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**JUNIOR TEAM SPORTS STARS OF THE YEAR**

On Friday night along with school staff and parents we celebrated another incredible success of the girl’s 2012 football team. After conquering Western Region, being state quarter finalists and playing the semi-finals in Speers Point the team was nominated and named Sports Stars of the month of September. The team then went back into the pool of nominations and award winners for an overall acknowledgement. It was the Mayor Maree Statham who announced to the loud uproar of the ‘Wang’ crowd that the winner of the 2012 Junior Team award was the ‘Wallerawang Public School Girl’s Football team’. All the girls in attendance proudly moved forward to accept the shield and individual medallions.

As we now come to the end of a long and rewarding journey for the team it is important to once again acknowledge each member of the team for the contribution they made to ensuring the successes and for clearly demonstrating with determination, guidance, skill and the right attitude you can achieve. What is important in all of this is when the first round of the NSW PSSA competition started in about May last year there were over 600 teams contesting for regional and state titles. To end in the final 3 is a huge accomplishment. With some of the team moving onto High School Mrs Brown will be looking for some new recruits to add to the team for 2013. Coach Chris Anlezark has been an amazing support right throughout the journey, his expertise, patience and guidance has been invaluable. On behalf of the teaching staff, the girls and parents I would like to say a HUGE thank you to Chris. We won’t be letting Chris out of our sights any time soon as he has indicated his interest in coaching the team this year with the support of Chloe.
To Mrs Brown for her friendly face and encouragement, ‘inheriting’ the team certainly added to her repertoire of already existing skills. The girls couldn’t have asked for a more supportive and proud manager. To the parents, grandparents, family members and wider community it has been an exciting and rewarding time for us all riding on the wave of the girls’ success. I thank you all for being there to encourage, cheer and reward success and outstanding sportsmanship. This is another example of a strong partnership to ensure the students of Wallerawang are provided with a variety of opportunities.

SKIP COUNTING PROGRAM
At Monday afternoon’s staff meeting all school staff were trained in the skip counting program using the expertise of Ms Foster. This program will be implemented in classrooms from years 1-6. To make the program successful your support as classroom volunteers will be greatly appreciated. Please indicate on the note that went home on Monday if you are available to give your support to the skip counting program at Wallerawang. Ms Foster will run a training session for all interested parents to familiarise you with the expectations of the program.

INFORMATION SESSIONS for PARENTS
During the parent information sessions we took some suggestions from parents about some areas they felt further information would help support their children. With further discussion from school staff Mrs Dick, Mrs Quinn and Mrs Nancarrow will be running sessions on Wednesday of Week 10 at 1.45 and 5pm on public speaking and research skills. Further information will be provided closer to the date.

PSSA Teams
As the selection of PSSA teams commence for 2013 please be mindful that this is an extra that teaching staff do to give students a wide range of opportunities. We are very lucky at Wallerawang that school staff are prepared to manage teams and that we have the expertise of parents in a variety of sports to coach. Without this continued support we would not be able to offer the number of teams that we do. Whilst we want to give children the opportunities to try out we still want the team to be competitive. It is also important to be mindful that with some sports there are rules & guidelines that need to be followed. It is not an easy job selecting a team, please be supportive of team managers and coaches decisions.

CONTACT DETAILS & AFTERNOON ARRANGEMENTS
Could I please ask that if your contact arrangements or emergency contacts change to notify the school. It is important that we are able to make contact with you. If an afternoon arrangement changes for collection of children or alternative bus routes, please ensure that a note is sent to classroom teachers to avoid confusion.

SUPERVISED CROSSING
The crossing supervisor is employed to ensure that children and their families are crossing the road safely. On several occasions over the past couple of weeks Mr Frazer has come to see me about families crossing the road at a point further up from the crossing and cars having to slow down for this to happen. I encourage you to set an example by using the crossing supervisor to cross Barton Avenue safely.

SEG meeting
Today I am in Bathurst with Ms Foster and the Bathurst group of Principals for the first Principals meeting of the term. We will cover a variety of topics during the day which relates directly to the management and leadership of our schools.

CARPET SQUARES
Many thanks to Lithgow Carpet Court for providing carpet squares for the children to sit on in the hall free of charge.

The weather continues in extremes of heavy rain, hot and humid days. The country side is looking green and fresh and it makes you thankful to live in such a lovely part of the world.

I have through the interest of my son Byron recently enjoyed catching yabbies in the Williewa as I did when I was a child in the creek that ran through my Grandmother’s farm. As I sat on the edge of the creek with the string dangling in the water with meat attached I reflected on how our busy lives often interfere with taking the time to enjoy life’s simple pleasures. As I sat with mum and talked and glanced into the paddock where the old milking shed stood it once again made me think about the incredible changes that have occurred especially with the introduction of technology and how important it is to not lose sight of the past as we embrace the future. I always enjoyed spending time in the natural beauty of the bush where you can take a step back from the complexities of life and enjoy the peacefulness it brings and YES I can still catch a yabby!
I recently come across this quote by John Lennon which certainly make you think and reflect; ‘Life is what happens while you’re busy making other plans’

Jenny Lamborn
Relieving Principal

School’s Clean Up Australia Day
Our school will be joining over 2500 schools across Australia working to remove rubbish from our precious environment. The clean up will commence straight after the assembly on Friday. Gloves and bags will be provided.

Year 7 2014—Lithgow High School Tour
Parents and carers of Year 6 students interested in enrolling at Lithgow High School in 2014 are invited to attend a tour on Monday March 4 commencing at 9:15am. Bookings are essential. Please contact the Lithgow High office on 63521422 to register.

Kinder Buddies
Last Thursday afternoon Year 6 students joined with Kindergarten students to commence the Kinder Buddy program. This is where the year 6 students are linked with a kindergarten student and foster a relationship with the kinder students. Last week year 6 students learnt about their buddy by discovering all about their likes and what colour eyes and hair they have. They then drew a picture of themselves to display in the classroom. Kinder Buddies will continue through term 1.
There is now a notes tab on the school website.

The school website has been updated, check out the "Our school" tab to find out more about uniform, traditions, school rules, and more. Lost an important note? The "permission notes" tab has copies of all notes for you to download and print at home.

Year 6 Fundraising Committee
This term we will be forming the Year 6 Fundraising Committee which will work together to raise money for the Year 6 gift at the end of the year. The committee will be responsible for helping to organise different fundraisers throughout the year and will also be assisting us in identifying a suitable gift for the school.

Thank you to all the parents who have already volunteered their time to help out with fundraising.

**Our first meeting is on tonight at 7pm in the school library.** We would love to see some extra faces willing to help out. If you are interested and can spare a little time to assist please come along to the meeting or contact Katrena Fraser at the school.

Uniform News
The uniform shop will be placing orders with suppliers. If you require any sports or winter uniforms please order now or you may miss out. Order forms are available from the front office.

**Please note that the uniform shop will be closed next Monday 4 March.**

Wanted - Egg Cartons
Thank you for your empty egg cartons so far! Lots more are still required so please leave them at the front office for Mrs Auld.
Canteen Roster

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mu Yeh Taekwondo

Do you want to improve your self-esteem, self-confidence, self discipline and general fitness? Learn the exciting Martial Art and Self Defence system of Taekwondo! We cater for juniors, seniors, or the whole family! Mu Yeh Taekwondo specialises in street-wise, women’s and children’s self-defence. Enquire about our new Little Dragons class for 4-6 year olds!

For more information phone Head Instructor Steve Ashbridge, 6th Dan Black Belt, on 0409305327. Classes on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at Wallerawang School Hall. You can also visit their website at www.muyehtaekwondo.com

Workmen’s Club Junior Men’s Hockey

Junior Hockey Muster Day

Workies Junior Men will be holding their Muster Day for Under 7’s to Under 15’s (boys & girls) on Monday March 4th from 4:30-6:00pm at the Hockey Fields, Jim Muir Drive Lithgow. Current players bring your stick, shinpads and mouthguard. If unable to attend contact Peta Gillard 63551791/0407635517 or Rosalee Bury 0414919012

Workies Redbacks Football Club

Muster Days

New Players

Friday 1st March 3:30-5:30pm
Marjorie Jackson Sporting Complex
Enquiries: Lia Jennings 0407 897 890
Fiona Slater 0429 070 471

Bedwetting

A new DVD based program, Bedwetting Cured, has been developed by Dr Mark Condon and Physiotherapist, Margaret O’Donovan. It outlines a successful program for parents to implement at home with their children.

For more information and a free Bedwetting Fact Sheet please visit the website: www.bedwettinginstitute.com.au
Or phone 1300 135 796
Central Tablelands Mountain Bike Club CTMBC

CTMBC races every Tuesday night at Rydal and all riders are welcome.

The trail is flattish and easy enough for anyone to get around in their own time but gets harder the faster you try to go.

Despite the “racing” tag the club is relaxed and you’ll find a welcoming, encouraging environment rather than the racer boy mentality. There is not even a podium. It’s all getting out there, pushing your own limits and having fun.

For 2013, CTMBC is offering free entry to kids and women for the entire Tuesday night series. There are some licensing costs but the club will waive your first day licence so you can see if you like it without paying a cent.

www.ctmbc.net

Craig Flynn, President 0448 513 172