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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### TERM 1 2012

#### Week 7

Fri 9 Mar School Photos  
PSP Surveys due back today.

#### Week 8

Mon 12 Mar Cricket Yrs 3-6  
Tues 13 Mar Yr 7 2013 THS transition  
Wed 14 Mar Questacon Science Circus visit  
Wangi Fire Brigade visits Kinder  
Thurs 15 Mar Kinder Parent/Teacher interviews  
Cross Country Carnival  
Fri 16 Mar School as normal (*no Show holiday, no Staff Development Day*)  
High School 2013 Expression of Interest due back

#### Week 9

Mon 19 Mar Cricket Yrs 3-6  
Tues 20 Mar P&C AGM  
We 21 Mar K-3 Walking Excursion

NB: For up-to-date details of events please refer to our website's calendar @:  
[www.wangiwangi-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.wangiwangi-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents/Guardians,

### Priority Schools Programs Survey

This survey went out on Monday and so far we have a pleasing number of returns, we are aiming for 100% return, as I know that all parents want to give Wangi Wangi School the best chance to get onto this valuable program.

**Thank you for your ongoing support.**

### Show Holiday Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March

Due to circumstances beyond my control our Staff Development Day has been cancelled and school will run as normal on this day. Term 2 Staff Development Day will be on Monday 23 April.

### Persuasive Writing Workshop

Thank you to the parents who attended. Mrs Tarrant gave many practical ideas and information to the parents. A big thanks to Mrs

Tarrant for running this workshop. Years 2-6 have been working on many exposition topics to improve their writing skills.

### World Down Syndrome Day

We are celebrating this day throughout the month of March. As a community we aim to raise money to support and accept the achievements of people with Down Syndrome. A flyer with weekly events will be sent home soon!

### Cyberbullying

On Monday 2 April, Senior Constable Vanessa Ell, School Police Liaison Officer, will address Years 4-6 students on Cyber Safety. This will be followed by a parent workshop at 3.30 pm which will be held in the Library. This is part of our ongoing review of Wangi's Anti-Bullying Policy. This workshop will be extremely valuable for parents, please support

the initiatives that we are putting into place at our school to make it a safe and secure learning environment.

### **Parent /Teacher Interviews**

Kindergarten parent/teacher interviews have been scheduled for Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March; these interviews are earlier than the rest of the school as Best Start feedback has to be given to parents by 16<sup>th</sup> March.

Interviews for Years 1-6 will be held over a two week period from 26 March to 4 April. The interviews will be held in the class teacher's RFF time as well as after school. Individual class notes will be sent home.

### **Focus on Reading**

On Friday 16 March, Mrs Witt and Mr O'Brien will be visiting Tenambit Public School to gain a deeper insight into the teaching of comprehension; they will be involved in teacher professional learning as well as viewing two classroom lessons.

**Jenni Langford**  
**Principal**

*It is noble to teach oneself,  
It is still nobler  
To teach others.*

### **HOT OFF THE PRESS**

Congratulations to Josie Hurst who represented our school at the Regional Swimming Carnival today. Josie came 3<sup>rd</sup> in 200 Individual Medley and 2<sup>nd</sup> in 50m Backstroke. Josie has also qualified for the State Swimming Carnival!! Fantastic effort Josie.

### **MERIT AWARDS**

**K:** Evie Wild, Sarah Bullock, Dylan Gobbo, Cooper Walsh, Riley Benson, Paul Marks-Gray

**1/2:** Emily Kent, Samuel Woolnough, Maggie Carr, Charlotte Marsh, Morgan Vlaich

**2/3/4:** Connor Grimes, Samuel Masters, Nathan Flynn, Liam Andrews, Jesse Moore,

**4/5:** Bridie Gardner, Destiny Hoppe, Conor Plows, Cassidy Laguna, Reece Wooldridge

**5/6:** Mitchell Mulroy, Bruce Campbell, Madi Hindmarsh, Amber Adams, Nic Palmer, Jaden Bennett

We have introduced several new awards to recognise our students and celebrate achievements. The **Community Service Award** recognises students who go out of their way to support our school community. There is no set number to these awards and they are presented at the discretion of staff. The **Act of Kindness** award is presented to two children each week. It recognises actions that contribute to all children at Wangi Wangi School feeling valued and supported.

The new **Mathematics Award** is presented monthly to one child from each class.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS**

Enola Noble, Riley Hardes, Marchello Laguna, Nicola Hardes, Bruce Campbell and Cassidy Laguna

### **ACT OF KINDNESS**

Ella Beauchamp, Kobe Noble, Destiny Hoppe and Jacob Kiellor

### **MONTHLY MATHEMATICS AWARD**

Sarah Bullock, Samuel Woolnough, Jonny Middleby, Nakita Yates, Liam Spencer

### **STUDENT WORK SAMPLES**

2/3/4 have been reading 'Where the forest meets the Sea' and we decided to write expositions about rainforests.

I believe that the rainforest should stay because it has been there for over one hundred million years.

There are many reasons that support my argument.

The first reason is that the animals could die and the oxygen could drop really low.

Secondly the human species can go away and the Earth will die.

In addition to this it's a good environment having many rainforests.

In conclusion, rainforests are great for the environment and they are part of Australia.

By Jayden James

I believe that the rainforest should stay because the trees are nature. There are many reasons to support my argument.

The first reason is if we build more resorts the animals will die.

Secondly, the animals are part of the forest's environment.

In addition to this resorts are not very good in a rainforest because the animals are going to annoy you in the middle of the night by making noises.

Possibly we should look after the animals instead of killing them.

In conclusion, I think that the rainforest should stay for another hundred million years more.

By Jessie

I think the forest should remain because alot of bugs and animals live there and they would have no place to live and if it stays people could see it in the future and all the animals will live forever and last there are so many shiny, beautiful features that everyone can see. Should a resort be built! I think a resort should be built because there will be more room for children to play and adults can relax in the sun. Alot of friendships can be made, you will have lots of room and you could also relax with no noise or fuss. I would love to build a resort.

By Jorja Walsh

## SLIMY

How we made Sarah's Slug "Slimy".

Step 1. We covered ½ an egg carton with paper- mache to make a slug shape.

Step 2. We left it for a week to dry.

Step 3. We painted Slimy brown and we painted a silvery trail behind Slimy.

Step 4. We made leaves and rocks so Slimy felt at home.

By Sarah Morgan



*Sarah & Slimy*

## LIBRARY

Library - Library borrowing is on the following days for these classes: -

Tuesdays: Yr 5/6, Kindergarten and Yr 2/3

Wednesdays: Yr 4/5 & Yr 1/2

## NOTES AND PAYMENTS

Please note: All permission notes and payments will now be collected by the classroom teacher each morning during rollcall. Students will no longer need to go to the office and can now hand any notes or money to the classroom teacher when they arrive in class. Please ensure all money is in a sealed labelled envelope or bag.

## LEARN A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

Students have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument. Lessons are held during the school hours and students have the choice of the following: flute, clarinet, drums, trumpet, trombone, tuba, bass guitar. Ask at the office for more details.

## SCHOOL WEBSITE

[www.wangiwangi.p-schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.wangiwangi.p-schools.nsw.edu.au)

Have a look at our website for up to date information of events happening in our school. There is a calendar where you can access details of upcoming events (from the homepage click on "Calendar"). You also have the option to print the calendar for easy reference.

Copies of our Newsletters are also posted on the website.

You will also find a page called "Notes & Forms" here you can access copies of recent

notes which were sent home and other forms such as absence notes & change of contact details which may be of use.

## ANAPHYLAXIS

Wangi Wangi Public School is a Nut Aware school.

A reminder to refrain from bringing peanut butter, nutella or products containing nuts to school as we have students who have severe allergic reactions to nuts.

## REGIONAL CHOIR

Do you like to sing? Do you like to perform? Join your Regional Choir!! It's not too late!!!!

Lake Macquarie rehearsals of the Regional Choir (Central Coast Singers) are held at Blackalls Park Primary School, Charles St, Blackalls Park on Tuesdays between 4.30 and 6.00pm. Students from Years 5 -12 are invited to attend. Auditions will be conducted at Rehearsals on Tuesday afternoons from 4.30pm (students will be invited to stay for the rest of the rehearsal). Collect an information sheet from the Office.

Contact Fay McCabe 49581544

## P&C NEWS

P & C Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 20th March, 6.30 pm in the staff room. The following executive positions are open for nominations:

- President
- Vice President (2 positions)
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Please give some thought about these important roles in our school. P&C membership is open to all parents of pupils attending the school and to all citizens within the school community. For more information please contact Heather Hamilton (current President) on 0401 950 870 or Jenni Stroinec (current Treasurer) on 0408 252 845.

## SUPPORT CONTACTS FOR PARENTS AND KIDS

**Parentline** – Ph: 1300 1300 52 or

[www.parentline.org.au](http://www.parentline.org.au) Counsellors available 24hr with advice and information.

**Lifeline** – Ph: 131 114 or [www.lifeline.org.au](http://www.lifeline.org.au) 24hr telephone counselling service.

**Kids Helpline** – Ph: 1800 55 1800 or

[www.kidshelp.com.au](http://www.kidshelp.com.au) 24hr counselling service for kids.

**Kids Matter** – Australian Primary Schools Mental Health Initiative.

[www.kidsmatter.edu.au](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au)

## THE MORISSETIAN

- "The Morisset High School Minute"

Hello everyone, I hope that we are all feeling well, now that we are over the half way mark in the term. This week at Morisset High School has seen two of our Aboriginal Students, Mahaela Bridge and Erin McIntosh, awarded second prize in the Secondary Division of the NAIDOC Aboriginal Art Competition; under is a photo of the two girls and Ms Mitchell from the Visual Art Faculty who supported the girls in their art making. This is an excellent achievement and one to be celebrated across all of our schools as I am sure that some parents and teachers will recognise the girls from years past as well as their efforts here. Our Rock Eisteddfod team has progressed with regard to both the audition process and set construction this week and Miss Ballantyne, Mr Burgess and Miss Ford are very happy with developments. Last Monday, Morisset High School's Year 7 GATS Students along with some students from Morisset Primary School, participated in the Squirrel Glider Program. This program delivered by Taronga Park Zoo and Rumbalara focuses upon the importance of protecting the habitat of native Australian animals. Within the program our students will now research this endangered species, investigating housing and population numbers within our immediate area. A Morisset High School we have discovered that we have a rare resident population of this beautiful Australian Marsupial. A big thank you for all of our parents who came up last Wednesday evening to our year 7, 11 and 12 Parent/Teacher Evening and I look forward to seeing parents for Years 8, 9 and 10 on Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> of March.

**Mark Snedden**  
Principal Morisset High School

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

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### KIDS CLUB

At Wangi Uniting Church 4pm - 6pm every second Tuesday for stories, music and craft.  
Dates for this month: 13th & 27th March

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**WEBERS CIRCUS**

**MORISSET SHOWGROUNDS**  
1st - 11th March

**Show Times**

Thursday 1st March	7.00pm
Friday 2nd March	7.00pm
Saturday 3rd March	3.00pm & 7.00pm
Sunday 4th March	11.00am & 3.00pm
Thursday 8th March	7.00pm
Friday 9th March	7.00pm
Saturday 10th March	3.00pm & 7.00pm
Sunday 11th March	11.00am only

**Ticket Prices**

<b>B Reserve Chairs</b>	
Child	\$14.00
Adult	\$22.00
<b>A Reserve Chairs</b>	
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