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## Term 2 Week 6 Newsletter

**Thursday  
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### Saturday 27 May - Saturday 3 June

- ☀ National Reconciliation Week  
'Take the next step'

### Thursday 1 June

- ☀ Stage 3 Glasshouse  
Excursion 'The Witches'

- ☀ Touch Football Gala Day

### Wednesday 7 June

- ☀ PSSA Boys and Girls Soccer

### Thursday 8 June

- ☀ PSSA Girls Cricket

- ☀ P&C Meeting

### Friday 9 June

- ☀ North Coast Cross Country

### Monday 12 June

- ☀ Public Holiday

### Thursday 15 June

- ☀ Athletics Carnival

### Friday 16 June

- ☀ Kindergarten Pirate Day

### Monday 19 June -

### Friday 23 June

- ☀ NAIDOC Week

### Monday 19 June

- ☀ Flag Raising Ceremony

### Tuesday 20 June

- ☀ Stage 2 Glasshouse

- Excursion 'Mr Stink'

- ☀ Debating - Tacking Point PS

### Thursday 22 June

- ☀ NAIDOC Assembly

- ☀ Stage 2 Disco

### Wednesday 28 June

- ☀ Assembly of Excellence

- ☀ K-2 Disco

### Friday 30 June

- ☀ Playground Reward Day

- ☀ Year 6 Fundraiser

- 'Spider Day'

- ☀ Last Day of Term 2

## Reconciliation



Yesterday was a special day at WPS organised by Mrs Best and the Aboriginal Education team. Every student in the school created an item that was placed together in circles on the back oval under the three flags with the word Reconciliation. The circles symbolised a meeting place. At 12:30pm the entire school listened to our student leaders talk about what reconciliation means. It means everyone is treated the same and are equal and everyone gets on with each other. A strong message indeed.

## Choir and Dance News

It has just been announced that WPS has been invited to perform at the Schools Spectacular in Sydney during Term 4. Congratulations to our lovely choir, Mrs Brassey and Mrs Dignum.

Our choir have also been invited to perform at the Opera House at the Combined Public Schools Choral festival.

Our four dance groups are currently in final preparations for the Southern Network Dance Festival. WPS will be performing on Tuesday 27 June. Two of our dance groups have also been selected to perform at the Glasshouse on Thursday 29 June. I am looking forward to seeing our fantastic dance groups in action.

## Da Vinci Decathlon



Congratulations to our team who competed in Sydney last week. A brilliant experience for some very clever children. Well done and thank you Ms Henry for coordinating the team.



## Reconciliation means 'coming together'



This painting project to make our Circles of Reconciliation was inspired by the Busby Marou song 'Paint This Land' which is centred on the theme of people coming together to recognise a part of Australia's history.

Painting our own small piece of this land seemed like a good way for the Wauchope Public School community to come together in a common project to recognise Reconciliation Week in our own backyard.

Like each of us, the small individual artworks that we created are beautiful, different and unique.

On their own they are special but in placing them together we have created something spectacular.

The theme of Reconciliation Week in 2017 is 'Take the next steps'.

In coming together today to place our pieces of this land together in circles we have created the Aboriginal symbol of a campfire.

This would make a perfect place for people of all nations to sit together, to have a talk, a chat, a discussion, a yarn up, or, just to sit quietly in the same place at the same time and admire what we created by putting all of our different paintings together.

Taking the next steps in reconciliation – together as one.

-Julie Best-

## New Library Furniture



We have added more colourful and fun furniture for our children to enjoy. Our library is a brilliant school resource and a wonderful and exciting place for our students to visit.

## GRIP Leadership conference

15 of our Stage 3 students attended a leadership conference yesterday. They all enjoyed themselves thoroughly. I know they would have got a lot out of this experience. Thank you Mrs Gowan for coordinating this excursion.

## Semester 1 Reports

Teachers are busily working on these of an evening and on weekends. They will be sent home on Monday 26 June. It could be a good time to have a discussion with your child about how hard they are trying, if they are asking for help when required and if they are following instructions and school rules.

When teachers are writing reports it is a particularly wise move to be trying your best and doing the right thing.

## Soccer

Good luck to the boys and girls soccer teams who play their next PSSA Knockout game on Wednesday 7 June.

## Lower North Coast Cross Country



Congratulations to the boys and girls who competed in this event on Monday. Six of our talented students: Caden B (2nd), Brindley W (2nd), Tarnie T(4th), Brayden P, Kaal W and Caylem D have qualified to compete at the North Coast carnival in Murwillumbah on Friday 9 June. This is a tremendous achievement. Well done to every WPS competitor for your fitness and stamina. Thank you Mr Freeman-Duffy for coordinating our children on the day.

## Glasshouse Excursion

Stage 3 are enjoying watching "The Witches" performance today at the Glasshouse.

## Touch Football

We have four teams entered in today's Gala Day. I'm sure they are enjoying themselves. Thank you Mrs Gowan for coordinating this.

## Kindergarten Pirate Day

Please note change of date for this school activity. It has been moved from Friday 2 June to Friday 16 June.

**Cameron Osborne**



## GRIP Leadership Conference



15 students attended the Grip Leadership Conference at Port Panthers. This was an informative and interactive day for the students. They were a delight to take out of the school and Mrs Gowan was extremely proud of each and everyone of you. They are the leaders of the future.

They were: Kaal W, Brindley W, Sarah G, Zali C, Ellie R, Riley H, Bodhi C, Thomas B, Isabel D, Jaycie P, Olivia W, Abbie M, Mackenna D, Giavanna M, Jessica B.

## P&C Thankyou

Year 6 staff would like to thank the P&C for their generosity regarding the Year 6 camp to Canberra. The staff appreciate your thoughtfulness and really enjoyed accompanying the students to Canberra.

## Reading Recovery



Savannah is enjoying writing a great story with Mrs Muir.

## Girls Football (Soccer)



On Friday the girls football team played their PSSA Round 2 game against Beechwood PS. We were fortunate enough to have permission to play on the football field at Wauchope HS. The ground was spectacular with the nets and posts up, ready for the game. Many ex-students from Wauchope came down and cheered for their old team. The spirit on the ground was fantastic.

Beechwood fielded a very competitive team for a small to middle sized school. As they only had 11 players with no subs I was very proud of Brindly, who after having a great game in the first half for our team, then volunteered to assist Beechwood by playing for them in the 2nd half.

Our forwards had a great game in the first half with Shyleeah, Giavanna and Tyla making many decisive runs through the middle of the Beechwood defence. All three girls had numerous shots many hitting the back of the net and quite a few more saved by a very talented Beechwood goalkeeper.

Our Centre halves Zetta and Sarah did exactly what they were supposed to do and ran

all day. They controlled the midfield superbly ensuring that our team had the majority of the possession.

Our outside halves Jaycee, Zali and Maddison made many decisive runs down the right and left wing and constantly got the ball up to the forwards.

The most pleasing aspect of our game was our defence. A good attack is built on a solid defence! Alivia, Bella, Jocelyn and Jade were brilliant with their solid tackling and powerful kicking throughout the game, returning the ball back to our forward line with ease. I was most impressed with the way they listened to Brindley who kept talking to them and made them keep moving forward, making sure our team was always connected from the back to the halves, halves to the forwards.

Kate in goals rarely touched the ball. I was extremely impressed with her composure when given a back pass. I liked the way she controlled the ball and gave a beautiful pass to our midfield players, all without touching the ball with her hands.

To all the girls this was a great first game. The player of the match from my perspective would have to be Maddison "who really raised the bar". She was dynamic with her powerful running and fearless tackling. Maddison the whole team can learn from your determination.

Well done to the team on a very solid win.

John Baker



## Canteen Specials Week 7

### Monday



### Tuesday



### Wednesday



### Thursday



### Friday



## K-2 Cross Country



What a day for a run! Last Friday, we held the K-2 Cross Country under big blue skies and with a huge cheer squad on the sidelines. Year 2 and Year 1 ran two laps of the course, while Kindergarten, K-6 AP and K-6 RF ran one lap.



The course proved challenging with its combination of gentle downward slopes and rigorous uphill runs. Great motivation was provided by our parents and supporters on the sidelines, as well as the teachers and children in the centre of the course.



Many thanks to 5/6WH friends who lined the course and encouraged our athletes the whole way. Well done to

the students who tried their best, even when they were huffing and puffing, even when they fell over and got up again and kept going! We are proud of you all! Special congratulations to our placegetters who came first, second and third.



Girls	Boys
Year 2	Year 2
1-Aleeia P.	1-Flynn D.
2-Tahneisha D.	2-Jackson R.
3-Isabella W.	3-Coby A.
Year 1	Year 1
1-Brydee C.	1-Angus M.
2-Lucy L.	2-Jett A.
3-Charlee P.	3-Evander D.
Kindergarten	Kindergarten
1-Ruby H.	1-Flynn McG.
2-Indiya C.	2-Peytyn D.
3-Vivienne M.	3-Loki A. and Oliver B.

-Lisa Barnett-





**STRONG MEN STRONG COMMUNITIES**

Mid North Coast Regional Aboriginal Men's Group

CELEBRATING 15 years since Inauguration

Venue: Birpai LALC Aston Street Port Macquarie  
Date: 16th JUNE 2017  
Time: 10am-3pm

Sharing the Same Journey

**Cancer Council NSW** Nutrition Snippet

**The simplest way**  
...to choose the best lunch box drink.

When it comes to packing a lunch box drink, water is the best choice!

Milk is a great drink too – add a plain milk popper to the lunch box as well to give kids a calcium boost.

Drinks such as fruit juice, cordial, flavoured mineral water, soft drink and sports drinks are high in sugar and low in nutritional value. So limit or avoid these drinks.

It is best to only drink juice occasionally and it should not be packed in the lunch box. Avoid "fruit drinks" as these are just sugar water and a little juice.

Remember, water is essential so make sure you pack a bottle of it in the lunch box every day.

For more information visit [www.eatittoBeatit.com.au](http://www.eatittoBeatit.com.au) or join us at [facebook.com/eatittoBeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittoBeatit)

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**It's simple!**  
Crunch&Sip means vegetables, fruit and water only.

**Sometimes**

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### P&C News

The P&C Association has clarified the requirements of Canteen volunteers, and volunteers at P&C-run events. Volunteers who are parents or close relatives of a child at Wauchope Public School must:

- complete a Working with Children Check declaration (Appendix 5)
- present this form as well as 100 points of ID to the School front office.

Volunteers who are not parents or close relatives must:

- obtain a Working with Children Check clearance
- complete a Working with Children Check declaration (Appendix 11)
- present this form as well as 100 points of ID to the school front office.

Copies of these forms can be found at the Canteen, the school front office, and the next P&C general meeting. Alternatively, forms can be printed from the following links:

[Appendix 5](#),  
[Appendix 11](#)

Thank you, volunteers, for your understanding in this matter.

### Canteen Roster

#### Week 7

Mon 5	Leigh-Ann Gearing
Tue 6	Kristy
Wed 7	Michelle Costigan
Thu 8	Cindy Bell & Nicole Douglas
Fri 9	Lee Ann, Leanne Farrington & Aunty Jo

#### Week 8

Mon 12	Meg & Sam Purdy
Tue 13	Kristy & Amy Brown
Wed 14	Kerry & Hazel
Thu 15	Aunty Jo & Melissa Ashley
Fri 16	Lee Ann, Leanne Farrington & Deb Hill

### WOOSH News

July Vacation Care, Term 3 Pupil Free day 2017 dates are as follows:

#### July Vacation Care

**Monday 3 to Friday 14 July**

#### Pupil Free Day

**Monday 17 July**

These are on the board in the Woosh room now. Please come into the centre and place your child's name on the list with the required days clearly ticked or alternatively give Alex a ring at the centre. The closing date for registration is Friday 16 June 2017. As we have to undergo a priority procedure, please phone Miss Alex on 0412 852 441 at the centre for availability after Tuesday 20 June 2017.

- P&C -

**REMEMBER TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO OUR SCHOOL.**

