Last week I had the pleasure of going on the meals on wheels run with Jodie Morgan, Tom Bottrell, Piper Nash and Drew Thompson. It was an absolutely delightful experience and I was able to see first hand the skills and learning opportunities this program has brought to our school. In the car on the way to each house the students had to read a run sheet that gave them the names of each person, their addresses and what meals they had ordered. There were lots of spelling activities, number recognition, even/odd numbers, communication and organisation skills used. It was also great to see the smiles on the meals on wheels clients as the children interacted with them.

WENTWORTH SHOW

Thank you to all the students who assisted our school over the weekend at the show. We have received some fantastic positive feedback about our efforts this year and we are already busy thinking about what we can do next year. Thanks to Jen Halls, Nat Rees, Jodie Morgan, Donald Robinson and all of the staff who were able to help out.

MOTOR NEURONE FUNDRAISER

This event was a great success last week $183.95. Well done to all the participants and to Sierra and Anthony Lever for organising the whole thing.

SCHOOL COUNSELLOR

In case you were not aware I wanted to let the school community know that we do have a school counsellor available at the school on most Tuesdays. Her name is Wanda Warren and she can be utilised for a number of services. If you have concerns regarding your child’s learning, social skills, behaviour or self-esteem, then Wanda is a great resource to have a chat to. Wanda can also advise families about other agencies that may be able to offer support. Please contact the school and we can make an appointment time or get in touch with Wanda and she can call you back.
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**This Week's Newsletter**

**Attachments**

- Receipts
- Coomealla High School (Yr 6)

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**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.
**EARLY LEARNING GROUP**

We will be commencing our Early Learning Group program next term for students starting at our school in Kinder in 2015. The program will start on Friday 17th October. It will be from 9am-11am. Ms Leanne Byrnes will be taking the group, as she will be our Kindergarten teacher next year. On Thursday 16th October we will also be holding an information evening starting at 6pm. More information about this will be distributed at the end of term.

**FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST**

This will be on tomorrow morning starting at 8am. We are asking for $5 per person or $10 for a family for the lovely bacon and eggs with juice. Come along and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of our breakfast get together.

**SCHOOL PLANNING**

Thank you to the parents who have given input so far in our future planning process. So far this week we have gathered information from the students, staff and some parents. It is not too late to have your say. If you are unable to make it for the session this afternoon please feel free to send in the attached note with your ideas of what is currently going well in the school, what needs improvement and what you find interesting. These ideas are then going to be prioritised and from there we will have our focus areas for the next three year school plan.

**UNIFORM FOCUS**

It has been really pleasing to see a huge improvement in the number of students wearing their school uniform over the past couple of weeks. We always notice a positive difference in behaviour and attitude when students are in their full school uniform. It shows pride in the school and we will continue to highlight this as an important part of school life.

**SASS WEEK**

This week we pay particular attention to the SASS staff in our school. SASS staff are all non-teaching personnel in the school. We rely heavily on the support our SASS staff provide and would like to acknowledge the great effort they put in. Thank you!

**KITCHEN/GARDEN CHANGE**

All classes will be involved in a shared experience in the kitchen next week. They will be making a three citrus marmalade and then this experience will form the basis for literacy activities over the next few weeks and into next term. Each class/literacy group has been rostered on for a session and if you think you may be able to assist with the program please contact the school for the relevant times.

Also next term the infant classes are going to start taking a turn in the Kitchen/Garden program on a fortnightly basis. This will help prepare them for next year. Mrs Rees and Mr Gray’s literacy group are now going to take week about and this will free up Mondays for the infant classes. More information will come home in your child’s class news about what day they are in the kitchen/garden program.
**WELCOME**

We have welcomed two new students to our school this week. Jordy is in Year 2 and is in the 1/2S class. Dylan is in Year 4 and is in the 3/4/5M class.

**MARILYN BARNFIELD AWARD**

Congratulations to the following students who have reached the first 25 punch outs and received a $10 gift voucher at the canteen.

*Harley Jones

*Hamish Baird

*Jane Cullinan

Thanks

Natalie Hopcroft.

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**NAPLAN**

The NAPLAN Year 3 and 5 results have just arrived in the mail. We have attached them in this week’s newsletter.

I haven’t even had a chance to look over the results as yet. But once I do I will give a summary in the newsletter.

Thanks

Natalie Hopcroft

**BARRIER ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

This Friday, 5th September sixteen students from Wentworth Public are travelling into Mildura to compete in the Barrier Athletics Carnival. The children will be representing Murray Darling competing against the best from the Broken Hill schools. We would like to wish them all the best of luck!

Jordana Shields

Sports Coordinator

**COOMEALLA WENTWORTH CRICKET CLUB JUNIOR TRAINING**

Under 10, Under 12, Under 14 and Under 16

Training will commence on Thursday 11th September from 4:30pm at George Gordon Oval, Dareton, and will continue through to the first game on the weekend of October 11. All players will be made most welcome.

**Milo Cricket Program (Ages 5-8)**

Registration day Thursday October 9 (first week of term 4), George Gordon Oval, Dareton from 4:30-5:30pm.

Milo Cricket offers children the opportunity to learn lots of new cricket skills like batting, bowling, catching and throwing, as well as social skills allowing them to meet new friends and have fun.

Participants receive a free 10 week structured program

For further information phone Jeremy Giddings on 50248202 (ah)

**KITCHEN GARDEN**

Vince would like some corrugated iron sheets to extend the chook house, so if anyone has any that you could donate to the school could you please contact the office, Thank you.
**Canteen Roster for Term 3, 2014**

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* Next Donut Day for Term 3 will be on the 12th September 2014

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.

Kathryn  Phone: 0407 847 717 or  Email: Kathryn-baird1@bigpond.com

**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.

**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.
**YEAR K/1/2B NEWS**

Hello Everyone,

What glorious weather we had for the show last weekend. Well done to everyone who entered items, helped at the WPS stand or sang in the choir, you have all done an amazing job of showcasing just how great our school is.

This week in mathematics K/1/2 are continuing to look at Multiplication; making equal groups and recognising unequal groups, also skip counting by ones, twos, fives and tens. In English we are continuing our focus on writing; journal entries and recounts of events or shared experiences that the class has participated in. Following on from the visit last week of author and illustrator Leigh Hobbs, the students have also been enjoying looking at his books and drawing the many characters. In Jolly phonics we are looking at the diagraphs of ‘oi’ as in boil and ‘ue’ as in blue.

Our class ‘Pet Rocks’ are almost complete and then we will begin the task of constructing homes for them.

I hope all the Dads and Granddads have a wonderful Father’s Day on Sunday.

Reminders:

- Year 2’s homework goes out every Monday and needs to be returned every Friday.
- K/1 homework goes out fortnightly on Monday’s. Their due date is Friday 12th September.
- Scooby Doos’ readers are changed every day. Hulk – Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Harry Potter – Tuesday and Thursday. Lone Ranger – Tuesday and Thursday.

Keep Smiling

Leanne Byrnes

**YEAR 1/2S NEWS**

I hope everyone had a wonderful time at the Wentworth Show last weekend. I know I did! It was fantastic to see so much of the children’s hard work displayed. We had a number of students in 1/2S that even went a step further receiving a place in various categories. We are all very proud of your achievements. Well done!!

1/2S would like to welcome Jordan Teasdale to our class. I hope you’ve enjoyed your first couple of days at Wentworth!

Last Monday 1/2S had a surprise kitchen and garden session. The garden time was short lived due to the rain but we had a fabulous time cooking up a storm in the kitchen. We made cauliflower soup, Turkish bread and frittata. Yum! Thank you to Mrs Anne Baird for helping out in the kitchen on short notice!! Next term the infant classes will be getting a further opportunity to participate in the Kitchen/Garden Program. More information will go out at a later date.

Next week a note will be going home about the 1/2S class party. The children have been asking me continuously about their upcoming reward. A fortnight ago 1/2S reached the unbelievable number of two hundred certificates which means time for a class party!! Now that the Wentworth Show has been completed we can get back on track with our plans for the celebration.

This Friday I will be out of school due to attending the Barrier Athletics Carnival. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Don’t forget about the Father’s Day Breakfast tomorrow morning starting at 8am. The cost is $5 per person and $10 per family. Hope to see you there!

Jordana Shields
**YEAR 3/4H NEWS**

What a wonderful weekend we all had for the Wentworth Show. It was a very busy weekend for the district with the Coomealla High school play, rugby and football/netball finals and the show.

In the run to the end of term, 3/4H have a reward system running which encourages students to follow positive behaviours throughout the school. The reward will be a movie afternoon with popcorn on the last Tuesday of term. All students have an equal opportunity to participate in the reward.

I look forward to seeing lots of families at the Father’s Day breakfast on Thursday morning.

Have a wonderful week.

Cheers Jenny

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**YEAR 3/4/5M NEWS**

Congratulations to all the students that completed their math homework for the past two weeks. It was great to see the great effort they all displayed. I’m looking forward to seeing how well they went with the tasks sent home Monday and is due back tomorrow. Diaries are also being collected tomorrow, thank you.

I hope you all had a chance to go to the Wentworth Show last weekend and visit the craft display. The class produced some artistic pieces of craft items, along with their ‘eye’ sketches they completed with Mr Baird that were available for viewing in the school display.

Thank you to Jaxon and Callan’s nan Julie, as well as Bec, Holly’s mum who helped out in the kitchen last Wednesday when the class had a special session with Jodie. Any assistance in the school is greatly appreciated.

Only a few more weeks until the Year 4’s and 5’s go to Swan Hill. If you have any queries about this, please don’t hesitate to see Mrs Halls or myself.

A reminder that the Father’s Day Breakfast is on tomorrow starting at 8am.

Hope you have a safe week,

Sandra Marziano

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**ALL YEAR 5’s NEWS – FATHER’S DAY RAFFLE**

Last Monday all Year 5 students were given their Father’s Day Raffle ticket booklet with instructions to sell. Money raised will go towards the Year 6 Farewell Dinner.

A huge thank you for those donations that have come in. **Sold and unsold tickets/butts and money are due back this Friday 5th September ready for the lucky tickets to be drawn.** If your child is involved in the Barrier Athletics Carnival this Friday, please send these in tomorrow. Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Sandra Marziano.
YEAR 5/6G NEWS

Well done to all of the wonderful school leaders who did an awesome job representing our school in Sydney last week. It was an absolute pleasure to take Jackson, Jameika, Bronte, Zac, Josh, Chloe, Harley and Liv to the big smoke! A huge thank you must also be extended to Amanda Trewin and Nikki Bond. Without their help the trip would not have been possible!!! Thanks ladies.

Next Monday we will be having a small presentation of our trip at the whole school assembly. Please come on down to check out our adventure!

Canberra and Swan Hill notes and money are due NOW. If your notes or money have not come in yet, could you please contact the school as soon as possible?

Cheers,
Brian

Achievement Certificates: Wearing their school uniforms with pride!

Kinder/1/2B: Jamaya Kennedy and Ben Follett
1/2S: Charlie Baird and Maxwell Baird
3/4H: Nehemiah Spary and Shaneil Cunnington
3/4/5M: Thomas Bottrell and Jesse Crisp
HUNTERS HILL SYDNEY TRIP

Student of the Week

Haylee Darby

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