



Wallerawang Public School



Important Dates

December 2017	
Thur 7	House Captains-voting
Fri 8	Last Assembly for 2017 9.10
Mon 11	Reports home Year 6 Farewell Dinner
Thur 14	St 3 Day at the Dam - Private Transport. Meet at Lake Lyell 9am—pick up 2:30 pm
Fri 15	Last Day for Students
Sat 16	School Chocolate Wheel @ Wallerawang Community & Sports Club. Fantastic prizes
January 2018 29th Jan Staff Development Day 30th Jan Year 1-6 Commence School 31st Jan New Kinder Starters Commence School 9:10 till 2:30pm	

Newsletter Term 4, Week 9 - 6th December 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



Year 6 Farewell Dinner
Black Gold Cabins
Monday 11th December
6pm-9pm
A spectacular Night for Year 6 students

8th Dec / Canteen Red Day / Disco Day

Red Day— is the day Canteen has allocated to selling sweet treats. **This is the last day the canteen will operate for 2017.** Thank you to all the volunteers who have continued to support this wonderful service throughout the year.

Disco Day—has been organised to celebrate the Gotcha box being filled. Gotcha vouchers have been earned by students for following school expectations by being respectful, responsible and safe. **Congratulations and well done**



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Dear Parents and Caregivers of Wallerawang Public School,
This will be the very last newsletter for 2017. It has been a great year for teaching, learning and various celebration enjoyments. The School looks forward to working with you in 2018.

Presentation Day

What a day!

I would like to thank Ms Foster for organising our Presentation Day and her ability to plan this enormous task. To see the joy of students sitting there so beautifully and seeing the looks on their faces when the items were on was very rewarding.

I would also like to thank the staff for their contributions and the students for sitting there throughout the presentation in such a respectful way.

Reports.

Teachers are busy finalising end of year assessments and preparing Semester 2 reports. Reports will be sent home on Monday, 11th December. Second copies will be posted to other parents on that day. Please contact the office to arrange to see the class teacher, if necessary.



Recognising our Wonderful Volunteers and Celebrating Community Spirit

I would like to firstly thank the many volunteers that have contributed to our school. In particular Leslie Townsend, Glenda Schroder, Kylie Williams, Lauren Browne and Karen Desch who have worked hard all year but in particular, last Thursday at the Presentation Day Ceremony. I would also like to thank Kimberly Graham for her ongoing support of the Canteen. Thank you to David Bird, 2017 P&C President and Amanda Keech P&C Secretary for working together to provide the best for our students. I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to the many people who donated the large array of delicious food for our guests on Presentation Day. Your support as always, is much appreciated.

Recognising Diligence and Hard Work of our Staff

I would like to personally thank the staff for their hard work and diligence this year. Each and every staff member puts all students at the forefront of their daily practise. A thank you to our SLSO team and to the SASS staff who work in the office.

I am privileged to work in such a 'personal' environment that caters for all students and their individual needs. I join with the community in thanking them for their hard work.

THANK YOU STAFF

Farewell Di Van Dr Velden

On Friday night last week, the school community recognised and celebrated the retirement of Di after many years at the school. Our best wishes and thanks were warmly conveyed for a long and happy retirement.

Merry Christmas and a Safe and Happy Holiday.

On behalf of the staff at Wallerawang Public School, I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and enjoy the Celebrations with friends and family. We all look forward to welcoming you back in 2018.

Monday, 29th January, Staff return to school

Tuesday 30th January Students in Years 1-6 return`

Wednesday 31st January Kindergarten will commence school and will attend school until 2:30 in the first two weeks of term 1.

Yours in Education

Janine Mackey

Principal

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Newcastle Permanent Primary Mathematics Competition

At our final assembly on Friday students who sat for the Newcastle Permanent Primary Maths Competition will be presented with their certificates.

Daniel Rose achieved a very exciting result. Due to this fantastic result he has gained a High Distinction in the Year 5 Division. Daniel is an extremely talented mathematician and he fully deserves this fabulous accolade. I look forward to seeing how well he performs next year.



We also had two more very good results:

Paige Woolsey will receive a Distinction Certificate in the Year 5 division, another fabulous mathematician with some very good problem solving strategies and Blake Rose will receive a Merit certificate in the Year 5 division, despite only being in Year 4. I expect to see some great results from him next year too.



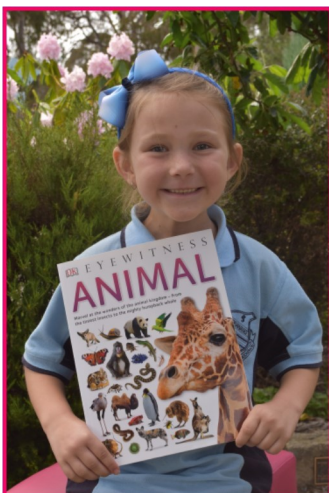
Ella Houlison and Alexandra Fitzgerald will receive participation certificates and I encourage them both to have a go again next year. Congratulations to all students who participated, I look forward to many more students taking up the opportunity next year.

Ms Foster

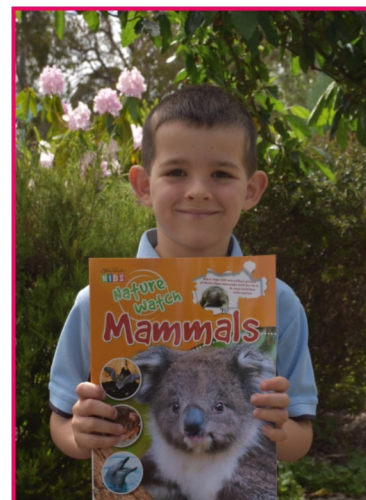


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Presentation Day Report— Rewards and Smiling Faces.



Last Thursday the 2017 Presentation Day Ceremony was held in the school hall. Souvenir Programs are available from the office, or for a full colour version check out the online version on the school e-news site. The Program booklet details all prize recipients, presenters, local businesses and community members who gave their support to make the day such a success.



Congratulations Ms Foster and to school staff who worked with students to provide special items for the occasion. It really is a very special event on the school calendar.



Students were rewarded for their outstanding achievements, the consistent effort they have shown throughout the year and their sporting achievements, either within a team or individually. Kate Seton and Kimberly Graham were acknowledged with a P&C Award for their outstanding service to the school, and Chris Brown, Corey Stockton, and Paul & Carlene Chapman were awarded NSW PSSA certificates of recognition for the support they give to students and the school with sporting events and activities. Mrs Lamborn was presented with a Certificate for 20 Years Service to Education and Mrs Van Der Velden received flowers and best wishes for her imminent retirement.



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The P&C Christmas Stocking was drawn at our Presentation Day Ceremony and the winners were:
1st Prize the Giant Stocking—Clancy Scanlan
2nd Prize a beautiful Guitar— Jason Neeves
3rd Prize a very sparkly Necklace—Kimberly Graham



2017 Christmas Pageant



Staff and Students would like to thank Sr Therese, Robyn Pytco, Peter Dowling and Kris Young for their dedication to scripture classes throughout 2017. Scripture culminated with the Annual Christmas Pageant being held last Friday. The Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 children had a lovely time walking down Main Street asking staff at the Bakery, Post Office and the Supermarket 'If there was any room at the Inn?' and singing a selection of Christmas Carols.

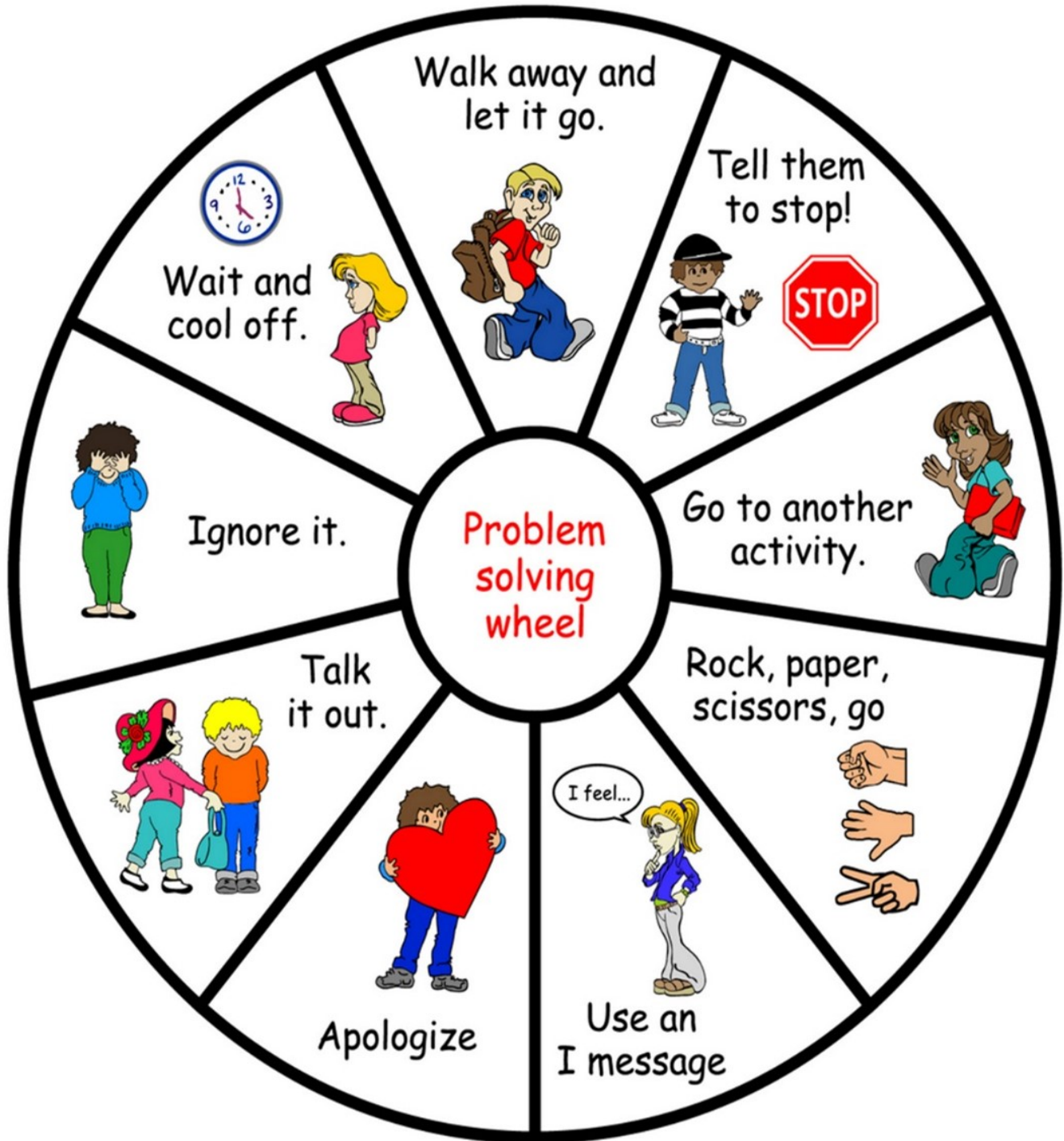


All students attended a scripture service in the hall with guest speaker, Andrew keeping students entertained after which students had the opportunity to enjoy a sausage sandwich for lunch. Thank you must go to Ms Gurney for the dancing entertainment, Miss Phelan who continued coordination of activities in my absence. Thanks must also go to those who helped with cooking and the Canteen ladies for all the assistance they provided.



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What can I do?



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Share the Dignity

Mrs Walsh & Mrs Brown along with Damien Walsh have packed 150 bags full of goodies for the #Share the Dignity #Its in the Bag Campaign, that has been running throughout the year, supporting woman & children escaping domestic violence. Well done Wallerawang Public School & Community for your generosity. Mrs Walsh & Mrs



Brown send their thanks and say they are very proud of your efforts.

#ITSINTHEBag
2017 IS HERE



Alpaca
bag!



What an amazing Community we have!



Want to experience something different this NEW YEAR'S EVE?

Join us at the picturesque Lake Wallace in Wallerawang for an afternoon and evening of fun and adventure for the kids and musical entertainment by **Momentum** as well as market stalls for everyone.

There will be jumping castles, face painting, games, snow cones and fairy floss to indulge the children.

Bring along a picnic dinner, try the Wallerawang Baseball Club's barbecue, Big Daddy Pizzas or coffee by The Tin Shed. Have a paddle in a Dragon Boat or simply sit and listen to the music and appreciate the scenery. Check out our new seats along the dam foreshore or bring your fishing rod and try your luck.

Come along to our **alcohol and drug free event** which starts at 4.30 pm and culminates with the **Fireworks Display** at 9.00 pm.

You can catch the **Wallerawang Community & Sports Club** bus from Portland, Wallerawang or Lidsdale by ringing **63551434** and booking a seat. They will even take you home again.

Plenty of time after the fireworks for the adults to celebrate New Year in their own style at the Wallerawang Community and Sports Club.

Sincere thanks must go to all of our wonderful Sponsors

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CANTEEN ROSTER	
Thurs 7th Dec	Closed
Friday 8th Dec LAST DAY & RED DAY	Karina Carter Jenee Taylor Kasy Anthes
Day 1 2018 To be confirmed.	





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)!

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