



The Wollondilly Wag

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Term 3 Week 4

Wednesday 8 August 2012

Exciting Education Week

Thank you to all the parents/carers and grandparents, who were able to join us last week to help celebrate Education Week. Many took the opportunity to watch a maths lesson and saw the use of the interactive whiteboards in every classroom. Some enjoyed a picnic lunch in our playground and an appreciative audience was entertained by the senior students at an assembly in the afternoon. Our school choir and both junior and senior dance troupes participated in the Goulburn Community of Public Schools concert on Wednesday night and they were fabulous ambassadors for our school. 'Creating the Future' is exactly what we are doing here at Wollondilly Public School and we are very proud of all our students and staff.

Staff News

One of our Assistant Principals - Mr Phil Katen, who has been relieving Principal at Breadalbane P.S. since the start of 2011 has been permanently appointed as Principal at Tarago P.S. We congratulate him and wish him well in his new school. Staffing unit will advise as to how Mr Katen's position will be filled for 2013.

Environmental Update

Our school grounds are looking fantastic due to the efforts of our General Assistants over the past few months. Our students have also been busy lately establishing two vegetable garden beds in the K-2 area and several large tyres have been recycled for veggie gardens. A big thank you to Ms Wright for co-ordinating the groups each week.

Dance lessons

This week all classes are receiving dance lessons with Miss Meredith Collins, who is a past student, who now attends Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts.

She is undertaking work experience and she chose to return to Wollondilly P.S. to give something back to her old school community. The students and teachers are loving the sessions and learning lots about dance. Thank you Meredith.

Excess Furniture Sale

We are currently emptying a shipping container and we have some furniture that is no longer needed. If you are interested in school desks and/or chairs for a cubby, kid's corner or garage etc. please contact Mrs Bradley. It is all outside, behind the Early Intervention Unit building, if you want to take a look. Going cheap !!!

Professional Learning

Next week members of our Literacy Committee will meet with the regional consultant, to determine our direction in Literacy, for Term 4. On Thursday 16 & Friday 17 August Mrs Oxley and Mrs Finch will attend the ISER RSRG conference in Wollongong and I will attend the Primary Principal's Association conference on Thursday 16 August. There are many changes that will occur over the next few years in curriculum, administration, finance and the resourcing of schools and it is essential that we stay well informed so we can meet these challenges with confidence. Our school team is motivated and positive about the impact these changes will have for our whole school community.

P & C Five cent Friday Fundraiser

We hope you are all collecting those five cent pieces to bring along to school on Friday 14 September. There will be a prize for the class collecting the most coins, so ask friends, family, neighbours and grandparents to save them for you!!!



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WPS Green Warriors

This year a group of interested students have been volunteering their time to be a part of the environmental group known as the WPS Green Warriors. Each Monday the warriors meet at lunch time to report what has been achieved around the school and decide on what may need to happen when the subcommittees meet on their rostered day.

Vegie Volunteers:

The "Vegie Volunteers" have begun planting some winter crops in the new vegetable gardens near the K-2 playground. Mrs Emmerson has come along each week and provided valuable information on soil preparation and care for seedlings. We all look forward to watching the vegetables grow and hopefully get to taste the produce in the weeks to come.

Tree Troupe:

To recognise National Tree Day, the "Tree Troupe" planted two olive trees. These have been positioned on the boundary of the area that is planned as an edible garden. We are hoping to continue planting a hedge of olive trees around the area to help provide a natural wall and a wind barrier. If you would like to donate an olive tree or two, the tree troupe would be grateful and would care for them as part of their role in the WPS Green Warriors. Please contact Miss Wright if you would like to contribute an olive tree.

Subcommittees:

Other subcommittees include the "Clean Teams," the "Worm Watchers," the "Hall Helpers," the "Compost Crews" and the "Weed Wizards." Keep an eye out for the fantastic work some of them have been doing in the next newsletter.



Book Covering - Helpers Needed

The School has just made a significant addition to our classroom Guided Reading collection. We are eager to begin using these wonderful new books in our classrooms as soon as possible. If you are able to spare some time to assist in covering our books then please pop in and see Mrs Davy or Mrs Cooper or alternatively leave your name and phone number at the school office and we will contact you. With thanks.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

WPS have now earned an amazing 32,000 points in the Earn and Learn promotion, which is almost 3 times our total for 2011. Well done everyone! Sticker cards can still be returned to school until the end of August. Thank you to Phaedra Leah for counting our sticker cards!

Coles Sports for Schools

The Coles Sports for Schools promotion has now ended but vouchers can still be brought into school up until the 24 August. Thank you for your fantastic support!

Mrs M Davy

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SCHOOL CALENDAR 2012

Term 3

5	Tuesday 14 August	2012 UNSW School's Competition, exam sitting day for Mathematics.
7	Monday 27 August	K-2 assembly hosted by KDF, starts 2pm in the school hall. Parents and friends most welcome to attend.
7	Friday 31 August	P & C Fathers' Day Stall
8	Monday 3 September	Regional Athletics
8	Wednesday 5 September	Year 5 Excursion, depart for the Blue Mountains and Katoomba.
8	Friday 7 September	Year 5 Excursion return.
10	Monday 17 September	K-2 Assembly hosted by KH, starts 2pm in the school hall. Parents and friends most welcome to attend.
10	Tuesday 18 & Wednesday 19 September	Space Expo at Carr Confoy Park, East Goulburn. Full details will be sent home later in the term.
10	Friday 21 September	Last day of Term 3. Students return to school on Monday 8 October for the commencement of Term 4.

**Wanted Urgently
1 litre cardboard milk
cartons**



Empty and Clean.

Please deliver to the labelled box in the school foyer.



Purple STARRS Cards Positive Behaviour in the Playground



3 PB Cards

Jordan Shaw 1-2ND Jarrod Lehman 3-4S
Lockie Brouff 3-4S Charlie Larkham 5-6S
Dre Williams 5-6S

6 PB Cards

Emma Hayes 5-6S Brylee Walsh 5-6S
Jontey Hunt 5-6S Cassie Armstrong 5-6S
Wren Brown 5-6S Danny Harrington 5-6S
Lachlan Whitton 3-6H Hayley Caruana 3-6H
Nicky Cooper 3-6H Macey Halls 3-6H
Joe Charbaji 3-4S Tayla Brooker 3-4S
Piper-Lily Cumberland 3-4S Hayley Dawson 3-4C
Samuel Dunn 3-4C Emma Larkham 3-4C
Jacob Hoffmann 5-6S

12 PB Cards

Joey Critchlow 3-6H

Kindergarten Enrolments 2013

Wollondilly Public School is now accepting Kindergarten enrolments for 2013. If you have a child who is turning 5 by 31 July 2013, please collect an enrolment form from the School Office.

When you come to school to enrol your child please bring the following documents with you:

- * Proof of student's residential address (e.g. original copies of council rates notice, residential lease, electricity accounts, statutory declaration etc).
- * Birth Certificate or identity documents
- * Immunisation history statement
- * Copies of any family law or other relevant court orders. (if applicable)

Please return any completed enrolment forms together with supporting documentation for processing to the School Office.

Thank you.



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