawang NSW 2845 PO Box 21, Wallerawang NSW 2845 Phone: 6355 1210 Fax: 6355 7003 Website: <u>www.wallerawan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au</u> Email: wallerawan-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Dear Parents and Caregivers of Wallerawang Public School,

Approaching Students in the School Grounds

It has been bought to my attention that students have been approached and asked about incidents related to their own children.

Under no circumstances, is any parent/ caregiver/ community member to approach another student. There are policies and procedures in place to protect all students and you as parents/caregivers. Correct procedures are;

1. If you have a concern about another student, please contact the office to arrange to speak with an executive staff member or teacher about any issues you wish to raise.

2. The office staff will return your call to set up a time to discuss the matter that is convenient to us all.

- 3. The staff member will then deal with the situation.
- 4. Follow up will occur in a timely manner.

If policies and procedures are not followed, I will have no choice but to issue a warning or serve an <u>"Inclosed</u> <u>Lands Act"</u> letter. The Department of Education and the school treat students being approached by other parents/caregivers, as being very serious.

For everyones safety, no one is to approach another student. Please contact the office to speak to an executive staff member if needed. Thankyou for your co-operation with regards to this matter .

World Teachers Day

On Friday of last week we celebrated World Teachers Day. Wallerawang Public School celebrated the outstanding work our dedicated teachers do everyday.

Research by Professor John Hattie points to a powerful influence of teachers on students achievements. Our teachers are dedicated professionals who place students at the centre of their work. I am proud to work alongside such a fantastic team of learners, leaders and Teachers. Happy World Teachers Day

17th November, Annual School Fete

Just a reminder to everyone about the school fete that had to be postponed due to the weather forecast. As we are aware it really did rain that Friday and the forecast was very accurate. Thankyou again to our team of volunteers and see you on the **17th November**.

Playground Equipment: Deposit Paid

We are one step closer to securing the construction of our new playground equipment. The P&C have contributed to paying the deposit of \$13293.00

The school has set a goal to raise the remainder of the money to complete the project.

The plans will be on display at the School Fete. Please make contact with Mrs Lamborn for any feedback about the project.

Yours in Education *Janine Macky* Principal







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Wallerawang Public School **Student Wellbeing**

This week's school wide focus is:

Following Instructions

Focus: All areas.

In Week 3 and 4, all students will practise the procedures and expectations of being respectful, responsible and safe following instructions all areas.

Important rules to remember:

Exit the school respectfully, responsibly and safe.

Be Respectful in all areas:

Use your best manners: please and thankyou Allow other students to learn Take care of our school environment

Be Responsible in all areas:

Be in the right place at the right time Accept consequences for your choices Follow staff instructions

Be Safe in all areas:

Keep hands and feet to yourself Use all equipment safely Report problems to the teacher when it happens.

Parents - you could talk to your child about the importance of:

Following staff instructions

Being respectful, responsible and safe in all areas of the school.

School News - Competition Results

We have had some more results come in for the competitions that students have participated in last term with some pleasing results. Students were awarded their certificates at last week's assembly. **University of NSW English Competition**

Distinction – Daniel Rose

Participation – Paige Woolsey and Blake Rose

University of NSW Mathematics Competition

Credit – Daniel Rose and Blake Rose Participation - Cooper Milton and Jarah Cafe

Australian Mathematics Competition

Credit – Daniel Rose and Blake Rose

Proficiency – Paige Woolsey and Brody Hart

Participation – Alexandra Fitzgerald

Congratulations to all of those students who have participated in these competitions. We look forward to you and many more students trying again next year. Katrina Foster

Competitions Manager

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School News - UWS Excursion

On Wednesday, the 25th October, Stage 3 students were given a wonderful opportunity to participate in a range of educational activities at the University of Western Sydney Campus in Lithgow. The day was designed to give primary students an insight into high educational options available to them in their local area. The students were engaged in a range of fun and interactive learning opportunities that promoted Medical Science, Robotics and Coding as well as Languages. Students were provided an overview of Medical Science, learned the practical components of DRSABCD and CPR before learning to take blood pressure measurements using sphygmomanometer and stethoscope. Students participated in Robotics and Coding workshops to program the movement of Dash robots as well as web based avatars. Students also participated in a range of Spanish language learning activities where they learned about common Spanish greetings, colours and numbers. All the Stage 3 children had a great day. I would like to thank University of Western Sydney for offering this exciting learning opportunity for our students and the Stage 3 staff for making the day possible. Mrs Fraser

UWS Excursion Coordinator

Paw Patrol

This week a selected group of students have been through some very intensive 'Paw Patrol' training with Miss Gurney. Our school captains and prefects and our SRC representatives now have another job to add to their leadership position within the school. They have been rostered onto 'Paw Patrol' duty. Once a week these children will arm themselves with a handful of Gotcha's and patrol the playground looking for students being **Respectful, Responsible** and **Safe**. They have a VIP pass and a specially designed vest allowing them access to all areas of the playground. The children are taking their roles very seriously and are doing a wonderful job. Thank you to Miss Gurney for her intensive training and implementation of this wonderful initiative.



Bus Pas Travel Entitlements

Please note: Parents of **children in Year 2** are advised that they <u>do not need to apply</u> for a new Bus Pass for 2018. The system now automatically validates a student's on-going eligibility if at the same school, **going from infants into primary**. Where a



student meets the new eligibility the system will automatically update their entitlement and card.

Assembly Term 4 Week 3









Gotcha Box!

If you were lucky enough to be at our assembly last week, you would have witnessed our first batch of Gotcha's going into our new Gotcha box. Mr Way and his woodwork team have designed and made a beautiful Gotcha box with a clear panel at the front so the students can watch it filling up to the tip of the arrow. It is officially half full already and there is a possibility that by the next assembly it could even reach our goal. Once this happens the whole school will celebrate with a mufti day, disco and drink. It is so exciting to see our student's trying hard to be **Respectful, Responsible** and **Safe** to earn their Gotcha's. Wangaroo the Kangaroo thinks we are doing a wonderful job, keep up the great work!



Medical Alert

There has been a report of <u>Hand</u>, <u>Foot and Mouth</u> to school today.

Please be aware of the symptoms and seek medical advice if you have any concerns.

Scholastic Book Club orders are now done by parents online:

Book Club LOOP

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform.

It's easy to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order using your credit card. If your school is not yet in the **LOOP**, speak with your school's Book Club Organiser.



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The campaign is called "It's in the Bag" (Please see the "Share the Dignity" Website & Facebook Page for further info and stories or WPS newsletter Term 3 Week 2)

This week we are asking for: HAIR BRUSHES, COMBES, ACCESSORIES Please send the item to school with your child to give it to their teacher.

Thanks! Mrs Brown & Mrs Walsh



Community News

Portland Junior Touch Football Muster Day

Will be held on Thursday 2nd November at the touch fields in Portland.

Ages 5-13 Fees \$30 and \$25 for siblings.

<u>Uniform Shop News</u> The shop <u>will not be open on</u> Thursday 2 November, apologies for any inconvenience.

Early Bird orders for Kinder 2018 need to be in by Monday 6 November to allow time for ordering and delivery

Mu Yeh Taekwondo

Do you want to improve your self-esteem, self-confidence, self-discipline and general fitness? Learn the exciting Martial Art and Self-Defence system of Taekwondo! We cater for juniors.



seniors, or the whole family! Mu Yeh Taekwondo specialises in street-wise, women's and children's self-defence. Try our Body-Fit class for adults (no martial arts experience necessary)!

Established; 18 years (15 years at Wallerawang, 3 years at our fully equipped studio at Portland). For more information and class details, phone Master Steve Ashbridge, 6th Dan Black Belt, on 0409 305 327.

You can also visit our website at: www.muyehtaekwondo.com or check out our Facebook page.





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Thurs 2nd Nov	Closed	
Friday 3rd Nov	Karen Desch Sheree Scanlan Emma Giles	
Monday 6th Nov	Roslyn Frank Kim Graham	
Tuesday 7th Nov	Closed	
Wednesday 8th Nov	Holly Smith Susan Brodie	
Thurs 9th Nov	Closed	
Friday 10th Nov	Karina Carter Jenee Taylor Kasy Anthes	
Monday 13th Nov	Nicole Case Sonja Ward	
Tuesday 14th Nov	Closed	
Wednesday 15th Nov	Cheryl Mason Carol Chew	