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Term 2 Week 3 Newsletter

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Thursday 11 May

☀ NAPLAN - Numeracy

☀ P&C Meeting - 7.00pm

Sunday 14 May

☀ Happy Mother's Day

Monday 15 May

☀ Boys Cricket vs Telegraph Point PS

Wednesday 17 May

☀ Girls Cricket vs Kendall PS

Thursday 18 May

☀ Book Fair - 8.00am-3.45pm

☀ Boys Basketball vs Hastings PS

☀ Fruit & Veg Workshop
9.15am - 1.15pm

Friday 19 May

☀ Walk Safely to School Day

☀ Boys Rugby League vs Westport PS

Friday 26 May

☀ Playground Reward Day

Saturday 27 May - Saturday 3 June

☀ National Reconciliation Week

Monday 29 May

☀ LNC PSSA Cross Country -
Kempsey

Thursday 1 June

☀ Stage 3 Glasshouse
Excursion

Friday 2 June

☀ Kindergarten Pirate Day

da Vinci Decathlon



Congratulations to the following very clever children for their brilliant win at the da Vinci Decathlon competition held at St Columba Anglican College.

Morrow T, Charlotte C, McKenna D, Kya D, Ava T, Jess G, Finlay D and Hailey F. Our Year 5/6 team had to complete 10 tasks throughout the day. The boys and girls scored 1850 points and came first overall. The team will now compete at the State final at Knox Grammar in a few week's time. Wauchope Public School was the only Public School entered in the 13 team competition.

Kindergarten Excursion

As expected our youngest school members had a brilliant time at the Billabong Zoo. I'm sure there were some excited dinner conversations on Tuesday evening about what they

did and saw. Thank you to the Kindergarten staff and Mr Freeman-Duffy who swapped his Year 6 class for Kindergarten and is still recovering.

NAPLAN



Congratulations to all the students in Years 3 and 5 who have had four NAPLAN assessments over the past three days. I have had a son in Year 9 working through these and I know they are not the most exhilarating things to be doing. All we ask is that the boys and girls do their best. We will be interested in receiving the results later in the year. Literacy and Numeracy is very important but as teachers we know that we provide much more than this for your children. Parents may consider rewarding their children with some sort of treat for surviving NAPLAN.

Book Fair



I'm hoping as many people as possible purchase a book for their child to read at next week's Book Fair. The school receives money for every book that is sold. This money is used to purchase books for our wonderful library. Thank you Mrs Wheatley for coordinating this day.

Fruit and Vegetable Sense Day

This event is run by Cancer Council NSW, and there are two sessions available for parents to attend for free - 9.00 -10.30am and 1.15-2.45pm on Thursday 18 May.

The sessions will be held in the hall, and participants will learn:

- What a 'serve' of fruit and veg looks like;
 - How much your family really needs;
 - How to save money at the shops;
- and much, much more. Every attendee receives a free recipe book, and registration is essential - either at the front office or online at www.cancercouncil.org.au/eatittoBeatit/register.

ANZAC MARCH

Today, children enjoyed a reward sausage sizzle. Thank you Mr Hurrell and Mr Lindner for cooking and to Mrs Thompson for catering. The children loved receiving this little treat and enjoyed letting their classmates know they had just eaten a sausage sandwich. I think it is brilliant that our students recognised what people have done in the past to make our country free, safe and a great place to live. You are giving your children important values.

Mother's Day

Happy Mother's Day to all our Mums, Aunties and Nans. I hope you are spoilt on Sunday. I know the children had a great time at the Mother's Day Stall at school on Monday. The gifts looked absolutely fantastic. The boys and girls love buying something for Mum. There was much excitement in the hall.

Thank you to the following Mums who assisted on the day: Renatea, Hazel, Bec, Jane, Cath, Kim B, Rosemary, Simone, Brenda, Stacy, Deb, Jessie and Janet.

Thank you Kaela Croft for coordinating the event on behalf of the WPS P&C.

School Photos

Please be reminded that the Group Year 6 photo will be on Thursday 10 August.

Welcome Aunty Maree

Yesterday we had a welcome Aunty Maree afternoon tea. WPS staff took the opportunity to meet with

parents to complete personalised learning plans.

Sport

Congratulations to all of our PSSA sporting teams who have or soon will be completing various rounds of their respective PSSA competitions. Our boys basketball and netball teams had good wins whilst our girls basketball team enjoyed their game but were defeated.

Good luck to both cricket teams for their games next week.

Good luck to Joel P in his attempt to be selected in the North Coast basketball team next Monday.

Debating Workshop

Good luck to the students attending Laurieton to work on their debating skills next Thursday.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting is on tonight commencing at 7pm in the school staffroom. All parents are welcome to attend.

Cameron Osborne

Da Vinci Decathlon



On Thursday 4 May, eight 5/6WH students from Wauchope Public School travelled to St Columba

Book Fair

Our Book Fair is scheduled for Thursday 18 May and will be held in the library. The Book Fair will open at 8.00am and will be open after school until 3.45pm.

Everyone is welcome!

Book Fair is simply the best place to buy books for your children, for brothers and sisters, or gifts for others, as a generous percentage of sales is returned to the school as commission. This is directly reinvested back into our library. Last years' commission was very helpful in establishing our small but growing collection of graphic novels, and updating the popular titles that children love to borrow and read.

Children will have the opportunity to visit the library prior to the book fair to make a wish list.

Girls Basketball



On Monday the Girls Basketball Team travelled to Port Macquarie for Round 2 of the Girls Knockout Competition where they played against Tacking Point Public School. All of the girls had a fantastic game and put in 100% effort. Unfortunately Tacking Point were the stronger team on the day and advance to Round 3. Miss Whiteoak and Mr Osborne were proud of the sportsmanship and dedication the girls displayed on the day.

Anglican School, Port Macquarie, for the Mid North Coast Regional da Vinci Decathlon. The da Vinci Decathlon is an academic competition designed to challenge and stimulate the minds of school learners. Students compete in teams of eight across 10 disciplines: engineering, mathematics, code breaking, art and poetry, science, English, ideation, creative producers, cartography and general knowledge.



The Decathlon competition places a particular emphasis on higher order thinking skills, problem solving and creativity. Throughout the day, students worked collaboratively to solve problems in allocated time slots.



Why da Vinci? Leonardo da Vinci (1452-1519) was one of the world's greatest thinkers and scholars. Da Vinci demonstrated an ability to perceive the interconnected nature of knowledge and embraced learning with a lifelong passion and determination to uncover the unknown.

Thirteen teams, from schools across the Mid North Coast, were in attendance on the day and our students performed admirably. Wauchope Public School won the competition. Students are now getting ready to compete in Sydney to represent the Mid North Coast at Knox Grammar School for the state finals.

All of our students displayed exemplary behaviour and represented the school community with distinction.



A special mention to Ms Henry who trained and assisted the teams on the day, and to Chris Delaney, Director of SCAS Learning Centre, who coordinated the competition, along with the Saint Columba Anglican School for such a welcoming supportive environment to hold such a prestigious event.

Boys Basketball

Congratulations to our boys Basketball team for their win over Westport PS. The boys showed real talent and great sportsmanship on the day. They will now play against Hastings Public School next Thursday 18 May at Port Basketball Stadium. Mr Freeman-Duffy Boys Basketball Coach

Canteen Specials Week 4

Monday



Tuesday



Wednesday



Thursday



Friday



The simplest way
to improve the health of your
family and save money

Come to our FREE Fruit & Veg Sense Workshop

Date: Thursday, 18th May 2017




Session 1 Time: 9 – 10:30am

Session 2 Time: 1:15 – 2:45pm

Venue: Wauchope Public School



Did you know that eating enough fruit and vegetables all their lives can help protect children against diseases, including some forms of cancer? This **free workshop** run by Cancer Council NSW will show you how you can easily:

-  **Save time and money making healthy meals**
-  **Learn clever ways to entice fussy eaters**
-  **Get a free recipe book simply by attending**

Don't miss out – registration is essential. To book your place please choose a session and register no later than 16/05/17 by:

Calling or visiting the school front office or register online at

www.cancercouncil.org.au/eatittobeatit/register



P&C News

Mother's Day Stall

Thank you to the many mums and grandmothers that came along to assist with the mothers day stall. A special thanks to Jane and the team at Circle of Friends Wauchope for supplying us with terrific gifts for the stall and to Wendy and the \$2 plus shop for continuing to support these school events. We had another successful stall and I am sure there will be some children very

excited to give their gifts out on Sunday. The P&C would like to wish all the Mothers, Grandmothers and Carers a very happy Mother's day on Sunday.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held this Thursday 11 May in the school staffroom, all are welcome to come along and share your ideas and contribute to our school fundraising events. We look forward to seeing you there. Meeting commences at 7.00pm.



150 Year Celebrations

Next year our school will celebrate its 150 year anniversary, we are looking for some enthusiastic people to join our Sub committee to help with the planning of our celebrations, you may have some old photographs of our school from past years, we would love to hear from you . if you are interested in being part of the planning please contact Kaela Croft on 0427 250 395 or email kaelacroft@hotmail.com

Fruit and Veg Sense Workshop

A FREE workshop, on Thursday 18 May in the school hall, showing parents and carers how they can save time and money making healthy meals the whole family will enjoy, and give them clever ways to entice fussy eaters. There are two sessions available: 9.15-10.30am and 1.15-2.45pm, in the school hall. Each person attending receives a free recipe book.

Registration is essential, by contacting the school office or online at www.cancercouncil.org.au/eatittobeatit/register

Canteen Roster

Week 4

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| Mon 15 | Meg Hillard & Rebecca Bull |
| Tue 16 | Kristy & Amy Brown |
| Wed 17 | Mum & Hazel |
| Thu 18 | Cindy Bell & Melissa Ashley |
| Fri 19 | Lee Ann, Leanne Farrington & Lisa Hord |

Week 5

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| Mon 22 | Bec B & Simone H |
| Tue 23 | Kristy |
| Wed 24 | Jan O-Neil & Michelle Costigan |
| Thu 25 | Helen Farmer & Kerry Reynolds |
| Fri 26 | Lee Ann, Leanne Farrington & Ann Marie |

Thank You

I'd like to thank all the wonderful men and women that help me out in the school canteen every week. Happy National Volunteer week!! Without people like you our school canteen cannot operate. You do an amazing job.

Always grateful - thank you Ruth!

- P&C -

REMEMBER TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO OUR SCHOOL.

Toby and Axle met Ian Thorpe



Billabong Excursion



Mother's Day Stall

