



# Wauchope Public School

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**Term 4 Week 6  
Newsletter**

**Thursday  
21 November 2019**

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### **Thursday 21 November**

☀ P&C Meeting - 6:30pm

### **Friday 22 November**

☀ Schools Spectacular Excursion

### **Monday 25 November**

☀ Life Education Van arrives

### **Tuesday 26 November**

☀ Hastings/Camden Haven PSSA  
Cricket trials

### **Wednesday 27 November**

☀ Leadership Speeches -  
Election - 12:00pm

### **Friday 29 November**

☀ STEM Expo

### **Tuesday 3 December**

☀ K-2 Presentation Day  
☀ High School Orientation Day

### **Thursday 5 December**

☀ Years 3-6 Presentation Day

### **Monday 9 December**

☀ Stage 3 Star Assembly -  
2:15pm

☀ Stage 2 Pool Party

### **Tuesday 10 December**

☀ Stage 1 Star Assembly -  
2:15pm

☀ Year 6 Farewell! - 5:45pm

### **Wednesday 11 December**

☀ Year 6 Graduation Assembly -  
9:15am

## **Air Quality**



Thank you to everyone for your understanding with the current fire and air quality situation. We know it hasn't been an easy period of time and our thoughts are with anyone who has been affected. If your family has been affected please don't hesitate to ring me if we can assist in any way.

We will continue to be informed by the Fire Service and Department of Education on the status of our school's operation. We do apologise for the inconvenience as it is and has been affecting the way we operate including various school activities. It is up to each parent/carer to decide if the air quality is too poor for your child to attend. We totally understand. On days of poor air quality we will keep the children indoors (please be aware smoke has been in all rooms during this time) as much as we can and I

thank the teaching staff who have been forgoing their breaks to keep children indoors at recess and lunch. Much appreciated.

We have made the decision to postpone the Intensive swimming scheme until Term 1, 2020. A note will go home to those involved informing you of your options around this.

## **Visitors**



Huntingdon Public School has been closed for two weeks. We invited the students and staff to attend our school on Wednesday.

## **2020 Student Leadership**



I would like to congratulate every student who presented a speech on Monday. Everyone spoke



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## Healthy Harold

Due to the disruptions with the air quality we have extended payments and permission notes for Healthy Harold until Friday 22 (tomorrow). This is the absolute last day. Lessons start on Tuesday.

## School Spectacular

Good luck to the students who have a very early start and late arrival home tomorrow as they travel to Sydney for the Schools Spectacular. It should be a great day.

Thank you Miss Whiteoak for coordinating the excursion and also to Mrs Pepperell, Mrs Boyle and Miss Mason who are attending the trip.

## University Students



This week we welcome three University Practicum students to WPS. Emily Wilson is working with KDB, Molly Kalchbauer is working with 5EM and Hannah Brown is working with 2LF.

## QuickSmart



Congratulations to all our QuickSmart students on finishing the 2019 program. Well done boys and girls!

extremely well. Their parents, teachers and I were very proud of them.



The risk of trying to become a student leader is missing out on the next level or the next level after that. This sort of experience develops resilience. Resilience is something I feel is one of the most important parts of a person's personality. We have to learn how to win and how to lose. We have to enjoy the good times of success but we also need to accept the near misses, not being picked in a team, not getting into the exact class we wanted to be, getting out at handball, making errors in tests etc., etc. I can tell you that public speaking does not come easily to boys in general and we need to encourage our boys to speak more often, especially when they become teenagers. Well done to the boys and girls who took a risk in an attempt to experience success. I suppose another message is if you take a risk you give yourself a chance to experience success. However, if you never have a go or take that chance/risk your feelings won't get hurt but you won't achieve much in life.

I would like to wish the final 18 candidates all the best for their final public presentation and election on Wednesday 27 November. The new time for these speeches is 12:00pm. This time change is due to Year 3 swimming. All parents are

welcome to attend.

Congratulations and good luck to: Tori K, Lila L, Chloe M, Grace D, Ava N, Jaime F, Jessica M, Shelby H, Josh B, Zac L, Bailey S, Kye D, Rodney B, Spencer M, Trent T and Preston C.

## Aboriginal Awards



Congratulations to Charlie M, Allyia LL and Jai J for being presented with special awards at Westport High on Tuesday. We are very proud of all of you.

Our Aboriginal Girls Choir were sensational once again. Thank you Aunty Maree and Mrs Pepperell for supporting our students.



## Student Numbers

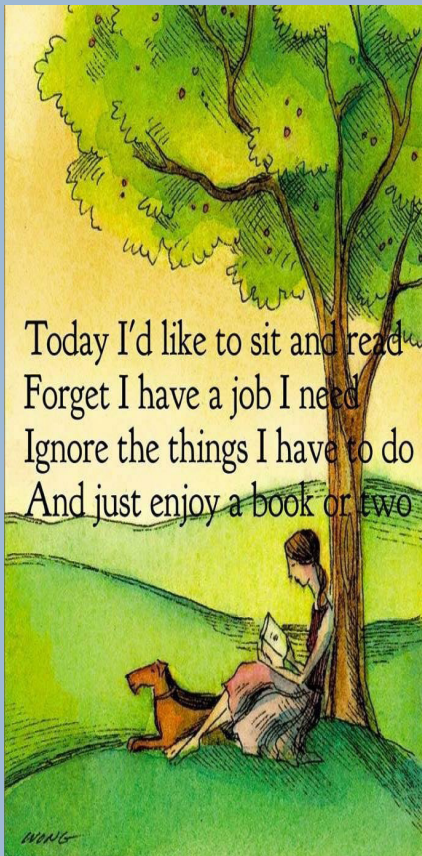
I am requesting that if you know your child won't be returning to school in the first few days (possibly an extended holiday or stay at the grandparents) to notify me in writing that your child/ren will be returning to Wauchope Public School (with date if known). This is so we can include them in our student

**P&C News**

**P&C Meeting**

Our next P&C meeting will be held tonight, Thursday 21 November at 6:30pm in the staff room.

**Community News**



Today I'd like to sit and read  
Forget I have a job I need  
Ignore the things I have to do  
And just enjoy a book or two

numbers. These numbers are vitally important as once I have submitted them staffing confirm the allocation of teachers and office staff we will have for 2020. Sometimes one or two children can give us an extra class and teacher or alternatively we could lose a class/staff member.

It is also vitally important that you notify the school if your child won't be attending WPS in 2020 for the same reasons as above. Thank you in advance.

**Enrichment Classes**

Recently students have been undertaking a series of tests to assist us with decisions re placement in one of our two enrichment classes. I have noticed that there are a large number of students participating and realise that some children who have sat the tests will be unsuccessful. I would ask that you talk with your child about how competitive this process is, how clever they are just for getting to sit the test and that there is a need to look at the positives if they do miss out. For example some children are better suited to an enrichment class than others no matter how intelligent they are. Some students perform much better in a mainstream class where they are at the top of the class, achieving success, feeling good about themselves compared to possibly just scrapping into an enrichment class and not feeling that they are being successful. I could list many more positives and negatives to being eligible or not for an enrichment class.

Once again good luck boys and girls and no matter what happens, always look on the bright side of life and make every post a winner!

**Sport**

Good luck to the boy's trialling for the Hastings/Camden Haven cricket team next Tuesday.

**Mr Cameron Osborne**

**Apex Public Speaking**



Congratulations to Mikayla H from 5/6CW who was awarded first place for the Apex Public Speaking competition. Mikayla, along with Tori K, Tiana D and Spencer Ma were also awarded the school shield for their overall effort and achievements.

**Wauchope Wonder Winners - Week 6**

Congratulations to this week's Wauchope Wonder Winners.

**Congratulations!**



**Wauchope Wonder Winners Week 6**

PIC-COLLAGE

Stage 1 - Danielle and Ruby

Stage 2 - Cooper and Eli

Stage 3 - Liana and Preston

Special Education - Garrick, Cody and Nash



Nutrition Snippet

**The simplest way**

... to pack lunches for kindy kids.

Packing lunch boxes for the first time can be overwhelming. Here are our top tips for new kindy parents:



- Pack something from each of the 5 food groups plus water. Check out our [lunch box builder](#) for ideas.
- Keep foods fresh and safe by packing an ice brick or a frozen water bottle to keep lunch cool.
- Make sure your child can open the lunch box and containers.
- From day 1, make vegetables a habit in the lunch box.
- Remember it is 'OK to say NO' to unhealthy foods such as chips, chocolate and lollies.
- For recipes, snack ideas and lunch box examples visit [healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

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