April 30 2014 Term 2 Week 1

Dear Parent/Carers,

Welcome back to term 2! The holiday weather has certainly been glorious and conducive to outdoor activities. With the Easter break and ANZAC day it allowed for working families to enjoy some days off and family time. The term ended in much activity as this term will start. Both the Infants and Primary Athletics Carnivals were very successful, along with the Easter Hat parade, visit by the Easter Bunny and morning tea. Thanks to everyone who supported and attended and thanks also to the P&C for their ongoing assistance with such events.

Morning Routine

As term 2 commences and children are settled into school routine we encourage you to further support your children’s independence by not staying with them in the playground of a morning. If children have difficulty separating from you, staff are on playground duty of a morning to support this. We will also be moving directly from the playground into classrooms of a morning so NO morning assembly will be held. Any messages and announcements that need to be passed on to the students will be done by our SENTRAL messaging system. This process will allow more time in the classroom during the morning session and have children settled and in routine quicker. It is therefore important that children are on time to school as once the school day starts children late to school will need to be signed in by a parent at the front office, this is then marked as a partial attendance in the roll. We value the partnership we have with our parents and wider community and this will further support the policies, programs and procedures we have in place to ensure Wallerawang Public is a safe and productive learning environment.

Wallerawang ANZAC service

On Friday the Wallerawang Community held the town ANZAC service. Thank you to the children and staff who attended. I know the community appreciate your input. School Captains Maddy Burns and Kyle McMillan undertook readings and the school sang ‘The ANZAC’ by Adam Brand. These events are always an important part of communities and it is wonderful to see so many people in attendance.

School ANZAC service

Yesterday, Tiger Feltham was a special guest at our school ANZAC service. It is important that we continue the ANZAC tradition and that we have veterans willing to be a part of these events. Thank you to Maddy and Kyle for their reading of the ‘The Fallen’ and school leaders for running the assembly, also thanks to Mrs Fraser for her organisation. On behalf of the school community I wish to thank Tiger for his address and donation of books to the school library.
Term 2—staff update
Mrs Warner is taking leave for the first 6 weeks of this term. We are very lucky to have Mrs Jenkins replacing Mrs Warner. Mrs Jenkins comes to us with many years teaching experience in the early years and will continue on with the Kindergarten program with the support and consultation of Miss Reid and Mrs Brown. Mrs Williams will move into the role of RFF and LaST. I thank Mrs Williams for delaying her road trip to support us.
Mrs Bird is currently on Long Service Leave also and we once again welcome Mrs Lewis who is replacing her as Admin Officer until Week 5 of this term.

12th Classroom update
The 12th classroom unfortunately still hasn’t arrived. Classes and teaching will remain the same as term 1 until the classroom and furniture arrives. You will be kept updated on this process.

Staff Professional Learning
On Monday staff attended the combined Western Gateway Educational Community Staff Development Day hosted by Cooerwull Public School. The day included guest speakers Wayne Pearce and Terry Westblade and intensive workshop sessions. Staff from Wallerawang were prominent in presenting in areas of expertise during the day – Katrina Foster – K-6 Mathematic Syllabus Multiplication and Division, Rebecca Auld — LMBR Information Session, Katrena Fraser – English Curriculum, Donna Lang, Benchmarking Procedures and Running Records and Jennifer Gale – Multilit – Helping Struggling Readers. They are thanked for their willingness to share their knowledge to support staff across the WGEC network.
During the term Professional Learning will occur in staff meetings.
Stage 1 staff will undertake L3 training commencing 9th May. This highly successful Kindergarten program has now moved into stage 1 and we look forward to having the same success with this as we have had with our Kindergarten students. All current stage 1 staff will be trained.

NAPLAN
NAPLAN will commence for all students in year 3 and year 5 in week 3 of this term. An information flyer was sent out at the end of last term. If you didn’t receive this or require further information please contact stage relevant Assistant Principals Katrina Foster (Stage 2) or Katrena Fraser (Stage 3).

Public Speaking
Information went out about this at the end of last term. All children are expected to have a go at presenting. If you require further information or support please contact your child’s classroom teacher or Public Speaking coordinators Mrs Quinn or Mrs Dick.

Western Region Hockey Trials
Good luck to the following girls: Brooke Lewis, Madison Burns, Katabha Woolsey, Piper Woolsey, Piper Anderson, Kasey Mill and Maddison Hollands who will be trying out for Western Region hockey selection on Friday.

Mother’s Day Stall
Next Monday and Tuesday P&C will be running the Mother’s Day Stall. If you are able to assist with this please let a member of the P&C know or leave your name at the office.

SS Owners Club
For those Holden lovers Lake Wallace was taken over on Sunday with Holden Commodores as part of the SS Commodore run for charity. It is wonderful to see the support given to charities. They support “Challenge – Kids with Cancer Foundation.” Dave and Anita Younger are a part of the club and were involved with bringing them to Wallerawang.

On behalf of the school community I wish to pass on our sincerest thoughts to Kathy, Jack and Erin Rainsford on the loss of their dear husband and dad Dommie. Dommie was a well-respected member of the community and he will be sadly missed.

Jenny Lamborn
Relieving Principal Wallerawang Public School

Peer Support Training
Year 6 students will be participating in Peer Support Leader training this Thursday and Friday with Mrs Quinn and Miss Graham at the school. Students are to wear school uniform and a light lunch and recess will be provided. This year students will be learning about leadership skills and resilience. Peer Support will commence in the school next Thursday 8th May.

General School Contributions
General school contributions were due to be paid by the end of term 1 this year. To date we have only received contributions from 25% of families The cost per student is only $30 and for families with more than two students enrolled at the school the maximum fee is $60.
On Wednesday the 9th of April Wallerawang Public School held their Primary Athletics Carnival at Jim Monaghan Oval in Lithgow. Sunshine blessed the day, though a chill filled the morning’s air. The day began with the boys 200m track event, while the girls began their field events. Then came the children’s 100m age races in which almost all children participated in. This was very pleasing to observe! Following this, there were a few red and puffing faces as the 800m endurance event was run. Throughout the day, the long jump, high jump, shot put and discus events were completed for both boys and girls. It was great to see such enthusiasm and enjoyment from all the children, especially those juniors giving some events a go for the first time as well as our new students that haven’t been at Wallerawang for very long participating in the school’s true sporting spirit.

It is also with great pleasure to announce our champions and runner’s up for the carnival. The junior girl champion was Piper Woolsey with Lily Forrest and Lisa Su finishing as runner’s up. For the Junior boys, Ethan Holder was champion with Wil Stockton finishing in the runner’s up position. In the 11 years age group, Hayleigh Andrews and Lachlan Taylor were champions while Bethany Hagar and Sam Lane finished as runner’s up. In our senior division, the position of champion was hotly contested for both boys and girls. Brittany Griffiths and Connor Higgins finished the day as senior champions while Emma Cain, Max Gordon and Nick Stig finished in the runner’s up position.

I would like to congratulate all of our children who participated on the day as well as our division champions and runner’s up. Children finishing first, second and third in a final will be eligible to compete at the district carnival in the 100m and 200m events respectfully, while children finishing first and second in the 800m and the field events are eligible for a place in the Wallerawang team. A junior and senior relay team for boys and girls will be selected based on the times of their age races. House relays will also be run for the Overall Winning House trophy early this term as these events were not completed on the carnival day. However, these events will not affect the district relay teams, only the total scores of the House groups.

Finally, I would also like the opportunity to thank all of our valued Wallerawang staff for their assistance on the day as it is not possible without their willingness and their expertise, parental volunteers that assisted in the canteen and on events as well as Rosa Lynes-Ross, Elena-Jade Pastor, Shenay Whittaker, Amy Hosa, Amy Muir, Kobe Hunter and Cooper Anderson from Lithgow High for their time and efforts.

Thank You for a great day everyone! I look forward to the District Carnival to be held in Lithgow in Week 3, Term 3.

Christopher Campling
Public Speaking

Our whole school Public Speaking Competition is running for the seventh year. Notes were distributed last term outlining the topic options for each Stage and general advice for effective public speaking. These notes are also available on our School Website.

The length of speeches is to be:

**1 minute** for Kindergarten to Year 2, (15 seconds either side is acceptable)

**2 minutes** for Years 3-6. (15 seconds either side is acceptable)

Speeches are to be prepared by the beginning of week 2 and throughout Weeks 2, 3 & 4 this term, speeches will be presented in class groups and semi-finalists chosen from each class. Semi-finals will be held for teachers to select 3 finalists per grade.

At a special assembly on **Wednesday 28th May, (Week 5) in the school hall**, all finalists will present their speeches before the school and a panel of 3 judges.

The Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 finals will be conducted from **10.00 am**.

The Stage 2 and 3 Finals will be held following recess, commencing at **11.35 am**.

Teachers are looking forward to listening to some wonderful speeches.

**Topics**

**Early Stage 1**
- My Family
- My Pets
- My Favourite Toy
- My Favourite Place

**Stage 1**
- My Family
- The Day I Met an Alien
- When I Grow Up...
- I am Grateful For...
- My Super Power

**Stage 2**
- The Day I Made My Family proud
- My Life As A Convict
- When I Grow Up...
- How To Keep Fit And Healthy
- What Makes Me – ME!
- Under My Bed...

**Stage 3**
- If I Had a Super Power
- My Hero
- A Day in the Life of a Gold Miner
- Things That Make Me Laugh
- I Couldn’t Believe my Luck...

**Donna Quinn & Susan Dick**
Public Speaking Coordinators

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**P&C News**

**P&C Meeting Monday 5th May, 2014, 7pm in the school library, all welcome.**

**Chocolate Fundraiser Lucky Draw Winners**

KR : 1st Declan McSorley, 2nd Molly Lambert & 3rd Declan McSorley
KW: 1st Keeley Collins, 2nd Katie Anthes & 3rd Violet Younger
1/2K: 1st Paige Woolsey, 2nd Ned Alexander & 3rd Brody Hart
1/2F: 1st Jessica Eccleston, 2nd Holly Mason
1/2G: 1st Jessica Gearsides, 2ns Ella Houlison & 3rd Kyra Walsh
1/2B: 1st Phoebe Milne, 2nd Ty Hanrahan & 3rd Abbey Taylor
3/4C: 1st Sophie Clark, 2nd Ella Lapich & 3rd Tylah Piggott
3/4P: 1st Keelee Fraser, 2nd Faith McManus & 3rd Emily Beilby
4/5Q: 1st Chloe Edwards
5/6F: 1st Hayleigh Andrews, 2nd Cassie Glencorse & 3rd Cassie Glencorse

The youngest child who returned all chocolate box fundraising money by the due date had their name put into the draw for the lucky prizes.

An entry was given for each box sold, so some lucky children won more than 1 prize.

A huge thankyou to everyone who contributed to this chocolate box fundraiser, it was another very successful fundraising event for the P&C.

*It would be appreciated if any outstanding money from boxes please returned as soon as possible*
Canteen Roster

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**SCHOOL CANTEEN NEWS**

The canteen has lots of fruit available! Apples, pineapple, kiwi fruit, grapes, watermelon, oranges, rockmelon and mandarins. English Muffins topped with ham & grilled cheese for 60 cents will be available for recess on Thursday.

New Caramel flavoured mousse for 50 cents is available at recess.

A thank you to all our canteen volunteers for their extra help with the Infant and Primary Athletics Carnivals and the Easter celebrations on the last day of Term. It is very much appreciated.

There will be a Canteen Meeting on Monday, 5 May, 2014 at 6:30 pm. All are welcome. Come along to discuss Recess Menu for Term 2.

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**Community Announcements**

**Lithgow Thistle Soccer Club**

Players urgently required in the following age groups: U/6 (must turn 5 this year), U/7, U/8, U/10, U/12 and senior ladies & mens for the Lithgow Competition. All new and past players will be made most welcome. Competition starts May 3rd. For more information please phone Lorraine Keay on 0419 621 426 or email: thistlesfc@gmail.com

**Pilates — Term 2 2014**

St Patrick’s School Hall
Monday and Wednesday 6pm
Cost: $150 (one class per week) or $200 (two classes per week)
All ages and fitness levels welcome
For more information or to book a mat please call the Sports & Spinal Practice on 63523131 or Kristen on 0401 645 264

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**For Sale**

As new single bed frame with bookshelf
$450
Phone: 63555659

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**Wallerawang Warriors Junior League Presents**

**2014 Wang Ball**

Saturday 31st May
Cost: $30
Venue: Wang Bowling Club
Tickets available at the club & through the committee
Chinese buffet & entertainment by WEST BROTHERS
Formal Dress: Something Blue
Seating at 6pm

**Raffles**

Lucky Door Prizes

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Website: www.wallerawan-ps.schoools.nsw.edu.au
Email: wallerawan-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
International Museums Day 2014

Treasures from Home

Do you have a treasure at home with a story to tell about Lithgow or Australia?

The Museum of Lithgow would love to hear about your treasure and help you work out its significance!

ABC Open will be joining us to photograph your treasure, write up its history and upload it to their Open Objects online resource.

Bring your treasure to:
Eskbank House and Museum
(Cnr Bennett and John St, Lithgow)
Phone: 6351 2957
www.lithgow.com/abcopen/

Sunday 18 May, 10am - 2pm

Lithgow Nanna’s Touch ASD Support
Invites you to attend our Coffee/Chat Get-Together
-on 13th May at 10am to 12pm
-held at Lithgow Library

Welcoming Guest Speaker
To give a talk on -- Self Care Strategies -- for Parents of children with Additional Needs followed by Q + A session

Dr Tracy Rhodes

Dr Rhodes focus is in the area of Complex Childhood presentation and Autism Qualifications - clinical doctorate (child family focus); PhD (childhood anxiety and conduct problems).

For more information call Sue - 0409 765 601.
Don’t miss out - entry Gold Coin donation, with refreshments.

Website: www.wallerawan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Email: wallerawan-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
SEMINAR FOR PARENTS:
Food for a happy and calm household
Thursday 8 May 2014
7:00pm - 9:00pm

Can the food in your child’s lunchbox affect their behaviour and health?

Are some of the chemicals put into everyday foods and drinks causing temper tantrums, sleep disturbances and digestive behaviour in your children?

Join nutritional therapists and occupational therapists community talk presenter Lauren D’Elia for a fun and informative 2 hour seminar featuring Doula trainer and occupational therapist team.

‘Too many toxic chemicals are greening our health, turning and behaviour provoking poisoning anxiety and behavioural problems.

This workshop will provide the knowledge and tips to take back home to make simple, healthy and nutritious foods for your children.

All attendees will receive a healthy snack to assist them to make shopping simple.

Australian Dietitian Associate Dietitian. Your Guide to Safer Shopping will be available on the night.

Tickets

$20 each

ONLINE SPECIAL

3 tickets for $50

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www.wallerawan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Bought to you by Blinky Bill Childcare Centre

SATURDAY

3rd

MAY

Champagne on arrival

Light Refreshments Served

Massages - Tarot Readings

Nails - Waxing and Tinting

As well as stalls including: perfume - kids clothes - body & face products - hair clips - cupcakes - whole foods - candles - photography - floats - soap - tupperware and many more.

$10 entry

Tickets available at Blinky Reception or at the door

1 Yale Street, Portland NSW | Phone (02) 6355 5833

or to www.wallerawan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Draft Program Delivery

2014-2015

Have Your Say!

Lithgow City Council invites you to review the 2014-2015 Draft Operational Plan (including the Budget) and Draft Staff Change & have your say.

If you would like any information, comments or cultural feedback please consider the feedback during the 2014-15 Operational Plan. They are now being collected to assist in the preparation of the Draft Operational Plan.

The Draft Operational Plan and Staff Change is designed to assist Council to achieve the Council’s strategic outcomes, and provide for Council’s continuous improvement and good governance.

Workshop Details

Date: 24 June 2014
Time: 9am-1.30pm
Venue: Millenium Room
Lithgow Workers Club
37 Rank St, LITHGOW

Please RSVP no later than 17 June 2014

This is a FREE workshop brought to you by the Lithgow Child Protection Interagency. Morning tea will be provided. Please advise of special dietary needs at least two weeks prior to the event. Places are limited, so first in, best dressed!

To register (or request further information) please contact Michelle Granger on (02) 6355 2700 or email her at Michelle.Granger@health.nsw.gov.au.

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