I am inviting all interested Wauchope Public School students to march with WPS staff at the Wauchope Town Anzac Ceremony on Saturday 25 April. I would ask that all children are in full school uniform with correct school hat please. We will meet next to the Thai restaurant opposite the RSL car park at 10:20am. Last year we had a large number of children march and I was incredibly proud of those children who gave up their time. Anzac Day is a very special day and is very important in Australia’s culture and history. This year is the Centenary Year and promises to be a very special part of our history. Your child will always be able to say that they marched at the 100 year anniversary. I know the returned servicemen love seeing our children participate on this day.

The RSL provides a free sausage sizzle for the school children in the RSL car park. Parents are to collect their children at the conclusion of the ceremony.

Vandalism
Unfortunately, we experienced many acts of mindless vandalism over the holidays. This is upsetting for the students, staff and myself. Not to mention frustrating and very time consuming. Over ten windows were smashed, paint was tipped out of containers, class teddies were burnt and other items were attempted to be burnt plus the usual ransacking. I am in fear that one night I will receive a call that a classroom block has been burnt to the ground. I’m in the process of acquiring several security cameras. Feel free to tell anyone you know especially if they are a politician that Wauchope Public School needs a security fence installed. I have been pointing out to anyone who will listen that we are the only school in Wauchope that does not have a security fence. It is also a child protection concern as our school can be accessed very easily from any direction.

WPS ANZAC Ceremony
Students K-6 will participate in a special ceremony this Friday commencing at 10:30am in the hall. Every child in the school will be making a Poppy as a tribute to our incredibly brave soldiers. They will all be displayed in our playground.

School Uniform
As the mornings become cooler please ensure you have labelled all jackets or jumpers. Please ensure your child wears the school uniform as it does look ordinary if we have children turning up in different colour tops. This does nothing for school pride and draws unnecessary attention to your child.

Lake Keepit Excursion
I have been informed that Year 5 are enjoying their time at Lake Keepit. They arrived at 2pm on Tuesday and the temperature was 11 degrees. A big thank you to Mrs Darcy for organising this experience and to the attending staff: Ms Henry, Mrs Humphries, Mr Freeman-Duffy, Mr Dragos and Ms Gedeller (American University Student). We look forward to hearing of their adventures.

Thank you
The school has recently purchased $5000 worth of new dictionaries and thesauruses. I’d like to thank Cheryl Workman who has been volunteering her time to start covering these new resources. However, if you are interested in volunteering to assist with covering library books and the remaining dictionaries please contact the school to offer your assistance. Thursdays would be a good day if you could spare some time.
University Students
I would like to welcome Ms Stephanie Gedeller who is visiting WPS from the USA for the next few weeks on an International exchange and Ms Cathryn Whiteoak who will be working with 6SG during Term 2.

Farewell Mrs Shrubb
Mrs Shrubb was a well respected teacher at WPS many years ago. Wendy was born in 1938 and attended school at Bexley PS and St George Girls High School. Wendy and her husband trained at Armidale Teachers College and moved to Wauchope in 1969. They have lived in Campbell Street ever since. Wendy and Rex have eight grandchildren. Rest in Peace Mrs Shrubb.

Future Dates
A few important dates for your calendar are: NAPLAN assessments for Years 3 and 5 12 May – 14 May, Mother’s Day Stall 6 May, Cross Country Carnival 8 May, P&C Meeting 14 May, Book Fair 22 May and Athletics carnival 12 June.

Class 1KN prepared for ANZAC and baked ANZAC biscuits

ANZAC Preparations

Cameron Osborne

Dates to Remember

Tuesday 21 April - Friday 24 April
☼ Year 5 Lake Keepit Excursion
Friday 24 April
☼ ANZAC Day Assembly
Saturday 25 April
☼ Wauchope Town Anzac Ceremony March
Monday 27 April
☼ Fete Meeting - 7.00pm Wauchope Country Club
Wednesday 6 May
☼ Mother’s Day Stall
Friday 8 May
☼ Cross Country Carnival
Thursday 14 May
☼ P & C Meeting
Friday 22 May
☼ Book Fair
Friday 12 June
☼ Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 12 May - Thursday 14 May
☼ NAPLAN Assessments

Year 1 Parents and Students
Year 1 Sport is on Thursday’s during Term 2.

P & C Canteen News
Canteen News
Canteen Roster Term 2 Week 2
Monday 27 Jacki
Tuesday 28 Lisa M, K Waldron
Wednesday 29 S Reynolds
Thursday 30 J-L Hobson
Friday 1 K Weston, A-M Campbell, L Wagner

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

P&C News
A big thank you to all who purchased raffle tickets in our enormous Easter raffle last term. We raised over $1000 for our wonderful school and everyone should be very proud of their efforts.

All of the prizes have gone home to the winners and we hope you enjoyed all of your little Easter treats!

A reminder that the next P & C meeting is on Thursday 14 May in the school staffroom at 7.00pm. All are welcome to come along and share your ideas.

The next Fete meeting will be held on Monday 27 April at 7.00pm at the Wauchope Country Club, we
need plenty of community support for our School Fete to be a great success.

We are currently looking for donations for the Fete, these were outlined in the Fete newsletter that was sent home last term but just to jog your memory we are looking for second hand books, second hand toys, glass jars with lids, old stockings and any pre loved jewellery. If you would like to donate any items for the School Fete they can be left at the schools front office and we thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.

From time to time over the next few months the P&C will be sending notes home asking for different items that you may be able to donate for our School Fete, please remember that every little bit helps, big or small and if you are in a position to assist, the committee greatly appreciates anything that you can do to help.

If you would like any further information regarding the Fete please call Kaela 0427 250 395 or Jo 0417 852 777.

The P&C will be running its very popular Mother’s Day stall again this year on Wednesday 6 May. Children will receive a note early next week outlining what will be happening. The children really enjoy doing their own shopping!

The P&C would like to say thank you to: 5 Star Fitness Wauchope, Billabong Zoo, Taronga Zoo Sydney, Spotlight, Bago Tavern Wauchope. These businesses have kindly made donations to our School Fete and their support is greatly appreciated.

On behalf of the P&C we would like to welcome everyone back to the new school term.
Kindergarten Students back at School