P&C AGM 7.00pm tomorrow night in the school library.

Thank you to Max, Nellie, Robbie, Charlie, Lucy, Jane and Ellie for using their beautiful voices and joining the Sing Wentworth Concert at the Town Hall on the weekend. I would also like to thank our music teacher Mr Robinson for coordinating the event.

It was also exciting to come to school on Monday and notice some of the job wish list tasks completed/started. Thanks to the Scott/Donohue/James, (photos show Beccy and Zac helping to make the chook extension), McInnes and Whitfield families for giving up some time to help improve the school.

OUT OF SCHOOL

I will be in Broken Hill next Tuesday at Leadership Course. I have asked Mrs Eddie to be in charge that day.

FUNDRAISER BBQ

We held a successful fundraiser yesterday to raise funds for some extra toys for the fairy garden/race track area. The sausage sizzle and dress up day raised $155. I will now take the school captains shopping to purchase some new gear.

There are also enough sausages left over that we will hold another sausage sizzle in the last week of term.

FENCING WIRE AVAILABLE

Now that we have our new basketball court fence there are some rolls of wire from the old fence that are available for a small donation to the school. Please contact the office if you would like to purchase some of this wire.

WELCOME/GOODBYE

It has been sad to say goodbye to some of our students who have left town over the past week. Cooper and Mavis, have already left, Darryl is leaving this week and Josh/Jacob will move next term. We wish all of these students well in their new schools.

STAFF

This term we have welcomed some new Student Learning Support Officers. Annie works in the 1/2R room, Jenny works on Fridays in the infants classroom, Natalie (yes we now have three Natalies on staff) is working with Miss Marzie’s class, Maria is continuing to support Mrs Hall’s class and will also relieve Trish Jones when she is not available.
### This Week’s Newsletter

**Attachments**

- Receipts

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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.
It is great to have this wonderful support which has added to the great work Fiona and Kacey are also doing. Last week also saw John start volunteering here through our partnership with MAX Employment. You may have noticed John expertly mowing the school lawns.

**MUNGO**

In the last week of school our six school leaders, Mr Gray and Trish Jones will be heading to Mungo for a two day Camp. They will be joining some other local schools and some Sydney schools including our sister school Hunters Hill.

**CAMP/EXCURSION COSTS**

Please be aware that families may pay off any school costs during the year. Children at Wentworth Public School will not miss out on any experiences due to financial reasons. Please have a chat with the office or myself to work out ways of making sure the students do not miss out.

**YEAR LEVEL AFTERNOON**

The primary grades have recently discussed and voted on setting aside Thursday afternoons each week for the four year levels to spend time together.

This will commence next term. The three primary teachers plus Mrs Larwood will each take a year level for an afternoon of activity each week.

This means Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 groups will be made and have some time to work together.

**EASTER CELEBRATION**

We will be holding our annual Easter Hat parade on Wednesday 1st April. At 9.30am classes will spend time in their rooms making hats for those who didn’t make them at home and then at 10.30am we will have the parade.

At 11.00am the students will be sorted into groups and take part in three rotational Easter related activities. Then after recess we will host a treasure hunt.

**HAPPY HOLIDAY MRS SHIELDS**

Mrs Shields is starting her holidays early and will be on leave from this Friday until next term.

Mrs Canning will be in the front office.

Have an awesome week,
Natalie Hopcroft
Principal.

**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
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: Kinder 1-2S 1-2R

Mr Gray’s Class Mrs Hall’s Class Miss Marzie’s Class

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.
**TAFE NSW RIVERINA INSTITUTE -**

**CERTIFICATE III IN EDUCATION SUPPORT**

*Turn your passion for helping children learn, develop and achieve their best into a career.*

This nationally recognised course provides participants with the knowledge and skills to assist teachers in a range of educational settings as a Learning Support Officer (Teacher’s Aide), Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander Education Officer or Education Assistant (Special Needs).

You will be equipped to help students to achieve their best in the classroom, including students with behavioural, physical or learning difficulties.

This course is offered online and face to face so you can complete your study when it suits you. Students can attend the campus for face to face delivery and access the TAFE Riverina Moodle site and use a textbook for course all content and assessments.

All learners are required to arrange to complete a 100 hour work placement at a convenient location to undertake the course. Assistance to find placement will be available.

If you are interested please contact the school for a flyer or contact Riverina TAFE 1300 823374 or www.rit.tafensw.edu.au

**Venue:** TAFE NSW Riverina Institute Coomealla Campus

**Cost:** Fees will be determined according to Smart & Skilled reforms being implemented from 1 January 2015. Contact our Customer Course Information team to discuss your eligibility.

**Time:** Minimum 21 hours recommended—6 hours face to face. 100 hours of work placement

**Delivery:** 1 Year blended delivery. Commence study from 21st April 2015
CLASS NEWS ITEMS

Kinder B

Hello Everyone,

It has been a busy week this week with our Dress up day, school photos, and Harmony Day this Friday. Kinder will enjoy Harmony Day activities with our Buddies Friday morning and don’t forget that they can wear orange.

Our focus in the ‘Getting Along’ unit this week is Resilience and Tolerance. Jolly Phonics sees us looking at the letters m, d and g. In mathematics this week we are looking at Volume and Capacity. We have been busy comparing and recording capacity and volume informally. We are all enjoying our science experiments on Thursday afternoons. We have looked at ‘Floating and Sinking’, made a ‘Rain Cloud’ and this week we will be making a mini ‘Volcano’. Please continue to find the time to listen to your child read each night, making sure that they are pointing to each word as they read it.

I will be off class next Tuesday attending more training in Language, Learning and Literacy (L3).

Reminders:

Homework is due this 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 ‘Tolerance and ‘Resilience’.

Well done to all the people that are reading at home. There are a few getting close to the first award level of 25 nights.

Harmony day is Friday. You can wear orange to school. We will participate in a lesson with our Buddy class. Each week the students present a short item to the class. About 2 minutes. Topics for the remainder of the term are:

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Reminders

Home readers swap days are Tuesday and Thursday
Homework goes home Monday, back on Friday
Library borrowing is Thursday
Paint shirts

Thank you. Have a great week.

Jodi Garraway and Jann Lawrence

**YEAR 1/2S NEWS**

We have been working hard in 1/2S with our reading and writing this term. Currently in reading we are focusing on recognising beginning sounds of tricky words and checking these words by moving our finger from left to right under the word. For writing we are practicing thinking about what we want to write, saying out loud what we want to write and writing down what we say.

Coming up on Wednesday 1\textsuperscript{st} April is the Easter hat parade. The students can construct a hat at home but they do get an opportunity to make one in the classroom before the parade. If you are able to donate any craft materials for the Easter hat constructions it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

This Friday we are celebrating Harmony Day at Wentworth Public. Harmony Day celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. The children can wear lots of orange and 1/2S will be doing a special buddies activity with Mrs Halls' Class on Friday to celebrate the day.

Over the past week, 1/2S having been learning about the importance of brushing our teeth. We are brushing our teeth every afternoon for the rest of the term making sure we are cleaning ALL of our teeth. Have you noticed our shiny smiles!!!

A few reminders:

- Library borrowing Thursdays
- Homework is due every Friday.
- Readers are checked and changed every day.

Hope you have an awesome week.

Jordana Shields
MR GRAY'S NEWS

Thanks to the parents and grandparents that have been coming in to the kitchen and the garden with our class on a Monday morning. It is fantastic to have helpers and it helps to maximise your child's learning opportunities in the program. If you are available to help, we are in the garden from 10-10:30 and the kitchen from 10:30-11:50am on a Monday.

It has been great to see so many kids getting their 25 nights' reading awards lately. Please make sure that your child is keeping up their reading as often as possible and also recording their efforts in the student diary.

An interesting fact that I stumbled across recently showed that if your child is reading just 20 minutes a day, it is likely that they will read 1.8 million words over the course of the year. Those who read for 20 minutes once a week will read only 24,000 words. Reading more often will help your child in all areas of school!!

Cheers,
Brian

MRS HALLS' NEWS

It was photo day today and we all looked FABULOUS! Photos were followed by a visit from the state library, which the children really found interesting.

Homework has been going home each week and most children are completing the tasks regularly. Readers are being sent home on a Tuesday, Thursday and if need be a Friday. Reading needs to be recorded in their student diaries nightly.

Friday morning we will be taking part in a 'Cyber Bullying' VC, presented by the Australian Media Foundation. The VC is free of charge and should be very informative.

Harmony Day is on this Friday and students are invited to wear orange on the day. My class will be joining with Miss Shields' class in the afternoon for a buddy activity related to Harmony Day. Parents are welcome to join us in our celebration, which will begin after recess at around 2.30.

Remember is you have any concerns please contact me at the school.

Have a great week.

Jenny
MISS MARZIE’S CLASS

We couldn’t have asked for better weather last Friday during the fishing event for sport. Thank you to all who were able to join the students in enjoying our time along the Darling River and to those who were lucky enough to catch a bite. Our next expedition is being held on Friday 27th March, next week. We hope you will be able to join us for fishing.

Today all the Year 3 - 6 students were lucky enough to view and hear/discuss original, historical artefacts from the State Library when they took part in a program called FAR Out! Treasures to the Bush. This was a fantastic opportunity to hear more about our Australian history.

This week we are celebrating Harmony Day. Harmony Day celebrates Australia’s cultural diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. On Friday we will be joining our Kindergarten buddies to complete some harmonious activities. We encourage students to wear orange coloured clothing on the day.

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

Next Tuesday I will be in Broken Hill with Mrs Hopcroft and Mrs Halls at a Leadership meeting. Mrs Lamprell will be lucky enough to enjoy the class. Due to my absence, next week’s homework will be sent home on Monday.

Unfortunately not all the ‘Information Guide and Expression of Interest’ forms for all Year 6 students were completed and returned to the office by last Friday. It doesn’t matter which school your child may be attending in 2016, there are still some set sections to complete. Can these please be sent in by this Friday? Extra copies of the form are available from the front office.

Reminders:
Year 6 Canberra Excursion deposits are due before the 27th of March, 2015.

Let’s all have a respectful week,
Sandra Marziano

Achievement Certificates

Kinder: Mason Johnson & Toby Rankin

1/2S: Daryl Michael, Layla Thompson-Muggeridge & Maddie Heywood

1/2R: Noah Mitchell & Saxon Wellard

Mr Gray’s Class: Laura Hancock & Jordy Teasdale

Mrs Halls’ Class: Amos Byers, Nehemiah Spary & Nathan Edwards

Miss Marzies’ Class: Bailey Heywood & Lyle Thorne

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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 math skills, the learning of new things, getting along with others, having fun and following school values.

Student of the Week

What did you get up to on the weekend?