Parent Visitors

The Infants staff are trialling a Drop, Kiss and Go policy. The idea is that parents/careers drop off their child, say goodbye and then leave the school grounds. That way the staff all know that any adults on our school grounds are Wauchope Public School Staff or parent helpers. It will also give your child the chance to develop independence, play with friends and improve their social skills. We love classroom helpers and I would ask that you continue signing in at the front office and go directly to the room that you are working in. During school hours between 8:30 and 3:00pm all adults on site must be official visitors and be part of a classroom based program or canteen/P&C helper. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Parent/Interviews

We have had an influx of parents arriving at classrooms either at 9am or 3pm and sometimes in between wanting to speak with the classroom teacher. Due to Teachers Duty of Care this is not appropriate or feasible as the teacher may have to start teaching 20 – 30 children, the teacher may have a bus duty, staff meeting or an after school engagement they may need to attend, the teacher may also need ten or so minutes to recover from the day’s work etc.

In saying that I’m pleased that parents want to speak with classroom teachers about their child’s progress. I just know that better outcomes will be forthcoming if the meetings are held at a mutually convenient time. Could I encourage parents to send in a letter requesting a parent/teacher meeting (with dates and times of your availability) and possibly include some of the topics for discussion. This will give the teacher a chance to be better prepared with possibly work samples or background information. They will also be able to give you their undivided attention.

School Photos

These were distributed yesterday. If you have not received your package and you did place an order please contact the photography company.

NAPLAN

Our boys and girls in Years 3 and 5 have had a big week with assessments over three days this week. I hope parents consider allowing them a treat or reward of some kind for their efforts. Well done boys and girls.

Michael Crossland

Michael is one of Australia’s most sought after inspirational speakers. He has defied the odds of a life threatening cancer to build a life of exceptional achievements. He will be speaking to our Stage 3 students next week. A brilliant opportunity.

Staffing Change

Mrs Cowan will be going on maternity leave at the commencement of Week 4 this term. Miss Humphries will teach 5KC for the remainder of the year. All students in 5KC received a note yesterday about this change.

On behalf of WPS I’d like to wish Mrs Cowan all the best for the birth of her child.

BAGO Year 6 Sports Day

Good luck to our Year 6 students who will participate with children from the Bago Schools at Long Flat PS tomorrow. Year 10 students from Wauchope High will also assist. This should be a fun day.

Mother’s Day Stall

This stall was a huge success last week. Thank you to all involved. I hope all our mums had a restful one day of the year on Sunday!

P&C

The P&C still need a volunteers to be Secretary and a K-2 Vice President. Please contact the President Jo Garrett on 0417 852 777 if you are interested.

Canteen

For our canteen to be viable we desperately need parents to volunteer for a couple of hours where possible. Please contact the canteen if you would like to assist.

Responsible Pet Visit

Yesterday, all children K-2 enjoyed this free presentation. Thank you Mr Beard for coordinating the visit.

Lake Keepit Excursion

All payments should be finalised now for this excursion. Contact the school if you are experiencing difficulties.
Sport
Good luck to the boys and girls who will trial for the Lower North Coast Touch team tomorrow. Our Girls soccer team will participate in a Gala day next Tuesday and the Boys soccer team take on Beechwood on Wednesday as part of the PSSA Knockout competition. Good luck to Jade M who will travel to Grafton on Monday to trial for the North Coast Hockey team.

Josh G appeared on Prime News last night for his fantastic sporting success in soccer. You may be able to view the segment on the Prime News website.

Netball
Congratulations to Sam M, Gabbi F, Kirralee G and Kimberly L for making it to the next stage of selection to the North Coast Trials in Grafton.

Change of Date – School Development Day
Please remember we have moved our Term 2 School Development Day. Families will need to make child care arrangements for Monday 2 June. Children do not come to school on this day.

Active After School Sports
We are trialling this free program commencing next Monday 19 May. It is only open to students in Years 3 and 4 at this stage. Children will be taught tennis skills by a professional tennis coach between 3pm and 4pm every Monday afternoon this term. There will be a cap of approximately 23 students accepted this round. The children will receive a piece of fruit during this time. The first 23 completed notes returned will be accepted into the program. Parents must pick up their children at 4.00pm. If this is a success we may increase the numbers and experiment with different sports.

-Mr Cameron Osborne-

Wauchope Wonder
Madi B - 3/4LR
Wauchope Show Prizes
1st Place
Tyler M - Chalk pastel pumpkin
Anna R - Paperwork Owls
Haley S - Tony Abbot painting
Evie G - Oil pastel chickens
Hayden A - Chick painting

2nd Place
Tyler D - Oil pastel chickens
Taye H - Oil pastel/painting flowers
Kobe A - Graphite caricature
Jordon C - Lollipop painting
Tarnie T - Graphite portrait
Latrellie D - Aboriginal dot painting

3rd Place
Nevaeh S - Flower painting
Morrow T - Grass Tree painting
Teleisha E - Handwriting
Cameron F - Pen drawing
Mckenna D - Graphite portrait
Molly C - Oil pastel/ink portrait
Emily B - Coloured pencil Kookaburra

Year 1 Friends of 10 Day

On Tuesday all students in Year 1 participated in a fun Maths day to help them learn the number combinations to 10. Children made bracelets, did some craft and decorated biscuits. The children had a fantastic day of learning.

NAIDOC Week

Respect Bands for NAIDOC Week celebration will be available in Week 8 for $2 each.

Library News

The Scholastic Book Fair is fast approaching, with children taking home a brochure and wish list in the coming week. The Fair will be on ONE day only, Friday 23 May, from 8.00am till 5.00pm. You are welcome to view the books, posters and novelties during school hours before this day. Credit cards can be used at the Fair - details are on the brochures and wish lists.

We look forward to seeing you at the Book Fair.
-Mrs McCudden and Mrs Secombe-

URGENT – NEEDED
Secretary and K-2 Vice President
The P&C desperately seeks two members of the school community that can give a few hours per month to undertake the role of Secretary and K-2 Vice President. Come and experience what is an open and friendly forum - contact Jo Garrett (0417 852 777) if you can help.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting will be held on Thursday 12 June commencing at 7:00pm in the staffroom. Please consider attending the meeting – we’d really like to see some new faces/ideas. Vice President (K-2) and Secretary is still open, or just come along to give whatever time you have to spare.

School Uniform
We are happy to inform you that all shirt sizes are now available at the canteen.

Sports Carnival
Volunteers needed to assist with the Athletics Carnival on Friday 13th June. Helpers will be needed the day before to set up and on the Friday at the Carnival. The Canteen at the school will also need to be manned for the K-2 students. Please contact Jo Garrett if you can assist on Thursday or Friday 0417 852 777.

Mothers Day
Thanks to all the helpers who ran the Mothers Day stall last Thursday – It was a great success. We hope you enjoyed your gifts on Sunday.

Canteen URGENT HELP REQUIRED
We appreciate all the helpers that continually give their time to the Canteen. We require urgent assistance over the next 2 weeks – 19 to the 30 May. If anyone could spare even a few hours could they please contact Nicole in the Canteen.

Thank You P&C Association
REMEMBER TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO OUR SCHOOL.

P & C Canteen News

Canteen Roster Term 2 Week 4
Monday 19
P Marsden
Tuesday 20
Help needed
Wednesday 21
Jacki
Thursday 22
M Corrigan
Friday 23
K Thomas & K Dragos

Thank you for all your support.
In case you are unable to work on your allocated day please contact the Canteen Manager, Mrs Nicole O’Hagan prior to the day you are working, to enable her to organise a replacement.

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Work Samples

by Amarlie E 2WD

by Jessica G 2WD

Teamwork in KJB

Gardening in 1KN

Year 1 Friends of 10 Day