From the Principal’s Desk

Book Week is well underway with a fantastic day shared yesterday with students, their parents and carers, aunts, uncles, grandparents and many other special visitors to the school. ‘Bursting at the seams’ was one description earlier today. School staff, headed by Mrs Nancarrow, developed and coordinated a wonderful assembly, parade and book fair program for the whole school community which has just finished up this morning with final purchases being made at the book fair. See the complete write up and photographs on pages 2, 3, 4 & 5.

Special thanks is extended to Mrs Nancarrow for the excellent coordination in ensuring a successful half day program for all involved. We extend a sincere thank you to students and their families for the wonderful support we received from everyone in the purchase of books for the school and for personal use at home.

Bus Behaviour

Following a meeting last week with Mr Joe Elbourne, Manager of Lithgow City Bus Lines, I provide the following information to all families.

A clampdown on inappropriate behaviour on the buses is under way. If your child is on the receiving end of behaviour you perceive as inappropriate please contact the bus company, report your concerns, they can confirm information with bus drivers and provide details to us at the school to manage if need be. CCTV is now being used to assist the complaints management process adopted by the service company.

Any concerns or complaints regarding student travel on buses should be directed in the first instance to Lithgow Bus Lines on 02 6352 3888.

School Assembly

Parents and carers are invited to come along this Friday 22nd August to our weekly assembly. Academic awards, citizenship recognition and behaviour certificates will all be celebrated on the morning.

Assembly commences at 9:15am and all parents, carers and community members are welcome to attend.

Roadwork out the front

Thank you is extended to all the families for managing the disruption to normal travel on Barton Avenue so well in past few days. Work is almost completed and any further disruptions should be minimal.
End of year Carols Night – Claim the date

Thank you is extended to the staff and parents that joined together last Friday morning to begin planning for an end of year Christmas Carols event. Ms Gurney and a team of volunteers, working with school staff, are developing a fun evening program for Friday 12th December. Please mark the date on your calendar and keep it clear for a family night on the school oval.

**Duncan Auld**  
Principal - Wallerawang Public School

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**Book Fair News**

A very big thank you to everyone for helping us celebrate Book Week in such a successful way. We all had a fun packed day yesterday. The assembly items were very entertaining showcasing our clever students. All the dress-up outfits looked awesome! Our Book Fair sold over $6500 (I am still completing final sales). We now have lots of commission to spend on new books for the library. Thank you to the P&C for raising $258 at the morning tea. A wonderful day was enjoyed by everyone. This is all due to the all-encompassing support our school community gives us.

THANK-YOU!!!

Mrs Nancarrow  
Librarian (Tigger)
Stage 3 Thrillers
Debating News

On Monday 25th August at 11.30 am the Wallerawang Public School debating team will debate against Eglinton Public School. The team is first speaker Chloe Petersen, second speaker Ella Zorz, third speaker Brydie Zorz and team advisor Maddison Burns. The debate will be held at the school in the Stage 3 rooms. The topic for this debate is "That the internet is the best source of information for students". As the host team Wallerawang is the affirmative. I am very proud of the continued effort from the team, they consistently strive to do their best and we wish them the very best of luck for their debate on Monday.

Mrs Donna Quinn
Debating Co ordinator

Choir News

Bathurst Eisteddfod

On Thursday 28th August our whole school choir will be performing at the Bathurst Eisteddfod. Parents and guests are welcome to attend the show at the Bathurst Memorial Centre. Entry cost is $8.00. The session we will perform in begins at 9:30am. Green permission notes have already been sent home and teachers would like to remind that notes and money need to be returned to school by this Friday. If parents are taking their child to Bathurst could you please let teachers know ASAP so we can finalise bus numbers. Students are very excited about this wonderful opportunity and would enjoy parents and community members in the audience.

Miss Kelly Gurney and Ms Kym Fahey
Choir Coordinators

Sports News

Touch Football

The touch football Gala Day will be held this Friday 22nd August at Tony Luchetti Sports Ground 9:30am till 2:00pm. The Gala Day will run as a mixed teams competition. There will be no canteen facilities available on the day.

Wet weather arrangements: In case of rain children are to attend school as normal.

Uniforms will be provided by the school. Please return permission notes to Mrs Lamborn. A further information note and draw will go home with the children today.

More news in next weeks newsletter from our match against Oberon photos on page 11.

Mr Campling
Coordinator
Outside Learning

Planet Ark Tree Day - “Every Day is Tree Day”

Kindergarten students and the Environmental Crew gathered together last Wednesday to plant some more native trees in our school playground. The trees were donated by Toyota as part of the Planet Ark Tree Day event. The Environmental Crew will tend to the plants over the next few weeks to ensure they are watered and maintained. A big Thank You needs to go to Toyota for donating the native trees each year.

Donna Lang

3/4P Volcanoes

3/4P have been learning about heat and energy and looking at how volcanoes erupt. We followed a recipe to make some salt dough and created volcano shapes around empty water bottles. We then painted them to look like real volcanoes. We took them outside and added warm water, food colouring, detergent and bi carb soda to the bottles. When we poured in some vinegar the volcanoes erupted and oozed out cool, bubbly lava. We had a great time with our volcanoes and working as teams.
**P&C News**

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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**NEXT P&C MEETING**

*Parents and Citizens Association 'newcomers always welcome’*

**Monday 25th August – School Library**
- School canteen committee meeting 6.30pm, followed by
- The general P&C meeting at 7pm

**SCHOOL CANTEEN NEWS**

Sydney Markets Fresh for Kids canteen campaign starts Monday, 25 August, 2014 until Friday, 19 September, 2014. Each time a student makes a fresh fruit or vegetable purchase from the canteen they will receive a ‘Eat Fresh & Win’ sticker card. Collect 2 stickers and stick them on a entry form. Once the entry form has been completed and returned to the canteen they will receive a minor prize. The entry forms will be forwarded to Sydney Markets to go into the major prize draw on the 13 October, 2014. This week the canteen has apples, bananas, kiwi fruits, watermelon and oranges available for 50 cents.

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

**New** Mixed Berries flavoured Mousse for 50 cents is available at recess.

**Students will be only provided with a spoon for food that has been purchased from the canteen.** Students will need their own spoon for food that is brought from home.

Thank you

Debbie Holder

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**YEAR 6 FUNDRAISING**

**Bulb Drive**
Order forms have gone home with your children and orders will be back in two weeks.

**Chocolate Lotto**
Children can buy a number for 20c between 1—100. (similar to 100 club) At assembly each week a number will be drawn and the winner will receive a large block of chocolate!

Year 6 will be selling the numbers at lunchtimes.

**Chocolate Guessing Comp**
We also have a jar filled with chocolates, it is 50c a guess. Year 6 will have a table set up in the playground at lunchtimes.

Thank you.
Wallerawang Junior League
Could players with Perpetual Trophies from last year for Wang Junior League please return to Mrs Lamborn at the school or at Football training this week. We are interested in finding any members of the community who are life members of Wang Junior League.

Need your help
1/2B is looking for some child friendly catalogues and magazines such as Toy Catalogues and Better Homes & Gardens for class use. These can be dropped off at the front office or given to Mrs Brown. Thank you. : )

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 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
Community Family Fun Day
Portland
@ Saville Park Portland
Wednesday 24th September
11am-1pm
Games for all children
Sausage Sizzle   JUMPING CASTLE
Bring the family along for a great community fun day
All Activities & Food are Free
(This event will be cancelled if raining)
Hosted by

Mayors Christmas Appeal

Mayor Maree Statham invites everyone to donate to the annual Christmas Appeal for our Nursing Home Residents.

Donations of anonymous gifts may be dropped off at the Council Administration Centre, Lithgow Library Learning Centre or Wallerawang, Portland and Rydal Libraries.

Gifts will be distributed by the Mayor at functions to be held at local nursing homes; Coonada, Tarandina, Three Tree Lodge and Tabulam Cottage during December.

For suggestions on suitable gifts go to Council’s website
www.lithgow.nsw.gov.au or contact Deborah or Gertia at Council on 6354 9999.

Let's make this Christmas, a wonderful Christmas, for everyone!

Lithgow City Council
Want to give your child a successful start at school?

(Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters - HIPPY)

HIPPY is a free, government funded program, for Lithgow, Wallerawang and Portland designed to help parents prepare their children for school.

Materials, guidance and home tutor support are all provided. The focus is on parents spending about 10 minutes a day doing the interactive activities with their children, to build pre-literacy and numeracy skills. HIPPY aims to further develop parents’ skills and confidence to better help their children prepare for a successful start at school.

Employment opportunities are also available to parents.

Centacare requires part time Home Tutors to assist with delivering the HIPPY program.

Centacare is accepting enrolments for 2015 from families living in the Lithgow, Wallerawang and Portland areas with children in the year prior to starting school, usually around 4 years of age (Note: Children must turn 4 years on or before the 31st July 2015).

Interested parents / caregivers can contact Hippy Bowenfels on telephone: 6352 4868 or mobile 0409 362 663 or email hippy@centacarebathurst.com.au

HIPPY Bowenfels is funded by the Australian Government Department of Education through the Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters.

Wallerawang Lidsdale Progress Association

Wallerawang Lidsdale Progress Association is looking for proactive and forward thinking people to join us to help revive and enhance our town.

We would also like the our towns folk to let us know of persons in our community they think should be nominated for Citizen of the Year for our Australia Day celebrations in January.

Everyone is welcome to come to our meetings which are held at the Wallerawang Bowling Club on the first Tuesday of the month at 6.30 pm.

Contact can be made with Ros Francis at desrosfs@bigpond.com or on 63553954.