We had a lovely farewell lunch at school yesterday for our fabulous Kitchen Specialist—Jodie Morgan. Jodie has written a note which is attached to today’s newsletter. (See page 5).

Next Wednesday 5th August will most probably be Jodie’s last day. Thankyou to our wonderful families who all sent in food for the special lunch. Families had gone to a lot of trouble and it was certainly appreciated.

**SHARED EXPERIENCE**

You may have heard some information about our ‘Shared Experience’ this week. It involved finding a hidden teddy in the school. Miss Marzie’s class very kindly wrote out sets of clues and made wanted posters for the other classes to use to locate where the teddies were hidden. The purpose of our ‘Shared Experiences’ is to create a common language base to work from where students can learn about spelling rules, word families, meanings, vocabulary and provide a writing stimulus.

We have carried out a number of ‘Shared Experiences’ now and are finding that the writing results being achieved from these events is really supporting the students growth in spelling and writing.

‘Shared Experiences’ are a key component of our school plan and the staff are spending a lot of professional learning and class preparation time enhances the experiences.

**CONCERT**

With the huge advantage of having parent, Larni Baird coordinating our school concert this year we are excited to announce that the only costume requirement for families to source are a bonds singlet.

For students who are in the band this will be a black singlet. All other students are required to have a white one.

Larni has offered and sorted the rest of the costumes herself.

To assist Larni with costs for this mammoth effort I am asking each child to contribute $4.00 towards their outfit.

This $4.00 needs to be sent to school by Friday 7th August.

See payment slip on page 3.

**NAIDOC**

Congratulations to Trish Jones and her helpers for organising another awesome ‘NAIDOC’ Day.

**HUNTER’S HILL VISIT**

Prior to our 11, Year 6 students visiting our Sister School, Hunter’s Hill in a few weeks. Hunter’s Hill are sending some students, parents and staff to visit us. They will be arriving in Wentworth on Monday 17th August and leaving on Friday 21st August. During their stay there will be the following events:

- **Tuesday 18th August**— Visit to Mungo with our Year 6 students.
- **Wednesday 19th August**— Spending the day in our school experiencing kitchen /Garden and other school programs, Tea at school.
- **Thursday 20th August**— Excursion to ‘Nindethana’ farm (Thanks to the Cullinan family for hosting us).
### This Week’s Newsletter

**Attachments**

- Receipts

### 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.
I would like to ask if there are any parents who may be able to assist with the tea catering on the Wednesday evening and transport/BBQ lunch to Nindethana on the Thursday to please contact me.

It would be a great opportunity to learn more about city life and the comparisons between our two schools.

**WANTED**

Our very clever handyman ‘John’ is on the lookout for some pine posts to complete a garden project. If anyone has some to spare we would greatly appreciate them being dropped off to the school. Thank you.

Have a great week,
Natalie Hopcroft,
Principal.

**P&C MEETING**

This Thursday the 30th July 4pm in the Library all welcome. Hope you can make it.

Regards P&C President Tammy Fordham

**PREMIER’S SPELLING BEE**

Congratulations and thank you to all who took part in last Thursdays Spell Off. A huge congratulation to Charlie Alderton and Kayden Robinson who were successful in qualifying for our school representative spots at this year’s event being held on Wednesday 16th September via videoconferencing.

**SRC NEWS**

Thank you to everyone who supported last Friday’s Crazy Hair Day, raising $131 for Cystic Fibrosis. The students were very colourful.

Next Wednesday 5th August SRC with the assistance of Jodie Morgan will be running a Soup Kitchen down at the Town Hall. SRC members will be walking down to the hall around 11am, to set things up for serving between 12 - 1:00pm. This is part of our giving back to the community projects. Please note students who are SRC Reps for Term 3 will be taking part in this endeavour.

**YEAR 6 CANBERRA EXCURSION NEWS**

Today all Year 6’s received an envelope containing four Canberra notes.

- Medical Form
- National Zoo and Aquarium Permission Form
- Another copy of the itinerary
- Things you will need to take to Canberra form.

Both the Medical and Zoo forms are to be completed and returned by next Wednesday 5th August.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to come and see me.
Sandra Marziano

**CONCERT COSTUME, 2015**

Please find enclosed $________ payment for my child/children ____________________________ as payment for their 2015 school concert costume. Thanks Larni!

Signed ______________________________
Family name __________________________
MURRAY DARLING ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

This Friday 31st July, forty five students are attending the Murray Darling Athletics Carnival. If your child is catching the bus to the carnival the departure time is 8.50am sharp. Please do not be late as we will not be waiting for anyone. The first event (800m running) is scheduled to start at 9.30am. All the best all students competing on Friday.

Jordana Shields
Sports Coordinator

Junior Heat Tryouts 2015/16

Age Groups


PLEASE BRING A BALL AND DRINK BOTTLE TO TRYOUTS

August 29th
Under 12 & Under 14 Boys & Girls 1-3pm,
Under 16 & Under 18 Boys & Girls 3-5pm

September 5th
Under 12 & Under 14 Boys & Girls 1 – 3pm,
Under 16 & Under 18 Boys & Girls 3 - 5pm.

September 12th
Under 12 & Under 14 Boys & Girls 1 – 3pm,
Under 16 & Under 18 Boys & Girls 3 - 5pm.
MESSAGE FROM JODIE

Thank you all so very much for your generosity and kindness at my farewell lunch yesterday. I was so very grateful to share the delicious and bountiful spread.

The past 5 years have been an amazing journey. I remember the make shift kitchen in Room 8 with donated Sunbeam Frypans, a tiny oven and Miss Marzie’s hot plate! Geez that small sink was low. Also the joys of the power cutting out because I overloaded the circuit!!

Our school is so blessed to now have an amazing kitchen and a thriving garden. It is the vision that Natalie Hopcroft and others had for the school and their perseverance to have a wonderful kitchen garden program for the students at Wentworth Public School realised.

Vince and I were so lucky to be given the Garden and Kitchen Specialist positions. I have really enjoyed working with Vince and will miss his friendship and hearing all his stories.

I am so very thankful to all the volunteers who have helped us over the years. We could not have done it without you! It has been a pleasure to work with you all.

The teachers and aides of Wentworth Public School are amazing people and help to make the Kitchen Garden Program a great success. Again it has been a pleasure to work with you.

Thanks so much to Janet and her team, for everything they do to support the programs run at our school.

The Learning to be a Volunteer program has been fantastic! The students have really enjoyed visiting the residents of Murray House, delivering meals and working at the Wentworth Community Op Shop. It’s so wonderful to witness the interaction between the students and the people they have met through this invaluable program.

I will miss being part of these very worthwhile programs.

I believe it will only get better and new people bring fresh ideas.

Again thank you for giving me this chance to teach and inspire the students of Wentworth Public School.

As always, Happy Cooking and Gardening

Jodie :)}
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.

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
You can look at this even if you are not on facebook.

TRACKPANTS
Limited stock is kept at the office. Orders will be sent at the end of each fortnight (during the winter months), as long as we have enough orders.

Styles available—Leisure Track Pants—$20, Fleecy Track pants—$15 and Micro fibre Track pants—$25
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! Without more volunteers the canteen will be closed some weeks.

**CANTEEN NEWS**

**CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 3, 2015**

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* The next Donut Day for Term 2 will be Friday 11th September

Please contact me asap if your not available on the date I have you down for, and which date(s) you would be available. It is no problem to swap the roster around if everyone has some notice.

Thanks, Kathryn
Ph: 0407 847 717
kathryn-baird1@bigpond.com
KINDER B NEWS

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to Education week and what a busy week it has been so far! On Monday afternoon we enjoyed our “Where’s the Teddy” shared experience with our Buddies. This experience will form the basis of many learning activities in the classroom over the coming weeks. On Tuesday we enjoyed a farewell lunch for Jodie. A big thank you to everyone who was able to send in a plate to share for this event. We all wish Jodie and her family an awesome adventure.

Today we celebrated NAIDOC Day; thanks to Trish and all her helpers for organising a fantastic day. For all students competing in the Murray Darling Athletics Carnival on Friday may you have a great day and represent our school with pride.

Parent teacher interviews are continuing this week. I am looking forward to catching up with everyone to discuss your child’s learning and to set goals for the second semester. Remember to please notify the school if you are unable to keep an appointment.

Reminders

Homework is due every Friday.
Home readers are changed every Monday and Thursday.
Donations of fruit/vegetables welcomed for our morning fruit breaks.

Have an awesome week!
Leanne Byrnes

YEAR 1/2S NEWS

Today the whole school participated in NAIDOC Day celebrations. Thanks so much to our AEO Trish Jones for your wonderful organisation. We had the best day learning about and being proud of our local indigenous culture!!

Thank you to all who provided some lovely sweets for Jodie Morgan’s farewell lunch yesterday. We will sadly miss Jodie but we are excited about her upcoming adventures to Spain. Wishing you all the best Jodie and your family.

The 1/2S borrowing day is Thursdays. I would love to see more children borrowing from our school library. It is a great opportunity for you to read to your child at home.

This Friday I am attending the Murray Darling Athletics Carnival and will not be on class. The children will take home extra readers Thursday as they will not be checked and changed on Friday. Sorry for any inconvenience.

A few reminders:

* Homework is due every Friday and handed out every Monday.
* Readers checked and changed every day.
* Any fruit donations are greatly appreciated. Please hand into the office.

Hope you have a wonderful week!

Jordana Shields
Welcome to another exciting week in Yr 1/2R. It’s Education Week, time to celebrate! To kick-start the celebrations this week, we had our 1st Shared Experience on Monday. Our class went on a Teddy Bear Hunt around the school, with the support of Miss Marzie’s class. We will be following up this experience with lots of exciting activities over the coming weeks.

Thank you to all the parents who sent in food for our whole school picnic to farewell Jodie Morgan. It was very much appreciated and a lovely way to thank Jodie for all her hard work at the school. She will be dearly missed by all.

Today we had our NAIDOC Day celebrations. What an amazing day! A huge thanks to Trish Jones and Miss Marzie for organising yet another wonderful day. It was the best one yet!

I would like to thank all the parents and carers who attended our Parent/Teacher interviews over the past week. You should be very proud of all the achievements your child has made so far this year. Yr 1/2R will continue to shine and excel over the next 2 terms and onwards into the future.

Homework went home last Thursday and is due back tomorrow. If you have any concerns about the homework or the space project, please contact me.

We have started peer reading with Miss Marzie’s class. On Monday’s and Wednesday’s, the students from Miss Marzie’s class listen to the students in our class read and then ask our students questions about what they have read. Kids teaching kids is a very powerful learning tool and everyone seems to be enjoying this time.

Reminders

- Home readers to be returned on Mondays and Thursdays
- Homework is due on a Thursday

Have a wonderful week

Cheers

Natalie Rees
MR GRAY'S NEWS

***Calling all Kitchen Helpers!!!!*** We need some volunteers for our Monday cooking program. If you are free on a Monday morning, please come on in! It is a great opportunity to see how our fantastic Kitchen Garden program operates and it is a lot of fun too!

Thanks to all of the families who have now come in for the parent-teacher-student conference. It has been really beneficial to have the meetings and I look forward to implementing some of the goals that we have talked about.

Good luck to all the kids going to the Murray-Darling Athletics carnival on Friday, it should be a tonne of fun. Remember, for all the kids not going, Friday sport will be operating as per usual.

Cheers,

Brian

MRS HALLS' NEWS

This week is Education Week and has been another busy week, with lots of fun and learning happening at Wentworth Public School. On Monday the students took part in a shared experience involving the Mathematics topic ‘Position’. All the students in the school had to follow directions to locate a beanie bear matching their description.

Then on Tuesday the whole school took part in a shared lunch to celebrate the time that Jodie Morgan has spent with the school. We all wish her the very best with her future adventures.

Today we enjoyed celebrating NAIDOC day. It was a very full day of learning experiences and fun. All the children will be worn out tonight. A big thanks must go to Trish Jones for all the work she has done in organising the day.

Homework commenced late last week and more has been sent home earlier this week. Homework tasks need to be completed and returned each Friday.

Have a great week everyone.

Cheers Jenny Halls
MISS MARZIE'S CLASS

Thank you to all the parents/carers for coming along to last and this week’s Parent-Teacher-Student interviews. Discussions and feedback have been wonderful. Thank you parents/carers for your ongoing support. Working together makes life easier for the children's well-being.

It was terrific to see that some of you were able to make it to yesterday’s farewell lunch honouring Jodie Morgan. Thank you for supplying some goodies for the event. The students are very disappointed about Jodie’s departure, but know this is something she has worked towards and wish her and her family all the best in Spain.

The students had a great time participating in today’s NAIDOC celebrations. As a link to this, our class have been lucky enough to use a Memorial Box titled Too Dark for the Light Horse sent to us from the Australian War Memorial on a fortnight loan. During our lessons the students have interpreted war time photos, examined badges, medallions and other war related garments and studied a number of war time documents. Some students have also brought into school some of their own family war time documents. The Year 6’s are very excited about visiting the Australian War Memorial in September.

Due to the Murray Darling PSSA Athletic Carnival being held this Friday, our weekly spelling test will be held tomorrow. Diaries with up to date reading data will also be collected tomorrow.

Other newsletter items to definitely read:
- Year 6 Excursion News
- SRC News

Reminders:
- Year 5 & 6 Murray Darling Basin project permission slip.
- Weekly Kitchen Garden sessions held Tuesday - Garden 9:30-10:10am / Kitchen 10:10-11:50am.
- Fruit donations for daily Crunch & Sip.

Have a safe week,

Sandra Marziano

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Achievement Certificates  
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* Kinder: Nicholas Witte & Kirra Janson
* 1/2S: Clay Harmer & Layla Thompson-Muggeridge
* 1/2R: Charlie Baird & Lucy Cullinan
* Mr Gray’s Class: Tyrell Mitchell & Summer Lever
* Mrs Halls Class: Jaita Rodgers, Tobias Watson-Kiely and Natasha Simmonds
* Miss Marzies' Class: Drew Thompson & Montana Norris

Principal’s Award
Sarah Watters-Behsmann

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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.