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Term 2 Week 8 Newsletter

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Thursday 21 June

- ☀ Stage 2 Dance Festival

Friday 22 June

- ☀ Athletics Carnival - Years 3-6

Monday 25 June

- ☀ Kindergarten Extravaganza - 9:30am-2019/2020 Enrolments

Tuesday 26 June

- ☀ Stage 2 Glasshouse Excursion

Wednesday 27 June

- ☀ PSSA Soccer - Girls and Boys

Thursday 28 June

- ☀ Stage 2 Disco - 4-5:30pm

Tuesday 3 July

- ☀ Assembly of Excellence K-2 - 9:30am
- ☀ Semester 1 Reports sent home

Wednesday 4 July

- ☀ Assembly of Excellence Years 3-6 - 9:30am

Thursday 5 June

- ☀ Stage 2 Science Trap

Friday 6 July

- ☀ Stage 3 Science Trap
- ☀ End of Term 2

Monday 23 July

- ☀ School Development Day

Tuesday 24 July

- ☀ Term 3 commences for all students

2019/2020 Kindergarten Extravaganza – Monday 25 June

I would like to welcome all perspective 2019/2020 Kindergarten students and their parents to our Kindergarten information session and presentation on Monday 25 June commencing at 9:30am in our school hall.

The morning will include some performances and displays from our Kindergarten children. There will then be a short information session and school tour. If you intend to enrol your child at Wauchope Public School, then this is an opportunity not to be missed.

Enrolment forms and packages are available at the front office. Office and executive staff will be available to assist with any enrolment enquires.

Southern Network Dance Festival



Our four dance groups were absolutely magnificent on

Tuesday night. Congratulations to every single child. The smiles on your faces were just magic. I was so proud of all of you! Your parents must have been bursting with pride. Thank you and congratulations to our dance teachers Mrs Falk, Mrs Barnett, Miss Hollis, Miss Humphries, Miss Whiteoak, Mrs Muir, Mrs McCue and Mrs Bulley. The exciting news is the Stage 2 dance group have to do it all again tonight at a special performance. Good luck!

2019 Kindergarten Enrolments!

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2019 are now being taken. Enrolment forms can be collected from the front office. If you have a child or know another family with a child who is starting school next year please notify them.

When you return your completed enrolment form with the required information your child will receive a free Wauchope Public School shirt.

Thank you for the huge interest we have already experienced re 2019 Kindergarten enrolments.

Semester 1 Reports

We will send these home on Tuesday 3 July.

I hope that all our WPS families

Connecting Country Schools

WPS have already expended at least \$25,000 on hardware alone on having our school wireless for a number of years now. However, now the Government has started a project of making all schools wireless. Thankfully our wireless system will be upgraded to the latest technology. Please see the information provided to our school below.

Our school has been included in the Connecting Country Schools (CCS) project, which is delivering upgraded wireless connectivity and internet access to more than 900 schools around the state.

Planning for installations at our school has commenced with our assigned Technical Officer from the Department's IT Directorate, who are managing this project.

CCS will deliver upgraded and reliable wireless access in all our learning spaces, assisting teachers to deliver future focused learning to prepare our students for digital age jobs.

Improved wireless and internet services will also give students more chances to connect and collaborate and greater access to online knowledge databases, streaming media, educational institutions and experts.

We are working with our Technical Officer to ensure that disruptions during the installation are kept to a minimum.

enjoy reading their child's reports. The report will be addressed to parents/caregivers and should arrive home unopened and in mint condition (perhaps ready for photocopying and distribution to grandparents).

I know that there are many positives in each report that can generate praise and congratulations for your child for completing a good, very good or hopefully an excellent Semester 1. However, no one is perfect and there will also be some constructive advice and areas for improvement for children to work on and strive to improve during Semester 2. I urge parents to pay particular attention to both the effort ratings in each subject and the social skills. Children who are

not making a positive effort or concentrating at school are also not giving themselves a chance to improve or enjoy success. Social skills at school are very important and unfortunately some children do not always make the right choices with their behaviour. This is an area that parents can really assist, promote and demand that their children improve.

The attendance record is also an important consideration as children who are regularly absent or late to school can experience difficulties. Should your child have a high level of absences, please try to reduce this during Semester 2. Of course illness, special holidays and other unavoidable circumstances may require absence from school

Achievement	This achievement means
Outstanding	The student has an extensive knowledge and understanding of the content and can readily apply this knowledge. In addition, the student has achieved a very high level of competence in the processes and skills and can apply these skills to new situations.
High	The student has a thorough knowledge and understanding of the content and a high level of competence in the processes and skills. In addition, the student is able to apply this knowledge and these skills to most situations.
Sound	The student has a sound knowledge and understanding of the main areas of content and has achieved an adequate level of competence in the processes and skills.
Basic	The student has a basic knowledge and understanding of the content and has achieved a basic level of competence in the processes and skills.
Limited	The student has an elementary knowledge and understanding in few areas of the content and has achieved very limited competence in some of the processes and skills.

Debating



Our debaters competed against students from Norfolk Island Central School via Video conference yesterday. The children did extremely well. Thank you Miss Whiteoak for supporting the children.

School Supplies

Just for your interest 403 out of 730 students have paid their \$20 School Supplies Fee. That means 327 have not. This is only 55% of students. If you would like to make that payment please send the money in a labelled envelope to the front office. Thank you to those parents who have paid this very small fee.

Athletics Carnival

The Athletics carnival will hopefully go ahead tomorrow, Friday 22 June at Blackbutt Oval. However, if the grounds are closed by the Council or it is raining the carnival will be postponed until Friday 29 June.

Stage 2 Disco

The Year 3 and 4 teachers and the P&C are hosting a disco next Thursday 28 June between 4:00pm and 5:30pm. Children will receive a drink and packet of chips as part of their entry fee.

from time to time, but please remember to notify the school with an explanation (preferably in writing).

Teachers examine a large range of material in order to assess each child. As set out by the Department of Education and Training grades of outstanding, high, sound, basic and limited are given on each key learning area to describe how each child is performing against the expected outcomes for midyear.

A grade of sound (C) means that the student is on track in that particular KLA for this time of year. A grade of 'basic' means there is work to do to bring the student up to year expectations. That is another reason that it is important to know what level of effort is put into work. If a child is doing his or her very best it is important to acknowledge this and give positive feedback for this effort. I can tell you that the majority of Wauchope students will receive a C.

If you would like to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss your child's academic and social progress, please send in a note indicating this with contact details so that a mutual and convenient time can be arranged.

It is very important that we all work together to ensure your child is working hard, displaying appropriate behaviour and respect and share ideas to improve academic achievement and progress.

Finally, I would like to thank the entire teaching staff for working extremely hard to prepare and complete the reports. Reports are a very time consuming task and are for the most part, completed of an evening or on weekends.

Stage 2 Glasshouse Excursion

Good luck to the boys and girls attending "The 78 Storey Treehouse" next Tuesday.

Assembly of Excellence

This special end of Semester 1 assembly will commence at 9:30am on Tuesday 3 July – K-2 and Wednesday 4 July – 3-6. We will also present awards for swimming and cross country champions. Just over 100 WPS students will receive an award. We hope as many parents/grandparents as possible can attend to celebrate your children's success. All parents and award winners will enjoy a special morning tea at the conclusion of the assembly.

Sport

Congratulations to the boys PSSA basketball team who all played well on Monday and thank you Mr Geary for coaching the team.

Good luck to the girls PSSA soccer team who will play two games next Wednesday. All the best to the boys team who will play one game on the same day at the same venue.

Stage 3 students will receive a note soon about Term 3 sport opportunities. Some of these sports include ten pin bowling, surfing, tennis and fishing. I wish they offered these sports when I was at school.

Thank You

A huge thank you to one of our parents, Steven Latham. Steven collected some very large high jump mats from a Brisbane store and transported them to Wauchope PS. Your time and effort is very much appreciated Steven.

Mr Cameron Osborne

North Coast Dance Festival



90 students from Kindergarten to Year 6 performed at the Lower North Coast Dance Festival on Tuesday night at the Glasshouse in Port Macquarie. All dance groups did a sensational job and we received some outstanding feedback from parents, organisers and other schools. A big congratulations to all of the teachers, students and parents involved.

PSSA Netball Team



Wauchope PS netball team against Port Primary in the third round. The girls were victorious.

Our next game is coming up on Monday against Tacking Point which is the fourth round.

Mrs Lee-a Rock

S.R.C – Money Raised

A huge thank you to the community of Wauchope P.S. for their donations for our free dress day. We raised \$850.00. This money will be sent to the Cancer Council for research. A special mention and some funds will be sent to Bear Cottage, the only children's hospice in NSW, one of only two in Australia, and the only one in the world affiliated with a children's hospital.

All students wore a variety of colours supporting many different organisations. Well done everyone!

Ms W Henry

Debating



Both Debating teams challenged Laurieton Public School on Thursday 14 June at Wauchope Public School. Tiana, Natasha, Jack, Hailey, Saloni, Mikayla, Alex and Dani all put in a great effort and applied all of their debating skills. What a great day for the students from both schools.

Miss C Whiteoak

P&C News

We Want Your Ideas!

Do you have a fundraising idea for our school?

OR is there something in particular you would like to see our P&C fundraise for?

Please text or call P&C president Sarsha Walker on 0400 535 842 or email sarshawalker5@gmail.com

The P&C really values the input of all of our family and community members. We want to strive to advance our school so if there is something you would like to see at our school, something you feel your child needs at school to develop further or if you have an idea to unite our school community or a new fundraising idea, please let us know, no matter how big or small we would love to hear from you!

WOOSH News

July Vacation Care, Term 3
Pupil Free day 2018 dates are as follows:

July Vacation Care

Monday 9 to Friday 20 July

Pupil Free Day

Monday 23 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 Monday 25 June 2018. As we have to undergo a priority procedure, please phone Miss Alex on 0412 852 441 at the centre for availability after Tuesday 26 June 2018.



MARKET DAY

FRIDAY 22ND JUNE

while stock lasts



Australian Economy Beef Rump Steak

\$7⁹⁹
kg



Brushed Potatoes 2kg
\$1 per kg

\$1⁹⁹
ea

2KG BAG



BBQ Chicken
(Excludes Free Range)

\$6⁹⁹
ea



Your Bakery
Croissants 3-4 Pack

\$1⁹⁹
ea

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Specials available **Friday 22nd June ONLY!**