

Wangi Wangi Public School

'Quality, Care & Commitment'

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Organisation

Persistence

Confidence

Getting Along

Resilience



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TERM 3

Week 6

Fri 26 Aug Book Parade 1pm "One World, Many Stories"

Week 7

Tue 30 Aug Backyard League

Wed 31 Aug Newcastle Permanent Maths Comp 5/6

Thur 1 Sep Father's Day Stall

Fri 2 Sep Regional Athletics

Father's Day Stall

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

School Directions Planning has commenced for the School Management Plan 2012-2014. A series of school surveys will be given to staff, students and parents to complete. These surveys will assist with the completion of the 2011 Annual School Report.

Staff are currently attending a range of Teacher Professional Learning courses in Literacy and Numeracy.

A Matter of Seconds A local team from Surf Life Saving NSW visited our school last Friday to deliver their annual presentation for Kinder, Year 3 and Year 6. Each session focussed on safety around and in the water at a level appropriate to each group. It was great to see Year 6 learning CPR and quite often it is our younger citizens who come to the rescue of someone in need.

Zone Athletics Update The Athletics team represented our school with enthusiasm and sportsmanship. It is a learning experience for many competitors to compete at Glendale and use their wonderful facilities.

Regional Representatives Congratulations to the following students who will represent our school at Regional on Friday 2nd September. Emily - 1st Shotput. Jonty - 2nd Shotput, Stuart - 2nd 100m, Jye - 3rd 100m.

Other Results from zone: Jye, Jonty, Stuart, Justin - 3rd Junior Boys Relay. Justin - 3rd 800m. Josie - 3rd 800m. Some great efforts!

A special thanks to Mrs Hurst and Mrs Wiles for managing the team.

OHS Recently Wangi Wangi School has been supported by the OHS Advisor, Kerry Stratford, who has updated many systems to bring us up to speed for the implementation of the new Work, Health and Safety document that be implemented in 2012. Kerry will present a series of Staff meetings over the next two terms to inform staff of the changes.

Staff News Mrs Rayfield will be taking long service leave from Monday; Mrs Tarasenko will be replacing Mrs Rayfield during her time away.

Fire Visit What a great afternoon Kindergarten had when the local fire brigade came to our school. What a wonderful learning experience!

Congratulations were sent to Mr O'Brien from John Theaker (School Education Director) for his input at the recent GATs camp that Mr O'Brien attended. Mr O'Brien provided a variety of engaging maths activities and left a lasting impression with the students.

Don't forget our Book Week Parade on Friday at 1.00pm.

Jenni Langford
Principal

A great teacher makes a difference in each child's life.

KINDER

We have had an exciting week, so far!
On Monday afternoon Mrs. Rayfield, Kylie and Haidee walked your cherubs to the library as part of "Book Week" celebrations.

On Tuesday the class all wrote about their excursion and it seems all had a lovely time!
On Tuesday afternoon the Wangi Wangi Fire Brigade visited Kindergarten. The children now know how to "Drop down low and go! go! go!" as well as "Stop! Drop! Roll!" There could be a few future firefighters in our class judging by the way some of them could handle the fire hose, not to mention how quickly they could get dressed into a fireman's coat and hat and race three others!

A BIG thank you to the 4 firefighters who provided a valuable learning experience as well as fun for the class.

Mrs Standen

YEAR 2/3

2/3 enjoyed the visit by the Surf Lifesavers and asked a range of interesting questions. The class were informed of the many dangers at the beach, swimming pools, boating, lakes, rivers, creeks, dams and fishing. Students worked on their own individual mind map of Dangers and Hazards in the Water.

Mrs Langford

YEAR 4/5

Team Smart.

We have been busy working on our Harry Potter Units and working with 5/6.

Homework reviewing is on Wednesday afternoons if everyone can check and bring their books in with any questions.

Mr O'Brien

YEAR 5/6

5/6 have discovered that maths is fun! We have been working with compasses and have enjoyed creating interesting designs.

Mrs Murphy

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

MERIT AWARDS

Kinder	Samuel, Charlotte, Tahlia, Claire, Bailey, Charlotte, Jose, Jemimah
1/2	Bell, Sandhya, Jessica, Ella, Sam Jayden J, Lili
2/3	Kellie, Georgie-Rose, Logan, Kobe, Rose, Carl.
4/5	Keigan, Caitlin S, Nicola
5/6	Gabby, Emily, Nic

CHOCOLATES

Chocolate money is due in on Wed 7th September.

Extra boxes are available if needed.

NEW ONLINE SCHOOL COMMUNITY FOR PARENTS

The School A to Z online community provides practical advice about homework, tips on learning, wellbeing, technology and resources to help parents and carers support their child's social, physical and mental development.

School A to Z includes:

- Printable homework sheets
- A-Z lists of English, maths and technology definitions
- Assignment starters on popular classroom topics

The website also offers a school guide area and a technology section with information and resources on how to keep kids safe online, along with a healthy lunch box recipe section and information on health and wellbeing.

www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au

YOUR VOTE IS NEEDED

Sandhya in 1/2 entered the LJ Hooker "Draw My House" competition and has been selected as a finalist. You can vote for Sandhya to win the People's Choice Award which included in the prizes is a giant sports marquee for the school. Have a look at Sandhya's drawing showing "before & after" scenes of her house renovation"

<http://drawmyhouse.com.au/?psec=gallery>

(enter: nsw / wangi wangi in the search boxes) and give her your vote.

BIKE SAFETY

Students must be 10 years of age to be able to ride their bike to school.

GUITAR LESSONS

There are still some vacancies for students wishing to learn guitar. Our guitar teacher, Dan, comes to the school each Tues after 1pm. Contact the office for more info.

SCHOOL SECURITY

Please make an anonymous call if you see anything that looks wrong going on in the school outside school hours.

Phone: 1300 880 021

P&C NEWS

*Thank you to all the volunteers who gave up their time to help out at the athletics carnival, on the field and in the canteen, (thanks Grant for manning the BBQ all day) it was a great day and the funds that were raised will go a long way towards improving our school.

*If you like eating chocolate you can help year 5/6 purchase a new and much needed air conditioner by supporting their chocolate fundraiser, P&C will assist with funding also.

*The P&C are running a Father's day stall on 1st and 2nd of September gifts from \$2-\$8.

*Saturday 12th of November is the new date for the WANGI WANGI PUBLIC SCHOOL FETE if you would like to be involved in ideas and organization, please attend our first committee meeting at the school hall Friday 26th August.

*Thank you to the volunteers who made it possible for our canteen to be open Wednesday's.

*Next P&C meeting September 20th we would love to see you.

CANTEEN NEWS

There are some exciting menu additions coming up! We now have freshly cooked pancakes available at recess and lunch for just 20c each.

The canteen is also trialling a breakfast menu for just \$2.00. There will be a breakfast pack consisting of a toasted muffin/raisin toast/plain toast plus your choice of flavoured milk or fruit juice. The toast options are available for \$1.00 without a drink.

We have also increased the variety of drink options with the addition of orange/mango and apple/blackcurrant juice and honeycomb flavoured milk. Still just \$1.50 each.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

ANGLICAN PARISH of SOUTHLAKES SERVICES

Grandparents as Parents – Fri 10am

Emergency Relief – Wed 10am – 1pm
(through Samaritan Organisation – bookings essential)

Op Shop – 6 mornings a week

Coffee Shop – Wed 10 – 1pm (coffee/cake \$2)

Grief Support Ministry – 3rd Wed of each month 2pm

Parish Centre, Newcastle Rd, Morisset
4973 1204

DORA CREEK CRICKET CLUB

Registration Day

Sat 27 & Sun 28 Aug

12 – 4pm

Dora Creek Workers Club auditorium

WESTLAKES ATHLETICS

Registration Fri 26 Aug

5 – 7pm at Wangi Oval

Info: 4975 4584 or

david.puller@westnet.com.au

MACQUARIE SHORES SWIM CLUB

Registrations for Summer Season

Tania 0419 705565

Friday nights of school term at 6pm.

Free BBQ each night.

Club T-shirt with all new registrations.

YMCA 49594444

BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Art, Craft & Sports programs

Children travel to & from school in private
YMCA bus

More info contact Tania 4959 4444

FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION

Firefighters from Wangi Wangi Fire Station visited our school last week and taught our Kindergarten students about fire safety. The visit was part of the NSW Fire Brigades FIRE ED program, which aims to deliver appropriate fire safety education to school students. This program is part of the NSW Fire Brigades ongoing commitment to educating the community for a fire safe NSW and is funded by Macquarie Bank Foundation.

It is appropriate at this time that our entire school community take heed of some principles of fire safety. The NSW Fire Brigades has provided us with the following tips:

***INSTALL AND MAINTAIN SMOKE ALARMS**

It is compulsory for ALL homes in NSW to have at least one working smoke alarm from May 1 2006. Smoke alarms warn you of a fire in time to let you escape. Install smoke alarms on each level of your home to cover sleeping areas. Test the smoke alarm once a week, and replace dead batteries immediately. Smoke alarms are readily available at your local variety and hardware stores and are inexpensively priced.

*** PLAN AND PRACTICE YOUR HOME FIRE ESCAPE PLAN**

With your family, draw a grid of your home and plan two ways (wherever possible) out of every room. In the event of a fire, one exit may be blocked by flames or smoke. Choose a meeting place outside where everyone will gather. Practice the Escape Plan regularly.

*** TAKE CARE WHEN COOKING**

Approximately a third of all home fires start in the kitchen. Be alert when cooking, and keep children out of the way. Keep pot handles turned inward so they won't be knocked over the edge of the stove.

*** MATCHES / LIGHTERS ARE TOOLS NOT TOYS**

Matches or lighters are extremely dangerous in the hands of a child. Always store them out of sight, up high where children can't reach them. Teach your children that matches and lighters are tools for adults, not toys for children.

*** STOP, DROP, COVER AND ROLL**

Even young children should know this rule; if your clothes catch fire, don't run. Stop where you are, drop to the ground, cover your face and roll over to smother the flames. Cover your face with your hands to protect your face and lungs.

*** CRAWL LOW UNDER SMOKE**

If you do get caught in smoke, the cleanest air will be closest to the floor. Get down on your hands and knees and crawl to the nearest safe exit.

*** BE ABLE TO UNLOCK DOORS AND WINDOWS EASILY**

Deadlocks and window locks are a safety feature, but they can be deadly in the event of a fire. Make sure the keys are readily accessible and the doors and windows can be opened easily if a fire occurs.

REMEMBER: By planning ahead there's a lot you can do to prevent a fire. But once a fire starts in your home, there are only two things to do:

GET OUT AND STAY OUT THEN CALL THE FIRE BRIGADE.

Never go back into a burning building. If you think someone is trapped inside, tell the firefighters when they arrive.

For more fire safety information visit www.fire.nsw.gov.au/community or contact your nearest fire station.

IN AN EMERGENCY CALL TRIPLE ZERO (000)