

Wallerawang Public School

Important Dates

November 2017 Newsletter Term 4, Week 6 - 15th November 2017 Fri 17 School Fete -CANCELLED Principal: Janine Macky Assistant Principal Early Stage 1/Stage 1: Mrs Jenny Lamborn Captains / Prefects Assistant Principal Stage 2: Mrs Katrina Foster Nominations due Assistant Principal Stage 3: Mrs Katrena Fraser Early Bird (5) Mon 20 **Final Day** Fun side 10:00am - 11:10am show **Fete Cancelled** See page 3 **Captains & Prefects** Wed 22 for details Speeches Thur 23 Captains and public sch Prefects Announced Fri 24 **Schools** Spectacular **Schools Spectacular Excursion for Years 3-6** Friday 24th November -\$60 SCHOOLS Assembly 9.10am There are still a few Thur 30 Presentation places available. Don't CHOOLS PECTACUL Day 9:15am miss out. Money and note to office ASAP. 77 Barton Avenue, Wallerawang NSW 2845 PO Box 21, Wallerawang NSW 2845 December 2017 Phone: 6355 1210 Fax: 6355 7003 Website: www.wallerawan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au Dec Fri 1 Christmas Pageant Email: wallerawan-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au K-2

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Everybody Live Well

A flyer has been sent to the school, promoting a new initiative developed to improve the health and wellbeing of local people across all stages of life.

The website will be launched on 20th November 2017. <u>www.EveryBodyLiveWell.com</u> It is well worth a look.

Reporting to the Office

As part of policy and procedure at Wallerawang Public School, any student arriving late or leaving early, **must report with a parent/caregiver to the front office** area and fill out a slip of explanation.

Please do not approach the classroom, until you have made contact with the office. This procedure ensures all students are accounted for and the correct documentation is given to teachers.

Also, teachers are engaged with student's learning and we try to avoid disruptions of any kind.

Thankyou for your cooperation on this matter.

Plans for 2018

We are in the process of organising class structures and staff for 2018.

If your child is not returning to Wallerawang Public School in 2018, could you please contact the school via email or phone and confirm you will not be returning.

Students in the Playground in the Afternoon

As part of our social curriculum, the entire school has been learning about how to enter and exit the school in a safe and respectable way. All staff have been working on this with all students. In the afternoons, it has been noted that some students remain in the playground and are not following the teachings of safe play. I would please request all students leave the school site when the bell goes, so that all students leave in an orderly way and the a way they have been learning about.

Thankyou again for your cooperation.

Year 5/6 Camp

I have heard so many fantastic stories about the places the students visited in Canberra and the many different experiences they had.

I also heard many comments that were made to staff about the wonderful behaviour our students exhibited.

I also believe that students and staff did get *some* sleep, which is always a bonus on excursion. I would like to thank all staff and parents who attended the excursion, for giving up their time to provide this valuable experience to our senior students. A special thankyou to our students who made our school proud.

P&C Meeting

On Monday of this week, Wallerawang Public School held its last P& C meeting for 2017. On behalf of the staff and school community, I would like to thank each and every member for their ongoing support of the school. Without their support, we would not be able to offer as many experiences to our students.

<u>Thankyou</u>

Our first P&C meeting for 2018, will be held on the **12th February**. At this meeting members will become financial by paying their P&C membership, which entitles them to vote for Executive Positions at the following P&C meeting. This meeting will be held on Monday **19th February 2018**. This meeting will be the P&C's AGM (Annual General Meeting).

Yours in Education

Janine Macky

Principal

FETE CANCELLED

The Fete has been cancelled due to the weather forecast, of rain and thunderstorms. With the huge cost of rides and a 90% chance of rain, it was decided to hold the fete over until 2018. A date is yet to be confirmed.

Cancelling the fete twice has been upsetting for everyone, including the organisers of the fete. I would once again like to thank the entire school community for their understanding.

An alternate entertainment program is being organised. A note was sent home yesterday outlining these events. Families are welcome to attend these sessions.

The canteen will be operational on Friday 17th November. Lunch and recess organisation will be worked out around the shows.

Yours in Education Janine Macky Principal

National Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Dance Competition

Jannali and Khya Towers-Hoffman from Kinder are competing in the National Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Dance Competition. It will be held at the Sydney Opera House on the 26th November 2017.

GOOD LUCK GIRLS



<u> 1/2G - Taco Making</u>

1-2G are learning to write 'how to' procedural texts. Students followed each step carefully and made some very tasty taco's. A big thank you to Mrs Carter for coming to visit, Miss McNamara and Mrs Davidson for helping the boys and girls with cooking.



Canberra Excursion 2017

Stage 3 students from our school have recently undertaken an educational tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards



those costs. This helped to reduce the cost of the excursion for every child attending the excursion. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion and was factored into the final costs of the excursion.

The students had an amazing time, visiting many attractions such as Old Parliament House (The Electoral Centre), Parliament House, National Embassies, The National Museum of Australia, Cockington Green, The National Dinosaur Museum, The Australia an War Memorial, The Australian Institute of Sport, Royal Australian Mint and Questacon. It was a highly valuable educational experience for all and we would like to thank the students for their wonderful behaviour, the parent helpers (Katena Taylor, Kathy Lane, Anna Fitzgerald, Kelly Café, Robert Rose, Jareth Woolsey and Andrew Ward) for their valuable assistance and the Stage 3 team for the terrific job in organising such an enriching experience.

The students were lucky enough to stay in the newly built, Canberra Park Resort, and continued to develop some excellent independent skills. They were also responsible for keeping their rooms neat, tidy and presentable with the overall Dust Pan and Broom Coveted Trophy going to Keelee Fraser, Sophie Lane, Tayla Walsh and Danielle Reid. Well done, girls!

The students had an incredible experience at Iplay one night, driving the dodgem cars, playing laser tag and the wide range of arcade games available to them. They (big and little kids) had such a fun time at Iplay and were totally exhausted by the time Thursday bedtime came around.

This was an incredible experience for our students, parents and staff and hopefully one with many memories that they will recall for many years to come.

Mrs Fraser





More photos from the Stage 3 Canberra Excursion



School News

Dear Parent/Guardian

Immunisation is a simple, safe and effective way of protecting the community and individuals from disease.

Vaccines will be offered for FREE to your child when they commence Year 7 in 2018.

Your child will be given a Parent Information Kit in the first few weeks of Term 1, 2018 which contains information about the vaccines and a consent card that you will need to complete and return to school before vaccination date.

Vaccines offered to ALL students in 2018:

GRADE	VACCINE	SCHEDULE
	Diptheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (dTpa)	1-dose
Year 7	Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	2 dose schedule

For further information regarding this program or any other questions about immunisation please contact the Immunisation Team at the Public Health Unit on 4734 2022 or visit our website http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/ Pages/schoolvaccination.aspx

Gotcha!

On Monday afternoon, the whole school met in the hall to add our class Gotcha's to the box. Each class tipped their Gotcha's in the box while the whole school held their breath in anticipation. Unfortunately, we have not managed to fill our box yet, but boy, we are close! Over the next few weeks, the boys and girls will be trying extra hard to be Respectful, Responsible and Safe to earn Gotcha's and once it's full, we will all celebrate with a mufti disco day.



The P&C Christmas Stocking Raffle tickets were sent home last week.



Canteen Red Day:

Red Day is scheduled for Friday 8th December. "Red Day" is a day allocated to selling sweet treats. More information will be included next newsletter.

Medical Alert

There has been a report of <u>Shin-</u> <u>gles</u> to the school today.

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

Share the Dignity Bags

We have been overwhelmed with the generous support from our school community with donations for our 'Share the Dignity' bags. On Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th November, we are asking the children to help pack the donations into bags ready for collection and distribution. At this stage, we only have 54 bags but we would like to double this if possible. The bags can be second hand (in good condition) or new and could be handbags, beach bags, tote bags or back packs. We are also still looking for donations to top up our supplies including shampoo/conditioner, moisturising lotions, nail polish, pens and make up.



REMEMBERANCE DAY

In honour of Remembrance Day 11th November 2017 the children are wearing some beautiful handmade Poppies. Over one hundred Poppies were kindly made and donated by Ms Fairall. Thankyou!



Wallerawang Public School

Student Wellbeing

This week's school wide focus is:

Dealing with and reporting problems and keeping hands and feet to ourselves

Focus: Play areas.

In Week 5 and 6, all students will practise the procedures and expectations of being respectful, responsible and safe by dealing with, reporting problems and keeping hands and feet to themselves.

Important rules to remember:

Play respectfully, responsibly and safe.

Expectation/	Respectful	Responsible	Safe
Area			
Cola	Follow Staff instructions Use quiet voices Grass Areas Speak politely Play fairly Take turns, share and include others	Play quiet games Use equipment cor- rectly Stop play when the bell rings	Keep hands and feet to yourself Walk safely Use equipment safely Sit down at all times when eating Report problems / broken equipment to staff imme- diately
Grass	Speak politely Play fairly Take turns, share and include others	Use equipment correctly Stop play when the bell rings If you find equipment that is not yours return it responsibly	Use equipment safely Keep hands and feet to yourself If you find equipment that is not yours return it re- sponsibly Report problems / broken equipment to staff imme- diately Wear hats Term 1 and 4
Courts	Play fairly Share with others Be aware of other people and their games	Return equipment to the sports bin/shed Follow court roster Wait in line patiently to receive sports equip- ment Stop play when the bell rings	Use equipment safely Keep hands and feet to yourself Wear hats Term 1 and 4
Stadium	Use equipment correctly Respect others personal space Demonstrate good sportsmanship Play fairly Take turns, share and include others	Return equipment to the correct place Follow staff instructions Allow space so others can play their games Stop play when staff in- structs you to pack up	Wait in lines patiently Walk on the paths Ensure gates are closed before crossing the road Use toilets appropriately Report problems / broken equipment to staff imme- diately

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

- \Rightarrow Including others
- ⇒ Keeping hand and feet to themselves
- ⇒ Reporting problems
- \Rightarrow Dealing with problems







<u>Presentation Day</u> Please remember to keep Thursday, 30th November free to attend our Annual Presentation Day. This event starts at 9.15am.

Year 6 Farewell Meeting

Tuesday 21st November 3:15 in the Library

ALL WELCOME

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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CANTEEN ROSTER			
Thurs 16th Nov	Closed		
Friday 17th Nov	Lauren Browne Heather Palmer Amanda Dunn Kelly Cafe		
Mon 20th Nov	Kylie Williams Vera Foong		
Tuesday 21st Nov	Closed		
Wed 22nd Nov	Anna Fitzgerald Susan Brodie		
Thurs 23rd Nov	Closed		
Friday 24th Nov	Kylie Williams Glenda Schroder		
Monday 27th Nov	Roslyne Frank Kim Graham		
Tuesday 28th Nov	Closed		
Wednesday 29th Nov	Jenni Pender Elisa Gemmell		