



WANGI WANGI PUBLIC SCHOOL

A proud member of the Western Shores Learning Alliance.

Term 4 Week 8

Thursday 27 November 2014

Principal's Report

Dear parents/caregivers,

Thank You Morning Tea

I would like to thank our wonderful P&C as well as the community for the ongoing support that has been given to our school during 2014. Our small but extremely active and committed P&C have raised a considerable amount of money this year. The P&C have supported the school with funding for Walls that Teach in the 4/5 and 5/6 room, this now completes the refurbishment of all classrooms.

A special thanks to Gloria Bushell who diligently runs the School Canteen, the canteen is open three days a week and brings in a significant amount of money to the school.

I would like to acknowledge the parents who consistently assist us at special events, they help with BBQs, cooking at home for special occasions, the Athletics Carnival, the list is very long but all staff at Wangi Wangi Public School appreciate all that they contribute.

We are holding a "Thank You Morning Tea" on Wednesday 10th December at 11.30am in the staffroom. We look forward to seeing you on this special occasion.

Leaders of the Future- Put it in your Diary

On Friday, 28 November our Year 5 students will be presenting their school leader speeches at the Assembly. The Assembly will be 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.

Powerful Learning Accountable Teaching –PLAT

In 2015, Wangi Wangi Public School will embark on a new teaching and learning program in literacy featuring explicit teaching, sequencing of skills logically and focused lessons which will result in engaged students, high levels of success, critical content matched to students' instructional needs, supported practice and timely feedback.

This initiative has been taken on by all Primary schools in the Western Shores Learning Alliance. PLAT will initially target K-2 students then when the learning program is developed it will cover Years 3-6. We look forward to presenting this program to parents in 2015.

Jenni Langford
Principal

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P&C meets on the third Tuesday of each month



Merit Awards

- K/1** Ashton Walsh, Mitchell Cavell Hall, Robbie Hawes.
- Yr 1/2** Shamara Edden, Liliana Hayes, Shakira Yates, Paul Marks Gray, Cooper Walsh, Lily Mathews, Jacob Burnes, Sophie Cooper.
- Yr 2/3** Finn Miller, Jazmine Nipperess, Chloe Vane, Bede Garnett, Lachlan Hill, Ryan Kosky, Lawson Latham, Oliver Tabone.
- Yr 4/5** Lili Izaguirre, Holly Marks Gray, Dylan Eastwood, Jayden Hamilton, Tim Laver-Bennett, Samson Miller, Dylan Tracey, Jake Harrison, Jayden James, Jake Kosky, Abbie Cohen.
- Yr 5/6** Jorja Walsh, Nathan Hayes, Kiri Garnett, Siena Johnson, Rhiannon McKay, Alicia Nipperess, Nakita Yates, Zeb Coughlan, Conor Plows.

A Christmas Sing-A-Long

Wangi Wangi Public School invites
Parents, Friends, Relatives, Carers & Community Members to
A Christmas Sing-a-long
with students & members of local choir
"The Stilling Street Singers"
Friday 5 December at 2pm.

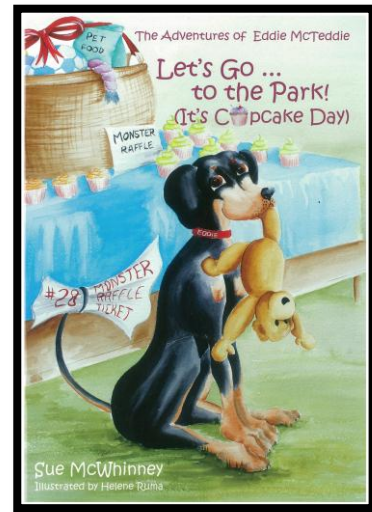
Christmas Giving Tree

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.



Helene Ruma's Book

The Adventures of Eddie McTeddle "Let's Go...!" If you wish to purchase this wonderful book illustrated by Helene Ruma, our visiting artist, it is \$12.95. Contact the school if you are interested.



Reflections on Canberra by Yr 5/6

War Memorial

The War Memorial was deeply saddening but really informative about what happened. Nakita and I layed a wreath in honour of all the men and women that fought so we can live as we do today.

Callum Prescott

Institute of Sport

We learnt about all the different training techniques for different sports. We got to go into an interactive room and use some equipment for some sports. I learnt about how men and women used quite different equipment to each other.

Kiri Garnett

Geo Science

I really enjoyed Geo Science because it was nice to learn a bit about Tsunami's and earthquakes. I loved the seismograph. I thought it was a great idea. It made me feel much safer to know we have a good warning system.

Nakita Yates

Art Gallery

At the Art Gallery there were heaps of paintings, models and mannequins dressed in posh clothes. There were wooden statues and there were parts of the Art Gallery that were Mayan, Aboriginal, Urban Aboriginal, Indian, Asian and many more sections of this massive place. Some art works were over 40,000 years old!

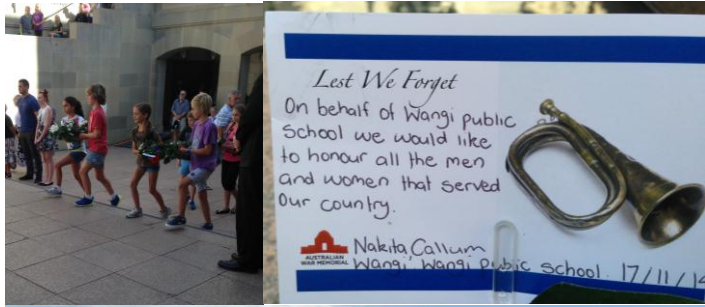
Nathan Hayes

Questacon

Questacon was definitely my favourite place in Canberra because it's so interactive and fun. My favourite thing there was the 6.5m drop. After you go on it you feel a rush of adrenaline go through your body and immediately you want to go on it again. I love this place because it teaches you science but in a fun way.

Siena Johnson

Yrs 5 & 6 in Canberra



Choosing a Book for your Child

What makes a good book for young kids? Usually anything that they want to read. Resist the desire to choose only books that you read as a child. Good books teach kids things subtly while still telling a great story. Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/what-makes-a-good-book-for-young-kids>

What's on at WWPS:

Week 8

Thurs 27 Nov P&C Disco; K-2 5:30-6:45pm; Yr 3-6 7-8:30pm
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
Got It!

Week 11

Mon 15 Dec Presentation Day 10am @ WWC
Tues 16 Dec Yr 6 Farewell Dinner @ RSL
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.
www.wangiwangi-p.school.nsw.edu.au



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...make Christmas healthy

Christmas is full of temptation: from bowls of chocolate, to puddings to pavlovas.

It's important you still aim for two serves of fruit + five serves of veg, every day.

Try and restrict your family's treats until Christmas Day, and follow these three steps for healthier choices:

1. Serve veggie sticks with veggie dips as a starter, so you fill up on healthier food first.
2. Serve a large fruit salad or fruit kebabs alongside dessert.
3. Make sure half your plate is filled with veggies (think roasted or raw salads).



For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittobeatit)

Eat It To Beat It



GOT IT! Tip of the week:

Give your child lots of physical affection – children often like hugs, cuddles and holding hands.

Community Notices

Hunter Wetlands Centre

Visit the Hunter Wetlands Centre at Shortland in the January school holidays. There's always lots to see and do.

- Try dip-netting from the jetty
- Watch the Magpie Geese feeding
- Climb the Egret Tower
- Get up close to some of our reptiles at an interactive tank talk.
- Become a WETLANDS EXPLORER and go in the draw to win a weekly prize
- Hire a bike or canoe or bring your own and explore the wetlands
- Climb, slide and play at the Discovery Playground
- Bring a picnic or eat at Spoonbill Cafe

Kids can book in for one of the special holiday activities:

Bush Skills for 8-12 years (\$20) – have fun making a bush survival shelter, cook damper, learn knots and other bush skills.

Wiggly Wetlanders for 5-8 years (\$20) – enjoy a wetlands wander and then get creative with craft activities

For more information go to www.wetlands.org.au or phone 02 4951 6466

Before & After School Care

YMCA ran OOSH

@ Biraban Public School Toronto

Students taken to and collected from school.

More details available on 4959 4444



Junior Ranger Fun Day



9.30am to 11.30am,
Tuesday 20 January 2015

Carnley Avenue reserve
(off Carnley Ave, Kotara)

For enquiries
call 4904 3344 or email
blackbuttadmin@ncc.nsw.gov.au

The theme of our next free environmental fun day is **aquatic action**, with fun craft, interactive games, planting activities and critter displays. **Kid's get a free ice block!**



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Children must wear fully enclosed shoes.

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