Cath ended her working relationship with WPS last Friday. However, we are sure she will still be connected with our school after over 30 years of service. The P&C has purchased a perpetual trophy in her honour that Cath can present at each Presentation Day for years to come. The award is the Cath Dornan Stage 2 Citizenship Award. The WPS staff will say thank you by hosting a farewell morning tea tomorrow. The P&C along with the students of WPS will make a special presentation at the Assembly of Excellence.

Cath has given me the first price list ever from our canteen from the last 1970s. A full size meat pie was 40c with sauce costing an extra 3c. Sausage rolls were 20c. A Moove milk was 28c, packet of chips 20c, twisties only 12c, sultanas 12c, sao biscuit with vegemite or cheese was 5c, a dry Jatz was a whopping 1c. A chicken sandwich was 45c, vegemite 35c and I had a few baked beans in my day for 35c. The good old Orchy was 27c and ice blocks were going for 12c and 15c. Hot dog days were on Wednesdays and cost 30c. They were the days!

A quote from the 1979 canteen price list was “On behalf of the Canteen Committee I urge all parents to give the School Canteen your full support. You are assured that good, wholesome food will be supplied and that prices will be kept as low as possible. The response by mothers to help in the Canteen has been outstanding.”

Assembly of Excellence
This exciting event will be held next Thursday morning. All visitors are welcome to attend. The assembly will commence at 9:30am.

Hall Improvements
We have recently had a huge three metre wide automatic drop down screen and data projector installed in the hall. This will be a fantastic asset for our school. Funds donated by our P & C, Star Lodge of Wauchope and the Anglican Church were used to purchase and install this equipment.

P&C Fete Donation Week
Thank you to all of the generous families who have been donating drinks to be sold at our Fete. The children love the competition and have been regularly checking the points table that is on a notice board. Last day for donations is tomorrow.

Book week Celebrations
I must say there has been some build up to this event. I’ve heard it is a very big celebration of books and reading. This is a brilliant way to finish off the term and the exuberance from our resident book worm Mrs McCudden has been infectious. As adults we must make every effort to share the enjoyment of reading with our children. That involves making reading fun, reading to our children, listening to them read and talking about what we have read. It is also very powerful particularly for boys to see their dads, pops, and uncles reading and to read together.

This year all students who are in fancy dress and have returned their permission note will take a stroll down the main street. The P&C will also be holding a 50c Tuck Shop.
Sport

Good luck to our girls’ soccer team who travel north to play in the North Coast final on Monday. If they win we are hoping to have a home game next Wednesday at the high school possibly against a team from Central Coast so we can have a few supporters at the game. I’m trying not to get ahead on myself. Fingers crossed.

Good luck also to our girls Touch team who are also progressing nicely through the PSSA Knockout draw. They play Kempsey South PS next Tuesday for the right to compete in the North Coast Final.

Congratulations to the students who competed in the cricket and touch Gala days last week. All teams performed strongly. The cricketers and myself had a great day out.

All of the cricket players showed a very high level of skill and ability with the girls being undefeated and the boys winning four out of five games. Well done to Larissa W, Cody N, Kitiara O, Samantha A-W, Kirra O, Samantha O, Tylah B, Emma M, Courtney N, Kane M, Matthew S, Bailey C, Blake H, Jack B, Ryan M, Manning L and Josh J.

Cricket Clinics

Students in Years 1 to 4 will be enjoying cricket clinics today and tomorrow. Thank you Mr Baker for coordinating these. Mr Bourke from Cricket NSW is running the clinics.

Stage 3 Cultural Day

Good luck to all Stage 3 as they celebrate the culmination of their Cultural studies next Wednesday. Should be a fun day and a great way to finish off Term 3. Thank you staff for coordinating this enjoyable activity led by Miss Woolner.

WE WANT YOU!

This is a good time to ask for volunteers to help continue our fantastic canteen. If you can spare a few hours on any day please contact Nicole in the canteen. The P&C and school want to continue to provide this fantastic resource for our students. Term 4’s canteen volunteer list will be published in next week’s newsletter.

-Girls Touch Football

In Week 2 the girls played their first game in round 2 against Beechwood. Wauchope won 14-3 in an enjoyable and friendly game. After waiting five weeks we finally managed to play Tacking Point. The game was hard and fast and we won 5-1.

We are hoping to play Round 4 this week. Good luck girls!

- Robyn Domanski -

Is The World One World?

Is the backyard one backyard?
I live near a blue tongue who thinks the path is a race track, and tanks are Olympic, racing pools.

In the world of his own, industrial bins are lifesaving mansions, from boulders of ice and floods of rain from above.

Is the tree one tree?
My eyes rest upon two, snuggling Pee-Wees who think the tree is a home, a plant who thinks it’s a never ending climbing frame.

I live with a kitten who thinks it`s a tiger`s lair and a tiny lizard family who thinks the tree is a shelter, tall with looping, winding routes to explore.

Is the toy one toy?
I live with two terrors who think a toy is security, a shelter from trouble and an escape. A world of their own, a ticket elsewhere, a playmate that lives on forever.

The only thing that says “I Love You” without speaking a word.

-by Courtney Newell-

-Cameron Osborne-
P & C News

Canteen News
The canteen needs volunteers for breakfast from 8.30am to 9am. If you are available to help on any morning please contact Nicole O’Hagen acting canteen manager.

Canteen Roster
Monday 19th K Brown & A Sydenham
Tuesday 20th J Kennett & R Smith
Wednesday 21st K Birmingham & L Stewart
Thursday 22nd K Morton & L Occhuzzi
Friday 23rd HELP NEEDED

K-2 School Athletics Carnival
The K-2 Sports carnival is being held on 14 October at Blackbut Park. If anyone is available to help in the canteen or in the School Canteen on this day, please contact Nicole O’Hagen.

Thank You
Special thanks goes to our Major Sponsors for the School Fete:

Toy Topia - Wauchope
Wauchope RSL
Wauchope Motors
Essential Energy
Wauchope ANZ Bank

Thank You

WOOSH News and Vacation Care 2011
The next WOOSH meeting will be held in the WOOSH room on 10th November at 6pm. All new and existing families are more than welcome to come.

WOOSH (Wauchope Out Of School Hours Care) currently has vacancies for after school care. If any parents like to enrol their child please call Alex on 0412 852 441.

FETE News
Date set for Fete is 22nd October 2011
The next Fete meeting is being held at The Country Club on Thursday 22nd September at 7pm, everyone is welcome, hoping to see some new faces on the night.

New Time for P & C Meeting
The next Wauchope Public School P&C meeting will be held on 13th October at 7.00pm in the school staffroom.
All existing and new families are welcome to come along.

Urgent Request
Second hand jewellery
Old stockings
If anyone has finished items at home e.g. (craft items, jams ,dress up costumes or any other items that they will be donating to the Fete, would they please send them into school as soon as possible.
The Fete Committee is in the process of organizing all the stalls for the big day.
A BIG THANK YOU goes to all families that have generously donated to the Fete.

The P&C is looking for volunteers to assist at the FETE being held on Saturday 22nd October 2011 all money raised from the FETE will go towards vital resources & projects for the Wauchope Public School.
If you are able to help please complete the slip below and return to the school office, attention Kim Thompson.

I am able to assist at the FETE on Saturday 22nd October 2011
Name: _____________________________
Contact Numbers: _____________________________
Times available on the day: _____________________________
Year 5 Taster Lessons at Wauchope High School

Last Friday Year 5 went to Wauchope High School for taster lessons. During their visit students participated in lessons in Art, Cooking, LOTE, Computers, Science, Drama and Agriculture. During recess and lunch students could also visit the canteen and play in the shelter. A fantasmagorical time was had by all and the teachers said our behaviour was pretty awesome.

-by 5SJ-

MERIT AWARDS

KLE - Amarlie & Connor
KLF - Max & Finlai
KMM - Melissa & Ellie
KSW - Jayden & Tennessee-Rose
KWH - Ethan & Kaitlin
1DP - Chaney & Isabella
1HL - Mason & Jessica
1KB - Scarlett & Phoebe
1NL - Jayde & Jack
2CS - Cheryl & Cohen
2HP - Nina & Tom
2MG - Rohdel & Mason

CITIZEN OF THE WEEK

Phoebe 1HL

WAUCHOPE WONDER

Amber – 2MG
Faith – 1HL
Wauchope Neighbourhood Centre
Holiday Program for Kids Spring Holidays

Cost: $20 per child per day
Who: Preschool aged 5 to Year 6 aged 12
Time: 9am to 3pm Tuesdays & Thursdays
Where: Wauchope Stadium
What to bring: own lunch, water bottle and sport shoes.

Morning tea is provided which includes fruit, cake and drink.
Play a range of sports and games including volleyball, basketball, soccer, netball, polo hockey, group games and watch a movie.
Call Wauchope Neighbourhood Centre on 6586 4055 for further information and to book your child in.

Spring Fashion Show

The Starlight Children’s Foundation proudly presents for your enjoyment – a spring fashion show.
When: 24 September 2011
Where: Wauchope RSL at 1pm
Tickets $10 prebooked or $15 at the door – children under 10 years have free entry.
Tickets available from Natalia, Charlize Rose, Class-ique Fashion & Department Store or phone Kim 0407 861 812 or Michelle 0417 204 850.

WAUCHOPE-BONNY HILLS SURF LIFESAVING CLUB
NIPPERS REGISTRATION

Nippers provides great opportunities for kids 5 - 14 years to have fun, make friends, increase fitness and gain recognised qualifications.
We have terrific new facilities, a great atmosphere and plenty of competitive spirit at our club.
Our first club day is on Sunday 9 October starting at 8.45am at Rainbow Beach, Bonny Hills.
Everyone needs to complete a pre-season swim proficiency at Port Macquarie Pool (Gordon St) on:
Saturday 10 Sept (10am - 2pm),
Sunday 18 September (10am - 2pm) or
Saturday 24 September (10am - 2pm) to complete their registration.
For further information please email the club – info@wauchopebonnyhills-slsc.org.au
or ring NIPPERS on 0439 848 996

All day live musical entertainment
Youth Talent Quest - Top entertainment from a huge variety of talented people under 21.
Art Exhibitions - 4B3 small art exhibition- also Digital Art and Story Writing exhibitions – all with the theme “Forest Fantasy”.
Flower Show Red Plateau Landscape Display
Children’s Festival - Entirely interactive displays for the kids all day. Science experiments, woodworking, Biripai dancing, basket weaving, beauty salon and music.

Teddy bears’ picnic, chai tent and more
Street Markets – around 50 stalls.
Street Entertainers – The kids from Slippry Sircus are back clowning the streets all day.
Helicopter Joy Flights – still only $50 each.

Climbing Wall – You’ll be amazed how you can get from one end of a garage to another from floor to roof and all over the walls as well.

Magic Show - Troppo Bob performing 4 shows.

Vintage, Hot Rods and Custom Car- All the car clubs will be there competing in the annual Comboyne Car Capers. Special exhibition of 2 cars converted to electric cars. Also steam driven machinery.

Farm Machinery Exhibition – This is a Comboyne secret about to be let go!

Comboyne Indulgence Raffle

Food – Huge variety to buy from Comboyne and Hastings community groups, or from market stalls.

All exhibitions and entertainment are covered by entry fee as well as the shuttle bus and parking.
Entry $10, Concession Card $8, under 18 free
Sunday 18 September from 9am
www.comboynevillagefair.com

Software for Students

Parents are able to purchase Microsoft Software at reduced prices through the Department of Education Store.
Here is the link:

Click NSW DEC K-12 students shop then choose software and follow instructions.
ENRICHMENT CLASS FOR 2012

For 2012 we are considering the possibility of two enrichment classes. These are a 3/4 and 5/6 enrichment class which will draw students who are currently in years 2, 3, 4 and 5 to form these groups.

All students in years 2, 3, 4 and 5 will be given the opportunity to apply and be considered for the enrichment classes. After the testing process has been completed the school panel will meet and determine which students are the best applicants for the two classes.

Application for the class will be either:

- class teacher nomination
- parent nomination

Students will be selected for the class on the basis of:

- exhibiting superior skills in Key Learning Areas, particularly Literacy and Numeracy
- teacher recommendation based on student performance
- current achievement aligned to stage outcomes
- achievement levels in NAPLAN Testing
- achievement levels in State competitions
- results from standardised aptitude testing

All students will complete the OLSAT standardised test and a writing activity under the supervision of Mrs Pelley.

A committee consisting of Mrs Pelley, Mrs McCue and Mrs Kemp will make the final decision about the students in the class.

You will receive a letter if your child is nominated for the enrichment classes and you will need to sign, acknowledging the nomination of your child and give permission for he/she to be included in the testing process for the 2012 classes. You will also be asked to complete a questionnaire about your child and return it to Mrs Pelley.

It is very important that you adhere to the dates on information that is sent home.

If you would like your child considered for placement in the enrichment class for 2012 please complete the form below and return it to Mrs Pelley by Friday 23 September.

If you have any questions about the enrichment program for 2012 please contact Mrs Pelley on 65852277.

I would like to nominate my child _____________________ of class _______ to be considered for placement in the enrichment class for 2012.

Parent's Name: __________________________________________
Parent's Signature: ______________________________________
Date: __________________