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**Term 4 Week 8
Newsletter
Thursday
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Upcoming Events

Thursday 30 November

- Kindergarten Orientation Day 9:30-10:30am
- Uniform Shop open 2:00pm-5:30pm

Friday 1 December

- Kindergarten Orientation Day 9:30-10:30am

Monday 4 December

- K-2 Presentation Day - 9:30am

Tuesday 5 December

- Stage 2 Presentation Day - 9:30am
- Year 1 Fun Day 9:30am-12:30pm

Wednesday 6 December

- Student Leaders Lunch
- Day of the Notables

Thursday 7 December

- Stage 3 Presentation Day - 9:30am
- Kindergarten Twilight Evening 5:00pm - 6:30pm

Friday 8 December

- Year 3 Disco 12:00pm-1:00pm
- Year 4 Disco 1:45pm-2:45pm

Monday 11 December

- Kindergarten Fun Day 9:30am-12:30pm
- Year 5 Disco 1:45pm-2:45pm

Tuesday 12 December

- Year 1 Disco 12:00pm-1:00pm
- Year 2 Disco 1:45pm-2:45pm

Wednesday 13 December

- Year 6 Graduation - 9:30am
- Aboriginal/Year 6 lunch 12:30pm
- Year 6 Farewell 5:30pm



Westpac Helicopter Landing

This was an incredible experience for our students. It was an amazing scene having it land in our playground. The photos are so cool, and several students were on the Channel 7 News and on Triple M radio. As we all know the Westpac service saved the life of one of our students this year (I've

included link below). Thank you to our local Westpac Coordinator Richard McGovern for making this visit possible. Thank you also to everyone who generously donated for this tremendous and lifesaving service for our area. The lucky draw winners loved sitting up in the helicopter. We donated \$1160.

<https://rescuehelicopter.com.au/machlans-story/>



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This was a fun day for all WPS students. Congratulations Year 6 for your preparation and work on the day raising almost \$3,000 for the Year 6 gift to the school. Thank you, Ms Laing, Mr Beard and the Year 6 teachers, for coordinating the day.



Nanga Mai State Aboriginal Awards



It was my pleasure to be present at these very special State awards in Sydney on Monday. A huge congratulations to Peytyn D for receiving an Excellence in Sport award. A quote from his dad when Peytyn was in Sydney was: "He is like Crocodile Dundee with eyes wide open". Well done, Peytyn. I've been contacted for interviews by Port News and Mid North Coast ABC radio already.

Kindergarten twilight Tours and BBQ

This will be a lovely opportunity for our 2024 students and parents to come along and tour the school and mingle with other children, parents, and staff in a very relaxed atmosphere.

- Have a look through our Kindergarten classrooms.
- Join a school tour.
- Bring a picnic rug and enjoy a casual sausage sizzle in our infant's playground provided by our P&C committee.
- Sing along to some Christmas carols and help us decorate our school Christmas tree.

- Each Kindergarten student will be given a goodie bag with fun activities to help prepare for big school.

- Enter through the Waugh St main gate from 5pm and we will assist with directions to the Kindergarten classrooms.

- We hope your family can join us.

- RSVP: Please RSVP by Monday 28 November by replying to this email with a yes, we can make it or no, we can't make it. Alternatively, call us at school to RSVP on 6585 2277. Please provide the number attending and any specific dietary needs for catering purposes.

Kindergarten Transitions

This week we have been having various transitions. All of 2024 Kindergarten students are here today and tomorrow between 9:30am and 10:30am. Please ensure all enrolment forms have been completed and required documentation returned.

Presentation Days

Please be reminded that our three Presentation Days next week are set out below:

Monday 4/12 K-2 9:30am

Tuesday 5/12 3-4 9:30am

Thursday 7/12 5-6 9:30am

Parents of award winners and performers should have received an invitation with the choice of either attending the live event or viewing on the YouTube link. Please enter through the Mackay Street gate. Once again, I remind everyone that if you have any flu like symptoms whatsoever, please do not attend in person. This is to keep our school community safe leading into the school holidays.




Semester 2 Student Reports

These will be sent home on Tuesday 12 December in an envelope addressed to the parents.

Please take time to read these with your child/ren. If you would like to discuss your child's report with the class teacher, please arrange a suitably convenient time.

I would also recommend making contact with your child's 2024 teacher within the first few school weeks of the new year to discuss your child's weaknesses, strengths and any other information that supports your child such as health, wearing glasses, friendship groups etc.

K-2 Christmas Concert




K-2 Families
You're invited to our 2023
K-2 Christmas Concert and Singalong!

When: 1.30pm Thursday 14 December
Where: WPS school hall

Students can wear their best festive outfits!

K-2 students and staff hope you can join us to celebrate the festive season!



Parents are invited to attend this at 1:30pm on Thursday 14 December. An invitation note will be sent home.

Wauchope Star Assemblies

These special presentations will be made either during Week 9 or 10. We just have to select days and times when the students are not celebrating.

Uniform Shop Holidays Opening Hours

The Uniform shop will be open on Saturday 20 January between 10:00am and 12:00pm. Enter and exit via the MacKay Street gate.

P&C Meeting

The final P&C meeting and Christmas celebration will be on Thursday 14 December at an earlier start time of 6:00pm.

Don't Dis my Ability

More than 1.17 million people in NSW have a disability. That's around one in five. People with a disability are members of our family, friends and workmates. In NSW, we celebrate this diversity with the Don't DIS my Ability, timed to coincide with International Day of People with Disability on 3 December.

The campaign is about promoting positive perceptions and building an environment that encourages active participation in careers, leisure pursuits and activities. Feel free to look at the website for more information

www.dontdismyability.com.au

Day of the Notables

Class 5/6 will be showcasing this on Wednesday 6 December.

Mr Osborne's Long Lunch

I'll be taking our 2023 student leaders out to lunch on Wednesday 6 December. It is always a good time and I look forward to hearing their guesses on who will be replacing them in 2024.

Candy Canes

At this time of year we have students give friends Christmas cards with Candy Canes. This has historically caused issues at school eg plastic all over the school, sticky fingers and distractions in class. If your child is given a candy cane the expectation is it goes straight into their school bag ready to devour at home. I'm positive everyone understands this decision.

Cameron Osborne

Year 7 Orientation Day

Students in Year 6 enjoyed their day at Wauchope High School on Tuesday. Thank you, Mr Beard, for coordinating this day. The countdown is on.



Attendance Reward Barbecue

Congratulations to the winners of the fewest absences explained sausage sizzle competitions. KLR, 4MH, and 3-6JG have the lowest number of unexplained absences! Students from these classes were treated to a sausage sizzle at lunchtime yesterday.

If your child is away from school, please contact us as soon as possible. This helps us plan continued support for your child's learning and wellbeing. #EveryDayMatters



NSW Department of Education



Every Day Matters

Days missed = years lost

If your child misses as little as **1 day per week**, they will miss **8 weeks of school per year**, which adds up to over **2.5 years missed over their school life**.

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:



Learn



Strengthen friendships



Build skills through fun



Scan the QR code to learn more

School Holiday Programs
Port Macquarie



Join us for fun social activities with our mob

Registrations are now open
for our school holiday group programs and activities

Our programs are suitable for children aged 5-15 years who need a little extra support getting involved, making friends and becoming more independent. We find culturally appropriate activities everyone can enjoy! All programs run from 10am-2pm with lunch included

Thurs 4 Jan 2024 Scotts Head Beach & Bbq Day	Tues 9 Jan 2024 Golf Day	Wed 10 Jan 2024 Burrin Dalai / Windaan Cultural Day	Thurs 11 Jan 2024 Wauchope Pool
Tues 16 Jan 2024 Stoney Aqua Park	Thurs 18 Jan 2024 West Port Park Activities	Tues 23 Jan 2024 Bago Maze	Tues 25 Jan 2024 Birral Cultural Day

Register by: ASAP
call: 1800 946 322
email: info@windaan.org.au

Our school holiday programs are eligible under NDIS funding.

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Epic 3 Day Clothing Distribution Event: Wauchope



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EPIC 3 DAY CLOTHING DISTRIBUTION

As well as a progressive morning tea

CWA WAUCHOPE next to library

Thursday 30 Nov: 12 - 4pm
Friday 1st Dec: 10am - 4pm
Saturday 2nd Dec: 9am - 1pm

FREE Community Event with delicious refreshments.

FREE ACCESS to men's, ladies & children's clothing. Shoes, bags & party outfits. Linen, blankets, towels & more!

Thursday, 30 November 12pm to 4pm

Friday, 1 December 10am to 4pm

Saturday, 2 December 9am to 1pm

You don't have to be a Wauchope resident to attend, everyone is welcome.

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Level 1, 9-13 High Street, Wauchope 22 High Street, Wauchope

FREE >>>>> GIRLS BASKETBALL!!

3 WEEK SKILLS PROGRAM

An introduction to playing basketball
For girls in Year 2 - Year 6

Thursday 4:00 - 5:00pm
November 30
December 7
December 14

Where: Port Macquarie Indoor Stadium
Bring: water bottle, smile & interest in playing!

Attend all 3 sessions and sign up to a PMBA program to receive a free playing singlet!!

Contact:
info@portmacquariebasketball.com.au

www.portmacquariebasketball.com.au






 **Hastings Co-op & Wauchope Chamber of Commerce**
PRESENTS

Christmas **COMMUNITY CONNECT**

**4-8PM
DECEMBER 14
WAUCHOPE IGA
CAR PARK**

**VISIT
FROM
SANTA**

**\$2,000 in
Co-op vouchers
and hams to
be won**

**Let's celebrate the festive season
& community spirit**

- Free children's entertainment & face painting
- Food & market stalls
- Christmas carolers
- Emergency service displays



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