



WANGI WANGI PUBLIC SCHOOL

A proud member of the Western Shores Learning Alliance.

Term 4 Week 6

Thursday 13 November 2014

Principal's Report

Dear parents/caregivers,

Leaders for the Future

On Friday, 28 November, our Year 5 students will be presenting their school leader speeches at the Assembly. The Assembly will begin at 12.30pm in the school hall. Students are aware of the responsibilities and challenges associated with student leadership. Please come along and support our future leaders, we look forward to their presentations!

Reports

Staff have been assessing student progress and are busily working on Semester Two reports which will be sent home on Friday, 12th December. All staff spend many hours working on the reports to fine tune them for each individual child. I am sure that you appreciate the time and effort that goes into our assessing and reporting. Staff analyse work samples, use rubrics to assess writing, use consistent teacher judgement, as well as plotting students along the literacy and numeracy continuums.

There has been a change in reporting English this year due to the introduction of the new NSW English K-10 Syllabus. Teachers are required to give one A-E overall grade and will give a comment based on student achievement, progress and future learning.

Language, Learning and Literacy (L3)

This is the last week of L3 training that Mrs Taylor and myself will attend. This course has looked at classroom practice in great depth, it has supported us with literacy outcomes and strategies for K-2 students by providing explicit teaching. We have looked at our student data which supports the impact of teaching and we have collaborated to extend each other's learning.

Canberra Excursion

Year 5 and Year 6 students, Mrs Witt and Mrs Tarrant are extremely excited about their excursion to Canberra next week.

Thank you to all parents who have supported this excursion with prompt payment of monies and returning the appropriate paper work. Wangi Wangi students will represent our school with their exemplary behaviour, respect and high regard for the parents who are assisting Mrs Witt and Mrs Tarrant over the four days.

Jenni Langford

Principal

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P&C meets on the third Tuesday of each month

Merit Awards

- K/1** Alexis Eames, Lucy Kosky, Mitchell Cavell-Hall, Kaleb Hamilton, Michael Kiellor, Brock Bennett.
- Yr 1/2** Shamara Edden, Hannah Kosky, Joel Pallas, Ben Spencer, Bae Kelly, Yolanda Laguna, Jack James, Thomas Ririnui.
- Yr 2/3** Dylan Gobbo, Charlotte Marsh, Jazmine Nipperess, Chloe Vane, Bede Garnett, Bailey Jones, Jose Laguna, Oliver Tabone, Sam Woolnough.
- Yr 4/5** Holly Marks Gray, Dylan Eastwood, Tim Laver-Bennett, Jayden James, Harry Choi, Megan Hardgrave, Abbie Cohen.
- Yr 5/6** Ella Geach, Zali Mertens, Logan Brodie, Kiri Garnett, Destiny Hoppe, Siena Johnson, Kellie Mallaby, Alicia Nipperess, Nakita Yates, Kobe Noble, Callum Prescott.

Maths Awards – October

Kinder – Mitchell Cavell-Hall

Yr 1/2 - Charlie Prescott

Yr 2/3 – Elizabeth Crammond Shield

Yr 4/5 – Jake Harrison

Yr 5/6 – Jonny Middleby

Christmas Giving Tree

As the Christmas season approaches there is a sense of excitement and anticipation for the children. However there are many families in the community that struggle to cope with the extra financial demands that come at this time of the year. This year, we are holding a gold coin donation day on Friday, 5th December, which is also our Christmas Carol Singalong. Mrs Tarrant will take our donation to the Kmart Giving Tree where we will receive a Christmas card voucher which is put on the tree.

Kmart sends the donation onto a charity of choice. Thank you for your support of this initiative.



Kinder 2015 Orientation – Literacy



GOT IT! Tip of the week:

Encourage your children to face difficult situations in a gradual, step-by-step manner. Don't help them avoid difficulties, as this will only promote fear.

Yr 1/2 Writing

My nana fed some rainbow lorikeets on my verandah, she fed them honey and bread. We called one Greedy. One of them was doing a dance to impress a girl but she flew away. They were colourful yellow, blue, green and red. One of them let me pat it. I called it Pat but one time my nana said they will have to start getting their own food. I wonder if they will ever come back?

Shakira

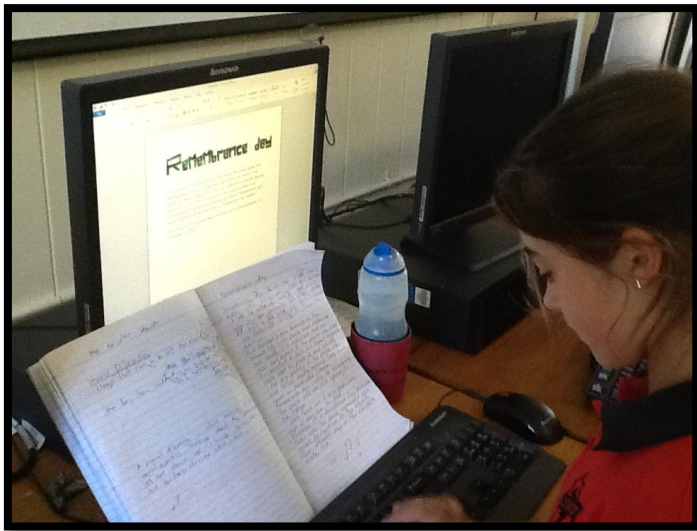
Jeremy is my friend and my favourite kookaburra. Jeremy doesn't have colourful feathers at all. I wonder why he was on the tall green grass. I know why Jeremy was on the grass his mother kicked Jeremy out of the nest because they didn't have enough food. So they pushed Jeremy out of the nest. I thought he fell out of the nest himself. His brother and sister were a bit mean to push him off and out of the nest. He was cute when he was one or two.

Jaylen

Jeremy is a kookaburra. Kookaburras normally live in a forest and eat worms. When kookaburras are little they are pink and have big bulgy eyes. Once a bird came over to eat from the bird seed bowl and came inside and came on my dad's shoulder. We tried to find its owners and we did but I didn't want him to go. After a couple of days I was fine.

Kiara

Engaging Learning Environments



What's on at WWPS:

Week 7

Mon 17-Thurs 20 Yr 5&6 Canberra Excursion
 Tues 18 Nov P&C Meeting
 Thurs 20 Nov Got It!
 Kinder Orientation 2:15pm

Week 8

Thurs 27 Nov Got It!
 Kinder Orientation 2:15pm
 P&C Disco
 Fri 28 Nov Leadership Speeches 12:30pm

Week 9

Tues 2 Dec K/1 performing for "Meals on Wheels"
 Wed 3 Dec Yr 7 2015 Orientation Day MHS & THS
 Thurs 4 Dec Got It!
 Fri 5 Dec Christmas Carols 2pm (gold coin donation)

Week 10

Thurs 11 Dec Yr 6 @ Tree Tops

Week 11

Mon 15 Dec Presentation Day 10am @ WWC
 Tues 16 Dec Yr 6 Farewell Dinner @ WRSL
 Wed 17 Dec Picnic Day @ Myuna Bay
 Last day of Term 4

Years 1-6 students return Wed 28 Jan 2015

Please refer to our website's calendar for more details.

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Volunteers Needed

Do you have any time to spare on Tues 16 Dec? We are looking for parents to help set up the Year 6 Farewell @ Wangi RSL. Please let Mrs Witt know if you are able to help.

Parliament & Civics Education Rebate

Students from our school will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

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Kids Club

At Wangi Uniting Church 4pm - 6pm every second Tuesday
 for stories, music and craft.
 Dates for this Term: 25 Nov

Step Up for Down syndrome.

9:30am – 2pm Sunday 23 November

@ The Carriageway Shed Newcastle Foreshore.

Join us for a fun day and help promote awareness about Down syndrome.

Further info: Meaghan 0413 515 274

<http://stepupfordownsyndrome.org.au/event/stepup-hunter2014>

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