The concert has come and gone for another two years. “Jungle Drums” was a huge success and we are still receiving many compliments from very happy audience members.

Ms Scott (Coomealla High School Principal) emailed me congratulating everyone on the fantastic show and our local school’s Director Trish Webb provided positive feedback on what a great performance it was.

Following an emotional speech by Larni Baird on the Thursday night she texted me wishing to pass on the following information she was -

"blown away at how talented and dedicated the students were and they should be VERY proud of themselves. Also, she had lots of fun making things for the concert and truly hopes they had fun being in it. We really do have the best school.... And this is not only due to the students but also because of the amazing dedicated staff and all the parents who things from making sure notes are signed in time to bringing in fruit for fruit break, being there when their kids get home and helping at fundraising. I think all the students need to make their teachers and guardians/parents feel as special as I did last night!!! Thank you again!!"

The DVD of the performance will be available for $15 from the office shortly. An order form is attached to this Newsletter.

There are limited copies so please get in early.

CONGRATULATIONS
Well done Laura Hancock for competing in the State Athletics Competition last week. You should be very proud of your achievements.

WELCOME
We have continued to welcome some new students to our school this Term. The following students have started with us and we look forward to getting to know them and their families.

Alisa (Year 5), Jessie (Year 2), Kirra (Year 1), Jakadyn (Year 4), Jannalia (Year 3)
Zeik (Year 1), Welcome back Mavis (Year 2) and Rupert (Year 1).

THANKS
A huge thank you to the families who have recently been involved in some catering jobs as school fundraisers. We appreciate the time and effort given.

LINE MARKING
We have recently been fortunate to have Wentworth Shire paint some downball squares, hopscotch, cricket pitch and rally squares in our infant playground. This was an approved project by the council and did not cost the school anything.

UNI NSW CERTIFICATES
I will be handing out all Uni NSW Certificates to the students that achieved Participation or Merit at next Monday’s Assembly. Any student that received a Credit or Distinction will receive theirs at our End of Year Presentation Night.
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### This Week's Newsletter

**Attachments**
- Receipts
- 2015 Parent/Guardian Feedback
- Healthy Harold Visit permission note
- Accounts

### 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.
2015 PARENT/GUARDIAN FEEDBACK

It is that time of year again where we ask for your feedback about things that have gone well during the 2015 school year and what needs improving.

This is a valuable opportunity for families to have a say about our school and helps guide our future direction in 2016.

It would be appreciated if you could take the time to make some comments on the attached sheet and return by Friday 30th October. Your child/ren will be rewarded with an icy pole once the form is returned.

Natalie Hopcroft
Principal.

SPECIAL YEAR 5 & 6 NEWS - YEAR 6 FAREWELL DINNER

Before long it will be the end of the year and the Year 5’s will be organising the Year 6 Farewell Dinner. To prepare for the evening we know that some of you may be already looking around for the appropriate attire. Please follow the following dress code.

Year 6 Farewell Dress Code: The Year 6 Farewell is an important part of our Year 6’s completion of their primary school education. Due to this, we have always set a specific dress code for the evening. Boys are expected to wear trousers, a button-up shirt, tie and correct footwear (not sports shoes or thongs!). The girls should have clothing that covers their shoulders and is of an adequate length. Strapless/spaghetti strap tops and short skirts are strongly discouraged.

If you are unsure about your child’s clothing, you are most welcomed to send it in for Mrs Hopcroft or Miss Marzie to double check for you.

NSWPSSA STATE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last week Laura Hancock competed at the NSWPSSA State Athletics Carnival held in Sydney. She participated in 4 events over two days - 100m sprint, long jump, shot put and discus. Overall Laura enjoyed the whole experience and is hoping she will get another opportunity in the future. What a huge effort Laura and we are proud of your achievements.

Jordana Shields
Sports Coordinator

EARLY LEARNING GROUP AND INFORMATION EVENING

*For families wishing to enrol their child in Kindergarten at Wentworth Public School in 2016

There will be an Information evening, with tea provided, tours of the school, greet and meet staff, games with Year 5 buddies and question time on Thursday 22nd October, 2015 starting at 6pm.

Early Learning Group will start the following day on Friday 23rd October from 9am-11am in the Kindergarten room. This fabulous program will run for the remainder of Term 4.

This is a great way for your child to get familiar with school and the teacher they will have next year. They only need to bring a hat and water bottle. Morning tea will be provided for the first few weeks.

Please contact the school and let us know you are coming.

You can ring us on 50273146 or email wentworth-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

We look forward to meeting you and your child.
COME & TRY SWIMMING  (Be willing to try to swim a lap)

New members welcome. Encourages fitness, fun and achieving personal bests.

Come & try days and training begin:
Dareton, Monday 26\textsuperscript{th} October & Wentworth, Thursday 29\textsuperscript{th} October at 5.15pm

Training: Dareton Public Pool, Mondays & Wednesdays  5:15pm  (finishing time varies depending on age)

Wentworth Public Pool, Thursday 5:15pm

2015/16 Fees: $175 competitive swimmer  & $150 learn to swim (maximum 2yrs)

Fees do not include season tickets to Public Pool (phone Wentworth Shire for enquiries)

Fees entitle the members to training (5 months), insurance, Sunraysia Swimming Fees and entry to some competitions. For more information contact Teresa Crisp (Coach) Ph: 0400 521 187 or Email: teresa@plummer.com.au

SPORT AND RECREATION’S SWIM AND SURVIVE LESSONS

Australian summers usually involve plenty of fun in and around the water, but no parent should forget how important it is to make sure children stay safe. Sport and Recreation’s Swim and Survive classes for pre-schoolers and school-aged children help youngsters learn important ways to be safe and enjoy our pools, rivers, beaches and lakes. The intensive nine-day programs provide wonderful results, and are great fun as well. Plus, family discounts make our program affordable for all the children in the family.

Sport and Recreation runs Swim and Survive classes in pools throughout regional NSW. Our instructors are nationally qualified and screened for their suitability to work with children.

Prices for nine lessons are $69 for school-aged children and $49 for preschoolers (prices exclude pool entry fee).

For more information or to make a booking, visit: sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive or phone 13 13 02

‘JUNGLE DRUMS CONCERT’ DVD ORDER

I would like to order ___ copies of the ‘Jungle Drums’ 2015 concert.

I have enclosed $________

Family Name ____________________.
P&C NEWS

Well what a start back to the last term, firstly I would like to send a huge thank you to Becky Bysouth and Jenny Halls for organising the RFDS Rowathon and also the many helpers who helped out on the day, this was the first fundraiser for the year and I only heard good things about the day. So job well done.

I would also like to say a huge thank you to Kellie Saunders, Amanda and Shannon Trewin and Fiona Cullinan for putting their hands up to do a second fundraiser for the year and this was the dorper ram sale on Friday I have been informed that it was a great day so thanks to you all.

One last thing P&C meeting next Thursday 29th October 4 pm in library all welcome. Regards

Tammy Fordham
P&C President

CANTEEN NEWS

Proposed CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4, 2015

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* Next Donut day on 11th December

We still need more volunteers to keep our canteen open. Just one Friday a term, you can team up with a friend or family member and pick the date that suits you - we’re pretty flexible!

Thanks, Kathryn
Ph: 0407 847 717

Please do not send in lunch orders with your kids without money. The canteen is not able to keep accounts for you. Please pack a lunch for your child(ren) if necessary.
CLASS NEWS ITEMS

KINDER B NEWS

Hello Everyone,

What a fantastic effort by everyone for the school concert. All of the hard work practicing certainly paid off with 3 very professional performances being had. Huge thanks to all involved in making this event such a huge success. Don’t forget that we will have DVD’s of the concert for sale soon so watch the newsletter for these details.

During Term 4 Kinder will be busy finishing their ‘Weather’ unit, learning some cricket skills with Mr Gray and also undertaking a study of the picture book ‘Fox’ by Margaret Wild and Ron Brooks; leading on from this will be many writing and art activities with writing being a major focus this term.

Beginning this Friday the 2016 Kinder Transition will take place in the Kinder room beginning at 9am to 11am. If you know of any children who will be starting school next year please let them know of this program as it helps children not only get familiar with the school and some of the expected routines but also they get to know their future classmates and Teacher/s.

Reminders

- Library Borrowing every Tuesday.
- Home readers will be changed each Monday and Thursday.
- Homework due each Friday.
- Donations of fruit/veg for our fruit breaks welcomed.

Have an awesome week.

Leanne Byrnes

YEAR 1/2S NEWS

I hope everyone got the opportunity to come along and see the school concert last week. The children did a wonderful job and I would like to thank you all for getting their singlet and shorts organised for me.

All homework went out this week and is due Friday. A majority of my class did not return their homework books to be able to glue in the Term 4 homework. At this late stage of the year I do not wish to be handing out new exercise books so if you could please have an extra look I would greatly appreciate it.

A few reminders:

* Library borrowing is Thursdays. Children must have a library bag to borrow.
* Reader check and change every day.
* Any fruit donations for the Crunch ‘n’ Sip program would be greatly appreciated.

Hope you have a lovely week.

Jordana Shields
Welcome to a new week. We are back to normal routines this week. Homework went home on Monday and will be due back on Friday. We have changed the days for home readers, which seems to have caused a little confusion with parents. Home readers are now due on Tuesdays and Fridays. The reason for the change is that I am back full time this term.

At the start of November, we will be commencing our class read-a-thon and homework-a-thon. We have discussed this as a class and the students have decided that they need to read every night and complete their homework (neatly) on a weekly basis to qualify for our class hot chip lunch at the end of November. It will be my shout to reward all the students who have worked really hard, completing the challenge.

Today, a permission note will go home for the Life Education Van. Our class will be visiting Happy Harold as a part of the Personal Development and Health component of the curriculum. It is essential that all notes and money are returned to the school ASAP.

Reminders
* Home readers are due on Tuesdays and Fridays
* Homework is due on Friday
* Life Education Van notes due ASAP with money
* Library borrowing is this Friday
* Please send in fruit for fruit break

Have a wonderful week, until next week

Cheers

Natalie Rees
**MR GRAY’S CLASS**

*** Kitchen Garden resumes tomorrow morning and we need some volunteers***

If you are able to join us, your assistance would be very much appreciated. 9:30 – 11:50am, come on down and enjoy a delicious meal!

What a great performance it was last week! Well done to all the singers, musicians and actors. It was fantastic to see everyone filling their roles so well.

Homework has gone home this week and is due on Friday morning. Please make sure to keep filling out your reading diary. I have been so impressed with the big improvements in reading last term and I look forward to seeing that growth continue.

With a new term, we have a new timetable. Please be aware that our library borrowing day is now **TUESDAY**, Music with Mr Robinson is now at **10am on Friday** and Mrs Garroway will be taking the class on a **Friday afternoon** for science.

Cheers,

Brian

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**MRS HALL’S CLASS**

Welcome back to normality everyone after our awesome concert. I would like to put out a big thank you to all the parents who got their children to both performances. The children did a wonderful job and made me very proud.

Now that we are back to normality I have sent homework home on Monday. This is due back to school on Friday. I also need to see more readers coming in every day. Unfortunately we have slackened off with all the excitement of the start of the term.

We have been working very hard on our writing in the past two weeks. The students have all been putting in a big effort to achieve their writing goals. It has been great to see them identify in their own writing areas for improvement.

Next week we will be having the ‘Healthy Harold’ van visit our school. Our class will be completing the following session:

**Harold’s Diary** Friendship, resilience, expressing emotions, coping strategies, healthy food choices, active lifestyles.

A note about the excursion is included in today’s newsletter. Please ensure the note is signed and returned to school with the $6 by Friday.

A reminder that all Year 5 students need to attend the Early Learning Group information night on the 22nd of October. Students do not need to wear their uniforms and tea is provided.

Have a great week everyone.

Jenny Halls
MISS MARZIE’S CLASS

Congratulations to all for a fantastic school concert. It’s wonderful to hear only positive feedback from not only the students, but also the community.

There are still a few Year 6 Coomealla High School Orientation session permission notes to be returned. A reminder these are due in by this Friday. The Parent Information Evening is being held this evening, Wednesday 28th October in the Coomealla High School Library from 6:30 – 7:30pm; whilst the two half day orientation sessions for the Year 6’s are 4th and 10th of November.

Year 5’s will be involved in their first session as the senior buddy tomorrow evening, Thursday 22nd October when they attend the 2016 Kindergarten Information Evening. The night commences at 6:00pm until 7:00pm. During the event, the Year 5 students will be running a number of activities for the new ‘Kinders’ to take part in. Dinner will be provided for the students.

Year 5’s also need to start thinking about their end of term leadership speech. Before we know it, it will be upon us. A date for these speeches is to be set in the near future.

The class had a scrumptious time back in the kitchen yesterday. The four recipes they followed were, Asian Coleslaw, orecchiette, tomato and garlic sauce and spicy couscous.

Please note that homework was sent home yesterday. Due to my absence at the end of this and the beginning of next week, students took home two sets of mathematics which is due back by Thursday 29th October. Diaries are also due tomorrow for this week only. At this stage in my absence I will be replaced by Mrs Wade (Friday 23rd), Mr Baird (Monday 26th) and Mrs Crisp (Tuesday 27th). Whilst away the class will be participating in the Life Education Van - Healthy Harold session on Monday, and continue with the Kitchen Garden program on Tuesday.

Reminders:
- Fruit donations for daily Crunch & Sip.

Have a safe week,

Sandra Marziano

Achievement Certificates

Kinder: Nicholas Witte & Jade Whitfield

1/2S: Tyrell Taylor & Timothy Mitchell

1/2R: Riley Dannatt & Lucy Cullinan

Mr Gray’s Class: Jayden Dannatt, James Vine & Mieke Dwyer

Mrs Halls Class: Class Award

Miss Marzies’ Class: Montana Norris & Holly Bysouth
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 math skills, the learning of new things, getting along with others, having fun and following school values.

What was your favourite part of this year's concert?

Kirra Janson: I liked the concert practise because it was fun.

Colin Lawson: Singing Shoo Fly was fun.

Michael McDermott: Being a drummer because I am good at it.

Haylee Darby: Being a warthog because I got to wear a mask.

Tobias Watson-Kiely: Being in the band was fun.

Summer Halls: Giving Larni her present because she was happy.