From the Principal’s Desk

Teachers leading up to this week have spent time working with children in sharing the significance and developing their understanding of Remembrance Day. On Remembrance Day we think of all the Australian men and women who have served in war and peacekeeping activities. The commemoration is observed at 11am on 11 November, which is when the hostilities of the First World War officially ended in 1918. Students participated in this day of national respect by standing at the stroke of 11am and remaining silent for one minute. On behalf of the school community I extend gratitude and respect to all those people we know and care for, the departed and the living that have served for our freedom and safety. We also recognise the carers and loved ones of those who serve and have served as they too suffer in silence and often without support.

Special announcements

- On Wednesday 25 November at 10:30am staff will coordinate a ‘short assembly’ for all students and attending community members to dedicate a special song to the memory of Simon Williams and Rebecca Karini. Ms Gurney, Mr Campling and Mr Howell have written and recorded a beautiful song in remembrance of Simon and Rebecca and will perform this song on the day and dedicate it to the memory of our departed students. The families have been consulted on this arrangement and approve of the dedication service. Each family will have representatives in attendance. Following the assembly will be a morning tea for visitors and staff, with children receiving a special treat.

- During the next week we farewell the school play equipment as it is dismantled and removed after 19 years of service to the school. The equipment no longer meets standards for safe use and play and following a discussion at the last P&C meeting, a recent internal audit, departmental consultation and then an audit by an external independent consultant, the equipment has been deemed unfit for use, unsafe and not suitable for upgrading to the new Australian standards. Staff will meet together following its removal and look at alternative play options for children in the K-2 years of the school. Any parents or staff wishing to hear the full determination are welcome to attend a site meeting at 8:30am on Friday morning at the equipment area where I will be available for any final discussion.

This week is National Recycling Week which is a Planet Ark initiative. The local ‘Waste-Ed’ program is being presented to students by Lithgow City Council over 2 days. Yesterday Stage 1 students participated in the ‘Compost is Catching’ presentation where they learnt about composting and had the opportunity to make their own mini...
compost reusing a PET plastic bottle. Today Kinder and Stage 2 students will participate in the ‘Wonderful, Wriggly Worms’ session. A full report on the ‘Waste-Ed’ program with more photos from both days will appear next week.

**Sporting Team Photos** The school photographers were back last Friday to capture photos of our sporting teams, debating team and NAIDOC speakers. Mr Campling co-ordinated the event and it is expected samples will be on display by Week 8 in the school front office and orders may then be placed. See page 3 for ordering details.

**Kindergarten 2016** Early Bird Week 4 was held on Monday with most of the 50 new enrolments participating in the special sessions preparing them for ‘big school’ in 2016. Hopefully parents had a chance to see them in action on our Facebook post last Sunday. The final program commences a little earlier next Monday and a parent session will run at the same time in the hall. Early Bird commences at 9:30am Monday 16 November.

**Swimming School** commences next Monday with a terrific program arranged for non and limited skills swimmers. Swimming school is run under the guidelines of Department of Sport and Recreation along with Ms Graham who is coordinating this year’s program. A full complement of sixty students will participate. Any final enquiries should be directed via the front office to Ms Graham.

**Assembly** will be held this Friday from 9:10am with Step Up certificates and other awards presented. Parents and community members are welcome to come along and join in the celebration of student achievement, citizenship and positive behaviour.

Wishing you all well for the week to come as we head further into November and begin preparing for the end of year wrap up processes of writing pupil reports, attending the schools spectacular excursion and swim school, co-ordinating presentation day, planning party days, the Year 6 farewell dinner and much, much more.

**Duncan Auld**

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**Captains and Prefects Election 2016**

On Monday afternoon Mrs Fraser spoke to Year 5 students about the upcoming Captains and Prefects election. Students were given a nomination form and were spoken to about the responsibilities and expectations of becoming a school leader. Speeches for the election will be held on Wednesday 2 December with leaders announced the following morning at 9:15am at a brief assembly. Voting will take place immediately after the speeches on the Wednesday and votes will be tallied by Mr Auld and Miss Foster. The students will have a rehearsal on Monday 30 November where they will practice their full speech using the microphone and system in the hall in preparation for the formal speeches. Please ensure that if your child is running for election that they have their speeches with them on these days. If they require any assistance they can speak to their class teacher or Mrs Fraser. If you have any questions please contact Mrs Fraser.

Mrs Fraser - Stage 3 Head Teacher

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**Schools Spectacular - Stage 2/3 Excursion**

Permission notes went home last week to attend the **2015 Schools Spectacular on Friday 27 November**. We have had to limit numbers on this excursion and just a few places remain. If you wish your child to attend return your note and $55 to the office as soon as possible.

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**Scholastic Book Club**

**ORDER FORMS HAVE GONE HOME TODAY**

**DUE BACK AT SCHOOL BY THURSDAY 19 NOVEMBER**

**LAST ORDER BEFORE CHRISTMAS**

**Wang’s Big Bang Term 3**

Can be viewed on the website or is available to purchase at the front office for $3.

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Website: www.wallerawan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Email: wallerawan-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Stage Two Science

Thank you to the families who have been sending in their recyclable items for our Science activity later this term. Items such as tissue boxes, plastic bottles, cardboard tubes and egg cartons to suggest just a few will be put to good use.

Please keep them coming!

Science Program - Whole School

For the whole school Science program we are also asking for donations that may be helpful for the creation of science kits. These items can be for example: magnifying glasses, liquid droppers, funnels, insect nets, iron filings, thermometers, batteries, yarn, string and sticky tape. This will help create class kits that teachers can use from next year onwards. Your support is appreciated in this endeavour.

Thank You
Mrs Fraser, Mr Campling and Ms Graham
School Science Coordinators

P&C

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets 3 for $2

Additional ticket books are available from the front office. Initial book must be sold and returned before extra books can be issued.

AMAZING PRIZES - DON'T MISS OUT!!

1ST PRIZE – CHRISTMAS STOCKING – 6ft Ladder, Children’s Bike, Featherdale voucher, hair salon vouchers, just jeans voucher and lots, lots more. TOTAL VALUE $800

2ND PRIZE – Jenolan Caves voucher, Car detailing voucher, Bunnings voucher. TOTAL VALUE $220

3RD PRIZE – White water rafting voucher, Workies voucher, Bunnings voucher, Kel Hart voucher. TOTAL VALUE $220

4TH PRIZE – Taronga Western Plains Zoo family pass, Vanilla Cafe voucher, Massage voucher, Gloss Creations voucher. TOTAL VALUE $200

“School a to z” - website well worth a look!!
The following is a recommended App for devices by the Department of Education. http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/school-a-to-z
Find it in the App store or Google Play store.

CANTEEN ROSTER

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Samples of Sport, Debating and NAIDOC photos which were taken last Friday should be back at school for viewing in Week 8. Photos will be $14.00 ea (no postage charge).

Orders can be placed on line at www.advancedlife.com.au and by using your Family Code (which is located on the back of your child’s school photo) and will be delivered directly to your home address OR

By using the School Code which is 6L8J68KV3. Please note these orders will be delivered to school. Please allow a minimum of 2 weeks for delivery. Keep in mind the last day of school is Wednesday 16 December.

Website: www.wallerawan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
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Assembly Week 5

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White Ribbon Trivia Night

In Australia, one in three women has experienced physical or sexual assault in her lifetime. These women are our mothers, girlfriends, wives, daughters, colleagues and friends. The mission of White Ribbon is to change the attitudes and behaviours that support or excuse this violence against women in Australia.

The White Ribbon Campaign objectives are:
- to create widespread awareness of the positive role that men can play in stopping violence against women
- to enable leadership, particularly by men and boys, to bring about social change, and
- to build collective knowledge and understanding of the effective prevention of violence against women.

Lithgow’s Trivia Night supporting White Ribbon will be one of many events taking place across Australia to raise awareness for White Ribbon Day, the UN Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. The event will be held on 27 November 2015, at the Lithgow Workies. Local businesses, organisations, workplaces, sporting clubs, and community members are invited to attend the event. The cost of entry is $10 per person, with a number of fundraising activities running throughout the night for a small donation. Tickets can be purchased at the event however teams greater than two people are requested to register in advance. Bookings can be made by contacting Lithgow Community Projects (28 Main Street, Lithgow 6351 2230). All proceeds from the event will go towards White Ribbon initiatives that aim to reduce violence against women.

Cooking with 3/4G

3/4G have been at it again!! This time check out their delicious pavlovas. Thanks must go to parent helpers on the day; Anna Fitzgerald, Kelly Cafe and Liz Golan who have pitched in once again!!

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CAPETTEE MARKET
3rd Sunday of the Month from 9am to 2pm
* 15 November 2015
* 20 December 2015
Market Stalls outside and inside the hall.
Come and have lunch or morning tea. Great hot food, hot drinks and soft drinks available!
Locally grown vegetables, plants, cakes, jams, soy-wax candles, handicrafts, bric-a-brac and more!!
35 mins from Lithgow
Community Hall in the village of Capertee, Castle-leagh Highway
New stall holders welcome.
Phone Lyn on 6359 0054

Pied Piper Preschool
is having a...
BINGO NIGHT!
On the 30th November Monday night 7.15pm

We hope you can all make it to the Vale Hall Lithgow to support our Preschool and raise funds for much needed resources...

- Please bring your own bingo dabber or marker
- Bingo sheets will be $4.00 each
Location is Mort St Vale of Clwydd

Futsal (Indoor Soccer)
Competition
Friday Night Competition has spaces available in Under 6’s and Under 7,8,9’s.
WHO CAN PLAY?
Girls & Boys
WHERE DO I PLAY?
At the Wallerawang Indoor Sports Centre, Barton Avenue, Wallerawang (next to Wallerawang Public School)
IF INTERESTED?
Contact Carleen on 0402 205070
Registration and Competition Fees will apply

LITHGOW MEN’S SHED
GARAGE Sale

- Furniture
- Hand Power Tools
- Men’s Shed Craft Items
- Antique Tools & More

Saturday 28 November 2015
1 Fred Burley Drive, Lithgow
9am-2pm
$10 a stall for interested stall holders
Call us on 6352 1497 or 6351 4746
Don’t miss out!

Pied Piper Preschool

Refreshments of tea, coffee and cake are provided but please feel free to bring a plate of food

There will be raffle tickets sold at the door for the chance to win various packages
Children are most welcome!

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www.ldc.org.au
info@ldc.org.au

Learning Difficulties Coalition

Open school days during school hours
Info on assessments, support, resources, websites, booklets, fact sheets, and more.

Learning Difficulties
Self Esteem
Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)
ADD & ADHD
Support Groups
Anxiety & Depression
Speech & Language
Bullying
Autism Spectrum Disorders
Reading difficulties
Support

Website: www.wallerawan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
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Communities and Kids Resource Centre is located at Portland Central School in the playgroup room.
Address: Vale Street Portland
Open: 1-4pm every Monday
It is designed to assist people with the local services that are available in the Lithgow and surrounding areas.
Playgroups will be run each Monday.
- Infant music and move playgroup for 0-2 years old. Time: 9:30-10:30am
- Pre-school play session for 2-6 year old begins at 11:00am and runs until 1:00pm
The resource library is here for your convenience.
Information on the following services is available.
- Playgroups
- HACC (Home and Community Care)
- Home Care
- Supported accommodation service (disability)
- Multicultural support and community groups
- Brighter futures
- Legal Aid (free advice)
- Life Line (gambling Help and Budgets)
- Family and Adolescent counsellor
- NILS - Step up loans
- Galloping Gumnut
- Childcare and Preschools
- Community Transport
- Child and Family health clinic
- Library
- Housing NSW
- PCYC
- Family support service
- Community Projects
- Interact (Injury management)

Phone: 6354 5906
Mobile: 0409 522 051

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 Kick-fit fitness Class for adults. (no martial arts experience necessary) After 15 years at Wallerawang, we have now moved to our 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

Black Gold Crib Room Restaurant
Open for a Café Style Breakfast & Morning Tea
Or just a Cup of Tea or Coffee
Weekdays from 6:00am - 11:00am
Weekends from 8:00am -11:00am
Dinner Monday - Saturday from 6:00pm