NAPLAN Parent Letters

Students in Years 3 and 5 who sat the NAPLAN assessments in May were given their student reports to take home today. Please check your child’s bag to ensure you have received your child’s report. The results are not available for schools to look at until next week. This appears to be a little strange but the Department of Education must have some good reason for this. The staff and executives are looking forward to exploring our student’s results over the next few months and these findings will assist us with our future directions and planning for 2015.

If you would like to discuss your child’s results with the classroom teacher please feel free to send in a note with some times and dates so a mutually convenient time can be arranged.

North Coast Athletics

Congratulations to the 19 talented sportspeople who represented our school in Lismore at this carnival on Tuesday. Mrs Darcy brought back the Lower North Coast Champion School Shield. We last won this award in 2012. Congratulations to the following students who had great success and will now represent the North Coast at the State Athletics carnival in Sydney. Well done: Kaal W who is a superstar! He came 1st in Long Jump, 1st in 200m, 2nd in 100m and 2nd in shot put. Emily W came 2nd in shot put, Caden B came 2nd in 8 Years 100m and lightning fast Ruby M came 1st in 200m and 2nd in 100m. Our Junior Girls relay team consisting of Jade M, Emily B, Ruby M and Ebony D came second. There are 198 Primary Schools included in this carnival.

Thank you to Mrs Darcy (Lower North Coast Team Manager) and all the WPS parents who made the very long trip. I’m sure there will be some tired adults and children getting through this week.

SASS Recognition Week

Schools are very busy places and all too often we forget to thank very special people in our school. We had a lovely thankyou morning tea today for all our office staff, student learning support teachers, Aboriginal education officer and general assistant.

Maths Fun Day

Good luck to the eight students who will participate in a Maths Day in Port today. Thank you Mrs Rock and Ms White for taking the children.

Australian National Flag Day

Yesterday, was the anniversary of the first time the flag was flown over the dome of the Exhibition Building in Melbourne in 1901, when Australia’s first Prime Minister, The Rt Hon Sir Edmund Barton, announced the winners of a competition to design a national flag for Australia.

Father’s Day Stall

I hope all the WPS dad’s and grandfathers have a great day on Sunday. A big thank you for the P&C for organising and running the stall. The children have loved buying a gift for their dad. There will be plenty of smiles on Sunday.

Walkathon

Individual class winners have or will be announced at Stage assemblies. The three major prizes will be presented at the Book Fair. The classes that raised the most money and will enjoy an icy pole party are KLB, 1KN, 3/4MN and 5/6WH. Well done boys and girls.

WPS Art Group

Congratulations to our Stage 3 Art Group run by Mr Nicholson. They have won $500 worth of art supplies for winning a banner competition for Alzheimer’s Australia.

Sport

Our Touch football team who were to play Narranga PS from Coffs Harbour today in the 6th round of the PSSA knockout have won on a forfeit. Too easy boys.
Good luck to our netball team who play Crestwood PS from Sydney next Tuesday. If they win that game they have made it to the final eight schools in the State and will travel to Sydney to play in a finals series. The girls were on PRIME news last night which was very exciting for the team.

Next week WPS will participate in fun Milo Cricket days. Years 3/4 will play on Tuesday and Years 5/6 will play on the Wednesday.

**K-2 Sports Carnival**

Good luck to all our K-2 students for their carnival. I hope we have good weather for what is always a brilliant day. I hope as many parents/relatives as possible can attend as they really are special days. Thank you Mrs Barnett and Mrs Best for all your time and effort organising the day.

**Schools Out**

Thank you Mrs Dignum for coordinating this activity for next Wednesday evening.

Mr Cameron Osborne

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**September**

**Thursday 4**

✧ Fathers Day Stall
✧ SASS Thankyou morning tea

**Friday 5**

**K-2 Sports Carnival**

**Tuesday 9**

✧ Years 3/4 Milo Cricket - Wayne Richards Park
✧ Netball vs Crestwood PS

**Wednesday 10**

✧ Years 5/6 Milo Cricket - Wayne Richards Park
✧ 2.00pm - Years 1/2 Assembly
✧ School’s Out 6.00 - 8.00pm

**Thursday 11**

✧ P & C Meeting - 7.00pm

**Friday 12**

✧ Book Fair
✧ Bamboo Theatre Visiting Performances

**Tuesday 16**

✧ Stage 2 Assembly - Class 3EM

**Wednesday 17**

✧ Assembly of Excellence

**Friday 19**

✧ Book Parade
✧ Last Day of Term 3

**Merit Awards**

KMM - Nicolas B & Haydan C
KLB - Christopher A & Jesse H
KJB - William G & Izaak D
KDB - Summer S & Zoey S
KLF - Tane S-P & Mikayla C
3MJ - Tennessee S, Riley H & Thomas B
3EM - Jayda M, Isabella D, Zane B & Noel O
3-4MN - Stephanie P, Ethan S, Kayley M & Mckenna D
3-4LR - Hamish O, Jessica P, Monique R & Jorgie L
3-6TR - Shakira R & James P
4DW - Maddi S-H, Chaney H, Blake M & Caleb P
4VM - Zoe P, Jade H, Savannah J & Tyler K
4-5VH - Jacob C

**Citizen of the Week**

Sarah G - 3EM
Jake H - KLF
Ava P - KJB
Stella H - KDB
Grace D - KLB
Joel F - KMM

**Wauchope Wonder**

Jade H - 6JM
Jessica F - 4VM

**Work of the Week**

Lukas N - KLF
Mia O - KJB
Jayden M - KDB
Khylayla M - KLB
Jaime F - KMM

**Artwork Display**
Stage 3 Art Group
Mr Nicholson’s Stage 3 art group participated in the banner competition for Alzheimer’s Australia Memory walk and jog fundraiser which was held on the 31st of August. They got into cooperative groups, designed and produced a banner which promoted the event. We are very proud to announce that Wauchope won the banner competition and received a gift voucher for the school. Well done to Ivy M, Chloe G, Meg K, Shelby C and Hayley S for their wonderful entry. Congratulations to all the other fabulous entries also.

Lantern Decoration

Some of the students in Stage 3 have been involved in decorating lanterns for the Port Macquarie Hastings Council. These will be used for a community event. The students showed their artistic flair with this activity. Above are some of the finished projects.

Wonder what we are talking about? If you had been at the Boys’ Hip Hop Workshop with us last week not only would you recognise these names but you would be able to do some of these moves. Fourteen WPS students, two WHS students and another 14 boys from other schools in our area got a unique opportunity to work with a talented and experienced dancer “Kamikaze” last Thursday. At an all day workshop brought to the North Coast by the NSW Dept of Education Arts Unit and held at Port Macquarie, we were shown how to do some pretty cool moves and put together steps to create some hip hop break dance routines.

At the beginning of the day we were all feeling a bit worried and nervous about our skills and wondering if we could even keep up with the rest of the group. But by the end of the day, the Wauchope versus Port Macquarie ‘Dance-off Challenge’ proved how much you can learn in a day. And that we can really work it with energy and attitude when the honour of Wauchope is at stake.

After an energetic but totally awesome day we are planning to practise our moves and show our friends what we had learned.

Thank you to the drivers, Tanya Barnes, Danielle Bermingham, Laura Cordell, Gary Sullivan and Mrs Dignum. Thanks also to P/M Public, The Arts Unit and Mrs Dignum for organising the day. We hope there will be other days like this again. It was GREAT!


Book Fair
Friday 12 September is the day of our massive Book Fair. Children will be making their Wish Lists during Library lessons in the week prior to the Fair. The Library will be open for sales from 8.00am - 3.30pm. Payments will be taken on the day via cash sales, cheque or eftpos.

Eisteddfod Success

Congratulations to Ivy M of Class 5/6WM, who competed in the Conservatorium Mid North Coast Music Eisteddfod this past weekend in solo singing. Ivy competed in 8 sections and brought home 2 Encouragement Awards, 2 Highly Commendeds, and 4 trophies - a 3rd place, a 2nd place and two 1st place trophies! Ivy also appeared the previous weekend in the children’s chorus with Opera Australia’s Port Macquarie production of Mozart’s The Magic Flute at the Glasshouse.

Wauchope Public School Magazine 2014
Don’t forget to place your order for this year’s school magazine. Each child in the school has contributed to the magazine and it is an excellent memory of all of the fabulous academic, sporting and performing arts events that have taken place throughout the year. What a wonderful keepsake to hold onto.

A note was handed out to students this week separately.

Mrs Bailey and the School Magazine Committee

Book Week Parade 2014
The 2014 K-6 Book Week Parade will be held on Friday 19 September and start and end at the basketball court. The parade will start at 9.15am.
K-2 students will parade around the town centre. The children will assemble back at the basketball court for the prizes for each class to be given out (only if in costume). Following this, 3-6 will complete the same procedure starting at 10am. It would be fantastic if parents and guests lined the walking route and cheered on the students as they marched past.

**Boys Vocal Workshop**
The Arts Initiatives Boys Vocal Workshop is an exciting singing workshop specifically designed for boys. It is aiming at engaging male students in singing in schools. During the four hour workshop, attending students will have the opportunity to work with the well respected musician, conductor, actor and performer, Peter Lehner.

**Class/Grade**
Boys in Years 4, 5 and 6

**Date**
Thursday 30 October 2014

**Time**
10am - 2pm

**Venue**
Tacking Point PS

**Cost**
$30 + small transport cost

**Respond to**
Mrs Cindy Dignum via Front Office

**Respond by**
now

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**P & C Canteen News**

**Walk-A-Thon**
Thank you to all the children who donated to the walkathon. We have a list of the lucky winners below, well done boys and girls you have made a wonderful contribution to your school.

**Overall winners:**
1st Sam S - 3/4LR
2nd Kobi M - 3/4MN
3rd Shyla C - 1KB

The class winners of each stage who will be receiving an icy pole are:

- **Early Stage 1** - KLB
- **Stage 1** - 1KN
- **Stage 2** - 3/4MN
- **Stage 3** - 5/6WH

**The children who have won a gift from the P&C**
as a thankyou from each class are:

- KLB - Ariana B, Preston C, Trent T
- KJB - Chloe M, Tori K, Alyssa B
- KMM - Jake C, Jamie F, Rhys M
- KDB - Pippa L, Yasmin A, Jack K
- KLF - Lukas N, Keira C, Slade R
- K-6KD - Lily L, Jayden S, Connor F
- 1/2KP - Joshua O
- 2MG - Tyson H, Finlay D, Xavier L
- 2NW - Kelly W, Landen A, Holly L, Bella H
- 2HL - Chloe A, Brindley W, Koby H
- 2WD - Kiana N, Kurtis W, Ben J
- 1KN - Evie G, Max P, Darcy B
- 1JL - Max C, Mikah G, Mikayla H
- 1KB - Shayla C, Frankie R, Jake H

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A big thankyou goes to Lisa and Kirsty from TSG for the generous donation of items for the upcoming fathers day stall.

**VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**

**Book Fair**
Friday 12 September
Volunteers needed from 8:00am to 3:30pm
Please contact Robyn Secombe at the library if you can donate some of your time.

**Canteen Roster Term 3 Week 9**

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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.

**Thank You P&C Association**

REMEMBER TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO OUR SCHOOL.

**Skort and Box-pleat Short Sale**
Size 4s and size 6s are now in abundance. Only $13.00 per pair until sold out. Great for new entrants 2015 or stocking up for summer.
Winter Menu 2014 - Term 3
☼ Junior sausage roll & a flavoured milk $ 3.00
☼ Macaroni Cheese $ 3.50
☼ Lasagne $ 3.50
☼ Kings fried rice $ 3.50
ENJOY, these items are available in addition to our normal menu.

WOOSH News
WOOSH September/October holidays. Vacation care begins Monday 22 September to Friday 3 October 2014. Please come and put your child’s name on the list in the centre or ring Alex on 0412 852 441. Closing date is 5 September 2014.

ENGAGING ADOLESCENTS™
PARENT COURSE

Parenting skills for resolving teenage behaviour problems
A three-session program for parents and carers

WHEN: Thursday 11th, 18th, 25th September 2014
WHERE: Training Room – Mingaletta Building
7 Sherwood Road, Port Macquarie
TIME: 10am – 12pm
COST: FREE
all materials & light refreshments provided

Learn:
✓ Some common ground shared by parents
✓ Some reasonable expectations to hold about adolescents
✓ A three-option model & flow chart for decision-making
✓ Self check-ins for parents
✓ Building relationships with your teenagers
✓ Making the best of your media/IS conversations
✓ Skills for tough conversations to handle those problems you just can’t ignore

The Trainer: Vicki Rankin
Vicki completed ParentingYour’s Engaging Adolescents training in April 2013 and is a qualified Family Worker with Hastings Family Support Service at UnitingCare Burnside.

Contact Vicki on 6555 6470 to register for this course.

“Fathers are the most important influence for girls and the most important influence for boys, except when they are not.”

Preschoolers
Getting Ready for School
FREE PARENT COURSE

WHEN: Wednesday 22nd October 2014 during playgroup
WHERE: Bethel Foursquare Gospel Church
230A High St Wauchope
TIME: 10.00am – 12.00pm

Learn about:
✓ The Social and Emotional Funder
✓ How to Connect and Communicate with your Preschooler
✓ School Readiness
✓ Before School Start
✓ Preparing for Kindergarten

Libby Ovce is an Early Childhood Facilitator with Hastings Family Support Service at UnitingCareBurnside

Contact Libby on 6581 9643 or 0467 731 678 to register

*** BASEBALL IS BACK IN THE HASTINGS ***

SUMMER REGISTRATION DATES
6th September Blackbutt Oval 9:30am till 2:00pm – whilst visiting Sydney Junior and Senior teams are playing
13th September Lakewood Shopping Centre 9:00am till 11:00am
19th September IGA Wauchope 9:00am till 11:00am
14th September Findlay Park 9:00am till 11:00am
14th September Blackbutt Oval at Grand Final 1:30pm till 3:30pm
• AUSSIE BALL Development for Under 6’s
• TEE-BALL Under 8/9/10’s
• LIVE-BALL Under 11/12/14/16’s
• SENIORS From Under 16’s upward

Junior games will be played from October until mid December on Sunday morning from 9:00am to 10:30am at FINDLAY PARK, Findlay Street, Port Macquarie. Seniors will play out of Blackbutt Oval, Wauchope.

Junior Contact: Bill Lacey - 0403 966 892
Senior Contact: David Beyton - 0410 218 575

COME ALONG AND JOIN THIS GREAT SPORT