P&C AGM

Please remember P&C AGM next Thursday 19th March 7pm at school. Babysitter provided.

WELCOME NIGHT

While there were not a lot of fish being caught (only Haylee’s two carp) at our Welcome Night it was a very pleasant evening anyway. Thanks to Mr Gray for organising the event.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS

Please be aware the Active After School Sport program no longer exists. It has evolved into a new program called Sporting Schools.

Sporting Schools draws on the successful elements of the AASC programme, along with a range of new features to connect schools with their local sporting community to deliver quality sporting experiences to students.

We have registered our interest with this programme and are now waiting to find out the next part of the process.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE/DRESS UP

Next Tuesday we will be hosting a sausage sizzle and dress up day.

The theme will be “What you want to be when you grow up”.

The event will be a fundraiser for money to purchase more toys for the fairy garden/race track.

Gold coin donation for wearing casual and $2 per sausage.

This will also make sure school uniforms are clean for the next day when school photos are going to be taken. Please send the money with your child/ren on the day.

MUSIC LESSONS

Mr Robinson is now able to also offer some private guitar lessons on a Thursday morning. If you are interested in booking a lesson for your child please contact the school.

SUCCULENTS WANTED

I am looking for pieces of succulent plants to fill our lovely newly painted planter pots in the lunch area. Please bring in any cuttings and we will put them to good use.

SING WENTWORTH

Some of our students will be involved in the Sing Wentworth event this weekend. Thank you to those students, their parents and Mr Robinson for giving the time to support the community.
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### This Week’s Newsletter

**Attachments**

- Receipts
- Murray Darling Swimming Carnival Results
- Mother’ Day Candle order forms

### 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.
**MOTHER’S DAY CANDLE**
Rachel Wellard has very kindly offered to help the students make a special candle to give as a Mother’s Day gift next term.
A note about this is attached to this week’s newsletter and needs to be returned with payment before the end of term. Thank you Rachel.
Have a nice week,
Natalie Hopcroft
Principal

**MURRAY DARLING SWIMMING CARNIVAL**
Last Friday, thirty five Wentworth Public School students competed at the Murray Darling Swimming Carnival. All students competed brilliantly and supported one another with their loud cheering. Wentworth Public came third in points for the Overall Championship Trophy and Runners-Up in the Handicap category. Several children will be receiving a ribbon at next Monday morning assembly. The carnival results are attached to the newsletter. Congratulations to all who competed!
I would like to say a massive thank you to the following people who came along and helped time keep on the day: Fiona Cullinan, Phil Baird, Charlotte Harmer, Kathryn Baird and Kelly Saunders. Your support was greatly appreciated.
Jordana Shields
Sports Coordinator

**HARMONY DAY**
Harmony Day celebrates Australia’s Cultural Diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. It is celebrated each year on the 21st March.

The theme for Harmony Day is **15 Amazing Years of Harmony Day….it’s all because of you.**

Our school will be celebrating Harmony Day on Friday 20th March, activities are with buddy classes. This also ties in with our Getting Along unit in which classes are talking about Tolerance and Resilience. The students can wear orange on the day. The colour orange is an active colour and implies celebration.

Trish Jones (AEO)

**BOOK CLUB**
Book Club orders and money for Issue 2 are due back to the office by Tuesday 17th March.

**UNIVERSITY OF NSW INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS**
Each year children from Year 3 to Year 6 choose to enter these competitions in English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling, Writing and Computer Skills. These competitions will take place in Term 2 and Term 3 but entries close on **Wednesday 18th March**. If your child is interested in entering any of the competitions, please send in the forms attached to this week’s newsletter and money, back to the school by **Wednesday 18th March** (If you are sending a cheque, please make it out to ‘Wentworth Public School’). No late entries can be accepted.
REMINDERS

HEAD LICE

Please check your child’s hair regularly for Head Lice. Hair must be treated before children are permitted to attend school.

STUDENT BANKING

The School has Student Banking through the Bendigo Bank on Wednesday mornings. Children bring their bank books and money to the School office before school and the Bendigo Bank staff collect them and return the books the following day.

VOICE AND PIANO LESSONS

Louise Judd has vacancies in her program on Tuesday. Please phone her for more details on: 50248370 or 0408596944. Louise can also teach Clarinet and Saxophone but students have to have their own instruments. Louise conducts these lessons during school times at the school on Tuesdays.

NEWSLETTERS ON THE NET

A compressed version of the School Newsletter is available 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

All hats are now $10

FACEBOOK

We can be found on facebook at https://www.facebook.com/wentworthpublicschool

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

School Photographs will be taken on Wednesday, 18th March.

Children who receive a newsletter (eldest in the family) should have received the following last week:

· A photo envelope with their name

And if it applies to them

· An envelope for each sibling

The following envelopes are available from the front office:

· Family photo envelope (for students attending this school only)
· School Captains, Vice Captains, Prefects & Sports Captains photos envelope

The school does not open these envelopes so please ensure that you have the correct money in them or have enclosed a cheque written out to ‘msp photography’.

Envelopes should be returned to the school by Tuesday 17th March. We will hand them to photographers on Wednesday morning.
**Canteen News**

**Ordering:** Ensure your child’s name and teachers name/class is written on their lunch orders. Lunch & Recess orders are to be on separate bags, with no hot food available at recess.

**Class Names:**

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**Donut Day for Term 1 - 27th March**

If you are unavailable to do canteen on your rostered day, please call Kathryn (ph. 0407 847 717) as soon as possible, or we will have no canteen for that Friday. This is due to a shortage of volunteers.

Kathryn

0407 847 717

kathryn-baird1@bigpond.com

**Canteen Roster - Term 1, 2015**

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COMMUNITY NEWS

WENTWORTH SPORTING CLUB are presenting the “The Australian Katy Perry Tribute Show” (also includes a Robbie Williams and Pink Tribute) on Friday March 27th at the Wentworth Sporting Club. Doors Open at 7:30pm and Show starts at 8pm.

Tickets: $10 Members/$15 Non Members. $5 Children (10 years—under 18 years)

(*Kids 10+ must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times)

WENTWORTH DISTRICT JUNIOR FOOTBALL & NETBALL CLUB REGISTRATION NIGHT

Registration for the 2015 season will be held at the Dareton oval on Friday 20th March from 6:30pm. Please join us for a sausage sizzle to meet the coaches and register for your team. Registration is $90 for 1, $170 for 2. $200 for 3

For more information contact Scott on 0419505678 or Maritta (Netball Coordinator) on 0428210902.

THE LOWER ANABRANCH SPORTING & LANDCARE GROUP INC.

ANNUAL PICNIC AND SPORTS DAY

will be held on

SATURDAY APRIL 11TH 2015, AT THE ANABRANCH HALL.

STARTING AT 1PM SHARP with the children’s races.

Entry is free, afternoon tea and cordial for the kids supplied.

BYO drinks, shared evening BBQ meat and salad.

Evening entertainment provided and a coin roll.

A great family day - All welcome.
WENTWORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOIR

Students from Wentworth Public School Choir will perform at the Wentworth Town Hall - Sunday March 15th at 5 pm for approximately 45 mins
- Choir Students should be there 20 mins early.

The performances at the Town Hall at 5 pm will be:
- Wentworth Public School Choir
  Two choirs together
- Sacred Heart Primary School choir

Program For - Walk Wentworth Sing - Sunday March 15 2015 at Wentworth

Various locations in Wentworth FREE
Commencing at Artback Gallery and Cafe

1.00pm @ Artback Gallery and Cafe
Rio Vista Social Club
Burundi African Choir
Women in Harmony

2.00pm @ Wentworth Town Hall
Sunraysia Community Choir
Turkish Choir

3.00pm @ Catholic Church
Sunny St Singers
Filipino Choir
Chinese Choir

4.00pm @ Uniting Church Hall
Musicality
CWA Choir
Dominique Chorale

5.00pm @ Wentworth Town Hall "Hear those Children Sing"
- Wentworth Public School Choir
  Two choirs together
- Sacred Heart Primary School choir
7.30pm @ Wentworth Town Hall "Big Sing" combined choirs (for adults and children)

9.00pm Singalong session at Artback with Merrilyn Air and Fay White

There will be two combined choir workshops in Mildura with Fay White, conducted in the week leading up to the Day of Choirs.
8.00 - 9.30pm, Wednesday 5 March 2015
Church of Christ, Corner Deakin and Tenth Streets

2.00 - 4.00pm, Saturday 8 March 2015
ADFA Building, 31-33 Deakin Avenue
KINDER B

Hello Everyone,

It was lovely catching up with families last week at our ‘Welcome’ night. Even though not many fish were caught, we all had a great evening.

This week sees Kinders continuing with the ‘Getting Along’ unit; we are discussing ‘when things don’t go our way’ and ‘apologising’. In Jolly Phonics we have learnt the letters; s, a, t, i, p, n, c, k, e and h. Feel free to pop in to the classroom before school and look at the craft we have been doing for each letter.

In mathematics this week we are looking at 3D objects and finding 3D objects in our classroom. We have all enjoyed making 3D shapes with play dough and publishing a sentence on the computers about our creations.

Readers that the children have made will be going home Mondays and Thursdays. Please continue to find the time to listen to your child read them each night, making sure that they are pointing to each word as they read it. We call this “crisp pointing’ in the classroom.

Reminders:

- Assemblies are every Monday morning at 9.25 am, everyone is welcome.
- Library borrowing day for Kinders is Tuesday, they will need a bag to borrow books.
- Canteen is open every Friday.
- Homework is due on Friday 20th March.

Have a great week.

Keep smiling!

Leanne Byrnes

YEAR 1/2R NEWS

We are continuing with the ‘Getting Along’ unit. This week we are focussing on the values of ‘Apologising’ and ‘When things don’t go our way’.

It was nice to catch up with parents and students at the Welcome Night at the Junction. Not many fish were caught but everyone had a great evening.

Well done to all the people that are reading at home. Just a reminder that Home Reader books can be swapped on Tuesday and Thursday.

Library borrowing day is Thursday.

Homework was sent home on Monday and due in Friday.

There are still some students without paint shirts. Send them in so your child’s clothes are protected.

School photos are on Wednesday next week.

Thank you.

Have a great week.

Jodi Garraway and Jann Lawrence
YEAR 1/2S NEWS

Next Tuesday, the school is holding a fundraiser by having a sausage sizzle and dress up day. The theme is to come dressed as what you want to be when you grow up. The sausages will be $2 each and a gold coin donation for dressing up would be greatly appreciated. Money raised will be going towards purchasing new toys for the fairy garden and helping with other projects in the school.

School photos will be happening next Wednesday. It is important your child is in full school uniform. Please remember to return your orders to the front office. I would hate for you to miss out a memorable moment in your child’s schooling!!

A few reminders:

- Homework goes out every Monday and is due back every Friday.
- Readers are checked and changed every weekday.
- Library borrowing every Thursday. Library bag is needed.
- Please label all your students clothing with their name clearly. It saves you and I getting a headache with children misplacing items. Thank you.

Hope you have a superb week.

Jordana Shields
ALL PRIMARY CLASSES NEWS

On Wednesday next week (18th March) all three primary classes (Year 3—6) will be visited by some presenters from the State Library and take part in a program called FAR Out! Treasures to the Bush. FAR Out! is a free tour, made possible by the support of many sponsors, that brings original items from the State Library’s collection to regional and remote NSW schools, weaving them into an interactive, curriculum-linked presentation delivered by qualified educators. These objects are original, historical artefacts that very rarely leave the Library, and they are used to illustrate aspects of Australian history that links directly to the History syllabus. This session will be held in the Tech room from 10am—11:30am.

MRS HALLS’ CLASS

Last week was our first official homework week and I would like to congratulate all of the students who have completed their set tasks. Homework has again gone out this Monday and is to be returned completed by Friday.

My class has been working very hard every day on lifting our fitness level. It is our aim that by the school’s cross country we will all be able to jog the full distance without walking. As we are undertaking fitness every day it is important that all of the students wear suitable footwear and bring a drink bottle. All of the students are very proud of their efforts and enjoying watching the kilometres tick over. If anyone wishes to join us for a morning walk we will be beginning our workout each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.45am. On Monday and Wednesday we do an afternoon activity such as Electro Combat or yoga.

Just a reminder to everyone that our school photos are being taken next Wednesday the 18th of March. Full school uniform is required on the day. The date has changed from the original date that the students recorded in their diaries at the beginning of the year.

Have a great week everyone.

Jenny Halls

MR GRAY’S CLASS

Thanks to all the parents and grandparents who have helped out in the Kitchen Garden Program so far. We had four helpers last week and it was FANTASTIC!! So please remember, if you ever have a Monday morning free, we would love for you to come and join us in the garden and the kitchen from 9:45 to 11:50am.

School Photos are coming up next Wednesday, so please make sure everyone has their best uniform ready for that day. Tuesday will be an out of uniform day which should make it easier for everyone to look great for photo day.

It was lovely to be able to give out so many reading awards this week. Half the class has either received their ‘25 Nights Reading Award’, or are about to receive it very soon. If your child is not up to that, they need to be reading more often. Home reading is an essential part of our literacy program and is highly important to your child’s development. 10-15 minutes of home reading a day is all it takes for your child to become more confident and independent with their reading.

I was unable to mark the homework this weekend, due to the Murray Darling swim carnival last Friday. I will mark both weeks’ worth of homework when they are handed in this week.

Cheers,

Brian
MISS MARZIE'S CLASS

Congratulations to those who participated at last Friday’s PSSA Swimming Carnival. From what I’ve heard everyone represented the school in an honourable and sportsmanlike manner.

We welcome to our class Olivia Humphreys. We wish her all the best in her learning experience at Wentworth Public School.

The students are very excited about this Friday’s fishing expedition. We encourage students to bring in a fishing rod/line and bait to take part in the expedition; along with a picnic rug and a snack to have down by the river. Lunch orders will still be operating on the day. Please make sure they bring plenty of drinking water. Parents and other family members are welcome to join us.

Due to this fishing expedition, diaries will be collected tomorrow with up to date reading data please. This week’s spelling test will still be on held on Friday after the fishing event.

Thank you to Judy (Nellie’s Nan), Beryl (Claire’s Nan) and Cheryl (Jane’s Nan) for helping in the Kitchen this week.

If permitted, we are asking for any child in the class who has a billy-cart, go-cart or green machine to please bring it to school next week on Wednesday for Wednesday and Thursday’s PE sessions. (Helmets also). Thank You.

Next Tuesday I will be taking personal leave for the day. Mr Baird will be lucky enough to enjoy the class. Due to my absence, next week’s homework will be sent home on Monday.

Reminders:

- The ‘Information Guide and Expression of Interest’ form for all Year 6 students are to be completed and returned to the office no later than this Friday, 13th March for them to be sent off.
- Year 6 Canberra Excursion deposits are due before the 27th of March, 2015.
- School Photo envelopes & money orders.
- Photo day next Wednesday.

Happy Fishing,
Sandra Marziano

YEAR 6 POLO SHIRTS

The shirts have arrived. They are now at the printers and hopefully will be finished before School Photo Day

The final cost of the shirts are $35 each. The students will take home their shirts upon finalization of printing and payment.

Thanks.

Achievement Certificates

Kinder: Mia Rodda & Brittney Ah-See
1/2S: Hayley Johnston & Rupert Clark
1/2R: Jacob Poth & Mill Harmer
Mr Gray’s Class: Jamaya Kennedy & Jarrah Thorne
Mrs Halls’ Class: Jayden Miller & Tobias Watson-Kiely
Miss Marzies’ Class: Thomas Baird & Summer Halls
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.

Student of the Week

What is your favourite subject at school and why?

Nicholas Witte: Sport because it is fun.
Charlie Baird: Math because I am so smart.
Tyree Taylor: Sport because it is fun.

Kayden Robinson: Art because there is no wrong answer.
Caitlin Trewin: Reading because it helps me learn.
Jaxon McInnes: Math because it is not hard.