NEWSLETTER – 6TH FEBRUARY 2013

We acknowledge that Wentworth Public School is situated on the traditional lands of the Barkindji people and pay respect to elders, past present and future.

WELCOME!
Welcome back for the 2013 school year! We are looking forward to a highly productive and exciting one for all students, teachers, families and the community. We particularly welcome new families to the school and trust that you will enjoy your time with us. We also welcome Miss Bridgit Milne who has joined our teaching staff.

This will be a short newsletter, with a few urgent reminders. All class teachers will be sending out an introductory letter with next week’s newsletter.

CLASSES AND TEACHING STAFF
With some new enrolments arriving and to ensure that we have room to cater for new students in any year level, we have chosen to begin the school year with the following classes: Kindergarten, with Mrs Natalie Hopcroft; Year 1/2, with Mrs Trish Slade; Year 2/3, with Mr Brian Gray; Year 3/4, with Miss Bridgit Milne; Year 4/5, with Mrs Jenny Halls; and Year 6, with Miss Sandra Marziano. Miss Jordana Shields will be completing Reading Recovery training and will take each class for library. Mrs Tamie Farley will teach release from face to face for two days each week. Mrs Chris Larwood will be our school learning support officer, working three days each week. Mrs Jodie Morgan will continue as our garden specialist. Mrs Natalie Rees is currently on long service leave, but will return in Term 2. We will also be continuing our music program on Mondays for Years 3-6 with Mrs Judith Tilley.
**SCHOOL SWIMMING**
All students in Year 1-6 are involved in swimming lessons, commencing this Friday. Classes will walk to the pool with their class teacher. We have been fortunate to gain the services of three instructors to support our students. This will ensure all students are given support at the level they require. Details of the swimming program are on the attached letter and we ask that you return this permission slip tomorrow, particularly if you have season’s tickets. Please note the change in the cost for season ticket holders. Students who do not participate in swimming will complete activities at school, based on water safety and sun safety. We strongly encourage all students to participate. Please remember that if there is an issue with payment, please come and see me.

**SWIMMING CARNIVAL**
Our school swimming carnival will take place on Thursday, 21st February at 6:00pm. We welcome all families to join us for this fun evening.

**SCHOOL FEES - ALL STUDENTS**
$20.00 Per Child  
$50.00 Per Family

**KITCHEN GARDEN FEES YEARS 3 – 6 FOR TERMS 2 -4**
$15.00 Per Term  
$45.00 Per Year

**SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**
This coming Monday is the first day of school for our new Kindergarten students. Because of swimming, we will have a special assembly to introduce them to the school at 3:00pm. There will be no assembly on 18th February and our first formal assembly will be Monday, 25th February at 9:30am.

**LUNCH TIME!**
As a trial this term, classes will be eating lunches indoors.

**P&C MEETING**
Our first P&C meeting is on Wednesday 27th February at 7pm in the School’s Technology Room. Come along and support our school by being involved in our parent group.

Finally, please remember that we are here for your child. If you have any questions or concerns, or need any clarification about issues, please don’t hesitate to contact the school and make an appointment!

Cathy Eddie  
Principal