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Term 3 Week 7 Newsletter

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Friday 1 September

- ☀ NC Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 5 September - Friday 8 September

- ☀ Year 5 Lake Keepit Excursion

Sunday 10 September - Tuesday 12 September

- ☀ Opera House Choral Festival

Monday 11 September

- ☀ K-2 Milo Cricket

- ☀ Year 7 Taster Day 2018

Monday 11 September - Friday 15 September

- ☀ Book Week (Week 9)

Thursday 14 September

- ☀ Book Fair

Wednesday 20 September

- ☀ Assembly of Excellence

Thursday 21 September

- ☀ Year 2 Public Speaking Final

Friday 22 September

- ☀ Book Parade K-6

- ☀ Last day of Term 3

Advisement from the Environment Protection Authority

You may be aware that the school is currently planning a major capital works upgrade.

Areas near in the north-east part of the school site have been made out of bounds as a precaution because the school learnt yesterday that routine soil testing showed evidence of some contamination as soil was disturbed.

Further testing is being done to check other areas of the grounds.

The Environment Protection Authority is being advised and the school will follow any actions it recommends.

The school is ensuring students and staff minimise their contact with the soil and follow good hygiene practice, particularly the washing of hands, especially before eating.

We would appreciate your support in encouraging your children to follow the school's advice.

School Administrative and Support Staff (SASS) Recognition Week

Next week we are recognising the incredible work that our office staff, our teachers' Aides, our General Assistant and our Aboriginal Education Officer do in our school and for our children every day.

Bike Week



(Hastings Council) Saturday 16 Sept to Sunday 24 Sept.

Bike Week is an initiative supported by Transport for NSW/Roads and Maritime Services and Hastings Council is participating this year. The Bike Week activities are aimed at:

- Promoting cycling as a safe and healthy mode of transport for short trips
- Promoting cycling as a fun recreational activity
- Improving novice cyclists skills and bike confidence

K-2 Athletics Carnival



The K-2 Athletics Carnival was a huge success last Friday.

Congratulations to our young athletes who showed plenty of skill running, skipping, jumping, hopping, bouncing, balancing, catching and throwing as they moved through each activity.

Special thanks to Mrs Bailey who organised each age group in the marshalling area, and to Mr Beard who began the day by motivating our students with some interesting warm up techniques. To our house captains and sport leaders, well done for your involvement and encouragement of our students in K-2.

Thank you also to spectators, cheerleaders, coaches, caterers, officials and of course, the athletes, for participation, great sportsmanship and winning smiles!

Lisa Barnett and Erin Moore



- Educating the community on the importance of road safety and the road rules

There will be a range of events throughout the week, organised by Council and other stakeholders. Specifically Council will be hosting "Bike Week Fun Day" on Saturday 16 September in Westport Park, Port Macquarie. Here there will be a range of fun and family friendly cycling activities (more information in the attached flyer). The complete list of events to date is available at www.pmhc.nsw.gov.au/bikeweek.

Father's Day Stall



Happy Father's Day to all this Sunday. I know the children were very excited on Monday with the items that they purchased from the Father's Day stall.



Thank you to all the children for supporting this great P&C event. Special thanks to the wonderful parents and P&C members for helping with the stall.

Book Week

WPS will host a Book Fair on Thursday 14 September. K-6 will have our end of Term 3 Book Week Dress Up parade on the last day of school, 22 September. Just early notice in case anyone wanted to start thinking about costumes.

Spelling Bee



Congratulations to all the students in Years 3 and 4 who competed in the Spelling Bee Challenge on Friday of last week. It was exciting to see the children on the stage in the hall, spelling some very challenging words in front of all their peers. Very well done to the "Top Ten Year 3 Spellers" and "The Top Ten Year 4 Spellers". Many thanks to Mrs Rock and all the stage 2 teachers for this initiative.

Assembly of Excellence

This end of term celebration of achievement will be on Wednesday 20 September. Parents of children receiving an award will receive an invitation to the assembly over the next few weeks.

Kindergarten 2018

We are currently taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2018. If you have a child who turns five by July 31, 2018 then you need to complete an enrolment form. Please

Boys Soccer



On Friday 18 August the Boys Soccer Team travelled to Coffs Harbour to compete in Round 6 (North Coast Semi-Finals) of the PSSA Knockout Comp. In the first half, the game was played in our half and the boys put up a strong defence from Narranga PS. Our Goalie Brayden saved many shots being taken. By end of first half, the boys were down 2-0. The second half was our half. The boys put in a strong attack supported by a strong mid-field. The boys kept the ball in the attacking half and were quick to push offside when the opposing team came close to our half. The boys took some great shots at goals, however, the ball would not cross the line. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the boys on making it that far in the comp. The boys have grown as a team and played to each others strengths. Also I would like to thank the support from parents in transporting to and from games. The boys are still holding their heads high as the Lower North Coast Champion Team and have made Wauchope Boys Soccer Team a fierce competitor.

Well done Boys! We are extremely proud of your efforts.

Mr Freeman-Duffy
Boys Soccer Coach

feel free to visit our school and collect an information pack including an enrolment form from our friendly office staff. It is helpful for us to receive these completed forms by the end of Term 3 2017 so we can start to plan our 2018 classes and make staffing decisions. If you have relatives or friends who have a child commencing school next year, please pass on this message. New parents are welcome to contact myself to discuss your child and/or what our wonderful school has to offer.

North Coast Athletics

Good luck to the following students who will compete at the North Coast Athletics Carnival tomorrow. A fantastic achievement! The students are: Shyleeah O'L, Summa S, Jade P, Kate B, Caden B, Will N, Brayden P, Kaal W, Aylia L-L, Zoey S, Brindley W, Flynn D, Noah L, Zac L, Preston O, Ellie R, Trinity D, Nakita S, Landon D, Zane B and Mitchell W.

Library News

Book Week Parade Theme: 'Escape to Everywhere' Friday 22 September. Dress up as your favourite book Character! Book Fair Thursday 14 September. Selling times 8am - 9am and 3pm - 3.30pm. Parents, Grandparents and friends are all welcome to attend our book fair. This will be a cash only book fair and we are unable to take orders for books that sell out.

John Baker

Indigenous Netball Roadshow



On Wednesday 30 August Wauchope Public School had the 'Indigenous Netball Roadshow' visit our school along with the Ready Mob Team from the Galambila Aboriginal Health Service.



The students from Year 2, Stage 2 and Stage 3 enjoyed getting active and learning some fun netball skills in sessions run by two very experienced netball players from Netball NSW. Students learned how to pivot, throw chest passes, defend others and chase within a netball game. There were plenty of red, happy faces at the end of these sessions wanting to learn more.



Incorporated within these sessions was an important

Monday**Tuesday****Wednesday****Thursday****Friday**

message from the 'Ready Mob' who presented some facts about healthy lifestyle choices. Their message was about staying active and being aware of the hazards of smoking and the impact smoking can have on our bodies. This was a really positive experience for the students of Wauchope Public School and the kids got a lot out of it. 'Netball Fever' is certainly on the rise!

Tell Them From Me Parent Surveys

This term, our school will be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me surveys on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

To access the survey for our school go to: <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/wps2446>

Spelling Bee

Last week the Stage 2 teachers challenged the students in Year 3 and Year 4 to a Spelling Bee. Who would be the Spelling Bee Champion? Which group would win the Spelling challenge?

Students were given six weeks worth of revision words and the challenge was on. Throughout the week the classes all practiced their spelling strategies while working both within a team spelling challenge and individual spelling challenges. The excitement was building.

On the day, Year 3 and Year 4 both had separate Spelling Bee sessions. Each session had two different challenges: the group challenge and the individual challenge. The group challenge was outstanding as students with groups of five or six had to work together to spell the words correctly. Each class had a winning group and a runner up group, from there a chosen speller would represent their group and class in the Individual Spelling Challenge. This was very impressive to see students stand on the stage with a microphone and spell words in front of their peers. It really showed the RESPECT the students have for each other as they supported and cheered on their classmates. Overall, yes we had some winners. Ten top spellers from each grade but really all the students that took part were winners as they all had a go and showed excellent team work and resilience in this challenge.

Cancer Council NSW **Nutrition Snippet**

The simplest way

...to make eggs in a basket.

Serves: 4 | Prep time: 10mins | Cooking time: 15mins

Ingredients
 4 wholemeal or multigrain bread rolls
 1 spring onion, sliced
 1 medium tomato, chopped
 2 mushrooms, sliced
 Handful of spinach leaves (optional)
 4 small eggs
 Pepper
 2 tablespoons reduced-fat cheese, grated

Method
 1. Preheat oven to 160°C and line a baking tray with baking paper.
 2. Slice off the top of each roll and scoop out the soft bread inside, leaving the bottom and sides of the roll intact. Arrange the rolls on the baking tray. Reserve the tops and middles.
 3. Divide the spring onion, tomato, mushroom and spinach between the rolls.
 4. Crack an egg into each roll. Season with pepper. Sprinkle the eggs with the grated cheese.
 5. Bake for 10 minutes or until eggs are to your liking. Add the tops and middles during the last 5 minutes of cooking time.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

Eat It To Beat It

NSW bike week
Proudly supported by Transport for NSW

Cycling events around Port Macquarie-Hastings

Jump on your bike and join us in celebrating everything cycling! There are a variety of activities for the whole family and for all cycling experience levels. We look forward to celebrating Bike Week 2017 with you!

Port Macquarie-Hastings Bike Week Fun Day
Saturday 18 September 2017
Join us at Transport Park for a day of cycling activities for the whole family. Port Macquarie-Hastings Council will be having a range of activities including a variety of bikes, Mountain Bike Challenge Trail, Bike Show and more!

- 9:00am - 4:00pm
- Transport Park, Port Macquarie-Hastings

Trail Taster Events
Saturday 19 September 2017
Join us for a trail taster event at 10:00am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

- 10:00am - 12:00pm
- Hastings RSL Club, Hastings

Family Fun Day
Sunday 20 September 2017
Join us for a family fun day at 10:00am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

- 10:00am - 12:00pm
- Hastings RSL Club, Hastings

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For details on this event and other Bike Week events in the Port Macquarie-Hastings LGA, call Council's Road Safety Officer on (02) 6581 8111 or visit Council's website.

Ride to Work FREE Breakfast BBQ
Thursday 21 September 2017
Join us for a free breakfast BBQ at 8:00am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

- 8:00am - 10:00am
- Hastings RSL Club, Hastings

Mountain Bike Open Evening
Friday 22 September 2017
Join us for a mountain bike open evening at 6:00pm. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

- 6:00pm - 8:00pm
- Hastings RSL Club, Hastings

Hastings Valley Community Centre
Saturday 23 September 2017
Join us for a community event at 10:00am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

- 10:00am - 12:00pm
- Hastings RSL Club, Hastings

Sept. Oct. School Holidays 2017

Tuesday 26th September
Little Bang Discovery Club @ Port Library
From 10:30am to 11:30am
Join us for a discovery club session at 10:30am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

Wednesday 27th September
The Wonderful World of Bees @ Lauriaton Library from 10:30am to 12 noon
Join us for a session on bees at 10:30am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

Thursday 28th September
It's Wauchope's turn for the Mighty Family Trivia Quiz Morning @ Wauchope Library
1pm to 12:30pm
All ages welcome. Two prize draws with lots of prizes. Book a family table for come along and make new friends. Lots of prizes to be won. Bookings open from 10:30am to 12 noon. Call 0412 852 441 to book your place.

Friday 29th September
Come and celebrate the refurbishment of Kooloon Creek Arboretum
Join us for a session on the Kooloon Creek Arboretum at 10:30am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

Friday 29th September
Pop Up IT @ Port Library
Join us for a pop up IT session at 10:30am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

Monday 3rd October
Makers Market @ Port Library
9:30am to 12 noon
Join us for a makers market session at 9:30am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

Tuesday 4th October
Yoga For Young Ones @ Port Library
Join us for a yoga session at 10:30am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

Thursday 6th October
Port Macquarie Family Fun Day
Join us for a family fun day at 10:00am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

Friday 7th October
Blackout Poetry @ Port Library
10am to 11:30am
Join us for a blackout poetry session at 10am. This event is open to all ages and is a great way to get started on your cycling journey. The event will be held at the Hastings RSL Club and will include a range of activities for all ages.

P&C News

Canteen Roster

Week 8

Mon 4	Meg & Lisa Cook
Tue 5	Kristy, Mum & Rebecca Bull
Wed 6	Hazel & Sal
Thu 7	Bec B & Aunty Jo
Fri 8	Lee Ann, Meg & Deb Hill

Week 9

Mon 11	Simone H
Tue 12	Kristy
Wed 13	Tracey T & Leesa H
Thu 14	Misty & Cindy
Fri 15	Lee Ann, Ann Marie, Simone L & Meg

WOOSH News

Sept/Oct Vacation Care 2017 dates are as follows:

Sept/Oct Vacation Care
Monday 25 September to Friday 6 October
NO Pupil Free Day

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 1 September 2017. As we have to undergo a priority procedure, please phone Miss Alex on 0412 852 441 at the centre for availability after Tuesday 5 September 2017.

- P&C -

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

Community News

ALDI MiniRoos Kick-Off for Girls
is an introductory football program for girls only!

Each child also receives an ALDI MiniRoos Participant Pack when they register - which includes a bag, a water bottle and a water bottle!

To register visit www.northernnewcastle.com.au

REGISTER NOW

Jetstar Little Athletics Wauchope

Little Athletics is a uniquely Australian sport for children aged 3-16 years. As the name suggests, it is based upon the sport of athletics (track and field) and the events are specially modified to suit the ages and abilities of children. A wide range of running, jumping, throwing and walking events is conducted.

Starting on the 1st September we will be running event instructions teaching techniques for throws, jumps and running.

Competition nights will be starting 13th October.

We run on Friday afternoons from 5:15pm at Blackbutt Park during the school term.
Cost: Under 6's \$75
Tiny Tots \$75

Anyone wanting more information is invited to come along and chat to the committee. Wauchope Little Athletics catering for children aged from 3 years old up to 16 years. A new Tiny Tots program will be commencing this season.

Anyone wishing to join can go to LANGW website and follow links.

For further information please phone:
Jacky - 041205789
Emily - 0471357988
Anne-Marie - 0427665324
www.hopetitle@gmail.com

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Parking at Wauchope PS

Hastings Council have informed me that there are concerns regarding driver behaviour in the morning and in the afternoon. They are particularly concerned about parent parking, including dropping off and picking up children. I have attached a brochure that highlights specific road rules and parking rules around schools. I am assuming that parking rangers will be visiting our school in the near future.



SCHOOL SAFETY NOTICE TO DRIVERS

In the interest of CHILD SAFETY there is NO EXCUSE for disobeying traffic control signs and Road Rules in the vicinity of a school. Please read and understand the following traffic controls around your school;



NO STOPPING

Under no circumstances are you permitted to stop on a length of road to which a NO STOPPING sign applies.

Penalty: \$325.00 + 2 demerit points each time you disobey a NO STOPPING sign (school zone)



NO PARKING

You are permitted to stop in a NO PARKING zone only while you are engaged in dropping off or picking up passengers. You must not stop for more than two minutes. You must stay within three metres of your vehicle.

Penalty: \$180.00 + 2 demerit points each time you disobey a NO PARKING SIGN (school zone).



BUS ZONE

You are not permitted to stop in a BUS ZONE unless you are driving a public bus.

(Penalty: \$325.00 + 2 demerit points) each time you stop in a BUS ZONE (school zone).



CHILDREN'S CROSSING

You are not permitted to stop within 20 metres before the crossing and 10 metres after the crossing.

Penalty: \$433.00 + 2 demerit points each time you stop on/near a children's crossing (school zone).



DOUBLE PARKING

A driver must not stop on a road between the centre of the road and another vehicle that is parked at the side of the road.

Penalty: \$325.00 + 2 demerit points each time you double park (school zone).

**THE COST OF TAKING YOUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL
DEPENDS ENTIRELY ON YOU**

Updated March 2017