



# Wauchope Public School

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Term 4 Week 1  
Newsletter

Thursday  
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### Friday 18 October

☀ K-2 Athletics Carnival

### Monday 21 October

☀ North Coast PSSA Touch final vs Tweed Heads PS

☀ Stage 3 Gold Assembly - 2:15pm

### Tuesday 22 October

☀ Year 3 Surf Safety Excursion

☀ Combined Primary Choir Performance

☀ Stage 1 Gold Assembly - 2:15pm

### Thursday 24 October

☀ P&C Fundraiser - Obstacle-a-thon

### Friday 25 October

☀ Kindergarten Gold Assembly - 9:30am

☀ Stage 2 Gold Assembly - 12:00pm

☀ Bandanna Fundraiser

☀ World Teachers Day

### Wednesday 30 October

☀ School's Out Radio

### Friday 1 November

☀ Year 1 Timbertown Excursion

### Monday 4 November

☀ WILD - Dress Rehearsal

## Welcome Back



It was great to see the children return on Monday ready for another sensational term at Wauchope Public School. We have an outrageous term planned. I encourage all families to put future dates on your calendars, closely read the newsletter each week and read all permission notes carefully. We want as many of our students as possible to participate in these upcoming fun and important activities.

Some upcoming events to be aware of are: K-2 Athletics Carnival, Year 3 and 6 swimming for sport, Year 3 Beach excursion, Primary Choir performance, P&C Major Fundraiser ObstACool inflatable course, Bandanna Day, Schools Out Radio, Year 5 Leadership speeches and elections, Year 1 Timbertown excursion, WILD Performances,

Handball Heros competition, Tim Tams in Your Jim Jams, Special Swimming Scheme, Schools Spectacular excursion – Sydney, Life Education Van, Presentation Days, High School Orientation and transition days, Wauchope Star assemblies, Year 6 Farewell and Graduation assembly, Night of the Notables, Pool Parties, Movie Day, deposit for Year 6 2020 Canberra excursion, Year 6 shirt and Semester 2 reports.

At the end of last term, all students received a projected school activities cost note to assist families with budgeting and planning for these Term 4 events.

## 2020 Class Formations

The staff at WPS will shortly begin the process of forming classes for 2020. It is crucial that we have as much information as possible when we are forming these proposed classes. If you know your personal circumstances (e.g. possibly work-related) have changed and you will no longer have your child attending WPS then please let us know as soon as possible. Alternatively, if you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2020 please complete and submit an enrolment form now so your child is placed in a class. The



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## WILD – Creative and Performing Arts performance

We have over 250 students participating in these performances. The children and teachers are very excited about showcasing our student's talents to our community.

Tickets will be \$5 each. A note will come home very soon with ticket ordering options and dates for the matinee and evening performance.

We will start with restrictions on ticket purchasing so all children can have someone in the audience.

## SAVE THE DATE

Matinee Performance -  
Wednesday 6 November  
2019

Night Performance –  
Thursday 7 November  
2019

same applies if you know of any new families who are moving to Wauchope over the Christmas holiday period.

Student numbers at the commencement of the school year are vital and dictate our level of staffing. If you know your child won't be returning Day 1 2020 (possibly due to a holiday, an overseas trip or extended stay with grandparents/relatives) but you know they will be returning to WPS then I would request you let us know in writing so we can include your child in our numbers.

I would also invite parents to submit in writing any special requests regarding their child's class placement for 2020 in writing addressed to myself (not the class teacher) before the end of Week 5, 15 November 2019. All requests will be taken into consideration when forming classes. However, there are no guarantees. Staff will be putting a lot of effort and time into ensuring that all classes are as balanced as possible taking into consideration factors such as academic levels, social development, relationships, behaviour, and male/female.

## Nomination for 2020 Enrichment Class consideration

Our current Enrichment Class structure will continue in 2020, comprising one Year 3/4 and one Year 5/6 Enrichment Class. Students in our Enrichment Classes undertake curriculum-based learning with more challenging content, in addition to undertaking tasks requiring critical and creative thinking. All students in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 are offered the opportunity to

apply and be considered. All students who are currently in a 2019 Enrichment Class will automatically be nominated. Nominated students will complete an online standardised aptitude test. Students will be considered for an Enrichment Class placement based on:

- exhibiting superior skills in key learning areas, particularly English and mathematics
- teacher recommendation based on student performance
- current achievement aligned to Year level outcomes
- achievement levels in NAPLAN testing (if appropriate)
- results from standardised aptitude testing

Comprehensive information is available on page six of the newsletter, including a nomination form. A paper copy of this note is available from the school office and needs to be signed and returned to your child's teacher by Wednesday 30 October.

## ObstACool P&C Major Fundraiser



This is an event your child will not want to miss. Please return permission notes and money by this Friday as we have to have in place a timetable of who is participating and who is not and where and when this will happen with suitable supervision.

[ObstACool Video](#)

## Swimming Scheme

I'd like to alert you that we will be participating in the Learn to Swim Scheme in Weeks 6 and 7. It is vitally important that our children are competent swimmers especially considering where we live.

## Intensive Swimming Scheme



Our Intensive swimming program commences on Monday 18 November 2019 and runs for ten days. The last day for swimming will be Friday 29 November 2019.

This program caters for students from Year 2 - Year 6 who are non-swimmers or cannot swim a distance of 25 metres (half an Olympic sized pool). Competent swimmers will not be allowed to attend.

The cost for the program is \$37. This payment needs to be sent to the school office in an envelope with your child's name and class on the front. Students do not pay on a daily basis.

If you would like your child to participate in the program please complete the form below and return the form with the money to the school office by Friday 8 November 2019.

No permission notes or money will be accepted after this date.

## North Coast Touch Football

Good luck to our talented boy's touch football team who travel to Grafton on Monday to take on Tweed Heads Public School in the North Coast final. If the boys, led by Mr Sallustio win this game they travel to Sydney to play off in the final eight teams in the State. Go get them, boys. Listen closely to the referee in case he says six again and then changes it to last tackle.

## Koala Smart Competition



We have our fingers crossed for the announcement next Thursday of the winner of the Koala Smart competition. Some of our extremely talented students have combined to design a presentation and create our very own WPS Koala. Well done Tiana D, Brianna B, Spencer M, Tori K, Shyla W, Abby-Rose F, Charlie M, Jasmine R, Maddison S. Thank you to Mrs Welch (formerly Miss Whiteoak) and Mr Nicholson for supporting the children.

## K-2 Athletics Carnival

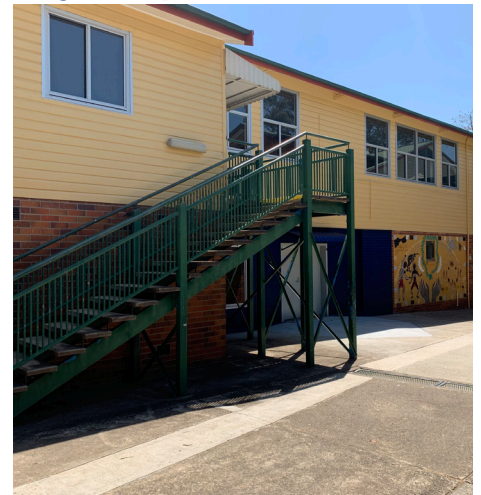
This exciting event is on tomorrow from 9:20am – 11:00am. All parent/family members are welcome to attend.

## School Uniform and School Supplies

Please ensure your child has the correct school uniform especially either the school cap or school wide-brimmed hat.

The start of every term is the chance to check all pencil cases are well stocked.

## Major Capital Works



We are extremely close to having the hand over of our refurbished Block 4. The ground floor will be a student well-being area. The old canteen area will be our Hub where social skills will occur. The middle section will be a safe play area and an extension of the HUB. Four office spaces have been included to become Learning Support areas in literacy and numeracy for small groups. Eg QuickSmart, MultiLit and MiniLit. Level one will have a dedicated robotics and technology room, a classroom and a multipurpose room where extracurricular activities can take place such as choir, dance, STEM, art group etc.

Block 21 is progressing nicely and is looking fantastic particularly the ground floor where carpet has been laid. Landscaping work has begun under the cola area. I'm sure you will enjoy this week's photos of the progress.



Bandanna Day is Friday 25 October.

Bandannas will be on sale from Monday 21 October at the canteen for \$5 each.

Bandannas can be worn all week.

Support this great fundraiser for Canteen Australia to assist young people affected by cancer.

### SAVE THE DATE!!!



You won't want to miss our next major P&C fundraiser!!! October 24, 2019, will be our first ever Obstacle-a-thon!

Notes and more info as it gets closer!

### Dance Eisteddfod

I thought our four dance groups were absolutely tremendous last term. I was very proud of the boys and girls. The children thoroughly enjoyed their performances at the Glasshouse Theatre. Congratulations boys and girls. Thank you to our talented teachers for giving up your time so freely to support our children.

### Year 6 Note

I have sent a note home to every Year 6 student this week about behaviour and attitude expectations for their final term of primary school. Please take time to read through the letter and discuss it with your child. My wish is that every Year 6 student finishes their primary school years at WPS in a positive manner. We all know they are capable of it. In some instances, it takes some extra time and effort from the teachers and cooperation and support from parents and caregivers. Thank you in advance for your assistance. Please return the tear-off acknowledgment slip to your child's class teacher by tomorrow morning, please. Thank you in advance.

### Year 3 Beach Safety Excursion

This excursion is on next week. Thank you, Mrs Rock, for organising.

Students in Years 2, 4 and 6 will listen to a beach safety presentation on Monday. Hopefully, we have some students who have enrolled in the Wauchope-Bonny Hills Surf Life Saving Club for Nippers this season. Great fun and skills to be had.

### Stage 2/3 Choir

Our Primary Choir has been invited to perform as part of the Bago Community of Schools combined choir in front of the North Coast's 22 Directors of Educational Leadership. Good luck boys and girls and thank you Mrs Taylor and Mrs Brassey.

### Student Leadership Opportunities - 2020

Please keep an eye out for information on this great opportunity for Year 5 students. The first part of the process is being nominated. This is followed by speeches to Year 5, an election narrowing the field to 16 and then final perfect speeches and election.

### Bandanna Day/Week

These are on sale from the canteen all next week.

### Rugby League Clinics

Several classes will participate in a free rugby league clinic tomorrow.

### Application for Year 7 Selective High School Placement 2021

Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2021 must be made online between 8 October 2019 and 11 November 2019. Late applications will not be accepted.

Parents must apply online at <<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>>

All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 12 March 2020.

### Rugby World Cup

I hope the Wallabies beat England in the Rugby World Cup!

**Mr Cameron Osborne**

Community News

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PORT MACQUARIE-HASTINGS COUNCIL

Developing a Master Plan for Bain Park

Council is embarking on a series of community engagement activities in order to develop a Master Plan to guide future development of the park.

Let's work together to create a great space!



Visit the Pop-up Information Stall located in Bain Park anytime between:

- 11am to 1pm Monday 14 October
- 11am to 1pm Wednesday 16 October

Register for the Community Workshop:

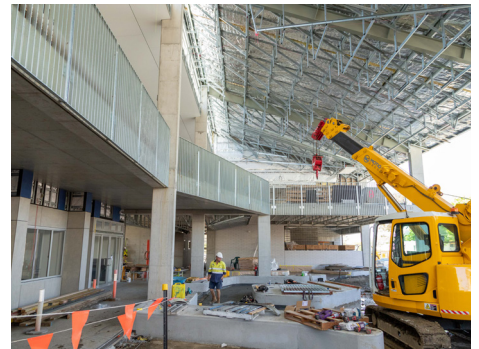
- 10am - 2pm Saturday 19 October, Wauchope Community Arts Hall

For more information, to register for the Community Workshop or to make an online submission visit [haveyoursay.pmh.c.nsw.gov.au/bain-park](http://haveyoursay.pmh.c.nsw.gov.au/bain-park); alternatively, please telephone Council on 6581 8111

Survey submissions accepted until Saturday 31 October 2019

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Cancer Council Healthy Lunch Box

Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

... to use spring vegetables.

Fruit and vegetables are tastiest and cheapest when they are in season.



During Spring, mandarins, pineapples, berries, asparagus, cucumber, green beans, zucchini, mushrooms and peas are all in season.

Here are some fruit and veg filled, spring ideas:

- [Green frittata](#)
- [Fattoush salad](#)
- [Moroccan lentil salad](#)
- [Tofu Korma](#)
- [Zucchini and turmeric salmon patties](#)
- [Healthy banana split pots](#)
- [Yoghurt rice pudding](#)
- [Frozen fruit puree](#)

[healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

Hastings Backyard Bash is back in 2019

Backyard Bash is a great opportunity to get your friends together for four fun-filled action-packed weeks of cricket. All games complete within one hour and all equipment is provided! Perfect for all ages!

Just wear your school sports uniform and grab some of your mates for a 50-60-80 & hitting bonanza!



WHERE CAN I PLAY?

- Port Macquarie Junior Cricket Club Contact - Nat Jordan m. 0429 821 146
- Wauchope RSL Cricket Club Contact - Diane Warren m. 0410 628 797
- Bonny Hills Lake Catholic Cricket Club Contact - Barry Spencer m. 0427 046 109
- Camden Haven Cricket Club Contact - Amanda Bartlett m. 0422 558 933
- Beechwood Cricket Club Contact - Amy Riddle m. 0447 370 647

TO REGISTER VISIT - [PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU](http://PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU)

JUNIOR CRICKET PATHWAY

AGE GROUP	PLAYS	PLACES	PLAYS	PLAYS
JUNIOR BLASTERS	7	9	11	11
AGES 6-7 & 8	AGES 9-10 & 11	AGES 12-13 & 14	AGES 15-16 & 17	
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Nominated students will complete an online standardised aptitude test under the supervision of Mrs Kate Buczko. A committee will make the final decision on offers of placement.

If you believe that your child should be considered for placement in an Enrichment Class for 2020, feel free to discuss this option with your child's teacher. Please complete the form below and return it to your child's teacher by Wednesday 30 October 2019.

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If you have any questions about the enrichment program for 2020 please contact Mrs Buczko by making an appointment through the school office.

Kind regards,

Cameron Osborne  
Principal

Kate Buczko  
Deputy Principal

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### Nomination for 2020 Enrichment Class consideration- please return to your child's teacher.

I nominate my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ to be considered for placement in an Enrichment Class for 2020. I have discussed this with my child.

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

