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#### Wednesday 12 December 2012

Term 4 Week 10

We are rapidly coming to the end of yet another busy but very productive year at Wollondilly P.S. Teachers have been working extremely hard generating reports which will come home to you early next week. This week we will have completed two Presentation nights; K-2 was held on Monday night and 3-6 this evening at 7pm.

On Tuesday evening I had the pleasure of being invited to the Mulwaree High School Presentation Evening. It was gratifying to see so many former Wollondilly students performing and receiving wonderful awards in a range of areas. Our former students have taken the opportunity to meet their new challenges at high school head on and have done so exceedingly well. Goulburn High School will hold their Presentation evening tonight and I suspect our former students will shine there as well. We wish all recipients of awards every success as they meet the challenges ahead.

#### **Environmental Grant**

We were fortunate to have a visit from our local Member the Hon. Pru Goward MP on Wednesday morning, to present to us a certificate showing recognition of our successful environmental grant application. This was presented to us on behalf of The Hon. Robyn Parker MP Minister for the Environment. The project was awarded to assist us in our efforts to improve the environment of NSW. Several members of our hard working Wollondilly Warriors group including Ashleigh Deaton (Year 4), Ben Orford (Year 6), Caitlyn Jones (Year 4), Henry Wright (Year 1), Cody Menzies (Year 1) and Grace Jones (Kinder), showed our local member around our grounds and where we will be establishing our Wollondilly Native garden.

## Congratulations

Mr Scott Fagan today is graduating at Charles Sturt University after successfully completing his Masters in IT and Mrs Lisa Lieschke is also graduating with a Masters in Librarianship also at Charles Sturt University. Congratulations from The Wollondilly Community. The photo below shows Mr Armstrong, The Wollondilly Warriors, Ben Orford, Caitlyn Jones, Ashleigh Deaton, Henry Wright, Grace Jones and Cody Menzies being presented with our certificate by our local member The Hon. Pru Goward MP.



## Congratulations 4/5T

Recently 4/5T entered a competition to make a recycled Christmas tree. The class used cardboard and decorated it with a star made from paper. They also made Mr and Mrs Iron man and a couple of reindeers made from aluminium cans. Bunnings have presented the class with a \$20 gift voucher. Well done! Please see photo on page 2.

## **Festive Greetings**

Wollondilly students and staff wish our school community a happy and safe Christmas and we look forward to a productive, creative and energetic New Year. Students in Years 1-6 return to school on Wednesday 30 January, 2013.

Steve Armstrong Relieving Principal



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4/5T from Wollondilly Public School with Drink Can Santa, Drink Can Mrs Claus, their Drink Can Donkey twins as Reindeer and their RECYCLED box Christmas Tree

# SHAVE THE DAY

# **Community Fundraiser**

When: 9am-3pm, 15 December 2012 Where: St Joseph's Primary School 101 Lagoon Street Goulburn

MONSTER GARAGE SALE, CAKE STALLS, SAUSAGE SIZZLE, FACE PAINTING, ENTERTAINMENT AND MUCH, MUCH MORE......





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## K-2 Class Parties

All K-2 classes will have their end of year Class Parties on Monday 17 December.

Children are requested to bring their usual lunch and fruit break and one Christmas treat. Children may decorate their lunch boxes with Christmas trim and wrapping paper.

All children are allowed to wear casual clothes with a Christmas theme. (eg Christmas T-shirt). Please ensure that your child has a hat for outside play and that they do not wear strappy tops.

Thank you

Mrs Cooper

#### **Student Medication**

Parents of students who require the school to hold medication on their behalf (Year 6 students and students leaving to other schools) are requested to collect this from the school office before the end of the school term.

Any medication held after the end of term, that has not been collected (eg ventolin etc) will be disposed of safely by the school.

If you require clarification regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

## Thank you.

#### Library News

Our school library is currently undertaking its yearly stocktake of books.

This stocktake has revealed that there are more than 100 books still outstanding. Please check your child's school bag or bedroom for any library books. All books are stamped with the school name and have an accession label on the front cover.

Your prompt action in returning outstanding books would be appreciated.

Mrs Lisa Lieschke Teacher/Libraian



On Friday 16 November, three year 6 students, Patrick Moller, Will Clancy and Charlie Larkham represented Wollondilly at the march to recognise 150 years celebration of the NSW Police Force and also the launch of 150 years celebration of Goulburn City. A key to the city was presented to Goulburn Local Area Commander Superintendent Gary Worboys in recognition of the importance of the NSW Police Force in Goulburn. We were fortunate enough to witness and enjoy the march and also the stalls set up displaying the various roles the police force fulfil. The parade and ceremony was also the official launch to the 150 years celebration for Goulburn being declared a city. Further activities have been planned for March 2013.



#### Parent tips 2013 homework planner

Kids and families run more smoothly when there's a plan - so print out School A to Z's 2013 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays. Find out more <u>http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homeworkand-study/homework-tips/2013-homework-planner</u>

#### Hundreds of holiday activities

There's no time to be bored these school holidays when you have Go Play's list of family and budget–friendly activities at your fingertips. Take a look at the calendar of events, or download the free Go Play app for ideas in an instant.

Find out more: <u>http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/</u> health/school-holidays-5-things-to-do

#### Helping your child choose right from wrong

In a fascinating podcast broadcaster James O'Loghlin talks to Dr Simon Longstaff from the St James Ethics Centre about how to raise ethically aware kids. Ideas discussed include getting involved with your child's school, providing some well-defined boundaries, knowing how to talk to your child and being a role model at home. Find out more: <u>http://</u> www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/helpingyour-child-choose-right-from-wrong





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# SCHOOL CALENDAR 2012 - Term 4 Dates for your Diary

10	Wednesday	Presentation Evening
	12 December	Assembly Y3-6 at 7pm.
11	Monday 17 December	Year 6 Farewell Dinner. K-6 "Year in Review" Assembly at 12.20pm. Parents and friends are most welcome to attend this assembly. K-2 Christmas Sing-a-long at 2pm. This is an informal end of year "get-together". No awards. Parents and friends welcome.
11	Tuesday 18 December	Christmas Carols- from 5:30pm for a 6pm start, on the lawn in front of the kindergarten rooms.
11	Wednesday 19 December	Last day of school for 2012. School resumes for students in Years 1-6 on Wednesday 30 January.



## **PBS Whole School Reward**



At the last K-6 assembly we reached our whole school reward for collecting purple STARRS cards. As the reward we decided that instead of a K-6 assembly this week we would enjoy an extra 15 minutes of play at the end of fruit break.

So on Monday the whole school ignored the 2pm bell and stayed out in the playground for extra play. Some teachers joined in with their students having fun on the playground. The time went quickly and was enjoyed by both students and teachers.

Purple STARRS cards (Striving to Act Respectful, Responsible, Safe) are used in any setting outside the classroom. Teachers issue the STARRS cards to any students who are seen being Safe, Respectful and Responsible in the playground, during K-6 assemblies or around the school. Each class has a target that are striving towards so they can receive a class reward an ultimately be a part of a whole school reward.

Congratulations to Wollondilly students for being safe, respectful and responsible at our school.

## Mrs Appel





Purple STARRS Cards Positive Behaviour in the Playground





6 PB Cards

Alex Tomlinson 1-2ND

#### **12 PB Cards**

Ethan Bennett 1-2ND Sam Dunn 3-4C Zach Brooker KH

Emily Kimber 3-4C Max Carmichael KH

## **18 PB Cards**

Tahlia Cox-Bishop KAC	Lily Peacock KAC
Hannah Smith KAC	Charlotte Taylor KAC
Boyden Moorby KAC	Nicky Fuller KAC
Tyler Chandler KAC	Sara Jeffrey KH
Seth Field KH	Kenny Woods KH
Alyssa Gregory 3-4C	Codey Hedges 3-4C
Drew Thompson 3-4C	Tristan Pollard 3-4C
Karlie Collins KDF	Chloe Crawford KDF
Lachlan Divall KDF	Thomas Divall KDF
Mary Hyland KDF	Hugh McCall KDF
Axel Wellings KDF	Claire Hellessey KDF

## 4-5T donates to World Vision

Over the past week, 4-5T have been collecting our small change and putting this into a piggy bank. Today we used our money to buy a chicken and feed, plus pencils for a school through World Vision.

Written by a very proud teacher.



