



# Wauchope Public School

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Term 4 Week 1  
Newsletter  
Thursday  
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## Upcoming Events

**Wednesday 16 October -  
Friday 18 October**

- Year 6 Excursion

**Tuesday 22 October**

- Year 2 Walking Excursion

**Wednesday 23 October**

- ATSI Kinder transition  
9:45am -10:45 in community

**Thursday 24 October**

- Grandparents Day  
11:10am -11:40am K-2  
11:40am - 12:20pm Morning Tea  
12:20pm - 1:00pm 3-6

**Friday 25 October**

- World Teachers' Day in NSW

**Monday 28 October - Friday 1  
November**

- Bandanna Week

**Wednesday 30 October**

- Year 2 Glasshouse Excursion
- ATSI Kinder transition  
9:45am -10:45 at WPS

**Friday 1 November**

- Year 4 Big Banana Excursion

**Tuesday 5 November**

- Year 6 Group Photo Day
- Boys Prefect Speeches 11:45am

**Wednesday 6 November**

- ATSI Kinder transition  
9:45am -10:45 in community

**Thursday 7 November**

- Lifeguard Talk - Year 2 and 4
- Girls Prefect Speeches 11:45am

**Grandparents Day  
Morning Tea**

**THURSDAY 24  
OCTOBER**

- Scones with jam & cream \$5.00
- GF Brounie or Cheesecake \$7.00
- Banana, Chocolate and Carrot cake \$5.00
- Sausage Sandwich \$3.50
- GF Sausage Sandwich \$4.50
- Cup of Fruit Juice \$1.00

**ORDERS CLOSE MONDAY 21 OCTOBER  
@ 7PM**

<https://wauchope-public-school-pc.square.site/grandparents-day>

## World Teachers' Day in NSW

World Teachers' Day in NSW will be celebrated on Friday 25 October 2024 and is an opportunity to recognise our wonderful WPS teachers who educate and care for our students every day. You may consider having your child write a little thank you note to their teacher. That would probably make them feel special or valued.

## 2025 Class Formations

The staff at WPS will shortly begin the process of forming classes for 2025. 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 2025 or you know families who are in this situation please complete and submit an enrolment form now, so your child is placed in a class. The same applies if you know of any new families who are moving to Wauchope over the school holiday period.

Student numbers at the commencement of the school year are vital and dictate our level of staffing. If you know your



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## Grandparents Day

There is something very special when it comes to relationships between grandparents and their grandchildren. We hope as many pops and nans can join us on Thursday 24 October. If you want to order some food online for you and your grandchild, please do so before 7:00pm Monday 21 October. Morning tea will be available between 11:40am and 12:20pm. Grandparents may visit K-2 classrooms between 11:10am and 11:40am and visit 3-6 classrooms between 12:20pm and 1:00pm. Use the link below to order and pay for morning tea for your Grandparents. Don't forget to order for your child! Orders close Monday 21 October at 7pm.

## Stewart House

Good luck to the five WPS students who will be attending two weeks at Stewart House in Sydney soon. What an amazing experience they will have. Thank you, Mrs Newell, for making this experience possible.

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PLEASE NOTE: All orders are online ONLY, this means that payment is to be made through the website. Select your items to purchase, these will then be in your shopping cart which can be found in the top right corner of the screen (near the School Captains). When you are ready to proceed, make your payment and you will then receive an email to confirm that your order has been placed, thank you.

child won't be returning Day 1 2025 (possibly due to holiday, 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 2025 in writing addressed to myself (not the class teacher) before the end of Week 5, 15 November 2024. 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. Please note it is not appropriate to request individual teachers.

## Student Leadership Opportunities - 2025

Mr Beard will share information on this great opportunity for Year 5 students in the very near future. The first part of the process is being nominated. Nominations are going out to Year 5 students soon. This is followed by speeches to Year 5, on either November 5 (Boys) and November 7 (Girls) an election narrowing the field to 16 and then final prefect speeches and election on Wednesday 20 November. Aboriginal students in Year 5 will also be able to be nominated for the Aboriginal Ambassador position early this term. Sporting House Captain elections will be held on Tuesday 26 November.

## Year 6 Excursion

Year 6 set off for their sport and recreation camp on Wednesday. I'm sure parents have been enjoying the photos on Facebook. They look like they are having a great time. A huge thank you to the WPS staff attending who have left their loved ones at home as well as all their creature comforts. Excursions would not be possible if I didn't have staff who volunteered to attend. Thank you, Ms Laing, Miss Belford, Mr Sallustio and Mr Grech.

## Whooping Cough

We have been advised that there have been some cases of whooping cough in the school community over the holidays, please keep an eye out for the symptoms.

Starts with a runny nose, followed by a persistent cough that comes in bouts. Bouts maybe followed by vomiting and a whooping sound as the child gasps for air.

Students are not able to attend school until the first five days of an antibiotic course has been completed.

## Ensuring Appropriate Use of Student email addresses

From Day 1 Term 4, students will no longer be able to use their school email address (@education.nsw.gov.au) to access social media, gaming, instant messaging and similar platforms. This means they will also not be able to retrieve password-recovery emails and the like from these platforms.

The NSW Department of Education is making an important change to help keep our students safe online, reduce the risk of cyber threats and make sure your student email

## Gold Assemblies

These will be held during Week 1 and 2. It has been fantastic seeing how many WPS students have been following our very simple school expectations. They are now on their way to a Wauchope Star.

## University Student



We welcome University student Taylah Ellercamp who will be working with 6ML for the next four weeks.

## Year 2 Excursion

Good luck to our Year 2 students for their adventure next week.

## P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting is on Thursday 14 November commencing at 6:30pm.

## Year 4 Big Banana Excursion

Good luck to our Year 4 students for their fun adventure in a few weeks. Please make sure all notes and money have been returned.

## Bandana Week

This fundraiser will be run by the canteen during Week 3. Stay tuned.

## Black Shoes

Once again please be reminded when purchasing new school shoes for your child they must be all black to be eligible to progress through the Wauchope Star reward system in 2025. Tell your friends.

accounts are used for their intended educational purposes only.

If you have signed up for a social media, gaming, instant messaging or similar account using your student email address, please change to a personal email address on each platform.

Here's how:

Log in to each account.

Go to the account settings and update your email address to a personal one. Add a mobile number too, if you haven't already.

The department is making this change to ensure all student accounts are being used for their educational purposes, and to help protect you from risks online. Using your personal email address for these platforms instead of your student email address reduces the chances of someone gaining access to information in your school account.

## Children Love Routine

Staying calm and being organised in the morning will help you and your child feel positive about the day ahead. It will also help you reduce stress, which is good for everyone's wellbeing. One of the best ways to stay calm and get organised is to have a morning routine for school. A routine will help your child know what's happening and remember what they need to do.

Tips to Help with Your Morning Routine

Get your child to have a bath or shower the night before, so you don't need to make time for this in the morning.

Make sure your child gets to bed

with plenty of time for a good night's sleep. This will help your child wake up refreshed.

Get up 15-30 minutes earlier than you think you need to. This will give you more time in the morning.

Think about an alarm for children who find it hard to wake up or don't like getting out of bed.

Encouraging Cooperation and Good Behaviour

Tackle the morning as positively as you can. You and your child could do this by sharing one thing that you're each looking forward to during the day.

Give your child calm, clear instructions about what you want them to do, and follow up with praise as soon as they start to cooperate.

Encourage children to do more for themselves as they get older and more independent. For example, a 5-year-old can do things like putting their lunch box in their bag. An 8-year-old can get dressed on their own, make their own breakfast, and tidy up after themselves.

Cut down on distractions like television, tablets, and other devices, unless screen time is a special treat for being ready on time.

Give your child positive recognition for good behaviour rather than attention for arguing, whining or stalling.

Make it fun! Perhaps play a game to encourage your child to be ready on time.

**Mr Cameron Osborne**  
Principal



Stage 1 Gold Assembly Awards



St Joseph's Primary School (Wauchope)  
Wauchope High School  
Wauchope Public School

Morning School Bus S411

Dear Parents and Students,  
Commencing Monday 21 October, morning school bus S411 will return to its original operating path and times following the reopening of King Creek Bridge. S411 will depart Old King Creek Rd at Arrabee Rd 8:29am, operating via Old King Creek Rd to the end 8:33am, returns Old King Creek Rd, left King Creek Rd 8:39am, right Bago Rd, Cameron St to Timberpoole Ct, then to St Joseph's Primary School 8:47am, Wauchope High School 8:50am, and Wauchope Public School 8:55am.  
Students previously boarding in **Sarahs Creek, Warwar Creek and King Creek Rd** between **Sarahs Creek and Oakey Hwy**, will need to catch S315. S315 will operate from Lawrence, Warwar and Herons Creek Community via Bago Rd, right King Creek Rd 8:15am, right Sarahs Cres, left Sarahs Creek (antidockwise loop) 8:21am, left 1st Warwar Cres, left Sarahs Cres, right King Creek Rd to Oakey Hwy, continuing to St Joseph's Primary School 8:45am, Wauchope Public School 8:49am and Wauchope High School 8:52am.  
For further information you can view all of your schools timetabled services at: <https://www.busways.com.au/school-services/school-timetable>, and select the link adjacent to your schools name. \*New timetable 21 October 2024.  
Alternatively, please contact Busways Customer Service on 1300 69 2929 or [info@busways.com.au](mailto:info@busways.com.au).

Yours sincerely,  
BUSWAYS  
(3968) 8411 110U



St Joseph's Primary School (Wauchope)  
Wauchope Public School  
Wauchope High School

Morning School Bus S381

Dear Parents and Students,  
Commencing Monday 21 October, morning school bus S381 will return to its original operating path and times following the reopening of King Creek Bridge. S381 will depart Ocean Dr at Fairwinds Ave 7:41am, operating via Ocean Dr, Kendall Rd, Graham St, left Conboyne St, left Albert St, right at Community Hall, right Conboyne St 8:06am, right Conboyne St, Kendall Rd, left Pacific Hwy (northbound), left Bago Rd and, left Herons Creek interchange 8:08am, left Bago Rd, right King Creek Rd 8:15am, right Sarahs Cr (antidockwise loop), right Sarahs Cr, left Warwar Cr, left Sarahs Cr, right King Creek Rd to Oakey Hwy 8:38am, then to St Joseph's Primary School 8:45am, Wauchope Public School 8:49am, and Wauchope High School 8:52am.  
Students previously boarding on **Old King Creek Rd** will need to catch S411. S411 will depart Old King Creek Rd at Arrabee Rd 8:29am, operating via Old King Creek Rd to the end 8:33am, returns Old King Creek Rd, left King Creek Rd 8:39am, right Bago Rd, Cameron St to Timberpoole Ct, then to St Joseph's Primary School 8:47am, Wauchope High School 8:50am, and Wauchope Public School 8:55am.  
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Yours sincerely,  
BUSWAYS  
(3970) 8381 114L



Hastings Secondary College – Port Macquarie  
Hastings Secondary College – Westport Campus  
St Joseph's Primary School (Wauchope)  
Wauchope High School  
Wauchope Public School

Afternoon School Bus S537

Dear Parents and Students,  
Commencing Monday 21 October, afternoon school bus S537 will return to its original operating path and times following the reopening of King Creek Bridge. S537 will continue current path and times to King Creek Rd after Sarahs Cres 4:02pm, continuing King Creek Rd to Bago Rd 4:11pm.  
For further information you can view all of your schools timetabled services at: <https://www.busways.com.au/school-services/school-timetable>, and select the link adjacent to your schools name. \*New timetable 21 October 2024.  
Alternatively, please contact Busways Customer Service on 1300 69 2929 or [info@busways.com.au](mailto:info@busways.com.au).

Yours sincerely,  
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St Joseph's Primary School (Wauchope)  
Wauchope Public School  
Wauchope High School

Afternoon School Bus S507

Dear Parents and Students,  
Commencing Monday 21 October, afternoon school bus S507 will return to its original operating path and times following the reopening of King Creek Bridge. S507 will continue current path and times to Cameron St, continuing Cameron St, Bago Rd, left King Creek Rd, right Old King Creek Rd to the end 4:03pm, returns Old King Creek Rd, left King Creek Rd, left Bago Rd 4:07pm to Herons Creek interchange 4:16pm, left Ron Sarahs Rd, right Pacific Hwy (southbound), left Kew Exit, right Ocean Dr, Kendall Rd, River St, Graham St, left Conboyne St, left Albert St, right at Community Hall, right Conboyne St 4:28am, right Graham St, River Rd, Kendall Rd, Ocean Dr to Fairwinds Ave 4:37pm.  
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Free internet for eligible families

The Australian Government's School Student Broadband Initiative offers free home internet for eligible families.

Check your eligibility:  
• Call the National Referral Centre on 1800 954 610  
• Visit [enquiries.nrc.gov.au/student-internet](http://enquiries.nrc.gov.au/student-internet)  
• Email [studentinternet@nrc.gov.au](mailto:studentinternet@nrc.gov.au)



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