PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

It is timely this week to reflect on what has been achieved this term. We have continued the great work being done in Primary Literacy groups, introduced lunch time activities, developed a community volunteering program, performed at a number of events with recorder and keyboard, participated in sporting events, hosted a district sustainability workshop, started elective art sessions, made regular positive phone calls home and still maintained a high level of learning in each class. We have highlighted the values of leadership, encouraging others and acknowledging your mistakes. Without the incredible staff at Wentworth Public School these fabulous opportunities would not be possible. If you get the chance over the next week please take the time to acknowledge the staff at this school and let them know how much the work they do is appreciated!

COMMUNITY EXPO

We had a great turn up to assist at the Pre School Community Expo last Saturday. Thanks to the staff and families who were able to help with this event.
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EARLY ACTION FOR SUCCESS
As mentioned in last week’s newsletter I attended a conference in Sydney last week about the Department Of Education’s new target program called Early Action for Success. During the conference Principals were informed about what the funding for this program can be used for-only Kinder-Year 2, what documentation is required to keep track of student progress, how to analyse data to make sure all students are catered for and had the opportunity to network with other schools about innovative programs that are being used. On my return to school I have started discussions with staff about how we can maximise learning opportunities for our infant classes. With this in mind we will be making some changes to the organisation of the two infant classes next term. I will let you know these changes as soon as we have finalised the plans. This has provided an excellent opportunity in terms of resourcing and staffing for our school to target literacy/numeracy in the younger years.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER PROGRAM
With the fabulous guidance of Jodie Morgan, the primary students have volunteered their time in a number of ways this term. They have acted as tour guides in the kitchen garden, served morning tea to guests, assisted with Meals on Wheels, facilitated craft sessions at Murray House and performed recorder at special events. We believe that encouraging students to be part of their community is a great skill and we will be developing this program further next term. If any community member has any ideas for how we can assist the local community, please let us know.

FACEBOOK
Our school has recently started a face book page. Find us at http://facebook.com/wentworthpublicschool and like us. We see this as a form of communication that can showcase what the students are doing and also inform the community about special events, messages etc.
END OF TERM CELEBRATION

We will be holding an end of term celebration on the last day of Term-Friday 27th June. All students are allowed to wear casual dress and they will get to select an activity from the following options to take part in during the middle session of the day:

1. Movie and popcorn
2. Board games
3. Scavenger Hunt
4. Art
5. Technology
6. Disco

MID YEAR REPORTS

Teachers are currently making the final adjustments to student mid year reports. They will be going home during the first week back next term. Parent/Teacher conferences will then follow.

Have a great week,
Natalie Hopcroft

BARRIER CROSS COUNTRY

On Friday 16th June, twelve students from Wentworth Public School attended the Barrier Cross Country which was held in Broken Hill. After an early morning drive all the children performed brilliantly and we are very proud of their results. Fantastic work!

One Wentworth student put in an extraordinary effort to finish 5th and has qualified to compete at NSWPSSA State Cross Country if he chooses to. Congratulations to Drew Thompson!

SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Next term, the 2014 School Athletics Carnival is being held on Tuesday 22nd of July. Students 8 years old and above have a chance to compete in running and field events.
All children in this age bracket will be practicing for these events for Friday sports over the next two weeks.

Jordana Shields
Sports Coordinator

**STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM**

We have had a fabulous term with lots of activity in both the kitchen and the garden. Thanks goes to all the helpers who have come this term. We really appreciate it and like we’ve said many, many times we just can’t do it without our volunteers.

**MARKET DAY WEDNESDAY 25TH JUNE 2014**

Come along to the kitchen from **3.15pm until 4pm** to buy some of the lovely fresh produce for sale at our Market Day. If you can’t make it in the afternoon and you would like to preorder a box of vegies and fruits, please fill in the order form below. The vegies and fruit will be a selection of what we have available and they cost $10. You can pick up in the morning of the 25th from 8.15am or get your child to take it after school.

At the market there will be:

Lemons, oranges, mandarins, silverbeet, cabbages, radishes, large spring onions, pumpkin, eggplants, carrots, kale, quince paste, citrus cordial and herbs.

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Look forward to seeing you there,
Jodie Morgan
NSW GOVERNMENT HEALTH
FAR WEST LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT
Excellence in Rural and Remote Health

Wentworth LGA—Future Health Services Feedback Consultations

A report on recent consultations on future health services in Wentworth LGA has been released for public review by the Far West Local Health District.

The Community is invited to the following Public Consultation Sessions:

**Tuesday 24th June 2014**

**Buronga/GolGol** — Midway Community Centre, Sturt Highway

5.00pm to 5.30pm

**Dareton** — Coomealla Memorial Sporting Club, Harvest Room

6.00pm to 6.30pm

**Wentworth** — Wentworth Memorial Rooms, Darling Street

7.00pm to 7.30pm

Everyone is invited to attend the sessions.

The report may be found at [www.fwlhd.health.nsw.gov.au](http://www.fwlhd.health.nsw.gov.au)

SCHOOL FEES AND KITCHEN GARDEN FEES ARE NOW DUE

School Fees are $20 per child or $50 per family

Kitchen Garden Fees are $15 per term

**P&C MEETING**

Just a reminder that the P&C meeting will be next Wednesday 25th June, 4:00pm at the school. All welcome

Tammy Fordham
BOOKS FROM OUR SCHOOL LODGED WITH NATIONAL LIBRARY

Last year, our school took part in the Creative Catchment Kids book writing program. A group of senior students have written a book about Will Hannah, a local indigenous person who has made an important contribution to making the local environment a better place. Schools along the Murray River in NSW from Mt Kosciuszko to Wentworth have participated in this enjoyable and fascinating program. Last week, the students’ books were delivered to the National Library in Canberra.

The library requested copies of the books because this is where a copy of every book written by Australians is stored, and because the library receives few books written by young authors. The books will be stored and preserved for posterity as they are important stories about our communities, farms and the environment that can be read many years from now. Our school and community should be very proud of our young authors - their books will be stored forever.

The Creative Catchment Kids book writing program is an initiative of the Murray Darling Association and Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre, and is proudly supported by the Murray and Riverina Local Land Services. This year, our students are writing about a 'local land hero', a person, group or business that is contributing to productive farming in our area.

This Week's Newsletter Attachments

- Receipts
- 'The Way We Were' invitation to Parents/Carers Yr 1/2S
- Coomealla High School Newsletter (Yr 6)
- Accounts
CANTEEN ROSTER FOR TERM 2, 2014

- NEXT DONUT DAY FOR TERM 2 WILL BE ON 27 JUNE

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- If you are unavailable to do canteen on your rostered day, please call me as soon as possible. We are always looking for volunteers to help in the canteen, if you can spare one Friday a term, please give me a call, text or email,

Thanks
Kathryn
Phone: 0407 847 717
kathryn-baird1@bigpond.com

WENTWORTH SHIRE LIBRARIES—LEGOLAND

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Story, Craft and Games

Buronga Library— Thursday 3rd July—Held Midway
11:00am to 12:00pm
Bookings—50 233078

Dareton Library—Wednesday 9th July—2:00pm to 3:00pm
Bookings—50 274258

Wentworth Library—Thursday 10th July 11:00am to 12:00pm
Bookings— 50 275060
UNIFORM—NEW ITEMS

ANOTHER ORDER WILL BE SENT OFF ON FRIDAY IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.

- A Line Sport Skirt with Short—$15
- Girls Trackpants (Similar to Tracknfield) - $20
- Micro Fibre Trackpants -$25

SUNRAYSIA HOCKEY

Sunraysia Hockey Association is looking for new players in Under 9s, Under 11s, Under 13s, Under 15 Boys & Under 16 Girls, Senior Men and Women.

Training and Games are held at the hockey field off Eleventh Street.

For more information please speak to Sunraysia Hockey Association President Andrew Carrigan on 0417072559.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY BASKETBALL CAMPS

With Calvin Henry, Reggie Fuller and Sarina Simmons

Open to all boys and girls aged 5yrs to 12yrs.

10:00am to 3:00pm Daily

Camp 1: Thursday July 3rd and Friday July 4th
Camp 2: Thursday July 10th and Friday July 11th

At the Toyota Hothouse

Please call 5023 2241 for more details

Thanks,

Adam Tarr
General Manager
Mildura Basketball Association
manager@mildurabasketball.com.au
www.mildurabasketball.com.au
ABORIGINAL PARENT MEETING
There will be a meeting on **Wednesday 25th June, 2:30pm** at school.
Thank you
Trish Jones
AEO

BOOK FAIR
Thank you to those of you who have already visited and/or purchased an item or two from our school Book Fair which is in the Library. Please note that your last chance of viewing / purchasing any items will be tomorrow between 9:00 - 11:30am.
Thanks,
Sandra Marziano

TUTORING AVAILABLE
- Based in Coomealla or at your house
- Available to children aged 5 -12 years in any area of the curriculum
- Phone Sarah Crisp on 50274048 or 0400238969

VOICE AND PIANO LESSONS
Louise Judd has vacancies in her program on Tuesday—contact the school for her phone number.

KITCHEN GARDEN
Vince would like some white square ice cream buckets for the garden. If you can help please leave them at the front office,
Thank you.
K/1/2 B

The holidays are drawing closer but K/1/2 are still busy with lots of exciting learning still to take place.

Week 8 sees us continue with our ‘Seasons’ artwork. Our room is looking great with all our budding artists.

For the next two weeks in mathematics we will be looking at subtraction. In English we are reviewing different texts and writing responses to them. We are also looking at the blend sounds of ‘ch’ and ‘sh’.

Next Monday, 23rd June K/1/2 are doing Kitchen Garden. We are asking for some helpers, so if you have some spare time and are available to help we would love for you to join us. We will be at the Kitchen Garden from 10am to 11.50am.

If you would like your child to take home extra readers over the holidays please just send a message via their home readers and I can organise to send extras home on the last day of the term.

Have a great week and keep on smiling,

Leanne Byrnes
**YEAR 1/2S NEWS**

The students from 1/2S have achieved 100 certificates in class so are being rewarded with their own disco!! We are very excited getting out and having a dance! All the children received an information note about our class disco today. We are all very excited!

A few reminders:

- This week is the last week for homework. Please return homework books by this coming Monday.
- Readers are checked and changed every Tuesday and Thursday. All holiday readers will be going out next week, Thursday 26th June.
- Book Fair is being held in the school library this week.
- Any fruit or vegetable donations would be greatly appreciated for our Crunch and Sip program.

Hope you all have an awesome week,

Jordana Shields

**YEAR 3/4H NEWS**

Only one and a half weeks to go, I cannot believe how fast the terms are ticking by. I am busy writing reports and have today spent the day with Miss Marziano doing our literacy reports.

This week the students have enjoyed the sustainability project rotations on Monday. I think making the worm farms or the bike art would have to have been the most fun. We also enjoyed sharing a BBQ with James today to celebrate his time at Wentworth Public School.

In the wind down to the end of the term we are going to wrap up ‘area’, begin ‘time’ and continue with our multiplication goals.

Keep warm everybody,

Jenny Halls.
YEAR 4/5M NEWS

What a fantastic day I had last Friday back with 4/5M. It’s terrific to see how much they have progressed throughout first semester with coming up with solutions to problems. Our class meetings are running smoothly by our two reps, Holly and Nellie. Except when I may get a bit side tracked.

Monday’s Sustainability Outreach activities were amazing. The class had an informative time. Thank you to Mrs Rees for organising this event.

From all accounts Matthew and Jesse did a fantastic job performing at the Senior Citizens meeting yesterday; as did the others that went along.

Reminders:
* Last day for Book Fair tomorrow. Opened from 9:00 - 11:30am.
* Diaries with up to date reading data entries collected Friday.

Happy Reading,
Sandra Marziano
YEAR 5/6G NEWS

Hopefully you got an opportunity to see the awesome rap skills of some of our students on stage at Monday’s morning assembly. If you did not get a chance to hear our fresh rhymes, there will be some more performances at next Monday’s assembly, so come on down!

Next week a group of kids from Jack n’ Jill Preschool will be visiting Wentworth, to check out our awesome school. 5/6 will be showing the children around the garden and helping them make some yummy goodies in the kitchen. This should be another great opportunity for the kids to practise their leadership skills.

We are now entering our final week of challenges for ‘The Block’. This week students have been designing and making an architectural model of a house out of match sticks and paddle pop sticks. If you have any of these items laying around, your kids may be asking you to send them in. There are some mighty grand designs being constructed and it would appear that the mantra in 5/6G is that “Bigger is certainly better!”

Cheers,
Brian

REMINDERS

HEAD LICE
Check your child’s hair regularly.

NUT BAN
No nuts or nut products at school.
STUDENT BANKING

Bendigo Bank Student Banking on Wednesday morning.

NEWSLETTERS ON THE NET

A copy of the newsletter is on the School’s Web page: www.wentworth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

SCHOOL FEES—ALL STUDENTS

$20 per child

$50 per family (if you have more than 2 children)

KITCHEN GARDEN FEES (Students in Years 3 to 6)

$15 per term

UNIFORMS—HATS

Hats and Uniform items available from the office.

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Achievement Certificates
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* Kinder/1/2B: Alannah Shiner & Shantaya Burow
* 1/2S: Saxon Wellard & Shauna Lawson
* 3/4H: Drew Thompson & Hamish Baird
* 4/5M: Matthew Hancock & Jaxon McInnes
* 5/6G: Harley Jones & Jackson McDermott

Principal Awards

Holly Bysouth, Drew Kuzman & Taj O’Brien

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Purpose Statement

Wentworth Public School prepares our students for a successful future by providing quality educational opportunities for all, which encourage life-long learning.

We emphasize strong reading, writing and maths skills, the learning of new things, getting along with others, having fun and following school values.

Graduate Profile

When I leave Wentworth Public School, I want to love to learn new things and be able to complete reading, writing and numeracy tasks confidently. I want to be respectful of myself and others and have good communication skills.

Student of the Week