

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 7

Mon 4 Jun Excursion to Reptile park K- 2/3/4
Wed 6 Jun UNSW International Comp – Science Skills
Thurs 7 Jun Excursion to CARES Yrs 4/5/6

Week 8

Tues 12 Jun Paul Harragon Cup
Thurs 14 Jun Athletics Carnival @ Wangi Oval

Week 9

Mon 18 Jun UNSW International Comp – Writing
Tues 19 Jun UNSW International Comp – Spelling
Wed 20 Jun Performance for Probus @ WWC
Yr 7 2013 Parent info night @ Morisset High 6pm
Fri 22 Jun "Speak Off" 12:15pm

Week 10

Thurs 28 Jun Yr 6 Sport Gala Day @ Morisset High
Fri 29 Jun Last day of term

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

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Public Speaking

All students have participated in Public Speaking over the last two weeks; students who are going through to the 'Speak Off' will be notified this week. The "Speak Off" is on Friday 22nd June at 12:15pm. Students were prepared and many used gestures, face expressions and eye contact to keep their audience engaged. Our students certainly continue to amaze us in their endeavours at our school. We look forward to students polishing and refining their speech for the "Speak Off". Trophies will be awarded for the winners of each grade.

School Excursions

Kinder, 1/2 and 2/3/4 are off to the Reptile Park next Monday, we look forward to seeing 'Elvis' the crocodile. This excursion will be a great learning experience for the students. 4/5 and 5/6 are off to CARES (Community and Road Safety Education Scheme) at Palmdale on Thursday 7th June. Students will develop their bike skills, learn road safety concepts and be granted a license to ride on a bicycle course complete with roundabouts and traffic lights. This is a practical and fun day for the students.

School Reports

This year staff will be 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. Reports go home on Thursday 28th June. Over the next two weeks staff will be working on in Consistent Teacher Judgement (CTJ) of student's work samples to gain consistency with assessment.

Focus on Reading

Staff have introduced the strategy of Making Connections, which will be implemented over the next two weeks. Making connections is when students make links between what they read and their prior knowledge.

Resident Painter

Wangi welcomes Mrs Sharon Higginbottom to our school in the role of artist. Sharon will be working with students to complete two artworks for our school. This week Sharon will assist indigenous students, for National Reconciliation Week, to begin work on an Aboriginal designed painting. We have recycled our old chalk boards to use in this process.

Attendance Rates

A component of our School Plan is to improve student attendance rates. In 2010 attendance was 93.28%, in 2011 our attendance increase slightly to 93.36%. Home school liaison officers check school rolls regularly, follow up with staff about excessive absences and monitor late arrival and early departure trends. I ask parents to work closely with us to further raise our attendance rate in 2012.

A good teacher challenges your mind and provides you with opportunities to gain knowledge at your own speed.

Jenni Langford
Principal

*Did you know
that if a student misses as little as
eight days in a school term,
by the end of primary school
they will have missed over a year of
education?*

MERIT AWARDS

Kinder Mali Denne, Yolanda Laguna, Jackson Clement, Jack James, Ethan Vlaich, Cooper Walsh

Yr 1/2 Maggie Carr, Gracie Rush, Bede Garnett, Dylan Eastwood, Oliver Tabone, Chloe Vane, Emily Kent, Lili Izaguirre

Yr 2/3/4 Jayden Hamilton, Jessie Castle, Liam Andrews, Courtney Mulroy, Phoebe Puller, Riley Harde, Jayden James, Jacob Keillor, Georgie-Rose Connors

Yr 4/5 Erin Goodwin, Siena Johnson, Alicia Nipperess, Stuart Curtis,

Yr 5/6 Emily Burgin, Tom Masters, Mikaela Andrews, Madison Hindmarch, Holly Tracey, Zac Wiles

ACTS OF KINDNESS AWARDS

Bridie Gardner, Maggie Garnett

STUDENT WORK SAMPLES

Year 4 Mini Catapult Competition

On Wednesday the 23rd of May we went into Newcastle to the basketball stadium for the comp with the minipults. First when we got there we started the competition. "Smash" was the 5th last called out. When we went out the pivot point broke so we didn't get it in on the 3 metre go. After a while it got to be our go again and we didn't get it in for the 6 metre either. And we also didn't get it in for the 9 metre but we had lots of fun. Soon we got a bag of goodies and then went back to school. It was the best day ever.

By Kiri Garnett



50 NIGHTS SUPER READERS

Congratulations to our 50 Nights Super Readers.



Bede Garnett, Sam Woolnough,
Samson Miller, Jazmine Nipperess,
Jayden Skelly, Finn Miller,
Cassidy Laguna, Tahlia Webber,
Georgie-Rose Connors, Kiri Garnett

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Just a reminder that all notes sent home are also available to download from our website. No more lost or missing notes – they are always at your fingertips.

JUST A REMINDER

PAYMENT DUE DATES

Dance fees: \$24 due Mon 21 May

Reptile Park Excursion: \$20 Mon 28 May

Canberra Excursion deposit: \$50 Wed 30 May

Full payment: \$355 Fri 19 Oct

CARES: \$18 Tues 5 Jun

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 Counsellors available 24hr with advice and information.

Lifeline – Ph: 131 114 or www.lifeline.org.au

24hr telephone counselling service.

Kids Helpline – Ph: 1800 55 1800 or

www.kidshelp.com.au 24hr counselling service for kids.

Kids Matter – Australian Primary Schools Mental Health Initiative.

www.kidsmatter.edu.au

MORISSET HIGH NEWS

Hi, I hope that Week 6 finds everyone fit and well. At Morisset High School our year 10 reporting period closes for staff on Friday and will mean that we are half way through our reports for semester one. On Monday this week we acknowledged and conducted a ceremony around Sorry Day with our Aboriginal Students, staff as well as our AECG President Mr Rodney Groves and a Community Elder. It was a tribute to Ms Archibald, Ms McDonald and the Aboriginal Education Team, both the ceremony, and the yarning time, with such an important leader within our Aboriginal Community. On Monday afternoon our Visual Arts Department held the inaugural Pet Portrait viewing. All students in year 7 create a portrait of themselves along with their favourite pet. I was asked to give an award and I must say, not having any art skill whatsoever, found it very difficult and so I handed out 8 awards instead of 1! It was a great afternoon spent with some of our parents and enjoying the catering from our Home Economics Faculty. Last Wednesday night our Hospitality students hosted our local Rotarians and provided a two course dinner. This was a fantastic evening of fine food and open communication with one of our supportive community organisations. I am looking forward to this event being repeated in August this year. The school's two calves who were supplied for the Cows Create Careers Program returned to their farm this week and this was in time for the delivery of a steer from Tocal College so our students can participate within the Tocal Steer Competition. Our students really are fortunate to have the opportunity to work with actual livestock and participate in real life learning experiences within our Agricultural Farm on site. Finally, next week, Mr Mitten Head Teacher Teaching and Learning, has organised a Study Skills day for our GATS students as well as staff and parents. A study skills expert is coming to Morisset High School to deliver workshops and give advice on successful studying and we have extended an invitation to our parents to come along and see how they can best support their children through high school, and I invite all parents from our primary schools to attend this event if they like on Thursday 7th June from 2:05pm in the school library. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

Mark Snedden
Principal Morisset High School

COMMUNITY NOTICES

KIDS CLUB

At Wangi Uniting Church 4pm - 6pm every second Tuesday for stories, music and craft.
Dates for this Term: 12 Jun & 26 Jun

Newsletter Advertising

Expressions of interest are now being taken for local businesses to advertise on the school newsletter. Please contact Australian Newsletter Services on freecall 1800 245 077 for more information.

AUTISM SPECTRUM AUSTRALIA

Presents an Asperger's Syndrome Seminar for parents and carers and professionals presented by Professor Tony Attwood.
Sat 4 Aug 9am - 4pm.
Panthers Newcastle
Registration details 4955 6266



"Making Good People Better"

Little Ninja's club ages 4-12 years
Adult Martial Arts
Muay Thai Kickboxing all ages
Realistic Self Defence
The opportunity for you to become
A member of Kumiai-Ryu and improve
Your life
Enquires call Sempai Chris
0458014484 or visit our website
Krmas.com.au
Wed nights in the school hall

\$2.00 GYMNASTICS VOUCHER


Come and try 4 weeks of Gymnastics or Playtime Activities at the YMCA for \$2.00 per lesson in the month of June 2012
(Please call to book in for your class. The full fee for the month will be requested upon your 1st Gym lesson at the YMCA; for voucher to be redeemed the full amount of \$8.00 must be paid up front. You will be asked to fill in an enrolment form to be covered by insurance.)

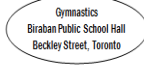
\$2 classes held from 4pm - 5pm on Mondays or Tuesdays (Boys and Girls +5yrs)
Playtime Activities class held from 9.30am - 10.30am on Tuesday mornings (Boys and Girls +2yrs)

Advanced classes available for progressive tuition

*Gymnastics Australia Accredited *Quality Programs *Low Child to Coach Ratio

To book your position please telephone the
YMCA on 4959 4444
Visit us on the web at
www.lakemacquarie.ymca.org.au

 We build strong PEOPLE strong FAMILIES strong COMMUNITIES

 Gymnastics
Biraban Public School Hall
Beckley Street, Toronto

WANGI WANGI PUBLIC SCHOOL'S P & C NEWS

<p>The school banking program is now up and running. School banking day is Tuesdays.</p> <p>Apologies for last week as banking did not occur for Yr 3,4,5,& 6, due to NAPLAN.</p> <p>.....Speaking of NAPLAN, a big thank you to the teachers for the dedication, flexibility and encouragement they have shown our students throughout the testing process.</p>	<p><u>Our Next P & C Meeting will be held on the 19th of June.</u></p> <p><u>6.30 pm</u></p> <p>Our next meeting is a special meeting to discuss two issues only:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. School Uniform2. Fundraising <p>If you are interested in either of these topics, we would love for you to come. If you can't make it, please pass your ideas to someone who can or let us know either on the night or before hand. This way we can make sure your idea gets discussed. We believe all input will help in making decisions that are great for our school.</p>	
<p><u>Wish List</u></p> <p>The P & C would love to help the teachers achieve their wish list for 2012. This includes ipads for the Kindy room and also some “insitu”(wall covering) to assist in developing “walls that teach” for all years. If you have any fundraising ideas don't forget our next P & C ☺</p>	<p><u>Canteen News</u></p> <p>The Canteen is introducing a winter menu. Some new items to watch out for include Chicken Burgers and a nice warm Milo. That should keep the winter chills away. A big thank you to the newly appointed Canteen committee and to all the volunteers who help to keep our canteen open !! The canteen also provided free breakfast to the Yr 3's and 5's during NAPLAN. Thanks ☺</p>	
<p>Thanks to all the families who supported the mother's day stall. We hope the mum's had a great day.</p>	<p><u>School Uniforms</u></p> <p>The P&C are hoping to get ideas from parents around what they would like to see for uniforms. The uniform shirts will not be changing, but we'd love feedback around winter accessories and leg wear. We think our kids already look great. We just want to know if there is anything else that could make them look and feel even better. So if this topic interests you please come to our next meeting. We'd love to see you there.</p>	
<p><u>Student Welfare Policy</u></p> <p>Another big thank you goes to the Wangi Wangi Public school staff, especially Ms Tarrant and Ms Witts who have spent many hours revising the Student Welfare Policy. This includes such things as Core Rules, School Discipline Policy, School Values and Respect and Responsibility.</p> <p>There is an opportunity for all parents to have a look at this document as it has been sent home to all families. It really is worth finding out about</p>		
<p><u>Things to be Proud Of</u></p> <p>ANZAC Day representation, great choir performances, wonderful school photos, bronze awards, reading capes, cross country, our community !</p>	<p>The P & C loving the new focus on Reading.....have you heard about the question webs or seen any fat sentences ?</p>	<p>Walk to school on the 18th of May students celebrated being healthy with free fruit and signing posters</p>

WANGI WANGI PUBLIC SCHOOL – STUDENT ABSENCE NOTE



STUDENT'S NAME _____ CLASS _____

DATE OF ABSENCE _____

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SIGNED _____ DATE _____



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