

Wyrallah Road

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Welcome to the final newsletter for 2014. What a year it has been! From the introduction of new programs like L3 literacy in Kindergarten to the Friends Program in Stage 3 and creative ventures like the ukulele group and the expansion of dance, this year has seen plenty of exciting activities to keep us busy and find our talents. We have welcomed many new families and next week we will farewell some families who have been a part of our school community for many years as their youngest child heads to high school. While this will be a sad time on one hand, we know that we have done the best we can to equip these students to excel in wherever their path will lead. Thank you to the parents who have been such an important part of this education journey and all of us here wish you the very best for the years ahead.

Last night was a wonderful example of the community supporting our school at the P&C Christmas Fair.

Thank you to all those involved in organising and being there on the night to help our students end the year on a high note.

SRC SHIELD

Last Tuesday, Stage 3 students participated in the SRC Shield. They came in their house colours and showed lots of enthusiasm throughout the day. Before lunch they were broken into year groups and participated in a Frisbee and Golden Orb competition and an epic trivia battle. After lunch they came together for Captain Ball, Tunnel Ball and Tug-of-War. The students cheered and chanted with a lot of enthusiasm all day and lots of bonus points were handed out during the events. The winner will be announced at Presentation Night next Tuesday night.

CALENDAR

Term 4, Week 10

Wednesday, 10 December, 2014

Wed, 10 Dec	9-11am 5/6R PIP Presentations - Hall 11.25am Scripture Assembly
Thu, 11 Dec	Year 6 Interrelate Kinder excursion-House With No Steps 6.00-9.30pm Year 6 Dinner
Fri, 12 Dec	9.30am Stg 1 Skipping Performance 11.45am Stg 2 & 3 Skipping 2.10pm Assembly (P&C Raffle Draw)
Mon, 15 Dec	9.30am K-2 Presentation Day Year 6 Interrelate
Tue, 16 Dec	7.00pm Years 3-6 Presentation Night
Wed, 17 Dec	Gold Day Pool Party (Years 3-6) School activities (K-2) Final day for students
Thu, 18 Dec	Staff Development Day

2015

Tue, 27 Jan	Staff Development Day
Wed, 28 Jan	Students Years 1-6 return
Wed 28-Fri 30	Kinder Best Start Interviews
Mon, 2 Feb	Kinder students begin
Thu, 12 Feb	WRPS Swimming Carnival
Tue, 17 Feb	School Photos

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR LEARNING FOCUS

Fair is Fun in all Classrooms

- Have required equipment
- Ask for help if you need it
- Classroom time is for learning. Use breaks to use the toilet, rest, eat and play
- Follow teachers' instructions

Principal: **Gareth Hockings**

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BANNER CELEBRATION

Monday was a day to celebrate for 29 hard-working students who have earned three banners throughout their years at WRPS. This special group enjoyed some fun at the bowling alley, followed by a party with the Principal back at school. It was a highly enjoyable day for all involved and a nice pat on the back for these very deserving students. With the move to three banners, rather than five, we are planning to run the banner celebration twice a year from 2015.

STUDENT EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR 2015

Kinder and Stage 1 (Yrs K, 1, 2)

All necessary stationery and equipment is provided. There is no need for students to bring anything extra. Items such as pencil cases, etc. become an unnecessary distraction and we would prefer that they be left at home. We do, however, encourage each student to donate a box of tissues to the class. This ensures that we have plenty of tissues on hand, particularly over the winter months.

Stage 2 (Yrs 3 & 4)

2 x HB pencils
1 x eraser
1 x ruler (showing cm & mm)
1 x glue stick
1 x set coloured pencils
1 x pair scissors
1 x enclosed pencil sharpener
2 x each black, red & blue pens
1 x plastic-sleeved folder
1 x pencil case
1 x box of tissues

Optional:

1 x calculator
1 x dictionary
1 x set highlighters

Not Permitted:

connector pens or liquid paper/white-out

Stage 3 (Yrs 5 & 6)

2 x each black, red & blue pens
2 x HB pencils
1 x eraser
1 x set textas, optional
1 x set coloured pencils
1 x sharpener
1 x pair scissors
1 x glue stick
1 x ruler
1 x box of tissues
1 x homework book or folder

Not Permitted:

liquid paper/white-out

K-2 PRESENTATION DAY – Monday, 15 December 9:30am – 10:30am at WRPS

Next Monday, 15 December will be our K-2 Presentation Assembly. All students in Kindergarten will receive an award for their hard work throughout the year. Students in Years 1 and 2 will have the opportunity to receive one of five awards that will be handed to each class. There will also be a couple of songs and parents are invited to join in.

YR 3-6 PRESENTATION NIGHT – Tuesday, 16 December 7:00pm – 8:30pm at Lismore High School Hall

The Presentation Night will again be held at Lismore High School hall. All students are encouraged to attend and need to be in full school uniform. This is a great chance to recognise many of the outstanding efforts of our students as well as the announcement of the 2015 School Captains, graduation of Year 6 and a performance from our school band.

We would love to have many parents, family and friends join us to help celebrate the student successes. At the conclusion of the presentations, parents will be asked to congregate outside the hall to collect students.

STUDENT REPORTS

Reports will be sent home with students this Friday in sealed envelopes addressed to parents. They are a good guide of progress made throughout the year, with students who have achieved the necessary gains being given a grade of "Sound". As always, should the reports raise any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

KEEP ON READING!

The summer holidays are always such a busy time of year. Over this period, there is much to do and kids learn a lot from the many different experiences they have. We ask that families try to find time to continue reading with children to ensure that momentum is not lost over the break. This can be in the form of reading street signs, going to the library or even reading Christmas cards. Any reading that can be done will help the kids get back into the full swing of school at the start of 2015. Reminder: Could all students please return their home readers to school ASAP.

2015 UKULELE NEWS

The Ukulele Group will be running again in 2015 and is open for students in Years 3-6. Students wishing to join the group will need their own ukulele and tuner. Mrs Moyle-Ross has been in contact with Planet Music, Lismore and they are willing to continue the current deal for WRPS students; \$50 for a Mahalo Ukulele and a tuner. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Moyle-Ross at melissa.moyle@det.nsw.edu.au

UNIFORM SHOP

Open on Fridays from 8.30-10.00am. In 2015, we will be open on Tuesday, 27 January all day and on Wednesday, 28; Thursday, 29; Friday, 30 January from 8.30 – 10.00am for back to school purchases.

Roster: 12 December – Donalee Green

CANTEEN NEWS

No Lunch Orders next week. There will be limited supplies of many items next week as we near the Christmas break.

Special Thursday: Mousse (Strawberry & Chocolate) - \$1.00

Price Reduced: Fried Rice & Potato Bake - \$2.50; Beef Burgers - \$4.00

Roster:

Thu, 11	Dave McLean
Fri, 12	Kyle Burnett, Vicki Muddiman
Mon, 15	Asher Smith, HELP PLEASE
Tue, 16	Asher Smith, Mel Crabtree



Helping Hands Before and After School Care plus Vacation Care at Wyrallah Road Public School
Please see below for our Christmas Vacation Care Program.

We are closed for two weeks from 20 December to 4 January. You can contact us to make bookings by phone 0448 125995 or email wyrallahroad@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au.

18/12 Thursday PUPIL FREE DAY Decorate your very own Christmas Snow Globe as a gift for your family SNOW GLOBES 	8/1 Thursday EVENT CINEMAS LISMORE See the latest kids movie with popcorn & a drink! 9/1 Friday TEDDY BEARS PICNIC Bring your favourite teddy bear to share a picnic	15/1 Thursday LISMORE TENPIN BOWLING & PLAYGROUND Bowl and play the morning away with lunch included Wear socks!	21/1 Wednesday WHEELS DAY Test your riding skills around our obstacle course No helmet no play 22/1 Thursday LISMORE SQUASH & GAMES COURTS 6 fun games of skill and agility Bring lunch!
19/12 Friday PUPIL FREE DAY CHRISTMAS CRAFT Make gifts for the family and play fun Christmas games	12/1 Monday MOVIE DAY Let's snuggle up, watch movies and eat popcorn!	16/1 Friday TECHNOLOGY DAY Bring your iPad, iPod and beat the teachers at Wii	23/1 Friday AUSTRALIA DAY DRESSUP & CRAFT Come dressed to celebrate and make things all Australian
5/1 Monday SCIENCE DAY Experiments to make the mind boggle 6/1 Tuesday JUMPING CASTLE	13/1 Tuesday TIE DYE A SHIRT Create groovy tie dye designs on a new shirt to take home 14/1 Wednesday MASTER CHEF DAY Learn to cook a meal you can teach the rest of the family	19/1 Monday PHOTOGRAPHY DAY Bring your camera to enter our photography competition 20/1 Tuesday KIDS ART LAB	26/1 Monday PUBLIC HOLIDAY No Vacation Care Today 27/1 Tuesday PUPIL FREE DAY DISCO & COSTUME PARTY Celebrate Helping Hands 1st Birthday at Wyrallah Road

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