It is with great pleasure that I announce Wentworth Public School’s first AECG.

Please see flyer attached for information. A special thankyou to Julie Philp Aboriginal Support Liaison Officer from Broken Hill Department for her support with this process and Melinda Brown from State AECG for her knowledge and time to help us set up.

President- Will Ward
Vice President- Sabana Quayle
Secretary- Trish Jones
Treasurer- Dellice Byers

Next Meeting will be held on Monday 31st August, 4pm at school. Hope to see you all there.
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**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.
**PRINCIPAL’S NEWS**

While most of you are reading this I will be at the end of a three night trip to Sydney with some of our Year 6 students. This has been an excellent opportunity for us to get an understanding of some of the differences between our little country school and a bigger city school. Hopefully we can continue this relationship and more students will get the opportunity to make the trip next year. I thank the parents (Mandy, Craig and Grant) who came with us and also Kacey for her assistance. While I have been away Miss Marzie has been in charge and I thank her for filling in for me. I will also be attending a Principal meeting in Broken Hill next week and then a two day conference called ‘Bridges out of Poverty’ in the same week. Hopefully this will be the last of my absences for a little while. Miss Marzie will also be in charge while I am in Broken Hill.

**NAPLAN**

This year’s NAPLAN results have been sent to the school. I have decided to get them handed out next week due to so many interruptions in normal routines this week. I have had a look at our school results and while there were some pleasing improvements, we still have a long way to go to meet national standards.

**WENTWORTH SHOW**

A note was sent home earlier this week requesting student assistance at the Show on the weekend. Could you please make sure these are returned before Friday? Those assisting with the National Anthem are asked to meet Mr Robinson near the main stage at the show grounds at 2:15pm on Saturday. Once again we have put a lot of effort into our show participation and we look forward to seeing everyone at the best show in Australia!

**BUS TRAVEL**

Following a number of issues raised about the afternoon bus to Dareton I have made an arrangement with Buslink that either myself or another staff member will travel on the bus run for the next couple of weeks to help monitor student behaviour. I am also planning to put a seat plan in place to make the journey a bit safer and less disruptive. I would like to remind parents/guardians that the bus company will issue warning letters and if needed suspension penalties from the service if behaviour is seen as unsafe. Please remind your child/ren if they use this service of appropriate bus travel behaviour. I have attached a copy of this from Buslink for your interest.

**EARLY LEARNING GROUP**

A reminder that we are currently taking names for our Early Learning Group program which will commence in Week 3 of Term 4. Students who turn 5 before July 30th 2016 are eligible to attend the program. It will operate every Friday during the school term.

**WELCOME**

Last week we welcomed Emily to our Kindergarten class.

Have a great week,

Natalie Hopcroft
YEAR 4/5 WOODHOUSE CAMP

Each week I will now begin to enter some reminders in the newsletter for our up and coming camp as it is now only 3 weeks until we depart.

⇒ Final payments for the camp are due at the front office on the 4th of September.
⇒ We are departing at 7am in the morning of the 16th of September.
⇒ Children will be able to use iPods etc on the bus; however they will be collected upon arrival at the camp.
⇒ Ambulance membership numbers are to be returned ASAP as without this note students are unable to attend the camp.

SRC NEWS

Our next SRC organised event will be Superhero Day which is being held on Thursday 3rd September (next week). Superhero Day is a fundraiser for Muscular Dystrophy. Muscular dystrophy is a neuromuscular, genetic disorder which results in the progressive deterioration of muscle strength and function. Students are encouraged to come to school dressed up as their superhero and make a gold coin donation towards a well worth cause.

This fundraiser will be followed by Footy Colours Day on Friday 11th September. Each year, the Fight Cancer Foundation asks all Australians to unite and wear their favourite football team’s colours on the first Friday in September or any day we choose to help support the fight against cancer. We are encouraging students to come to school with either their favourite footy colours or ‘sporting’ team colours/wear. We are also asking for a gold coin donation for this event to support the cancer foundation. (Please note due to it being Friday sports, appropriate footwear.)

BARRIER ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last Friday eleven Wentworth Public School students travelled to Broken Hill for the Barrier Athletics Carnival. All the students represented and competed for Murray Darling with great enthusiasm and good sportsmanship.

We had a couple of students get places in either a field of track event, and two of our relay teams received a place as well. Laura Hancock did particularly well with Age Champion in the Junior Girls category. Fantastic job Laura! Well done to all those who competed on the day.

All results are attached to the newsletter.

Jordana Shields
Sports Coordinator
Music Together® in Merbein!

Sunraysia Arts and Learning are offering new music classes in Term 4 for children 0-5 years and their families.

Share the joy and powerful benefits of making music with your child in our fun-filled classes. Support your child's musical development by joining them in singing, dancing, musical exploration, instrumental play and good old fashioned fun.

Sunraysia Arts and Learning is proud to be the first and only licensed Music Together® Centre in regional Victoria. Music Together® is a research based, high quality developmental music program serving 2500 communities in over 40 countries.

Register now for a free trial class at the Sunraysia Arts and Learning Studio in Merbein. Visit our website www.sunraysiaartsandlearning.com.au to register today. Find us on Facebook or call Catherine for further information 0420939229.

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All Schools Swim Meet

Thursday 10th September

Mildura Waves at 5:30pm

Are you of primary school age and enjoy swimming?
Would you love to come and try a swim meet?
We have the perfect opportunity for you!

Entry is free and open to students from all primary schools in the Sunraysia area.

Events:

25 metre Freestyle  25 metre Backstroke
25 metre Breaststroke  Freestyle Relays

Enquiries: 0407 099 627
Entries by email to entriessunraysia.swimming@gmail.com or directly on our website at www.sunraysia.swimming.org.au and click on the entries tab.
Mildura District Little Athletics: Track & Field, 2015-16

MILDURA DISTRICT LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE INC

PO Box 1853, MILDURA, VIC 3502 Ph: 0427 233 504
Mildura Website: www.littleathesmildura.org.au
LASA Website: www.lasa.org.au

MILDURA DISTRICT LITTLE ATHLETICS

MDLAC invites interested families to attend their Info and Registration day on Sunday, 20 September 2015 – 10.00am to 11.30am at MADEC, 133-137 Madden Avenue, Mildura. We will run briefings for prospective families, giving them the opportunity to raise any queries they may have and then register if they wish. Registration and credit card payment must be completed online, either at the Registration Day (with assistance if required) or from home after 1 September 2015. Once financial registration is complete, Athletes may obtain their registration pack (Jetstar shopping bag and cap, Athletics/shoe bag, Centre booklet, bumper sticker, achievement book, etc.) and purchase a Centre shirt (required for competition). Eftpos facilities will be available at Registration Day.

Little Athletics caters for young athletes from the ages of 3-17 (DOB 01/10/98 – 30/09/12). For each local competition day, athletes compete in a set number of events which rotate on a 3 week cycle. The events (depending on age group) include sprints, middle distance, walks, hurdles, long jump, triple jump, high jump, discus, shot put and javelin. Tiny Tots participate in the “On-Track” program between 9.00-10.00am, specifically designed to develop movement and coordination skills via fun activities. Supervised training with qualified coaches is held during the season on Thursdays, 5.30pm-7.00pm.

The registration fee for this year is $111.93 for the first athlete in an immediate family, two athletes $218.53, three athletes $298.48, four athletes $351.78, five athletes $405.08, six athletes $458.38 and Tiny Tots are $90.61 each. The compulsory uniform costs $40 for a top and $5 for a hat (above-the-knee black shorts and sneakers/runner to be sourced elsewhere by families). New tops are available at registration day. Limited 2nd hand shirts may also be available at a reduced cost. The Tiny Tot uniform is a plain yellow polo shirt purchased individually, or alternatively our Centre uniform shirt, with black shorts. There are no other fees or charges for weekly competition.

If you are unsure if your child/ren will like Little Athletics, we invite athletes to ‘come and try’ for up to 2 meets at no charge. For insurance purposes, anyone wishing to take advantage of this offer must fill in a ‘come and try’ registration online. After the 2 meets if your children still wish to take part in Little Ath’s, complete registration and payment online is required.

MDLAC's 2015-16 track & field season commences on Sunday, 4 October 2016 at Oval 8, Old Aero Ovals Sporting Complex, 537 Eleventh Street, Mildura. Competition starts with a warm up (compulsory) at 8.45am and events begin at 9.00am sharp. The season runs for 18 weeks with a 6 week break over the school holidays. Competition takes approximately 2 hours each Sunday - depending on the number of athletes taking part. Our Canteen provides cool drinks, snacks and a BBQ, with all profits going back into funding new equipment and facilities.

MDLAC is a family environment, with at least 1 parent, guardian or responsible adult required to attend per family of athletes when they are competing. As we are run solely by volunteers each family will be added to a rotating roster of their choice, helping to assist with making sure everything runs smoothly (eg: set-up, pack-up, canteen, BBQ, Age Group Manager, our Age Group Assistant). We are a friendly, welcoming Centre and love to see new families join us!

Additional information about MDLAC can be found by visiting our website or Facebook page.

For further information please contact: Steve Erlandsen, President - 0427 233 504.
CANTEEN NEWS.

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 ROSTER - TERM 3, 2015

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

Out of Stock this week: Frozen Yoghurt
Our canteen supplier has not been able to supply frozen yoghurt in the past two weeks and we have run out of this stock in the canteen. There will be an update in the newsletter when we have it available again! Sorry.

REMINDER:
Please be aware that the new pricing that was sent out in the Newsletter is in place. New prices apply.

Please contact me asap if you're 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
CLASS NEWS ITEMS

KINDER B NEWS

Hello Everyone,

As mentioned in last week’s newsletter regarding our school concert next term; all students are required to have a white Bonds singlet and black shorts for their costume. The singlet needs to be brought to school with your child’s name on it. If you have any difficulty obtaining these items please let me know as soon as possible.

On Tuesday Kinder walked to the town library with Mrs Farley for part of the Book Week Activities. The Book Week parade will be held at school on Tuesday 8th September; students are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book character. Kinder have been busy making a costume for this event, but if they would prefer to wear something of their own from home on this day that is fine also.

We have finished all of our craft items for the Wentworth Show, thanks to Fiona for all her help with the sewing. Make sure you see these in the craft pavilion as well as some of their pieces of artwork in the school display.

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 we visited the Wentworth Town Library. This was a part of Book Week which we are celebrating on Tuesday 7th September with a Book Week parade. The children can come dressed as their favourite book character. Hope to see you there.

This weekend is the Wentworth Show. Keep an eye out for our sewing items; 1/2S made some little felt mice. We also created some entries for the Postage Stamp competition. Don’t forget to check out the Wentworth Public tent and the students work display. Hope you can come along!

A few reminders:

* I have received a few white Bond singlets this week. If you are having any difficulty obtaining a singlet please come in and see me. Please send the singlet to school with name clearly marked.

* Readers checked and changed every day.

* Homework due Friday.

* Any donations of fruit/vegetables would be greatly appreciated.

Hope you all have a wonderful week.

Jordana Shields
Welcome to another busy week in Year 1/2R. This week we have been more busy than usual with preparations for the show. All the students have completed a felt monster as their show entry and have done a wonderful job. I would like to thank Cynthia Vines and Cheryl Vines for their assistance with the sewing. It was very much appreciated.

The class has also been very busy making melting moments for the school marque. Well done everyone, 600 biscuits is a fantastic effort. Hopefully you will all get to taste some!

In consultation with the class, we have decided that this week's homework will NOT be due until next Thursday. This gives the students an extra week to complete the tasks and hopefully won't interfere with their personal show entry preparations.

On Monday, the class will be participating in a creative writing Video Conference with the Opera House. The students will participate in an interactive workshop that will help to further develop their writing skills.

Reminders

* Homework is not due this week. It will be due next Thursday.
* Homereaders due on Monday and Thursday
* Please send in a white Bonds singlet for the school concert ASAP
* Fruit for fruit break

Until next week

Cheers

Natalie Rees
**MR GRAY’S NEWS**

Don't forget to check out our fantastic embroidery work at the Wentworth Show this weekend. The kids have put in so much effort and they look amazing. I have been really proud of their efforts!

Most of the class is working toward/has achieved an invitation to the class special lunch in Week 9. **Remember to receive your invitation; you need to earn a Reading Award by the end of Week 8.** Good luck to all students still working towards their goal.

On the 7th of September we will be celebrating Book Week. Students are encouraged to choose an awesome costume/outfit based on a character from a book. I cannot wait to see all the fantastic dress ups.

We have our school concert coming up at the beginning of Term 4. Students are required to bring in a plain white ‘Bonds’ singlet, with their name written on the inside. There can be no writing/logos/patterns on the outside of the singlet. All other aspects of the costume will be provided thanks to Larni Baird. Students in the band (they know who they are), will wear the same style of singlet, but in black. On the day students will need to wear plain black shorts, but they do not need to be sent in yet.

Cheers,
Brian

**MRS HALL’S NEWS**

Welcome everyone to another busy week. We have had a few absences lately, please ensure that you send in a note upon the students return or contact the school explaining the absence. This helps with my paperwork load.

Tomorrow we will be going to Lake Victoria for the Memorial Day. Lunch will be provided for the students; however students must wear full school uniform to the Memorial Day. Then the Wentworth Show is almost here. Please keep an eye out for your child’s work and come and visit us at the school marquee.

Homework has continued this week.

Have a great week everyone

Jenny Halls
Firstly I wish to thank the parents who were able to assist with transport to Nindethana Station last Thursday. Much appreciation to Glen Norris, John Kuzman, Kylie Heywood, Garry McInnes, Mandy Bone and Leanne Hancock. Hugh gratitude also goes to Hayden and Fiona Cullinan for hosting the visit. Our Hunters Hill visitors had a wonderful time out at the station, as did those Year 6 students who attended. In return, 11 of our Year 6’s are visiting Sydney this week as part of the city/country program. All is going well from all accounts.

Thank you to Mrs Farley for walking the class down to the Town Library for our annual Book Week activity session. Don’t forget that Book Week Dress-Up Day is on Tuesday 8th September.

Please make sure you read the SRC News section to keep informed about future fundraisers and special dress up days.

Some of the Year 5’s and 6’s had a terrific time today taking part in the Outback Outreach program. They carried out some scientific investigation via kayak. Thank you to Mr Gray for organising such a great opportunity for our students.

Reminders:
* Fruit donations for daily Crunch & Sip.
* Diaries due Friday.
* Concert Band & Singers – Black Bond singlet / Rest of class – white Bond singlet. $4 to cover the rest of the student’s costumes.
* Look at all the classes wonderful craft and class work on display at the Wentworth Show.

Hope to see you at the show,
Sandra Marziano

Special Year 6 Canberra News

Please note that the electrical devices students are allowed to take on their Canberra Excursion are DS, hand held game units, MP3 players, IPods and IPads with music only. These will be collected by Miss Shields upon arrival in Canberra and returned for the trip back home.

Students can keep their camera with them for the week.

Achievement Certificates

Kinder: Jacob Alassani & Jade Whitfield
1/2S: Hayley Johnston & Zachary Donohue
1/2R: Noel Doidge & Riley Dannatt
Mr Gray’s Class: Chloe Nash & Caitlyn Farnsworth
Mrs Halls Class: Nicholas Bates & Robbie Watters-Beihsmann
Miss Marzies’ Class: Olivia Humphreys & Callan McInnes
**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 is your favourite thing about the Wentworth Show?