Dear Parent/Carers,

I hope that all mums were able to enjoy some family time & relaxation on Sunday. I am sure that you were able to enjoy the simply & thoughtful presents made or purchased by the children at school, I know that I certainly did. I decided that my mother's day mission was to make a lemon meringue pie (from farm fresh eggs) using the same recipe my Grandmother did on the old fuel stove & that my mum had made so beautifully for years. Although it looked & tasted good, I still haven’t perfected the pastry. I am sure that you all have recipes that have been used for generations & I hope with the complexity of today’s life the simple things that mean so much remain a constant.

NAPLAN week

This week children in years 3 & 5 will be participating in NAPLAN. This will involve aspects of English & Mathematics. The testing papers will then be collated & sent to a central point for marking. Results for these will be released later in the year. This is one form of data collection we use for the children. I ask that you encourage your children without placing too much pressure on them as we know we all learn differently & react differently to testing situations.

Western Region Hockey Selection

Congratulations to year 5 student Ryan Neale who is our first Western Region representative for 2014. Ryan was selected as a part of the Western Region team at the selection trials in Lithgow on Monday to contest the state titles in Canberra from the 24th -26th June. Ryan continues a strong family link & success at representative level in hockey, with his cousin Jack Neale a member of the NSW PSSA hockey team when a student at Wallerawang. Ryan plays the position of winger/inner. Outside of school Ryan is playing in the under 11’s Western Conference team for the 2nd year running. They will contest the York Cup in Tamworth in July. This team is selected from Lithgow, Parkes, Orange & Dubbo. Ryan plays for Bathurst St Pats & in the under 11’s & 13’s Bathurst District Team. The school community is very proud of Ryan’s achievements in hockey & wish him continued success. The Western Region team is coached by Lithgow Primary teacher Adam Gill, who is well known in hockey circles.
Friday's Assembly
On Friday the boy's Rugby League teams joined with me in presenting coaches Marty Rushworth, Corey Stockton & Chris Brown with a shirt in school colours & emblem in acknowledgment of the support they have given to coaching & mentoring the children.
I asked each of the boys’ to tell me something about their coaches & it is humbling to hear the extreme gratitude they have for the help that they have been given. Corey’s association with Rugby League in the school & beyond has not only seen the subsequent success of his own son Pacey play for NSW but given others an opportunities to reach their potential which was something that the boys said about him ‘he pushes us to reach our potential’. I wish to especially say thanks to Corey for continuing his involvement this year with the senior boys after Pacey moved into High School. I think this in itself says a lot about the person he is & the inspiration he gives to others.

Marty has a long association with Rugby League in the Lithgow District & he too wants to give back to others the opportunities that he has had. He also demonstrates a willingness to help out. The boys see him as encouraging and he always gives everyone a fair go and I believe these words are certainly true when you see Marty in action with the teams. He understands that there are different sets of skill levels that need to be supported and he does his best to nurture and develop these. The first word the ‘little team’ used to describe Chris was tough now when I got them to clarify what they meant by tough I got the impression that they meant physically tough. When I was doing some research last year on Chris himself as a Rugby League Player I realised that he had played for a few clubs over the years and at a representative level, but I think it is fair to say he really has a strong affiliation with Wallerawang & he too is giving back to the students of the school & community the opportunities he has had. Chris is always a pleasure to work with, he’s friendly & kind. From the boy’s themselves what do they see in Chris, they have said that he is ‘awesome’, ‘if you make a mistake he encourages you to make up for it’, he demonstrates what he wants you to do and encourages you to never give up’. We look forward to their continued support.

Cross Country
Thank you to Ms Graham, Mrs Nancarrow & Mrs Fraser who were involved in coordinating & organising the school cross country on Friday in perfect conditions, also to the students who participated & put in a real effort. Children placed from 1st – 6th & from ages 8 to 12 have now qualified for the District Cross Country on the 23rd May which Mr Campling will coordinate. If you are unable to attend this event & you have qualified it is important that you let Mr Campling know prior to the event.

Boy’s Hockey
Today our boy’s hockey team consisting of Ryan Neale, Cooper Giles, Eamyn Quinn, Luke Pattison, Mitchell Jewell, Khye Kattau, Dane Hart, Noah Jewell, Harrison Livingston, Ethan Fitzpatrick, Dayne Houlison and Jack Williams, under the watchful eye of coaches Miss Reid & Miss Lang will play against a combined Zig Zag team. I am sure they will have a good time & exhibit the outstanding Wang sportsmanship. It is great to see some of the younger students willing to play & develop their skills & opportunities. They are wished all the best in their first round game.

Girls and Boys District Touch Football Teams
On Friday, Brittany Griffiths, Ethan Van Der Velden, Ben Fraser, Sam Lane, Connor Higgins & Kye Cameron will be in Dubbo as part of the Western Region selection for touch football along with students from Lithgow PS & Coorowull who will make up the team. Thank you to Corey Stockton who has given his time to train the team & will accompany the team to Dubbo.

PSSA Rugby League Team
Next Tuesday the Rugby League team will play the first round of the competition against Gulgong at Wang oval commencing at 10.45am. The team consisting of Kye Cameron, Sam Lane, Ben Fraser, Ethan Van Der Velden, Charlie Bray, Connor Higgins, Jai Elliott, Oscar & Max Gordon, Luke Pattison, Cooper Nunan, Kyle McMillan, Sam Petersen, William Jackson, Xander Thomas, Dylan Blyth & Connor Marshall are wished the best of luck. Thank you to Corey Stockton & Marty Rushworth who have once again been kind enough to support us in coaching the students.
Community News
Congratulations to KW student Zac Stack who has been learning the art of cat handling & was named ‘Junior Handler’ at the Royal Easter Show.
Don’t forget the Wang Ball on the 31st of May. A fun, reasonably priced night out and a chance to wear your best ‘blue’ attire. Tickets can be purchased from me at school.
Congratulations to Brianna Clark who has had her HSC artwork displayed as part of Art Express. May the week bring good things.

Jenny Lamborn
Relieving Principal Wallerawang Public School

General School Contributions
General school contributions need to be paid by the end of MAY.
The cost per student is only $30 and for families with more than two students enrolled at the school the maximum fee is $60.
Contributions enhance educational and sporting programs, supplement classroom resources required for key learning areas and assist with administrative acquisitions, such as books, paper and craft supplies. Thank you to the families that have supported the school and paid their contributions to date.

Year 5 Opportunity Class 2015 (OC)
Applications are now available for students in Year 4 seeking a placement in the Year 5 Opportunity Class.
The Opportunity class is for academically gifted students and provides intellectual stimulation by grouping gifted and talented students together. The nearest class in our area is based at Lithgow Public School. If you would like to discuss the suitability of your child applying for this class or would like an application or information please contact Mrs Fraser (Stage 3 AP) or Ms Foster (Stage 2 AP).

Stage 2 Excursion
On Wednesday 21st May, Stage 2 students will attend a presentation at Portland Central School delivered by the State Library of NSW. Students will look at artefacts from the early colonial times and participate in activities that will reinforce concepts covered in our studies on British Colonisation. The presentation is free, however students will have to pay for the bus transport to and from Portland, departing at 9:15am and returning by recess.

Year 6 - CWA International Day - Botswana
Stage 3 students will attend the CWA International Day this year with Year 6 presenting their work on Botswana on Thursday May 29th. The Year 6 children’s presentation will begin at 10am. All Stage 3 children will be given their morning tea by the CWA for free. Parents are invited to come along for this most enjoyable morning and join in morning tea for a cost of $7.00 each. There will also be a collection of a gold coins for "Coins for Friendship" which is forwarded to the CWA head office and then sent overseas to assist children in less fortunate countries.

Katrena Fraser AP Stage 3

National Walk Safely to School Day
WE’RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON FRIDAY, 23rd MAY 2014
It’s that time of year again when our school starts talking about walking! Not only is walking a wonderful way to get you where you want to be, but it also gets your health – and your child’s health on the right track too. So that’s why this year our school is participating in National Walk Safely to School Day on Friday 23rd May (next week). Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn’t realistic for some of us, it’s quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family’s daily routine. You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by: Walking with them the whole way to school
If they get the bus, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
If you have to drive, park the car some distance away from the school and walk the rest of the way. Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes, it also gives you a great opportunity to reinforce with your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic. Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for next Friday, 23rd May!
Those students who participate will receive a ‘Walk Safely to School Day’ sticker.
**Peer Support**
This week in Peer Support children will have an opportunity to discuss their personal qualities and strengths. The children will identify their qualities and acknowledge how they contribute to their achievements. Through activities children recognise their strengths to achieve success and can be encouraged to approach future activities optimistically.

Ask you child to describe their own qualities and strengths so you can recognise and acknowledge these.

**Pie Drive Only 1 week to go!**
The pies make great choices for warm winter meals and are not only delicious but also store easily in the freezer. Please share the order form with friends, family and neighbours. Orders are due back with payment on Thursday 22nd May, **no late orders will be accepted**.

Orders will be available for pick up from the School Hall between 2:30 and 4:30pm Thursday 29th May. Orders must be picked up as we cannot keep them overnight. All profits go towards the “Year 6 End of Year Gift to the School”.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT VEGETABLE PIES ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO ORDER**

**New Classroom**
The twelfth classroom arrived this morning and will be assembled and prepared over the next week. Hopefully it will be fully operational by Week 5!

**Public Speaking**
Our whole school Public Speaking Competition is running for the seventh year. Speeches are being presented in class groups and semi-finalists chosen from each class. If your child is selected as a semi-finalist a note will be sent home and semi-finals will be held next week in each stage for teachers to select 3 finalists per grade.

At a special assembly on **Wednesday 28th May, 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.

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

**Uniform News**
The uniform shop will be placing orders with their suppliers next week. Please remember to place your order otherwise you may miss out.

**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.

**Canteen News**
The canteen has apples, watermelon, passionfruits, grapes and mandarins available for 50 cents.

English Muffins topped with ham & grilled cheese or pineapple & grilled cheese for 60 cents will be available for recess **on Thursday and Tuesday**.

New Recess menu started on Monday, 12 May, 2014 with warmer options for the students.

**Recess Menu**
Corn on the cob $0.20
Freshly baked cookies $0.20
Pikelets $0.20
Small boxes of sultanas $0.40
Small cups with Jelly and fruit/Strawberry or Caramel Mousse (Gluten Free) $0.50
Instant Noodles Chicken or Beef flavoured $0.50

Wallerawang School are catering at the District Cross Country Trials at Lake Wallace on Friday 23 May, 2014. If you would like to help out leave your name at the school office.
Week 2 Assembly

Website: www.wallerawan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Email: wallerawan-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Blake and Daniel Rose and Kayla Law wore their parent’s Western Region representative clothes to school on our “Wear Western” red and green fundraising day last week. Just over $200 was raised in support of school sport.

Thank you for your support.
Canteen Roster

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**Wallerawang Public School Fun Run – major fundraising initiative on behalf of the School Music Program**

We will be conducting a fun run as a major fundraiser for this term so we do ask for your support. The event will be held on Friday 30th May. **Funds raised will provide additional resources to support our wonderful music program.**

Students have received a sponsorship form with a selection of over 70 prizes to choose from such as Nerf, Sony, Hot Wheels, Razor, iPod Shuffles and more. If you have misplaced your sponsorship form, please see the staff at the School Office.

We ask you to seek donations of $2, $4, $5 or $10 per sponsor. Students who receive $10 or more in sponsorship will be entitled to a prize of their choice.

**WIN A FAMILY HOLIDAY TO THE GOLD COAST, HAMILTON ISLAND OR FIJI** – each student/family has the chance to win a family holiday simply by raising $10 or more. For more details on this promotion and how to enter, please view page three of the Sponsorship Form or go to www.myschoolathon.com.au

Once the fundraiser is complete, please cut out the ‘how to claim your prize section’ on the sponsorship form and return to school along with your monies to the class teacher on or before Friday 13th June.

Please be sure to fill out your prize request. The individual prizes will be delivered later in Term 2.

Happy fundraising, we look forward to seeing you at our fun run to cheer on the students.

*Kelly Gurney*

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**Community Announcements**

**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

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Mission Australia’s Winter Sleepout BBQ

31st May

Queen Elizabeth Park 1pm - 4pm

Sausage sizzle, clowns, face painting, kids tattoos etc.

Special guest performance by students of Prudence Schwarz Academy of Dance.

More information contact Mellissa on 0421479090

This fundraiser is to help raise funds and awareness about homelessness within our area and Australia. After the BBQ a few of us will be sleeping at the park to experience a night being homeless.
If you live in Lithgow East
You need to RETUNE your digital TV, set-top box or digital TV recorder!

**When:** Tuesday 20 May 2014

**How:**
- Try retuning your digital TV, set-top box or digital TV recorder using your remote
- OR ask a friend, family or community member for help
- OR see your digital TV or set-top box or digital TV recorder manual.

**For Help:**
Call 1800 20 10 13
Website www.australia.gov.au/retune
Register on the website for an email or SMS alert

Australian Government

If you are missing a TV channel **JUST RETUNE**