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Term 1 Week 3 Newsletter Thursday 15 February 2018

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Tuesday 20 February

- ☼ Parent Information Evening
2.15pm – Special Education
4:00pm – Stage 3
4:45pm – Stage 1
5:30pm – Stage 2

Friday 23 February

- ☼ Hastings/Camden Haven
Carnival - Port Macquarie

Tuesday 27 February

- ☼ Lower North Coast Carnival -
Kempsey

Wednesday 28 February

- ☼ Information Booth - IGA
Wauchope 8:00-8:30am

Wednesday 7 March

- ☼ North Coast Carnival -
Murwillumbah

Monday 19 March -

Friday 23 March

- ☼ Year 6 Canberra Excursion

Making an Appointment



Educating your children is definitely a team effort and I believe if your children know you are interested in their learning and you have made contact with their class teacher then it is beneficial for all concerned. If at any stage you would like to communicate with your child's class teacher I encourage you to send in a note with a short message possibly with some convenient dates, times and a contact number so the teacher can ring you when they have an opportunity to either discuss any matters over the phone or to organise a convenient meeting time. It is often nice to include some sort of agenda so that the teacher has time to investigate or prepare for the meeting.

Please follow the same process if you would like to meet with an executive member of staff, including myself. It is often very difficult when people just turn up at the front office unannounced as WPS staff are always extremely busy. It is just like making an appointment to see a doctor, have a car service, see the vet or a solicitor etc.

150th School Photo



Yesterday we had an entire WPS school photo taken on the back oval. This was not an easy task considering we have over 700 students and 60 plus staff. Also considering the heat and humidity the children did very well. This is to celebrate our school's 150th Anniversary. We look

Hastings Camden Haven Swimming Carnival



Please bring in [permission note](#) and money as soon as possible so we are ready to swim extremely fast on Friday 23 February.

Please be reminded whenever our children represent our school they must be in WPS uniform. Whenever, we are out and about in the community, playing sport, at choir or dance festivals or on excursions people constantly comment on how good our children and our uniform look. This obviously includes the school hat.

Visitors To The School

If you need to give your child money, lunch or a message during school time please go to the front office and they will organise for the item to be delivered. It is not appropriate for adults to be in the playground during school time. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter.

forward to seeing the end result in the future. We will display a framed photo in our office area, use it for promotional purposes during our Anniversary celebrations and I'm sure parents and members of the community will be able to purchase a copy in the near future as a keepsake.

The Year 6 photo was also taken. Each Year 6 child will receive a free copy as part of their Graduation at the end of the year.

The class photos will be taken in early Term 2 on May 9 and 10.

Class Supplies

Thank you to the families who have paid for the Class Supplies so promptly. Your child should receive their free thank you gift early in the following week. We really appreciate it. Please ensure payment is made for the Class Supplies at your earliest convenience.

Thank you in advance.

School Parking



For the safety of our children please follow the road rules and parking signs. Please be aware there is not a crossing supervisor on Waugh Street as the position has not been filled.

Expectations For The New Year

The back to school season is a good time to consider what you expect of your children. Having expectations that are high—yet also realistic—is essential for school success. Think of a balloon. If there's no air (like no expectations), it's flat. If you put in too much air (expectations that are too high and impossible to meet), the balloon bursts. Finding the right balance of expectations will stretch children to grow without frustrating them.

[Help children develop predictable routines](#) around waking up, getting ready for the day, eating nutritious meals, taking care of their bodies, going to bed at a regular time, and getting enough sleep. Children are more likely to be successful when their routines help them thrive.

[Build on your children's interests.](#) They're more likely to meet high expectations when they're doing things they enjoy.

[Talk with your children about the goals you've set and achieved in your life.](#) Explain how you overcame obstacles to meet your goals.

[Expect bumps along the way.](#) Achieving high expectations is not like climbing a ladder where each step is a step up. Expect setbacks and doubts. They're all part of the process. The key is to work through the difficulties along the way.

[Encourage children to grow and develop at their own](#)

Parent Information Evenings

The Parent Information afternoon is on next Tuesday 20 February.

Special Education will host their session from 2:15pm in the Special Education playground near Campbell Street.

Parents will congregate in the hall and be introduced to the staff on that Stage and listen to staff discuss programs and activities for 2018.

Below are the times. At the conclusion of each session parents will be invited to have a light afternoon tea in the Frangipani Garden and mingle with the teachers and other parents. The times for Years 1 – 6 are below:

2.15pm - Special Education

4:00pm – Stage 3

4:45pm – Stage 1

5:30pm – Stage 2

Kindergarten will hold a gathering later in the Term as the teachers and parents have already touched base during the Best Start Assessments.

pace. Don't compare your child to other children. Some are early walkers. Some are late walkers. Both are normal. Follow your child's lead.

Watch out for pressures that you place on your child because of your preferences rather than your child's needs. For example, not all sports-mad parents are going to have sports-mad children.

Give young children extra time to practise new things. Expect the process to be bumpy and slow. Be encouraging and don't expect perfection.

Have high expectations for homework and schoolwork. Make it easier for your children to do their homework every day by sitting next to them. You can do your own project or work and be available for questions.

Help children break large, difficult tasks into smaller, more manageable tasks. This is called 'chunking' and can build confidence as they achieve each part.

Find activities that get your children excited. Encourage them to set goals and to have fun at the same time.

Cameron Osborne

School Vision Screening for Year 2

School Vision Screening is being offered to all students at Wauchope PS. The screening looks at basic visual abilities, such as clarity of vision, the ability to coordinate both eyes as a team and eye movement proficiency.

The screening will follow a protocol developed by the Optometrists Association of Australia. Screening will be available at the school on March 6th and March 20th and is provided as a goodwill community service by a local independent optometrist who have expertise in children's vision at no cost to parents or the school. If you would like your child to participate in this vision screening program, please complete the permission note that will be sent home shortly.

Miss Taylor

P&C News



AGM Thursday 8 March

You do not need to commit to an executive position or even to coming to every meeting. General committee members are an integral part of the committee and any assistance you may be able to offer is appreciated.

It's a great way to meet other parents and learn more about how your child's school functions. Volunteering for the P&C helps you to become more actively and practically involved in this part of your child's life. You don't need any experience to make a difference.

The P&C AGM will be held Thursday 8 March in the school staffroom at 6pm. All positions will be declared vacant, including President,



Wauchope Public School New learning spaces

The NSW Department of Education is planning a major capital works upgrade at Wauchope Public School which will replace existing demountables with permanent classrooms.

Information booths will be held in the Wauchope area throughout the project, providing an opportunity for the local community to offer feedback to the project team. Please see below for details on the next information booth.

Information Booth
Wednesday, 28th February 2018
8:00am-8:30am
IGA Wauchope
42 Hastings Rd, Wauchope

PORT PANTHERS NETBALL DAY
ACTIVE KIDS CLUB

2018

NETBALL DAY
Face to Face Rego Day @ Port Panthers RSL
SATURDAY 10th FEBRUARY 2018
10AM – 1PM

Online registrations will be available to all new and existing players. All new registrations need to provide a birth certificate or passport.

Uniforms will be available to purchase on the day payment can be made by cash only.

The "Active Kids Program" is available from 31.1.18. This is a voucher from the government of \$750 for every child 6-12 to go towards registering with an "Active Kids Club".

Further enquiries to portpanthersrsl@gmail.com



Wauchope Blues Junior Rugby League

Junior Rugby League is a great way to keep active, meet new people or socialise with your friends while having fun.

We would like to invite anyone that is interested in playing Junior Rugby League to be part of the Wauchope Blues. Age 4 (must be turning 5 this year) - 16 years.

Returning players can register online at
Wauchope Junior Rugby League Inc- Sports TG

New players will need to register in person.

Registration includes a training football, end of year presentation, team jersey (once season is finished) and team photo. You can use your child's \$300 active kids voucher towards registration.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Training is on Tuesday and Thursdays for ages 10 and up and Thursdays for ages 6-9 years at Lark Lane sporting complex 4.30pm-5.30pm.

Due to regulations no player will be able to train or play until they are registered.

For more information please visit our website or follow us on

Facebook @ Wauchope Blues JRLFC.

If you have any inquiries regarding registrations, please contact Sue our register on 0408696901.

Vice-President K-2, Vice President 3-6, Treasurer and Secretary. Come along to hear what has been achieved in the last 12 months by the P&C.

For more information, email wauchopepsandc@gmail.com or contact Deb on 0418 160 192.

Canteen News

Please note that Year 3-6 recess orders and food will be available from the canteen in the morning break 11.00-11.45am and 3-6 lunch orders will be ready during the afternoon break at 1.45pm

Icy pole time is 11.10-11.35am.

Anyone with allergies or gluten free must order on red lunch bags. These orders must be collected by the child at the canteen at recess and lunch. They will not go out in lunch tubs. Please see Ruth at the canteen for red bags.

WOOSH News

April Vacation Care, Term 2 Pupil Free day 2018 dates are as follows:

April Vacation Care

Monday 16 to Friday 27 April

Pupil Free Day

Monday 30 April

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 26 March 2017. As we have to undergo a priority procedure, please phone Miss Alex on 0412 852 441 at the centre for availability after Thursday 29 March 2017.

Community News

THRIVE

The Thrive Club is back!!

Come on over to the Wauchope Presbyterian Church this Friday night

Join the fun and games, and learn about Jesus

7pm - 8.30pm

28 Bath Street Wauchope

See you there @

Girls play Football (Soccer) on the Mid North Coast

ALL GIRLS U12-14 COMP

Clubs are being encouraged to enter teams in an all girls U12-14 Competition. Games on FRIDAY nights (North & South Camps) - 6, 9 or 11 a-side (dependent on numbers). ALL players will still be able to play in a mixed team at their club on Saturdays.

ALL GIRLS MINIROOS

Northern clubs are encouraged to field U7, U9 and U11 all girls Miniroos sides. Last season an U7 and U9 competition went ahead.

U16 AND U18 GIRLS COMPS

These competitions will exist once again in the North of the zone. Southern clubs are encouraged to field a team in North competition if insufficient South numbers.

HIGH PERFORMANCE

FMNC currently has limited vacancies in our U17 and U20 Representative squads. Interested players are able to play club football as well as WFL (Women's Premier League).

Contact your local club or FMNC for more information.

www.footballmidnorthcoast.com | macca@footballmidnorthcoast.com

PLAY OR REFEREE FOOTBALL IN SEASON 2018

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FOOTBALL MID NORTH COAST

*** 2018 REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW ***

www.footballmidnorthcoast.com/2018-registrations/

Find all information about the NSW Government \$100 Active Kids Rebate at above web address

Opportunities to play and referee at varying levels exist. There are also competitions to suit everyone from a beginner to an experienced player or match official. Competitions also cater for those able to travel or for those who'd like to be involved locally.

PLAY FOOTBALL

REFEREES WANTED

Get Paid to officiate on matches at all levels within the pool

FMNC are looking for more referees (beginners or experienced). There are courses to suit all levels coming up in March.

Please contact Club and Referee Development Officer Justin McInyre, justin@footballmidnorthcoast.com or in the office 0265 850 351.