2016/2017 Kindergarten Information Presentation

I would like to welcome all perspective 2016 and 2017 Kindergarten students and their parents to our Kindergarten information session and presentation on Monday 27 July commencing at 9:30am in our school hall.

The morning will commence with performances from our wonderful Kindergarten children, our four sensational dance groups, the talented guitar group and the beautiful choir. There will then be an information session about the educational programs at WPS and a school tour. Our school captains will make a presentation and we will hear from a member of our supportive P&C. If you intend to enrol your child at Wauchope Public School then this is an opportunity not to be missed.

If you have time you are welcome to stay for some light refreshments at the conclusion of the tour. Parents who would like to watch their children perform are also most welcome to attend to see your talented children in action.

Education Week

All parents/grandparents are welcome to visit your child’s classroom on Thursday 30 July between 12 noon and 12:55pm. You are then welcome to sit and enjoy lunch with your child. You may like to order your lunch from the canteen. I remember being very excited when my lunch order used to arrive when I was in primary school. Actually, I still am!

NAIDOC Celebrations

A huge congratulations to Mrs Best, Mrs O’Reilly, Mr Baker, Mrs Rock, Aunty Helen and the WPS Aboriginal committee for organising our NAIDOC week activities. The week started with a special Flag Raising Ceremony led by Georgie D, Cheryl W, Tarana L, Bradley N, Kahlia G, Tyler D-H, Rohdel M and Liam H. On Wednesday we had a fantastic NAIDOC assembly followed by a lovely morning tea. This assembly was run by Kihan M, Tom F, Mia W, Kahlia G, Jake J, Georgie D, Cheryl W, Jye C, Jade M, Cory L, Stella A, Sean L, Kurtis W, Kate G, Tarana L and Tyler D-H.

One of our parents, Samatha Wright, presented a fantastic speech, we learnt about the various flags and about the story of the ‘Three Brothers’. 3LR sang the song ‘Taba Naba’ and the entire school also sang ‘Raining on the Rocks’ by John Williamson.

The children K-6 have participated in an amazing array of cultural activities during the week.

Healthy Harold

The Life Education program is currently in school. I strongly encourage parents to consider paying and returning the permission note so your child can attend this valuable program. I know the majority of grades have a Health and Drug Education focus during Term 3.

Glasshouse Excursion

The children in Stage 2 saw a wonderful show called the 26 Storey Treehouse today. Thank you Mr Nicolson for organising this visit.
University Students

I would like to welcome David Warburton and Kai Jacobs from Newcastle University. They are completing their last practicum of their teaching degree during Term 3 at WPS. They will be working with KLB and 4/5AD. I know they will enjoy their time at WPS.

Wheelchair Roadshow

Primary students will be participating in this activity on Wednesday next week. The school will be paying the $450 donation on behalf of the WPS students.

AMART Sports

Every time you make a purchase at this store please mention Wauchope Public School as we receive a percentage of each sale. It all adds up. We can then purchase sports equipment for our children to use during sport. The voucher I have received this quarter will be used to purchase prizes for our School Fete.

Sport

Congratulations to the following students who competed in a Horse Sports competition (St Clare’s Taree Horse Sports Day) last week. WPS received a trophy for Best on Display. Well done Savannah J, Dean A, Blade H, Roxy B and Meghan R.

Well done to our netball team on another nail biting win.

Congratulations to Grace B for competing in a ski event recently. What an amazing experience!

As this newsletter goes to print/email Izac B and Lachlan W will be completing a week of playing touch football at the State championships in Coffs Harbour. Mr Sallustio is the North Coast coach which is a very prestigious position. Congratulations. Good luck to the Under 10’s rugby league team who will be competing in Penrith, Sydney on Monday. Run hard and tackle hard boys!

Jump Rope for Heart

Students at WPS are having a blitz on fitness this term. As a result we have entered in the Jump Rope for Heart program. Sponsorship forms will be sent home this week. The sponsorship part of the program is totally voluntary. As I mentioned we are really focused on the fitness side of things and Healthy Hearts for our students. There are prizes for students who raise certain amounts of money. A ‘Jump Off’ will be held in Week 6 and sponsorship forms will be collected during Weeks 6 and 7.

Hastings/Camden Haven Athletics Carnival

Good luck to our athletics team, who if weather permits, will compete at Blackbutt oval tomorrow. Please be at the fields well before 9am as the 800m and shot put events will be marshalled at 9am. Please remember to wear your representative shirt and WPS jacket/jumper for warmth plus school hat. Report to Mrs Wheatley on arrival and departure as she is our team manager.

Remember the 800m and 200m will be timed finals so please run hard until you cross the line.

Cameron Osborne

Thursday 23 July

☼ Glasshouse - 26 Storey Treehouse - 10.00am

Monday 27 July to Friday 31 July

☼ Education Week

Monday 27 July

☼ 2016 Kindergarten Information Presentation - 9.30am

Saturday 17 October

☼ P & C Fete - 9.00am-2.00pm

PSSA Netball against Hastings Public School

Last Friday our PSSA netball team played Hastings Public School in round 4 of the knockout competition at Port Macquarie. The girls played beautifully in very cold and blustery conditions. The strong defence from both teams (and windy conditions for the shooters) kept the scores low throughout the match. By the end of the third quarter the scores were tied at 5 points all, but the Wauchope girls rallied in the final quarter to come away with a win, 10 points to 8. Congratulations to Amber M, Emily B, Jayde J, Ebony D, Courtney L, Ella M, Genevieve R, Mia W
and Emily A. The girls will now play either Crescent Head or Boambee in Round 5 of the competition.

**NAIDOC Week Flag Raising Ceremony**

We went to the flag raising. The children played clapping sticks. - Chelsea B

They put the flag up into the air for us to look at. All of the classes came to look at the flags. - Kyden W

The whole school went to the front of the school watching the flag raising. - Emmalee P

**Interschool's snowsports championships 2015**

These school holidays I’ve been skiing in the Interschool’s Snowsports Championships at Perisher. I went in two races one was the alpine grand slalom and the other one was the skier cross.

In the alpine grand slalom you go in and out of flags as quickly as you can until you get to the end, and in that race I came 36th out of 120. In the skier cross you go in and out of flags extremely fast a bit like the alpine race but faster and the skier cross also has jumps near the end and sometimes that slows you down. In the skier cross race I came 52nd out of 110. When I was at the top of each race I felt extremely nervous but that didn’t stop me. I tried my hardest, and I raced like a pro. It was amazing having this opportunity to do this as not many people have the chance to do what I did. To the people out there who want to do this keep on dreaming and some day it will happen. I’m so proud of myself for doing these races because it was my first time in competition, and I did very well. P.S if you haven’t tried skiing or snowboarding you should really try it. - By Grace B

**Jump Rope For Heart**

This term our school is participating in the Jump Rope for Heart program. Skipping activities will be incorporated into PE lessons, Sport, and even at lunch times, culminating in a Jump Off! day during Week 6. Sponsorship forms have been sent home this week. You can help your child support valuable research into heart disease by asking friends and family to sponsor you, using your sponsorship form, or by registering them online. It’s easy, safe and secure. www.heartfoundation.org.au/sites/jumpropeforheart

Thanks for your support - Lisa Barnett

**Year One Celebrate 100 Days at School**

Last week Year 1 started Term 3 with a bang, celebrating 100 Days at school this year. The celebrations commenced with an excursion to Bain Park to view the garden of Wauchope centenarians.

We discovered that there have been 10 Wauchope residents who have lived to 100 years old. The children were given new names for the week which were popular names 100 years ago. After our excursion, the children enjoyed a delicious cake (actually 100 cupcakes) made by baker extraordinaire mum Jane Davis. The children enjoyed a multitude of fun activities throughout the week which celebrated the fact that they were all 100 days smarter. A HUGE thank you to Jane Davis who spent many hours preparing our yummy cakes to help make our first week back at school so special.
Canteen News
Canteen Roster Term 3 Week 3
Monday 27  L Brady
Tuesday 28   H Fraser
Wednesday 29 Jacki
Thursday 30  L Ferguson
Friday 31   L Brady, A-M Campbell and A Hoskins

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.

P&C News
The next P & C meeting will be held on Thursday 13th August commencing at 7.00pm.

Fete News
If you are a local business owner or tradie, big or small and are in the position to make a donation either monetary, gift or voucher please contact Kaela Croft on 0427 250 395 for further information and how you can get involved in sponsoring and supporting our school fete.

A massive thank you to all families who have kindly donated items for our fete. This years fete is shaping up well, however there is still time to make any donations. If you are having a clean out in the holidays remember you can always donate any second hand books, toys, brick brack and more to the school for the fete.

We are seeking volunteers for the day of the fete. If you can assist please contact Kaela or Jo on the number above, we are looking for assistance with craft, side show alley, haunted house and food stalls just to name a few.

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

Book Club
The current Book Club Policy is due to be amended and updated as this has not been done since 2009. Once the completion of amendments has occurred and signed off by the P&C committee a copy of the updated policy will be available at the schools front office in the P&C box for anyone that wishes to view them.

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

FREE Triple P Parenting Group
Helping you raise happy confident kids

DATES: Over four Thursdays from 23/07/2015 to 13/08/2015
TIME: 10.00 am – 12.00 pm
VENUE: UnitingCare Burnside - 7 Sherwood Road, Port Macquarie.
PRESENTER: UnitingCare Burnside Hastings Family Support Service

BOOKINGS AND INFORMATION
Phone 6591 6620 or 0417 656 668
Morning tea provided
www.triplep.net

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability
Notification for Parents and Carers
From 2015, all Government and non-Government schools across Australia are required to participate annually in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD).
All Australian schools will collect data on their students who are receiving adjustments to meet additional learning and support needs in accordance with their obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and Disability Standards for Education 2005. This data will be provided to the Australian Government to assist in the development of a consistent, national picture of the education needs of students with disability.
The data provided to the Australian Government by the NSW Department of Education and Communities is provided in such a way that it cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.

Privacy Protection
The NSW Department of Education and Communities follows the requirements of the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 and the Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002. Schools will collect, record, store and use data about individual students in line with these requirements. Data security and protection is a priority and students' personal details will be kept confidential.
Under Clause 52 of the Commonwealth Australian Education Regulation 2013, data collected by the NSW Department of Education and Communities for the NCCD must be provided to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training. This includes the number of students at each level of education, the number in each category of disability and the number at each level of adjustment. The information is provided to the Commonwealth as a series of number sets that cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.
The Australian Government Department of Education and Training follows the requirements of the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988 when handling any data provided by NSW Department of Education and Communities in connection with the national data collection. A privacy notice has been developed by the Australian Government to provide students, parents and carers with important privacy information in relation to the data collection. This notice is available on the department's website at http://education.gov.au/notifications.
If you have any questions about the data collection please do not hesitate to contact Cameron Osborne or Karen O'Reilly at XPS.