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Term 2 Week 2 Newsletter

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Thursday 9 May

☀ P&C Meeting - 6:30pm

Friday 10 May

☀ K-2 Cross Country

☀ Boys and Girls PSSA Soccer

Monday 13 May

☀ HCH/LNC Touch Football

Tuesday 14 May

☀ Yarn Up afternoon tea -

Wauchope PS - 3:15 - 4:00pm

Tuesday 14 May to Wednesday 22 May

☀ NAPLAN Testing - Years 3 and 5

Friday 17 May

☀ PSSA Rugby League Gala Day

Monday 20 May

☀ Taree Dance Eisteddfod

Wednesday 22 May

☀ National Simultaneous Reading

☀ School Photos K-2 and
Special Education

Thursday 23 May

☀ School Photos Years 3-6

Monday 27 May

☀ LNC Cross Country - Kempsey

Monday 27 May to Friday 3 June

☀ Reconciliation Week

Friday 31 May

☀ Kindergarten Billabong
Excursion

School Anzac Service



On Friday, we had two excellent Anzac ceremonies. They were very special and I believe our students understand and appreciate the significance of this special occasion on our calendar for all Australians. We had three ex-students, Brok T, Jaxon M and Kurtis W as special guests. When the boys were in Year 6 they visited Canberra and made memorial wooden crosses. Current Australian Servicemen selected crosses out of a possible 45,000 crosses and the boys crosses were laid in war cemeteries in Egypt, and two cemeteries in France. Flight

Sergeant Craig Rees from the Australian Air Force laid one of our ex-students crosses in Cairo, Egypt. He travelled from Tasmania to acknowledge our students. Other guests who were representing the Wauchope RSL were Terry Steel, Des Hancock and Michael Brownlow. Congratulations to every WPS boy and girl on your wonderful behaviour. Thank you Mrs Buczko for coordinating the services and congratulations to our student leaders for compeering the event. Tiana, Dylan, Will, Briana and Charlie who did a great job.



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Monday was another brilliant P&C stall. The children absolutely loved buying a surprise for their Mum/Nan. A huge thank you to the impressive number of Mums who volunteered their time to put those priceless smiles on our student's faces. Thank you to: Rebecca Hardy, Sonia Robinson, Barbara Pead, Louise Flanagan, Ashleigh Blanch, Hazel Fraser, Cathy Ratko, Sharn Gayler, Meg Hillard, Stacy Hill, Kristy Swan, Melissa Mobbs, Kerry Lopresti, Jane Graham, Darlene Palmer, Rosemary Spradbrow and Sarsha Walker.



Anzac Thank you BBQ

We hosted a thank you sausage sizzle for the 100 students who marched on Anzac day on Friday. Thank you Mr Hurrell for cooking and Mrs Thompson for catering.

Bronze Assemblies

543 students are or have been presented with their Bronze certificate this week. Congratulations boys and girls for consistently following our simple school expectations.

NAPLAN

To all parents of Year 3 and 5 children. These important assessments will be held over two weeks online, from Tuesday 14 May to Wednesday 22 May. The four assessments will include: Language conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy. Each student in Year 3 and 5 will receive a note tomorrow with details of when their class will visit the Mini Lab, Main Lab or Library to complete their assessment. If your child is absent on one of these days we do have the ability to hold catch up tests. Please ensure your child has had plenty of sleep and has had a healthy and substantial breakfast on these days. Good luck boys and girls.

K-2 Cross Country Carnival

Good luck boys and girls for tomorrow's big race. The carnival commences at 12pm and will be held on the back oval. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Aboriginal Community Meeting

Our Aboriginal parents are invited to join members of our Aboriginal team for a chat and cuppa next Tuesday 14 May between 3:15pm and 4:00pm.

School Photos

Please ensure your child wears the correct school uniform including black shoes on their photo day. Remember to collect a sibling photo order form if you would like one of these taken. Please return your school photo money envelopes ASAP.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Each week teachers focus on improving various behaviours across the school. As a parent, you may find time to help reinforce these skills at home. Work together, follow reasonable instructions, encourage peers, be in the right place at the right time, wear school uniform, have a genuine go, complete tasks as directed, be fair, be prepared, be considerate, use manners and polite language, accept others differences, use equipment correctly and keep the environment clean.

Child Protection Lessons

During Term 2, students will be engaged in Child Protection lessons across the school. Personal safety, No Go Tell and Child Development will be covered. Please advise your child's teacher in writing if you do not want your child to be part of these lessons.

School Uniform

Thank you to all parents for your support with our school uniform and hats. As the cooler seasons approach, please ensure your child wears a blue jumper to school. With your support, our school students will continue to look great.

School Supplies

All students who paid their school supplies fees in Term 1 should have now received their

P&C Meeting

The next meeting is this evening Thursday 9 May. All are welcome to attend. The meeting will commence at 6:30pm in the staffroom.

Aboriginal Committee Afternoon Tea Yarn Up Invite

The school community are invited to join Auntie Maree, Mrs Pepperell and Aboriginal Committee members for a Yarn Up commencing at 3:15pm to 4pm Tuesday 14 May (Week 3) to seek ideas for our upcoming cultural events in the school. Students are welcome to sit quietly near by and play a few games that will be provided.

Please note, the venue for the Yarn Up has changed to 5NP classroom (opposite play equipment on Mackay Street entrance).

P&C News

We need you!

Treasurer Position Vacant

Role includes:

- Attending P&C meetings
- Co-signing cheques
- Electronic bank funds
- Transfer preparation and co-signing
- Banking cash from fundraising events - (shared role with other committee members)
- Basic reconciliation in Xero accounting system
- Prepare and read out basic reports for monthly meetings.

All training provided - plus you will get to know some great local parents and community members and help out your child/ childrens school.

WPS free gift. Thank you for supporting our school by paying this small fee. Compared to other school systems, attending a Public School is ridiculously inexpensive.

Sport

Good luck to the boys and girls soccer teams who play Hastings PS tomorrow. I received a lovely email from the South West Rocks cricket coach about our lovely girl's cricket team. I have included part of it below. Well done girls.

"I just wanted to congratulate your girls on their win yesterday and the amazing spirit in which the game was played. I think the game was an excellent example of how school sport should be played. You should be very proud of your students. Best wishes for your next match."

Good luck to our student's trialling for representative touch football next week.

Great Writing from one of our students

A class teacher sent this to me to read as she thought it was an excellent piece of writing. I totally agree and was moved as I read the story. It is brilliant from a Primary aged student. Unfortunately, almost everyone has a story of a relative or close friend who has been taken far too early. I've decided to include this in the newsletter as it has a great message for us all. Class 5/6CW was given the topic of 'What Matters'.

"WHAT MATTERS!"

Latin phrase: Carpe diem, quam minimum credula postero.

English translation: Seize the day, put very little trust in tomorrow.

I love this phrase. It has so much meaning. To me, it means that you should live every day to the fullest. Never rely on the future, as you don't know what it will bring. I'd always known that was an important phrase, but I'd never known how important.

For seven years my Auntie battled cancer. She suffered horribly, with so many visits to hospital and so many treatments. Before the cancer, my Auntie had the most beautiful hair in the world – long, straight, black as raven and as shiny as the perfect moment when the sun hits the sea. My Auntie was an incredible person. She was smart, pretty, kind to everyone, and always said thank you. She also loved to travel and see new places and experience new things.

One day the doctors told her that the cancer was too strong. In two years' time, she might not be with us. It was a battle she was going to lose. However, instead of moping and feeling sad, she did things she had always loved. She had travelled extensively but had always dreamed of going to Japan, so to Japan she went! She travelled and spent time with family and friends.

Recently, my Auntie lost the battle. It was the worst. I lost a beautiful Aunt, my Dad and his siblings lost an incredible sister, my Nan and Pop lost a wonderful daughter, and the world lost a special, irreplaceable person. The ripple was far reaching. She was a flame that burnt brightly but was extinguished much too soon.

Although my Auntie's life was far too short, she had achieved a long list of things she had always wanted to. My Auntie was an accountant, the first of the family to graduate University. Dux of



Year twelve in Mathematics, and a keen netballer. She made sure that she lived her life and never wasted a precious moment.

My Mum always told me that everyone has a sand timer. You never get to know how much sand is in yours. But you should never wait until the last grains of sand fall to start living your life!

I'm sure you have heard of a bucket list. You might even have one. It's a list people have of things they want to do or achieve before their sand timer runs out. I'm sure you have a bucket list, don't wait for what feels like a good time to get started. Start now! There really is no time like the present. And don't be afraid to fill your bucket, because every time your bucket gets full, it grows bigger so that your bucket can never be entirely and completely full.

How full is your bucket today? How about tomorrow? How full will it be then?"

Tiana D

Cameron Osborne

Wauchope Wonder Winners

Congratulations



Stage 1 - Eden and Savannah

Stage 2 - Hunter and Colt

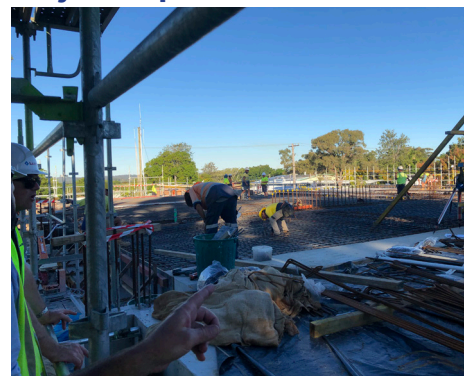
Stage 3 - Emily and Noah

Special Education - Hunter

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Active Kids Learn Better

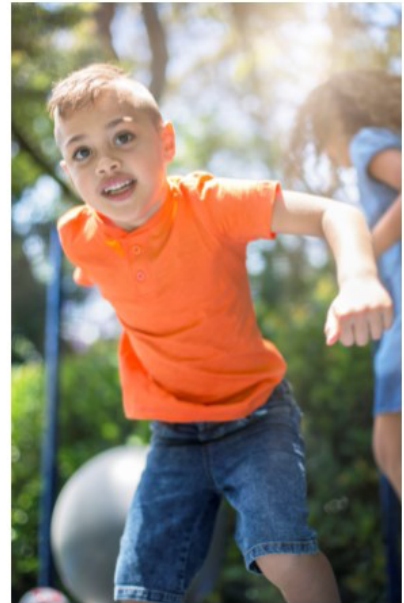
Children who participate in regular physical activity have:

- improved concentration
- better school attendance
- reduced inappropriate behavior
- better on-task classroom attention

Vigorous physical activity leads to higher exam results too!

Tips to keep your child active:

- walk or ride to school once a week or more
- enjoy active family time at the park or beach
- set screen time limits and replace with active play



5 Easy Steps to Staying Informed SkoolBag

SkoolBag is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minute notices, newsletters and all your school's communications.

1. Download SkoolBag

Search SkoolBag in the Apple App or Google Play Store, download the FREE app:

SkoolBag: School Communication



2. Create an Account

Follow the prompts to create your account in seconds.

3. Add your School

Type your school's name and press enter. Tap the plus icon to add.



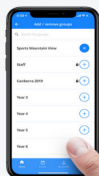
4. Allow Notifications

Ensure you Allow SkoolBag to send you push notifications when prompted.



5. Subscribe to Groups

Select Year Groups / Sports Teams to appear in your feed.



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GET YOUR ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER TODAY



All NSW school-enrolled children are now eligible for their 2019 **\$100 Active Kids voucher**. The voucher can be used with any approved Active Kids provider, to help cover costs towards registration, participation or membership fees for sport, fitness and active recreation.

How to claim your voucher

- 1 Visit service.nsw.gov.au and login to your MyServiceNSW Account
- 2 Click on the Active Kids icon found in your SERVICE tab
- 3 Fill out the requested information (you will need your current Medicare card)
- 4 Print a copy of each voucher or email it to yourself

How to use your voucher

- 1 Once you have chosen an activity give the voucher number to your activity provider, or log onto your provider's website and enter the voucher number
- 2 If you can't find a provider you can search <https://my.service.nsw.gov.au/MyServiceNSW/ActiveKidsSearchProvider>

*Vouchers can always be found in your MyServiceNSW account by looking in the My Applications tab



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a reader..."



Some just haven't
found their favorite
book yet."