Year 6 Present to the School Stolen

Students and staff are still stunned at Wauchope Public School. We are all in disbelief that something like this would happen. After I publicised how proud Year 6 were after they planted 120 plants as their Gift to the school in last week’s newsletter. The very next day on the Friday we arrived at school to find that 100 plants had been pulled out of the ground and stolen. This is a disgraceful act by someone or some people who I could only describe as being very low individuals. Fancy stealing from school children.

Vandalisms

While on the topic of disgraceful behaviour, our school is once again experiencing regular acts of mindless vandalism. Over the holidays our library, music room and a classroom were almost destroyed. Graffiti was left all over walls and furniture, manikins for CPR training were destroyed, items stolen, furniture, cupboards, musical equipment was upended and ruined. All of the Where’s Wally books were stolen which gives us a clear indication of their reading ability. I expect it is teenagers responsible for these crimes. If you ever see people skateboarding or loitering around our school please call the police as they are trespassing.

P&C Easter Raffle

The P&C are hoping to make as many Easter Raffle prizes as possible for this raffle. Please consider donating some sort of Easter treat to the front office. Any child who makes a donation receives a free ticket in the raffle. Thank you for your generosity.

Sport

Congratulations to our World Cup Girls cricket team. They defeated Hastings PS in a thriller on Tuesday. The girls had a great day and all played with tremendous enthusiasm. The team kept their nerve and won in the final over. I know our coach Mrs Best is over the moon with the result and has been in training for this coaching position for over a year. Thank you also to our supporters and helpers Merv Bourke, Allan Best and Beth Osborne.

Canberra Excursion

Good luck to the children going on this tremendous excursion. I know they will remember this trip for a long time to come. I’d like to thank the teaching staff who have volunteered to accompany the children on this trip. If they didn’t volunteer, the excursion would not be able to go ahead. Good luck Mrs Gowan, Ms Henry, Mr Moodie and Mr Sallustio. Thank you to Mrs Gowan for organising this excursion. I know Mrs Gown has spent hours upon hours ensuring this trip is a success.

Dr David Gillespie

Our Federal MP Dr David Gillespie visited our school yesterday. He spoke to our Stage 3 students who I must say were perfectly behaved and asked highly intelligent questions. Well done Mr Moodie for coordinating this visit.

School Photos

Photo envelopes have been sent home this week. Please be reminded that School Photos are taken over two days: Wednesday 25 and Thursday 26 March. I believe sibling photo envelopes can be collected from the front office.
P&C AGM and General Meeting
The AGM is on this evening at 6pm in the staffroom followed by a General meeting at 7pm. All are welcome to attend.

Pink and Purple Day

The Kindergarten children have had a ball today celebrating the Lasiandra Festival. Well done Kindergarten teachers.

Boat Safety

Children in Stage 3 enjoyed a Boat Safety presentation yesterday. Thank you Miss Humphries for coordinating this activity.

Reading with your child at home
When your kids see you reading and writing in everyday life – whether reading for pleasure, sharing a story with them or making a shopping list – it teaches them that they are useful skills. Here are some things you can do at home to help your kids with reading.


Removing head lice and nits
Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they’re not dangerous. Here’s everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits.


Cameron Osborne

Dates to Remember

Thursday 12 March
☑ Pink and Purple Day - Kindergarten only
☑ P & C AGM Meeting - 6pm
☑ P & C General Meeting - 7pm

Monday 16 March - Friday 20 March
☑ Year 6 Canberra Excursion

Wednesday 18 March
☑ NRMA Road Safety Science Show

Friday 20 March
☑ High School forms due today

Monday 23 March
☑ Young Leaders Day - Sydney

Wednesday 25 March
☑ School Photos - K, 1, 2, 3, 4

Thursday 26 March
☑ School Photos - Year 6 Group, SRC, Special Education, 5, 6, Staff

Thursday 2 April
☑ Easter Hat Parade
☑ P & C Easter Raffle drawn

Friday 3 April
☑ Good Friday

Tuesday 12 May - Thursday 14 May
☑ NAPLAN Assessments

PBL focus for Week 7 - Safety in the Playground
As we are having a lot of work done outside
☑ Stay in the right play areas
☑ Play safely
☑ Stay away from machinery
☑ Walk on hard surfaces

Assembly Awards Week 7
KDB - Pamela D & Rella G
KJB - Chelsea B & James D
KJL - Jett H & Karen H
KLB - Flynn D & Addison R
KMM - Max S & Tahneisha D

Citizen of the Week
KDB - Syd B
KJB - Axl P
KJL - Zara M
KLB - Lilly S
KMM - Sharleah S

Worker of the Week
KDB - Coby A
KJB - Maddy M
KJL - Sienna P-R
KLB - Levi W
KMM - Saffron B
Homework Help - Researching the Internet
Did you know?
Using the Internet requires skills and knowledge that are different from those found in books and other printed materials. These skills include such things as links, images, icons and searching. The Internet is a wonderful resource for knowledge, gathering information used to support your child’s literacy development.
If you are searching for a suitable book to read, try entering a publisher or an author’s name into a reliable search engine, such as Google. Some reliable publishers are Scholaric, Penguin, Allen & Unwin and Pan Macmillan. These publishers have their own databases that will allow you to preview recent releases, read sample extracts, covers and read brief overviews.
You can search for short-listed books on the Children’s Book Council of Australia at: http://www.cbc.org.au
You can find other publishers at: http://www.publishers.asn.au
A good source for book reviews is: http://www.cool-reads.co.uk

Work of the Week Display

NRMA Road Safety Show
On Wednesday 18 March, the NRMA Road Safety Science Show will be at WPS. This show will reinforce positive Road Safety practices. Students have already received a workbook. Parents are invited to attend the 9.05am show on the day.

World Cup Cricket Fever hits Wauchope!

PSSA Girls Cricket Knockout - Round 1
Wauchope PS versus Hastings PS
It was an extraordinary day which started off by tossing the coin with the captain of Hastings Public School. We lost the toss and Hastings chose to bat first which was what we wanted anyway. Mia W started the innings with a great over of bowling, followed by Stella T getting our first wicket in the first four overs. At the end of the innings we had taken a total of 5 or 6 wickets and we had tried our hardest to stop as many runs as we could. In the second innings our opening batters were Mia W and Amber M, who each stayed in for 10 overs. With one over to go we were told that we still had 8 runs to get and we were worried we weren’t going to make it. It turns out after all that we had already gotten enough runs to win. I would personally like to thank Mia W, Stella T, Amber M, Sophie M, Hannah and Nicola A-S, Charli C, Ella M, Emily B, Suzie C, Destiny R and Bree R for making this cricket game so memorable.
Evelyn B 5/6WH
This wonderful group of girls have displayed amazing commitment and sportsmanship from the beginning of our campaign some weeks ago and throughout a very hot and competitive first game. The screams and squeals when the girls found out they had won by 3 runs were probably heard back at school. A huge thanks to Mr Grech for his help at training, Mr Best for umpiring all day, Destiny and Mia’s dads for helping at square leg, Beth for scoring our game and the lovely parents who helped to transport the girls.
Mrs Julie Best
This term in Science 1BP have been learning about sights and sounds and how we hear and see.

We know that our ears are used to hear and our eyes are used see in light and dark places.

We also know that vibrations cause sounds.

We are looking forward to learning more.

We went on walks to spy the light and dark places in the school and even secretly made it into the teachers’ resource room.

We also heard lots of sounds around the school.

We enjoyed feeling vibrations too.

Mrs Bailey and 1BP

Class 3LR Artwork

This is Kiana N and Mackenzie P’s work

Pink and Purple Day

Kindergarten celebrated the 31st Lasiandra Day with a ‘Pink and Purple Day’

Our youngest students looked very colourful in their pink, purple and green to be a part of this community festival today. Kinders enjoyed a morning of craft, dance, face painting and stories before a delicious pink and purple cupcake.

Mrs Julie Best

P & C Canteen News

WPS P&C Association/AGM Meeting

The Wauchope Public School AGM for 2015 is being held on Thursday 12 March 2015 at 6pm in the school staff room; there will be a short break followed by the general meeting at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to attend; Please be advised that only current financial members are allowed to vote at the AGM.

Positions to be elected at the AGM are:

President - Vice President - Secretary - Treasurer

If you require any further information, please contact Joanne Garrett 0417 852 777

Canteen News

Canteen Roster Term 1 Week 8

Monday 16 - Jacki
Tuesday 17 - Lisa M
Wednesday 18 - L Brady
Thursday 19 - M Corrigan
Friday 20 - D Partridge, A-M Campbell & R Clarke

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

WOOSH News

April Vacation Care, Term 2 Pupil Free day 2015 dates are as follows:

• April Vacation Care - Tuesday 7 April to Friday 17 April.
• Pupil Free Day – Monday 20 April

These are up on the board in the Woosh room now. Please come into the centre and place your child’s name on the list with the required days clearly ticked or alternatively give Alex a ring at the centre. The closing date for registration is Friday 13 March 2015. As we have to undergo a priority procedure, please phone Miss Alex on 0412 852 441 at the centre for availability after Tuesday 17 March 2015.

Thank you, the Woosh Committee

Bundaleer Plant Sale

What: Plant Sale
Where: Bundaleer Nursing Home
Johnstone St., Wauchope
When: 20 March 2015 - 2.30pm

For further information please contact Loretta on 6585 2344.
A Day of Free Fun for All
Bain Park in Wauchope will again be the venue on Saturday the 21st of March for the annual day of fun. The Celebrate Jesus Community Fun Day is a great family day out. There are events and activities for everyone and it will also be helping us to think about the Lord Jesus as we approach Easter.
Starting at 9am and concluding at 2pm, the program includes live music, a jumping castle, face painting, clowns, drama, puppets, school group presentations, balloon animals, games, stilts, children’s crafts and thought provokers etc.
Many of the entertainers are local people, but the main acts are professional entertainers One Accord and Quiz Worx, travelling from Newcastle and Sydney respectively.
The winners of the colouring competition will be announced at about 11 am and receive their prizes.
The day is brought to you by the combined Churches of Wauchope and endorsed by the Ministers Association. Come and join in because everyone is welcome. For more information call Peter on 0427 813 496 or Will on 0412 847 026.