

## Wangi Wangi Public School

'Quality, Care & Commitment'

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## School Newsletter

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Organisation

Persistence

Confidence

Getting Along

Resilience



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### TERM 2 2012

##### Week 10

Fri 29 Jun Last day of term  
Assembly at 1pm

#### TERM 3 2012

##### Week 1

Mon 16 Jul Staff Development Day  
Tues 17 Jul Students return  
Thur 19 Jul Yr 6 Gala Sports Day MHS  
Yr 6 Debating @ WWPS 10:30am

##### Week 3

Tues 31 Jul NSWU English Competition  
Fri 3 Aug Paul Harragon Cup

##### Week 4

Mon 6 Aug Yr 5 Debating @ Nords Wharf  
Fri 10 Aug Yrs 5&6 Milo Cricket @ Blackalls Park

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)

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents/Caregivers,  
Another term has flown by, I can't believe we are half way through the year.

#### School Reports

This year staff are using the new Sentral reports, the reports have been customised to fit our school. Staff have been trained in how to use the reporting system and the layout is attractive and easy to read.

Teachers have found the new reports to be user friendly and that their proficiency level will be further developed with future use.

Staff have been working on Consistent Teacher Judgement (CTJ) of student's work samples to gain consistency with assessment.

**Reports go home today Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June.**

**If you would like a parent/teacher interview please see the class teacher.**

#### Best Start Reports

All K-2 staff have plotted their students along the Literacy and Numeracy continuum. Feedback on student progress reports will go out with school reports.

#### Speak Off

Participating students should be extremely proud of their presentation of their speeches last Friday at the Speak Off. Results in some year groups were extremely difficult for the judges to decide.

Winners were presented with a Public Speaking trophy.

Congratulations to the following winners:

Kinder – Shakira Yates  
Year 1 – Gracie Rush  
Year 2 - Lili Izaguirre  
Year 3 – Ella Geach  
Year 4 – Nakita Yates  
Year 5 – Eva Fraser  
Year 6 – Gina Lawrence  
These speakers will go through to the Zone Public Speaking next term.

### TARS

As part of teacher assessment (TARS) I have completed my visits to classrooms to review Quality teaching in our school. There is fantastic teaching happening at Wangi Wangi and all staff responded well to positive feedback provided. I saw high expectations and explicit quality criteria from all teachers, which provided student engagement and self regulation.

### Student Welfare Policy

Since full implementation of our new policy there has been a significant decrease of letters put into the Worry Box as well as a decline in the number of students who are sent to the R&R room. This is having positive impact on all students at our school.

### Staff Development Day (SDD)

Staff have a rigorous schedule planned for SDD. The next module in Focus on Reading is being presented by Mrs Witt and Mr O'Brien, staff will also be looking at the Literacy continuum and developing teaching/learning activities to target specific markers. CPR requirements will be updated.

**Have a safe and happy holiday, students return on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July.**

**Jenni Langford**  
**Principal**

### MERIT AWARDS

**Kinder:** Ella Bretreger, Sarah Bullock, Mali Denne, Dylan Gobbo, Jack James, Finn Miller,  
**Yr 1/2:** Chloe Vane, Lawson Latham, Oliver Tabone,  
**Yr 2/3/4:** Nathan Flynn, Conor Grimes, Liam Andrews, Samuel Masters, Jesse Moore, Georgie-Rose Connors  
**Yr 4/5:** Nakita Yates, Conor Plows, Callum Prescott, Josie Hurst, Cassidy Laguna  
**Yr 5/6:** Enola Noble, Mikaela Andrews, Gina Lawrence, Blake Eastwood, Jonty Moore, Liam Spencer

### 50 NIGHTS SUPER READERS

Congratulations to:



Caitlin Longbottom



Damon Verrier



Ethan Vlaich



Brooke Tatton



Zac Wiles



Jessie Castle



Jose Laguna



Nicola Hardes

Tomorrow's assembly will commence at 1pm. Athletics Carnival ribbons and You Can Do It awards will be presented.

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## STUDENT WORK SAMPLES

Kindergarten enjoyed their school first athletics carnival at Wangi Oval. These are some of their thoughts on the event.

Yesterday we went to the carnival. I played beanbags. (Mali)

Yesterday we went to the sports carnival and we went in a race. I won! (Finn)

Yesterday we went to the athletics carnival and I had a race. (Dylan)

Yesterday we went to the sports carnival and it was so fun. I liked it when we got a spoon and an egg. (Jayden)

Yesterday we went to the carnival. I ran at the carnival. (Yolanda)

Yesterday we went to the sports carnival. I watched the running people. (Paul)

Yesterday we went to the carnival running race. I liked when I ran and I came third and I liked when I jumped in the sack. (Ella)

Yesterday we went to the running race. (Jack)

Yesterday we went to the sports carnival with Kindergarten and I had a race with my best friends who were Ella and Shakira. It was fun. (Sarah)

## DEBATING

Our Yr 6 Debating Team (Brooke Tatton, Maggie Garnett, Gina Lawrence and Marchello Laguna) participated in their first debate on Tuesday at Toronto Public School. The children debated the topic "We should encourage people to move to the country". We were the negative team. The adjudicator was very impressed with the teams' arguments and method, particularly as this was their first debating experience. The affirmative team (Toronto Public School) won the debate by only one point! We will use our feedback and the experience to prepare for our next debate against Elmore Vale Public School during the first week of next term.

## STUDENT ASSISTANCE

A limited amount of funds is supplied by the Government for needy families to assist with educational expenses. Parents experiencing financial difficulty in meeting school expenses are invited to confidentially contact Mrs Langford to discuss the process.

## 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.

## BIKE SAFETY

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

## 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

## 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)

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

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### MINI OLYMPIC DAYS

July 9 & 10 at Tulkaba Oval, York St Teralba

9:30 am to noon

Cricket, AFL, touch, golf, rugby, NRL

Contact Mark Ingrey 0447 464 739

Presented by: PM's Olympic Challenge & Hunter Festival of Sport

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### VACATION CARE PROGRAMS

@ Hunter Sports Centre

7:30am till 6pm

Mon 2 July – Fri 13 July

Bookings essential 4953 6366

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## WANGI WANGI PUBLIC SCHOOL'S P & C NEWS

### **Road Safety**

There has been a big focus on keeping our roads around the school as safe as possible. The council has cut down tree limbs on our surrounding roads to allow for better visibility.

This is fantastic news. Thanks to all our parents/carers who continue to maintain the high quality road safety wanted at our Wangi Wangi Public School. Everyone is working together to keep our kids safe.  
**FANTASTIC !**

### **Wish List**

Already the P & C have helped Wangi staff achieve some of their **wish list** for 2012. The **"insitu"**(wall covering) or **"walls that teach"** will be up and running very soon . Keep an eye out in the 2/3/4/5/6 rooms for some great learning.



### **Fundraising**

The P & C have been busy looking at activities that promote a sense of community, but that also help to raise funds for our Wangi Wangi Public School. It looks like a great couple of months coming up with a disco, movie night, carboot sale... and a few other surprises.

As the events approach, we will be asking for people to help. If you are available we would love some support even if it is only for a little thing. The more the merrier! Thanks for all the support the Wangi Wangi Public school community already show !

### **Desperately Seeking Monday Helpers**

As of next term there has been a change in the number of people available to volunteer on a Monday. If you can help out, even a day a month, please see Jenni Stroinec in the canteen. Mondays really aren't that bad. On the upside, just another big thank you to all our canteen helpers. The canteen cannot operate without your help. Your time and efforts are appreciated.

### **School Uniforms**

The P&C discussed uniforms and it was agreed that the Wangi students look great in their red. It is hoped in the up coming months that the uniform will be more clearly defined. To help with this, the P & C are going to source some examples of trouser/pants and consider stocking these for easy purchase. We also liked the idea of a fleece to keep the kids warm. Keep an eye out for a uniform survey to help us get a better idea of what the school community would like.

### **Sustainable Neighbourhoods**

A big thank you to Kerry Jack from Lake Macquarie Council who came and spoke to us about the opportunity the council is making for the community to come together and develop ideas around creating a sustainable neighbourhood in the Wangi area. She spoke about the possibility of the school community becoming involved. Council is having a meeting on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June at the Wangi Bowling Club. This would be great opportunity for anyone interested in issues around our environment and in particular our local community, to become involved.

### **Things to be Proud Of**

Concerts, Public Speaking, Murals/artwork, dancing, athletics, environmental awareness, gardens & our community!

It's great to see the school getting so involved with our local groups  
-Lions, Probus, Uniting Care  
Great Community Spirit !

**P & C meet the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Tuesday of the month,  
Next meeting is the  
17<sup>th</sup> July. All welcome!**