




Wallerawang Public School



Important Dates

Feb/ March 2019	
Fri 22nd	Welcome to Kindergarten Assembly 9.10am
Fri 1st March	Clean up School Day
Mon 4th	Gorrie Ban Creative Arts Performance (morning)
Fri 8th	Grandparent's Morning, Assembly & Book Fair
29th MARCH	SCHOOL PHOTOS CHEEZE 

Newsletter Term 1, Week 4 - 21st February 2019

Acting Principal: Mrs Jenny Lamborn
Assistant Principal Early Stage 1/Stage 1: Mrs Amanda Brown
Assistant Principal Stage 2: Mrs Katrina Foster
Assistant Principal Stage 3: Mrs Katrena Fraser

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a busy start to the year with classroom routines and expectations being established across classrooms K-6, with the support of instructional leaders, mentors and our internal PBL coach. As part of setting routines success criteria has been established, along with anchor charts. Students are building their reading and writing stamina as part of 'boot camping'. Number of the day has been implemented in all classrooms with differentiated activities occurring. In moving around the classrooms I have enjoyed working with staff and students on read alouds and number activities. The response as students come to the office to share their reading stamina graphs demonstrates the development of students ability to self-regulate their learning and develop independence. A daily sustained focus on literacy and numeracy instruction ensures that as much as possible these sessions are uninterrupted. I look forward to the continued development of our programs in literacy and numeracy as we continue on our journey of school improvement and student growth.

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Meet and Greet

Thank you to all the families who attended the afternoon BBQ to meet teachers and school staff. It was very well attended, with a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. It was nice to see staff and parents interacting informally. We supplied 300 sausages cooked by head chefs Eddie Lamborn and Wayne Bilby and well supported by our valued P&C team of Glenda Schroder, Kylie Williams and Debbie Williams. Just under half of our families attended with approximately 130 in attendance. We look forward to continuing the positive partnership with all our families during 2019.

School Leaders Induction

The school leader's induction was held on Friday 8th February, with family and friends in attendance and family members involved in the ceremony. It was wonderful to witness how proud the students were to receive such a position but how equally proud family members were too. The badges take pride of place pinned beautifully on hand sewn cushions by Ms Foster's mum and then onto shirts to be treasured for the year ahead.

When I think about leadership I think about us all being leaders regardless of our position or role as together we achieve great things. We all have different skills, attributes, personalities that we bring to a class, a sporting team, a band, a job. Without a team a leader can't be effective. I see a leader's role to be supportive, have vision, good communication skills, be encouraging and trustworthy. A good leader sees in others what they don't see in themselves and supports others to achieve great things. A great leader is not about being a 'boss' or having a title, it is about working with others to make improvements.

School swimming carnival

Congratulations to the students who were crowned champions and runners up at the recent swimming carnival: **Champion Junior Boys : Curtis Brown, 11 Years Boys: Hayden Way, Senior Boys: Bryce Carter. Junior Girls Tianabelle Warner, 11 Years Girls: Macy Brown, Senior Girls: Jessica Gearside. Runner's Up Junior Boys: Lowan Francis, 11 Years Boys: Rydah Woolsey, Senior Boys: Ned Alexander. Junior Girls: Chelsea Cummins, 11 Years Girls: Ellablu Boyling, Senior Girls: Jarah Café.** Also to Awa for being the winning house on the day with almost double the points to the next closest house. This clearly demonstrates that participation in events wins carnivals regardless of your finishing positions. **A BIG SHOUT** to our most recent record breakers **Lowan Francis** breaking the junior 50 metre breaststroke, backstroke and medley. **Jessica Gearside** breaking the 50 metre freestyle and backstroke set by my own daughter Tahnee in 2013. Both are talented young swimmers gliding through the water with ease. Learning to swim is such a necessity and being able to compete is an added bonus for a lifelong skill. All the best to all our Wang students competing at the District Swimming Carnival today. I know that they will do our school proud.

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Star Struck

Congratulations to Marijke McLoughlan who has been in Newcastle this week auditioning for Star Struck. Approximately 40 students auditioning. Marijke was given music to 3 different songs at the beginning of the year which she had to learn for the workshop rounds. Marijke will know in the coming week if she has been successful in becoming a solo performer in this years Star Struck Show.

Best Start Welcome to Kindergarten assembly

Best Start has been completed and you will receive a report for your child tomorrow. If you wish to discuss any aspects of the report please contact Miss Reid or Mrs Dogger. Tomorrow we will formally welcome our new Kindergarten students for 2019 at our Friday assembly. Please join us to celebrate the beginning of their school journey. This week they commenced full days of learning so I am sure there will be some tired boys and girls by tomorrow afternoon. I would like to thank the Kindergarten staff for the work they have done settling the students into school and displaying visible kindness to them all.

Positive Behaviour for Learning

We are currently moving to our next tier on the PBL journey. This involves Tier 1 classrooms, with clearly established expectations set for the learning environment. Mrs Brown our internal coach presented a module of professional learning during last week's staff meeting. Wangaroo has visited every classroom and had photos taken with the students. Our Kindergarten students met Wangaroo for the first time and they were very excited to find out all about him. He stopped for a photo with Mrs Brown and myself and watched on while Mrs Brown trained our new leaders in their role as paw patrollers. Staff are looking visible and flash in their new fluoro pink duty vests clearly displaying our expectations. Mrs Brown and I are currently working with Lithgow Network Schools as part of the Lithgow Valley as we establish a Lithgow Valley Charter to support our Network in the vision of our communities also being Safe, Responsible and Respectable. Part of the direction of the Lithgow Valley Charter will be school representatives joining with other schools and our first one will be at Lithgow High for activities associated with National Day of Action Against Bullying.

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School Attendance

Regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. Mrs Brown and I working together to support you as parents in regular school attendance.

Creating Independence

As students settle in to school it is important that they have the opportunity to play with friends of a morning and move to class lines and into classrooms independently. Walking your children into the playground and saying good bye promptly makes separation easier. Students are supervised in the playground from 8.40am.

Approaching Students

Please be reminded that it is a privilege to enter a school playground as a parent/carer or family member and you must not approach students about any matter.

We continue to experience nice days although it seems the searing heat of January may be behind us. I look forward to seeing you in school events across the fortnight, in the playground or in the community ensuring. I also enjoy the conversations with students in the playground as I take a genuine interest in their interests and moving through classrooms guiding students in their learning.

Jenny Lamborn

Acting Principal

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District Swimming Trials

On Thursday, 21st of February the following students will represent our school at the Lithgow District PSSA Swimming Trials. Bryce Carter, Brodie Carter, Max Alexander, Cooper Milton, Curtis Brown, Bailey Stapleton, Dylan Reeve, Toby Zorz, Lowan Francis, Hayden Way, Rydah Woolsey, Ned Alexander, Joshua Doalman, Ellablu Boyling, Jessica Gearside, Tianabelle Warner, Lilly Dellabosca, Bronte Anthes, Mia Allcock, Ella Taylor, Macy Brown, Lillian Reeve, Jarah Café, Millie Francis, Shelby Anthes, Chelsea Cummins, Pearlie Woolsey, Hayley Fitzpatrick and Keeley Collins. We wish you all the very best, knowing you will all represent our school to the best of your abilities and with your outstanding sportsmanship!

Go Wang!

Mr Campling and Mrs Brown

District Basketball and Netball

District Basketball and Netball trials will be held at the Wallerawang Indoor Centre from 12:00 p.m. (Netball) and 1:30 p.m. (Basketball). The following students are trialling for **Netball**: Jessica Gearside, Kelsie Handley, Phoebe Milne, Abbey Taylor, Ellablu Boyling, Millie Francis, Macy Brown, Ashton Bullock, Mia Hamilton, Lillian Reeve and Jarah Cafe. For **Basketball** we have, Billy Taggart, Ned Alexander, Curtis Brown, Jai McMillan and Ellablu Boyling. This trial is the first step towards the Western Trials which will be held on the **4th of March (Basketball)** and **30th of May (Netball)**.

We wish you all the very best!

Mr Campling

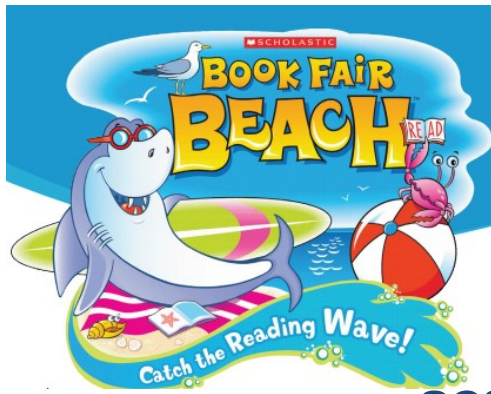
District Touch, Soccer and Rugby League Trials

The District trials for boys and girls Touch Football, Soccer and Rugby League will be held on **Friday, 1st of March at Tony Luchetti Sportsground**. Permission notes were provided to students on Tuesday, 19th of February and are needed back by early next week. Selection for the Touch and Soccer teams are open age where as Rugby League is split in Under 11s and Seniors. These selection trials are for students that know how to play their chosen sport and understand the rules of the game.

We wish our boys and girls representatives well at these trials. We look forward to reporting about their success in our next newsletter.

Mr Campling and Mrs Dogger

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GRANDPARENTS MORNING

BOOK FAIR

Friday 8th March

10.00am-3.30pm

30% commission for our Library

Dear Parents,

Please see below a timetable of when your child has Library:

Monday: K Orange, K Lime

Tuesday: 5/6 Gold, 5/6 Blue, 3/4 Purple, 1/2 Pink, 1/2 Black

Wednesday: 3/4 Silver, 3/4 Green, 5/6 Red, 1/2 Aqua

Friday: 1/2 White

FRIENDLY REMINDER

IPAD EXPECTATIONS NOTE

IPad Expectations notes have been sent home for this year. We ask you to go through this note with your child reminding them of how to be 'Responsible, Respectful & Safe' whilst using the classroom iPads.



These notes are requested each year to remind students of the expectations surrounding the use of school iPads.



Please return notes to your classroom teacher as soon as possible so your child does not miss out on valuable learning using this technology.

K Foster

Assistant Principal

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Student Wellbeing

This week's school wide focus is:



Exiting the school safely

Focus: bus lines, walking and riding lines and going home with parents.

In Week 4 and 5, all students will practise the procedures and expectations of exiting the school safely.

Important rules to remember:

Exit the school safely

- ✦ Walk from your class to the playground in two straight lines behind your teacher.
- ✦ When your teacher lets you go, walk safely to your parents in the playground, bus lines, and walking/riding lines, or near the fishpond waiting to be picked up by your parents who are parked in the staff carpark.
- ✦ This is not playtime – no ball games, sliding down the wall or playing on the grass areas. You need to be in the right place.
- ✦ Bus lines – you need to sit down in your bus lines and wait for staff to take you to your bus. Bus leaders must also be sitting down.
- ✦ Sit down, quietly chat with your friends on the bus, and remain seated at all times.
- ✦ If it is wet weather or really cold then BUS 2 AND 3 can line up in the hall. Bus 2 will exit from front side doors and Bus 3 from back side doors.
- ✦ Only stand up when the bus has stopped.
- ✦ Riders need to walk bikes and scooters across the crossing with the supervising teacher. Once you are safe across the road, you can then ride the rest of the way home. Make sure your helmet is on properly!
- ✦ Walkers need to safely walk across the crossings with the supervising staff member and beware of cars in the carpark that are coming and going. **LOOK AND LISTEN AT ALL TIMES!**
- ✦ If your parent's car is parked across at the dam, you must line up in the walkers line and a staff member will walk you across the road to the crossing supervisor.

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

- ✦ Exiting the school safely – talk about your child's afternoon routine and the safest way for them to exit the school.
- ✦ Why safety is so important



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UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Shop will be open.

Even weeks on Thursdays between 2-3pm

Book Club Information

All orders are now completed online in 'LOOP' (Linked Online Ordering & Payment) system for parents/carers allowing you to place an order and make the necessary payment. Go to scholastic.com.au/LOOP for this option.



The school earns reward points for each order placed and these points are converted throughout the year to add new books to our school Library. Please note: All books/items ordered will be forwarded to the school approximately 1 week after the closing date and then sent home with students.

2019 School Contributions are now due
\$30 FOR ONE STUDENT
\$60 FOR A FAMILY

CANTEEN ROSTER

FEB/MARCH

Fri 22nd	Jenne Taylor Kasy Anthes Karina Carter
Mon 25th	Sue Warner Vicki Shumack
Tue 26th	CLOSED
Wed 27th	Susan Brodie Lynne Fosse
Thur 28th	Closed
Fri 1st Mar	Debbie Williams Holly Smith
Mon 4th	Kristy McManus Sonja Ward
Tue 5th	CLOSED
Wed 6th	Brooke Coolidge Melody Jane Kent
Thur 7th	CLOSED
Fri 8th	Sheree Scanlan Renee Bradford

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

Lithgow City Rangers Soccer Club will be holding their 2019 registration days/muster days at the Marjorie Jackson Soccer Complex on Thursday 28th Feb & Thursday 7th March from 4pm to 5.30pm. For more information please contact Nigal Lloyd on 0409 676 019 or 6351 2697.
 President Lithgow City Rangers Soccer Club.

Western Coaches Conference Saturday 2nd March Bathurst RSL, 114 Rankin Street, Cost \$35 includes morning tea & lunch.

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