



**Wangi Wangi**  
PUBLIC SCHOOL

*Quality, Care and Commitment*



# Newsletter

*A proud member of the Western Shores Learning Alliance*

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Mobile Phones and other Digital Devices

As digital devices become more and more accessible to primary aged students, schools are needing to monitor how these devices are used at school very closely. With e-safety in mind, we are asking that students leave mobile phones and smart watches at home. If for some reason a student needs to bring a device to school, they are required to take it to the office on arrival and pick it up at the end of the day.

There has recently been an increase in students 'sneaking' devices into the school playground. This raises significant concern for the safe wellbeing of all students, if connected devices are being used unsupervised. Please inform your child if they are taking a device including smartwatches, to school, it must be dropped off at the office.

### Parent Teacher Meetings

Thank you to everyone who came in

for a parent teacher meeting this week. We had 110 meetings booked with our teaching staff across the week, an amazing effort for a school of 138 children. After talking to both parents and teachers, I can tell it was a positive and well received experience. We thank everyone for your continued support and valuing the education of our amazing students.

### Parent Letters and Curriculum Overview

Every parent will have received an information letter and a curriculum overview page from their child's class teacher. Please take the time to read through these documents and ask our teaching staff if you want to clarify anything. The curriculum overview is something that will go out each term and allows parents to have a full understanding of everything that is going to be taught for the term. It is also a great way to start conversations with your children, asking them specific things about what they are learning about at school.

## TERM 1 – WEEK 4 – 2020

### WHAT'S ON AT WWPS?

#### WEEK 5

Thursday 27 February  
Paul Harragon Cup

#### WEEK 7

Wednesday 11 March  
Yr 7 2021 EOI issued

#### WEEK 8

Friday 20 March  
Yr 7 2021 EOI due back  
Yr 5/6 Canberra Excursion deposit due

#### WEEK 9

Monday 23 March  
School photo day

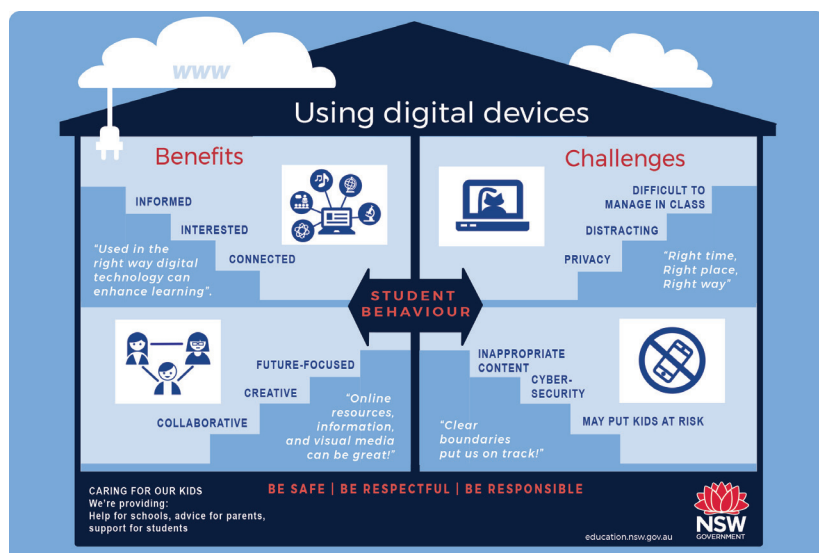
### Facebook

Just a reminder that we have opened a school administrated Facebook page. Please like our posts to ensure we know people are seeing them.

### Building Works Update

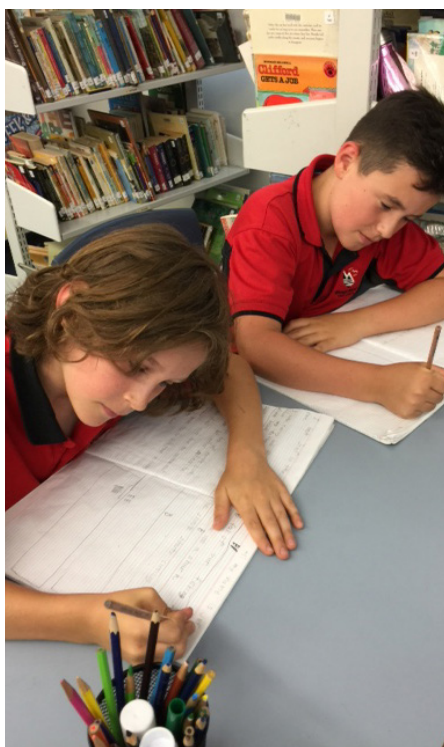
As the building works continue to progress, there will be a few changes over the coming weeks. The builders have informed us that they are planning on completing the final demolishment of our old toilet block shortly. This will mean that we will have access sometime during March to the brand new canteen and toilet facilities connected to the hall. This is exciting as it will be our first real taste of what the whole finished product will be like. I will keep everyone updated and inform of any procedural changes, as soon as I know.

**Tim Lewis**

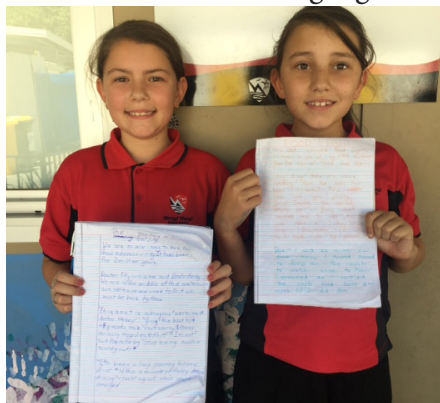




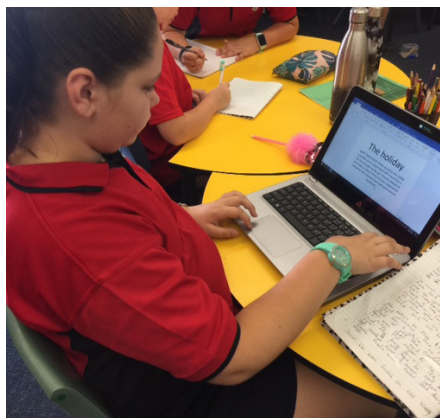
## YEAR 5/6



Students have been busy working on narrative text types. We have incorporated elements from our Seven Steps writing program, which they have thoroughly enjoyed. This term's focus is to use stronger vocabulary words and complex sentences to produce a text that is rich with language.



Students are learning about coding systems in our Shared Text. They are experimenting with microcontrollers and using coding platforms such as MakeCode to design and create their own coding pattern.



Year 5/6 are eager as always when it comes to music. Students are working in small groups and together we are learning songs.



## ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

On Tuesday, a small but enthusiastic team of students represented our school at the zone swimming carnival held at Speers Point.

Congratulations to Zyla, Wil, Izac, Bronte, Tynan, Lucy and Carly for a job well done. We are all incredibly proud of the effort you put in and the exemplary behaviour you displayed on the day.



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## Canberra Excursion



Term 3 31 Aug - 2 Sept  
Years 5 & 6

**\$50 deposit due  
Friday 20 March**

Expression of interest and  
itinerary are available on our  
website



## ATTENDANCE AT WWPS

Improving student attendance is a focus area at Wangi Wangi Public School. Please see the information below and remember it is cool to be at school.

NSW Department of Education

### Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

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### Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
<b>1</b> day per fortnight 	= <b>4</b> weeks	= Over <b>1</b> year missed
<b>1</b> day per week 	= <b>8</b> weeks	= Over <b>2.5</b> years missed

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Cancer Council Healthy Lunch Box Nutrition Snippet

## The simplest way

... to pack a healthy lunch box .

Does packing lunch boxes feel like a chore? We are here to help you kick start the year easily, packing healthy lunch boxes your kids will enjoy.

**Healthy lunch boxes don't have to be boring.**



We are very excited to bring you our new look [healthy lunch box website](#) that has been improved with new features and functions based on feedback provided by you! You can now search for gluten free and vegetarian recipes, as well as **easy to freeze** and **quick and easy** recipes because as parents, we know how important it is to pack lunches quickly.

You can sign up to the [Healthy Lunch Box e-newsletter](#) for ideas, updates and recipes delivered to your inbox throughout the year.

[Check out the new website now!](#)

[healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

Stay in touch with WWPS



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Download our app: "Wangi Wangi Public School"

## MINDFULNESS

Students across the whole school have enjoyed our weekly 'Be Calm, Be Happy' mindfulness sessions with Georgia. According to research, the benefits of young people learning mindfulness include improved cognitive function, social-emotional skills and overall wellbeing. The weekly lessons we are participating in are structured around gratitude, mindful movement, mindful listening, mindful breathing, positive thinking and a mindfulness challenge.





## Wangi Arcadia Vale Netball Club

**When:** Friday 7th February  
6-8pm

and

Saturday 15th February  
11am-1pm

**Where:** Westlakes Netball Courts

## 2020 Registration Dates

Registrations are to be completed online

Help to complete online registrations is  
available at registration day

Active Kids Vouchers able to be used for  
school aged children.

Must apply before registering

Uniforms are available to try  
on

Contact Wangi Arcadia  
Netball Club via Facebook  
for more information

Hope to see you there!



## Dobell Festival of Art & Craft

**1st - 3rd May @ Wangi Workers Club**

Any student interested entering the competition  
can find entry forms and general conditions  
on the Lions website:

[https://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/wangiwangi-  
au/page-7.php](https://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/wangiwangi-au/page-7.php)

or by contacting Jane 0414 683 597 or  
Allison 0400 037 166



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