Dear Parent/Carers,

With only two weeks to go the school continues to be a hive of activity. This week we have welcomed another new student in Madeline. We welcome her to the supportive school community environment and know that her school experience at Wallerawang will be a positive one. What an encouraging experience yesterday was as we contested the Richardson Cup & Peachey Shield at Kremer Park Portland. Another example of community pride & partnership.

Colonial Day
Thank you to Mrs Pangas for her organisation of last Thursday’s incursion on Australia’s Early Settlement. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm of both the staff & students who joined in on the days activities. Children & staff came dressed in a variety of clothing from the Colonial Days and were able to join in with the sets during the day. Laughter and fun was shared during the day with all getting into the spirit. Our soldiers in Bailey Brown, Harrison De’Rooy and Thomas Seton ensured that we were all kept under control, with Harry & Tom keeping a very tight grasp on Miss Gurney & me under the Sergeants instructions. I believe that Miss Gurney even found herself a husband during the days proceeding. A sausage sizzle, water melon, damper & popper were provided for the children and thank you to all the parents who supported with preparing for this. It is wonderful that students can have their learning supported by travelling performances; it certainly cuts down the cost of travel but still gives students the same opportunities. Congratulations to all involved in the days events.

Bathurst Goldfields Excursion
On Friday Stage 3 visited the learning centre at Mount Panorama to support their area of learning for this term on gold. During the day they experienced a range of activities to re-enact life on the gold fields. Thank you to Ms Graham for her organisation of the day & parents who attended. Another great example of a learning partnership.

Round 2 PSSA Tennis
On Monday our Wallerawang Public School tennis team consisting of Ethan Van Der Velden, Dylan Walsh, Piper Woolsey, Katahna Woolsey & Brooke Lewis played in the 2nd round of PSSA tennis against Eglinton Public School. They all played exceptionally well but were overcome by a stronger team. Once again I have heard outstanding reports about their sportsmanship. Thank you to Mrs Walsh who has taken the time to coach the team & develop a renewed interest in tennis which started last year & to Ms Gurney for the time she has taken in managing the team. Congratulations Wallerawang Public School tennis team 2014.

Peachey Shield & Richardson Cup
Yesterday our very keen Rugby League players took to Kremer Park Portland for the Peachey Shield & Richardson Cup gala days. This year we had 3 teams in the competition. The junior team consisted of Saezar Scanlan, Kayne Dewar, Aydan Thomas, Logan Ward, Byron Lamborn, Bailey Brown, Wil Stockton, Wade Fraser, Kye Cameron & Billy Rushworth Our senior number 1 team consisted of Same Lane, Jai Elliott, Charlie Bray, Ben Fraser, Oscar Gordon, Connor Higgins, Cooper Nunan, Ethan Van Der Velden, Sam Petersen & Dylan Blyth with our number 2 team Max Gordon, William Jackson, Kyle McMillan, Luke Pattison, Lachlan Reilly, Dane Hart, Xander Thomas and Chris Field. This was an outstanding day of competition and all the boys can be exceptionally proud of their efforts & results. The feedback received from the day about the sportsmanship of the players & the support of the coaches was humbling. I wish to express my sincere thanks on behalf of the school.
and parents to coaches Marty Rushworth, Corey Stockton and Chris Brown. They have worked exceptionally hard to prepare the teams, encourage & support. We are very lucky to have them as a part of our parent community & appreciate the support that they offer. It was lovely to listen to CRL representatives talk about the outstanding role models that our coaches are in guiding and supporting our boys. In their first match the Peachey 2 team was overcome by a stronger Lithgow Primary 1 side. Luke Pattison & Chris Field both made good runs, with Lachlan Reilly & Max Gordon tackling well. In the second game it was more evenly matched with tries scored by Xander Thomas (2), Luke Pattison, Max Gordon & Chris Field. With all the boys giving their very best, running the ball hard & supporting each other’s play. In their 3rd game they came up against a very strong St Joseph’s Oberon who went on to win the day. This team of delightful boys gave it their all & made everyone extremely proud. Marty Rushworth has worked hard in supporting & developing the skills of the players. Some who only took the field for the first time last weekend.

The Richardson Cup team clearly dominated play during the day. It was very pleasing to see the support and guidance that the older boys in the team in Kye Cameron, Billy Rushworth & Wade Fraser gave the younger members of the team. They got off to a good start against Lithgow Primary School with tries scored by Billy Rushworth (2), Bailey Brown, Wil Stockton and Wade Fraser, with outstanding team play & defence throughout the game. For many of these boys it was the first time they had played league without a coach on the field and as the day went on they just got stronger.

Against Kandos Public School they didn’t let a try in with Wade Fraser running a full length of the field to score along with Wil Stockton, Saezar Scanlan, Billy Rushworth, Bailey Brown & Kye Cameron. On to round three with the prediction that this would be the toughest match of the day, but once again the Wang boys showed what they are made of with some great runs, outstanding defence & ball skills. Tries in this match were scored by Billy Rushworth (2), Kye Cameron, Wil Stockton & Wade Fraser. This meant they finished 1st in their pool & were set to play the semi-finals against All Hallows from Gulgong. They once again showed their strength with 2 tries to Wade Fraser and 1 each to Kye Cameron, Bailey Brown & Wil Stockton. With a straight run to the finals they were to take on a combined team of St Pats Lithgow/St Joeys Portland who had dominated play during the day also. The boys were playing against their mates from weekend competition which always makes in interesting, but school rivalry when it comes to sport is always strong in Lithgow. This was a very evenly matched game throughout with the score being equal with 5 tries each on the buzzer and they were both declared joint winners, which was a nice way to end for both teams. Tries during this match were scored by Bailey Brown (2) and Wil Stockton, Kye Cameron & Wade Fraser. For a lot of these boys who are only just 8 this was a huge effort, even though a little overwhelming & exhausting at times. We are very proud of their achievements & look forward to continuing training sessions in preparations for the finals day in Dubbo at the end of term 2. CONGRATULATIONS IN Richardson Cup Team, you have followed on a proud Wallee‐rawang tradition. Chris Brown has worked really hard in preparing the team & I know the boys and their families appreciate what he has done for them in the game of Rugby League. The Peachey number 1 team demonstrated what a tough group of boys they are throughout the day, even if a little war weary by the end of it. In their first game against Lithgow Primary they clearly dominated not letting the opposition in. This also gave them a warm up for the day ahead. Tries were scored by Ethan Van Der Velden (2), Connor Higgins (2), Sam Lane, Sam Petersen & Jai Elliott. In their second game against Kandos they didn’t let a try in with Sam Peteson scoring a hat trick & one each to Charlie Bray, Sam Lane & Ben Fraser. With once again excellent skill & defence throughout the game. The next game was always going to be the toughest against neighbouring school Coowarrull. The boys put in an outstanding effort to go down by 1 try, with tries scored by Connor Higgins, Ben Fraser & Sam Lane. They won one more game against Portland Central before they found themselves a place in the semi-finals. This was again another easy game for the boys with Charlie Bray (2), Connor Higgins (2), Sam Petersen & Sam Lane all scoring. Winning through to the semi-finals the boys were exhausted but willing to give it their best shot. It was an evenly matched game throughout with St Josephs Oberon winning through by 1 try close to the buzzer. Tries were scored by Sam Lane (2), Connor Higgins (2), Sam Petersen & Charlie Bray. Once again all these boys showed outstanding sportsmanship & respect for each other, their coach & supporters. With Corey Stockton doing a great job giving up his time to coach the boys.

A great day was had by all. Thanks go to Country Rugby League for ensuring that these competitions happen in country towns to give our students opportunities. Thank you to all the parents who supported during the day.

Could all the players please hand in their uniforms to Mrs Lamborn by Thursday so they can organised for the next game.

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Western Soccer Trials
Good luck to Lachlan Taylor, Eamyn Quinn and Brittany Griffiths at the Western Region soccer trials being held at Dubbo on Friday. I know that they will try their hardest and represent their school with pride.

K-2 Athletic Carnival
On Friday the K-2 Athletics Carnival will be held on the school oval. Miss Reid has been busy coordinating the day with the support of the infants staff. This is always a fun day, with a variety of activities planned for the students to be involved in. Parents are invited to attend and lend their support during the day. The school canteen will operate and this will be a red day for the school. Parents are advised that if they want to purchase their lunch from the canteen they need to place an order in the morning to ensure there is enough food for the day.

Western Rugby League
Good luck to our 11's and opens Rugby League team who will be trailing in Dubbo on Monday. The opens team includes Connor Higgins, Sam Petersen, Jai Elliott & Ethan Van Der Velden and the 11's Billy Rushworth, Kye Cameron, Cooper Nunan, Sam Lane, Oscar Gordon, Ben Fraser, Lachlan Reilly & Wil Jackson. I know that they will support each other during the day and enjoy playing Rugby League.

Scripture Service
Next Tuesday a scripture service will be held across the school in preparation for Easter. Our team of dedicated scripture teachers have organised the service along with a guest speaker. Many thanks goes to our scripture teachers who volunteer their time every Tuesday afternoon. On behalf of myself & the school community I would like to offer sincere thanks for your time & commitment & to Mrs Warner for her weekly coordination.

3-6 Athletic Carnival
On Wednesday the Athletics Carnival will be held at the Jim Monaghan oval in Lithgow for all Primary students and those students turning 8 who wish to attend the more competitive carnival. Mr Campling & Ms Graham have been busy with the organisation of this. Although the rain has held up the construction of our Olympic standard long jump pit in preparation for this year it will be able to be utilised for training for those students who move onto the next level of competition. I would like to thank Josh Way who has worked hard on ensuring its completion.

Attendance Reminder
Please remember that attendance at school is compulsory. It is also important that children are on time to school. We understand that there are times when this is not possible due to other circumstances, but it is important that if you are late to school that students are signed in at the front office. Being punctual also alleviates anxieties in children. Please also remember that absences are to be followed up with a written explanation. Where students are absent for a period of longer than 2 school days without contact from you classroom teachers will do a follow up courtesy call to ensure all is okay.

Parent/ Teacher Interviews
Many thanks to parents who have taken the time to meet with teachers this week. It is very encouraging to see the comments from both parents & teaching staff about how positive the process has been. If you have not been able to meet with your child’s teacher during this time please make contact with them & they will arrange a time suitable to you both.

Before I conclude today I want to express just how proud I am to be a part of this great school. The strong partnership that has been formed & continues to grow is evident wherever we go & whatever we do & I can clearly tell you this is very unique to Wallerawang & the community we are a part of. My sincerest thanks & gratitude to you all for making it what it is.

Jenny Lamborn
Relieving Principal Wallerawang Public School

Year 6 Reminder
Year 6 Jumpers deposit is due this Friday 4th April. We can not order these jumpers without the $20.00 deposit.

Primary Athletics Carnival
Please remember the permission notes and $5.00 payment is due no later than Monday 7th April. Thank you.

News from the Webmaster
The website gallery has been updated with some fantastic photos of the Stage 2 Colonial Day and the Stage 3 Goldfields Excursion.

Colonial Day Thank You
Thank you to all of our wonderful parent helpers who made our Colonial Day such a success. Thank you to Josh Way for cooking our delicious sausages and thank you to Sharon Lambert, Kimberly Gunnelson, Kelly Weekes, Julie Trestrail, Deb Holder, Sheree Scanlan and Kylie Williams.
Stage 3 Excursion

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Stage 3 excursion- Bathurst Goldfields

On Friday the stage 3 students travelled to Bathurst Goldfields for the day. It was a very busy day, leaving school at 8:00am, all were very excited to be travelling on a double decker bus. At the goldfields we had time for a fruit break before our day began. Throughout the day students took part in three different tours/activities. The first tour of the day was ‘Life in the Goldfields’. Students were able to experience what life was like for women and children on the goldfields. They were able to participate in mud brick making, damper cooking and play a variety of period bush games. After experiencing ‘Life in the Goldfields’, we all got to try our hand at gold panning. Skill and patience were required to pan down to fine sand where the gold is separated from the fool’s gold. As the gold was revealed, care was needed to remove it from the pan before carefully placing it safely in the bottles provided.

After lunch students visited the museum where they learnt about the history of gold discovery in NSW and various mining methods. From the museum students moved to the steam shed where they witnessed a quartz crushing demonstration and finally they all enjoyed the blacksmithing demonstration where a lucky few were able to pump the bellows.

The day was finished with a visit to the souvenir shop. Although it rained most of the day spirits were not dampened and everyone enjoyed the day.
The Coconut Experiment with 1/2K
Colonial Day
Wanted
Unwanted school sports uniforms, (shirts, shorts, jackets and pants) in sizes 10-16. Please leave these items at the office.

Lost Property
We have a man’s watch at the office that was found in the school playground yesterday. Please call in at the office with a description if this belongs to you.

Stewart House Donation Drive
The Stewart House Donation Drive 2014 supports over 1800 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT. Please support this worthy charity by returning the envelopes provided last week enclosed with a $2 coin and be in the running to win a $4000 holiday to a destination of your choice! Envelopes need to be returned to school by Friday 9th May.

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**CANTEEN NEWS**

**URGENT**

*Helpers needed for the canteen this FRIDAY, please leave your name at the office*

The canteen has lots of fruit available! Apples, pineapple, grapes, watermelon, oranges, rockmelon, strawberries and bananas.

English Muffins topped with ham & grilled cheese for 60 cents will be available for recess on Thursday.

This Friday the canteen is having a RED DAY, there will be special treats available to purchase at recess and lunch.

Woolworths Limited is providing Fruit Platters on Friday for the infants Athletics Carnival for the students to enjoy. Thanks to Woolworths Limited for supporting and encourage healthy eating at our school.

*Just a reminder to all canteen volunteers that have not yet paid their membership fee! Please pay to the front office your $1.00 membership as soon as possible so that you are covered by insurance to volunteer in the canteen.*

Thanks Debbie Holder

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**Healthy Eating Tips for Happy lunch boxes**

Mandarin and grape mix
Whole grain bread or roll with tuna
Rice/corn thins with avocado or olive oil spread

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**Uniform Shop News—SALE NOW ON!**

Old style sports pants reduced to $10.00
1 x size 8
4 x size 16.

These pants are still being worn by students during the phase out period.

Fleecy Jumpers reduced to $10.00
1 x size 16
3 x size 18

Fully Lined Jackets reduced to $10.00
4 x size 16

These items are available for purchase from the front office.

Thankyou, Leanne Houlison

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**CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER**

Please RETURN your chocolate box sold or unsold by Monday 7th April for your child to be entered into the class draws. If your money/box isn’t returned by this date your child’s name will not go into the draw!

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**Community Announcements**

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 Little Dragons class for 4-6 year olds! Also, check out our new Kick-fit fitness Class for adults (no martial arts experience necessary)

After 15 years at Wallerawang, we have now moved to our new fully equipped studio at Portland. For more information phone Master Instructor Steve Ashbridge, 6th Dan Black Belt, on 0409 305 327. You can also visit our website at: www.muyehtaekwondo.com

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**Canteen Roster**

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**For Sale**

**Guinea Pigs—2 long haired multi coloured males.**

**Must go together—$15 for the pair**

**Phone 63551908 after 3pm**

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**Junior netball**

**ANZ NetSetGO** is the only introductory program for netball. It has been developed to provide children from the age of **5 to 10 years** with the best possible learning and playing experience that enables them to develop a positive introduction to Netball, ensuring enjoyment and continued participation within the sport.

**NetSetGO** incorporates skill activities, minor games and modified matches in a fun and safe environment. The weekly program will be co-ordinated by accredited coaches to ensure a quality experience for all participants.

**The program:**

- **Session times:** 8.45 - 9.30am. First session Saturday 3 May and will run for 12 weeks
- **Where:** Netball courts at Wallerawang Stadium.
- **Registrations:** Saturday 29th March and Saturday 5th April between 10am-1pm at Wallerawang Indoor Sports Stadium.
- **Cost:** $55.00 (which includes a junior netball pack).
- **For further information, please call Kerrie Brown on 0411607287.**

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**Saturday Netball Competition**

If there are any girls between the ages of 7-12 interested in playing netball please contact:

- Leanne Houlison for ages 7-10 0400 312 197
- Denise Nightingale for ages 10-12 0458 239 557

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**Hockey News—Jays Junior Hockey are taking names for U/7 and U/9 boys and girls**

- **Training day Friday:** 4:30—5:15pm
- **Lyndal Marshall 0448 110 685**
- **Alison Luka 0407 399 092**

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