

Wellington Public School

whisper

*Safe, respectful learners*

Week 9 Term 4

Contact us on: 6845 4080

Summer has Arrived

It is now December and many people say that they don't know where the year has gone. It's certainly like that here at school because there are always lots of things happening and it



often seems as though time is something we don't have enough of.

The sun is very strong and we are constantly reminding students about sun safety and wearing a hat.

Our Year 2 swimmers and those from Special Education classes who are attending swimming lessons know about sunscreen protection and keeping covered up as much as they can. Please encourage your children to take care in the heat and that they always come to school with their hat – preferably one with a broad brim that will protect their face and the back of their neck.

PCYC

Matthew Devenish from the Wellington PCYC visited us for our assembly yesterday. He told us of the reopening of the PCYC here in Wellington and about membership and some of the exciting things that are going to be available for young people. See the separate flyer – perhaps your children have already asked about attending the PCYC disco.

Library Stocktake

Our librarians have started the library stocktake for the end of the 2014 school year. Please check again to see that your children have returned all library books that they have borrowed.

Breakfast Club



Last Thursday was a special Christmas breakfast. The children were offered muesli and yoghurt, chocolate smoothies and healthy toasted sandwiches followed by fruit and icecream. This was our chance to thank the

ladies from the Red Cross who so generously give their time to assist with feeding our children and also to mention the generous support of our sponsors. On this occasion Woolworths in Dubbo gave a donation of an extra one hundred dollars to make sure the children had something special and they certainly did! Thank you to all of our staff who also help to provide this service with a word of appreciation to Debbie George who has a lot to do in caring for our children.

International Day of People With Disability

Our Special Education classes celebrated this special day by preparing a variety of food plates to share around the school to raise awareness. The celebration was a bit early but there was no way of curbing the children's enthusiasm. Well done to Mrs Batho and her team as it all went fabulously.

White Ribbon Day

So much happening in the same week! Last Tuesday visitors came

to talk to our Stage 2 and 3 classes about Domestic Violence, with a particular focus on saying no to violence against women. All too often women are subjected to abuse in their homes which is a deplorable situation.

To keep things at a low level the children made a simple declaration about being friendly, safe and kind to others and each student was supplied with a white balloon to tie to the fence in Percy Street - a visual representation of our support for this day to say "NO!" to violence against women.

Also, Kinder Yellow had been busy painting rainbows to bring back the sunshine into peoples' lives and writing their special wishes in fluffy white clouds. This was all done in conjunction with some Year 10 students at Wellington High School and every student's contribution became a page in a commercially produced book. Each KY student is to receive a copy of this book and an extra copy has been given to our school library so that everyone will be able to see it in the future. ***"I wish every child had a warm bed to go home to", "I wish everyone had enough food to eat", "I wish every child had a mum to read them stories"*** were typical of the messages written in this special book.

We all need to do what we can to see children don't experience violence in their lives.

Kindergarten Transition Has Finished For Another Year With Great Success

Children transitioning into Kindergarten in 2015 have had a wonderful, weekly opportunity this term to experience how "Big School" is likely to look for them when they join us next year. This is also an opportunity for the school to get to know something of our new students and be better prepared for when they start.

This year so far we have over 80 pending enrolments so we will certainly maintain our 4 classes next year with a possibility that we might form 5 classes. This is wonderful news.

Thank you to every one of our teachers and support staff who have helped to make this 2014 transition so successful.

Our Fixed Equipment

Our fixed equipment has unfortunately been out of service because we are having repairs done to the rubber soft-fall. Hopefully the contractor will return soon to complete the job.

P & C

Merry Christmas!

our next meeting will be 3rd
December, 2014

@Hermitage Hill Meeting Room

135 Maxwell St, Wellington NSW 2820

6pm drinks

Order meals on arrival

Meeting to start at 6.30pm

Hope to see you all there

***Please RSVP 28.11.2014 via email
or Phone 6845 4080***



Last Tuesday, Wellington Primary School acknowledged "White Ribbon Day." This day raises awareness of domestic violence against women. Infants classes had discussions with their teacher about what a respectful relationship looks like. They talked about keeping hands and feet to themselves and being kind to others. The primary students were fortunate enough to have Brooke George from the High School and Fred from WACHS come and talk about issues relating to violence against women and Mrs George showed us a book that was the result of collaboration between Year 10 students and Kinder Yellow. The book was a beautiful product of the topic "What I wish for" and it was apparent that despite the age difference all of these children wanted similar things – to feel loved, to feel safe and to be happy. A copy of this book was presented to our school library last Friday at the High School assembly and will be available for all students to see.

At the commencement of the discussions each child made a pledge or promise to themselves to be a respectful friend and family member. They each then blew up a white balloon, tied it to a white ribbon and then tied this to our school fence. It was an amazing sight for our community to see the physical acknowledgment of "Breaking the Silence."



P & C ~ CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS

Tickets are on sale at the office, so if you would like raffle tickets sent home with your child, please ring 6845 4080 and let the office girls know the name & class of your child.

Wellington PS School Calendar—Coming events

December

- **Tue 9th – Presentation Day – 9:30am – Wellington Civic Centre**
- **Tue 9th – Carols Night – 6pm to 7pm – WPS COLA**
- Thu 11th – Kindy Assembly – 2pm GL Hall – K Yellow are your hosts
- Thu 11th – Stage 2 Assembly – 1pm E Block Hall
- Thu 11th – Stage 3 Assembly – 2pm F Block Hall
- **Thu 11th – Yr6 Farewell – 5pm - Wellington Soldiers Club**
- Fri 12th – Student Reports sent home
- Wed 17th – Last day for students

***School library borrowing is finished for the year.
Please return any books that you still have at
home this week.***

Thanks, Mrs Blackhall and Mrs Legg.

Homework Centre & Active After Schools

LAST WEEK THIS WEEK

Monday	Wednesday	Thursday
Circus	Games	Market Fitness

Recycling School Uniforms

This is a call to all parents and carers as the end of year is approaching, if there are any school uniforms that no longer fit your children please remember to recycle and bring them into the office.

A festive poster for the Wellington Spirit of Christmas Lunch. The background is dark red with white and gold Christmas ornaments, stars, and swirls. The title 'WELLINGTON SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS LUNCH' is in large, white, stylized letters. Below the title, text describes the event's purpose: to help those who are alone or unable to prepare a meal on Christmas Day. It includes details about the date, time, location, and booking information.

**WELLINGTON
SPIRIT OF
CHRISTMAS
LUNCH**

SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS WILL BE HOLDING CHRISTMAS LUNCH FOR LOCAL PEOPLE WHO WILL BE ALONE OR UNABLE TO PREPARE A MEAL ON CHRISTMAS DAY.

COME AND JOIN US TO CELEBRATE.

WHEN: CHRISTMAS DAY, 25 December 2014, 11.00am

WHERE: Senior Citizens Centre, Swift Street, Wellington

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A BOOKING OR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT
CATHY DONNELLY 6845 2391
or put your name down at WINS or the Senior Citizens Centre**

Volunteers and donations welcomed



Wellington Public School

P&C Christmas Raffle

5 prizes to the value of around \$200 each.

- LEGO Hamper
- Book Hamper
- Pool Hamper
- Christmas Hamper
- Movie Night Hamper

Tickets \$2 each & are available
from the school office.

Raffle will be drawn at the
WPS Carols night on the
9th of December 2014
6-7pm in the COLA area.



Do you have or know of any children who are ready
for BIG SCHOOL in 2015?

Enrol NOW for Kindergarten 2015

Enrolment forms available from the school office.
Birth certificate and immunisation record is required.

Celebrating Great Efforts and Performances

This Week's Buzzie Winners



**Jack KY, Ky KY, Kataya KG, Eddie 1/2F, Asher 2G, Ollie 2G,
Noah 3/0B, Tom 3/4E, Tom 3K, Clayton 5P, Aidan 5S,
Cooper 5P, Claire and Emma.**

Stay in touch
with the
Wellington PS app.



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and apple OS (Apple app store)***



Wellington Public Preschool



Maxwell Street,
Wellington
Ph 02 6845 4080

The Whisp

News From Miss Donna

Welcome to Week 9

Assessment and ratings is now over. I would like to extend my deepest thanks to firstly, all the staff at preschool for all the time and effort they have put into not only the assessment process but all year in every aspect of the job. We truly are a team and one that has now made it through to the other side.

Wow week 9 already, we are now getting ready to finish up for the term. Week 10 of this term will be our last week with 11th December being our final day for 2014.

On 8th December we have a representative from Toronga Western Plains Zoo coming to give a presentation to our children about small animals (because lets face it we love our bugs and creepy crawlies!). Also she will be talking to staff about ways to improve our outdoor area. If you have any suggestions please talk to either myself or one of the staff or write them down. Everyone's input is very much appreciated for the improvement of our Preschool.

A friendly reminder Preschool fees are now due. We are asking all parents to pay these fees ASAP to avoid a late reminder note. If you cannot remember how much our fees are or how much you owe please do not hesitate to talk to either myself or one of our staff.

Have a great week. **Donna Langlands and Preschool Staff**

We are asking all families to donate clear plastic bottles for some Christmas craft we plan on creating. A box is located in the foyer for bottle donations.

What's Happening This Week– Christmas Art & Craft

Monday– Christmas art & craft

Tuesday– Christmas art & craft

Wednesday– Wiradjuri

Thursday– Christmas art & craft

Monday to 1st -
Thursday 4th
December

Week 9



**In writing
encourage
your child
to explore
and invent.**

December

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

We enjoyed our week at Preschool!!



We are creating a fireplace as a centrepiece for our Christmas festivities, maybe Rosetta will visit.



Face painting has been very popular with lots of Santa's and Toothless the dragon.



Miss Sue help Billy make a dinosaur using boxes, wood and tape. Well done!



Thanks Tyre Right for the tyres they have been very useful in our outside play.



It looks like Spiderman will have lots of fun playing in the sandpit with Alex's construction.



Mud pies in the new digging pit. Would you be tempted to taste one?

\$1 raffle tickets!

Ear Bus Project
HEARD?



Win a Family Season Pass to the
Wellington Pool! Valued at \$208



Raffle will be drawn at Wellington
Public Schools Christmas Carols
night on the 9th of December.



Generously donated by the
Wellington Council.

Buy your tickets at Wellington Public School.



Wellington Public School

**Carols
Night**



**See
You
There!**



P & C Christmas Raffle will
be drawn on the night.
5 hamper prizes worth
around \$200 each.

-LEGO HAMPER
-BOOK HAMPER
-POOL HAMPER
-CHRISTMAS HAMPER
-MOVIE NIGHT HAMPER
\$2 a ticket. Available from
the school office

**WPS
C.O.L.A
AREA**

P & C will be selling

- Drinks
- Sausage sandwiches
- Steak sandwiches

Preschool to Year 6 will be
performing on the night and
there will be a selection of sing
a- long Carols.

- * Bring your rugs, folding chairs and a picnic tea.
- * Children to dress in **Red** and **Green**

Tuesday 9th December 2014
6pm to 7pm

NETBALL CUP & CLINIC



**SATURDAY 7TH FEBRUARY
2015**

**9AM TO 12.30PM
\$45 PER CHILD**

HeartKids

**PCYC NETBALL
COURTS – ORANGE**

For more information call madi on
0416 112 885 OR email

madi@life-studio.com.au

Registration closes on 23/01/15 or a \$5
late fee will be incurred

**ALL MONEY RAISED SUPPORTS
CHILDREN WITH HEART
DISEASE & THEIR FAMILIES**

Dear Parents, Staff and SRC,

The Department of Education and Communities (DEC) School Uniform guidelines outline that school uniforms should be reviewed approximately every three years. In light of this the P&C would like to form a committee to undertake this review for Wellington Public School.

According DEC Guidelines, the wearing of school uniforms by students will assist school communities in:

- defining an identity for the school within its community
- developing students' sense of belonging to the school community
- providing an opportunity to build school spirit
- enhancing the health and safety of students when involved in school activities
- promoting a sense of inclusiveness, non-discrimination and equal opportunity
- reinforcing the perception of the school as an ordered and safe environment
- increasing the personal safety of students and staff by allowing easier recognition of visitors and potential intruders in the school
- promoting positive community perceptions of public education
- making school clothing more affordable for families by eliminating the risk of peer pressure to wear transiently fashionable and expensive clothes.

To establish this committee, the policy requires representation from Parents, Staff and Students. We would like to have between 8-10 members on this committee with a minimum of 2 members from each of these groups. This committee will be established by the end of this year in order to start the review process in Term 1 2015.

If you are interested, please fill out the below details are return to the school office.

With Thanks

Wellington Public School P&C Committee

I would like to be a part of the School Uniform Committee.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Are you: Parent Staff P&C SRC



WESTERN BAND CAMP
February 15-February 20, 2015
Information for Parents and Students

The Western Band Camp is on again! The 2015 Camp will be held at Lake Burrendong Sport and Recreation Centre from Sunday 15 February – Friday 20 February 2015. The camp is open to all public school students from years 5-12 and caters for musicians of all levels from beginner to advanced. During the week students will participate in a range of programs including concert band, advanced band and instrumental group tutorials.

The camp aims to give students a valuable educational and musical experience. It will give students the opportunity to enhance their skills by working with professional musicians, tutors and conductors and exposing them to a variety of music and styles.

Students who attend camp will be eligible for selection for State Wind Band and Beyond the Divide Band Tours.

Bass guitarists are welcome, however, there are no positions available for vocalists, electric or acoustic guitarists. Separate camps are available for these students. Piano students are welcome to attend, with the understanding that they will be placed with the percussion section. A single drum kit is provided for drummers and they will be expected to rotate turns on the equipment with percussion instruments.

It is expected that all students that apply will be accepted. A confirmation email will be sent to parents/care givers so please ensure that an up-to-date email is provided. Payment can be made either in full - \$400, OR as a \$50 deposit that accompanies the application form followed by instalments of your choice. Students who withdraw will forfeit all monies paid, unless a Doctor's Certificate is presented.

Closing Date for Nominations
Monday 15 December 2014

Please contact Mrs Nott for more information and/or permission notes.

Thankyou,
Mrs Nott.

Christmas in the Park

MERRY
CHRISTMAS
TO THE
COMMUNITY OF
WELLINGTON



BRING YOUR FAMILY,
FRIENDS, RUG OR CHAIR,
A SMILE AND JOIN IN
THE CHRISTMAS FUN :)

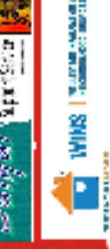
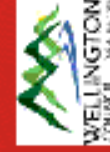
Friday

12th December 2014
Cameron Park, Wellington
6.30pm to 8.30pm
Followed by DV Collective
Movie Night in the
Sunken Garden
"Despicable Me"

CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK
IS PROUDLY SPONSORED BY

FREE Family Fun including:

- Jumping Castle
 - Kids Christmas Craft
 - Fairy Floss, Snow Cones & Popcorn
 - Lucky Door Prizes
 - Bucking Bull
 - Trike Rides
 - Face Painting & Balloons
 - Market Stalls
 - Music by Town Band/Local Talent
 - Free Sausage Sandwiches & Drinks
- Plus a Special Visitor with a
SURPRISE for the kids !!



ENQUIRIES

Maree Thomas - Communities for Children Coordinator - 0427636023

Kindergarten

Assemblies Term 4 2014

Assemblies are held every second Thursday at 2:00pm in the Block A Hall. If there are any changes to this timetable you will be notified as soon as possible.



Positions Available
2015

Kayla's
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MidWestern Regional
Family Day Care Scheme

Family DAYCARE

- Qualified and Experienced Child Care Educator
- Home based setting in a Familiar, Fun, Clean, Safe and Secure environment.
- Promoting Early Learning and Social Development
- Programs and activities designed for your child's individual needs, through play, reading, music, art and craft etc.

Open Tue - Fri
*Full time/Part time/Casual positions available
*Age - 6 Months - 12yrs
Phone: 4845 1280
Mob: 0427 890 814
Email: kaylneech@yahoo.com

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				K Yellow

BUS ZONE PARKING...

PARENTS ARE ASKED NOT TO PARK IN THE BUS ZONES, IT IS A HUGE SAFETY ISSUE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN GETTING ON AND OFF THE BUSES.

Police will be patrolling the school bus stop during home time. **THANKYOU.**

\$5 MEAL DEALS

13th October – 5th December 2014

Monday	Chicken Caesar Salad & Juice Popper <u>or</u> Water
Tuesday	Tomato Pasta & Juice Popper <u>or</u> Water
Wednesday	Baked Potato w/ Bolognese <u>or</u> Coleslaw & Juice Popper <u>or</u> Water
Thursday	Soy Chicken Kebab & Rice & Juice Popper <u>or</u> Water
Friday	Chicken <u>or</u> Cheese Burger & Juice Popper <u>or</u> Water



PCYC Wellington will be holding activity open days during the January school holidays. Kids can come down a try a variety of activities on offer. All it will cost to participate is **\$5** per day and will include PCYC membership. For more information call **6862 3273** or MDevenish@pcycnsw.org.au

Activities time-table

Tuesday 13th January 10am - 12pm Main Hall

Gym Hall

Indoor Soccer 10am -11am Kindergym 10am - 12pm
Slap Hockey 11am - 12pm

Wednesday 14th January 1pm—
5pm

Archery 1.30pm - 2.30pm Gymnastics 1.30pm - 2.30pm
Dodgeball 3pm - 4pm Boxing 3pm - 4pm
Handball 4pm - 5pm Judo 4pm - 5pm

Thursday 15th January 4pm - 6pm

Basketball 4pm -5pm Dance 4pm - 5pm
Slap Hockey 5pm -6pm Karate 5pm - 6pm

Wednesday 21st January 2pm -
5pm

Archery 2pm - 2.45pm Gymnastics 2pm - 3pm
Touch Footy 3pm - 4pm Boxing 3pm - 4pm
Futsal 4pm - 5pm Judo 4pm - 5pm

Thursday 22nd January 4pm -6pm

Basketball 4pm - 5pm Tramp 4pm - 5pm
Dodgeball 5pm - 6pm Gymnastics 5pm - 6pm

Days

Open

69 Gobolion St Wellington



Can Saver Plus assist you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for educational costs including:

- school uniforms and text books
- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself.

Contact Kim Mathieson, your local Saver Plus Worker:
(02) 6881 8032 / 0419 319 564
or kim.mathieson@thesmithfamily.com.au

Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered in Dubbo and surrounding districts by The Smith Family. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.

WELLINGTON

XMAS

YOUTH

DISCO



Come down and bring your Xmas cheer and dance moves

Plenty of fun, food and music as Wellington's youth can celebrate the upcoming festive season and all important school holidays in a vibrant safe atmosphere. Food will be provided.

WHERE: Wellington PCYC 69 Gobolion St Wellington

WHEN: Friday 5th December 6.30pm to 9.30pm

COST: \$4 entry + money for drinks

We will also encourage people to bring along a gift or non-perishable food item for a Xmas hamper that will be donated to a local charity.

AGES 9 TO 15 YEARS

**FRIDAY
5TH
DECEMBER
6.30PM TO 9.30PM**



\$4 ENTRY

**PCYC
WELLINGTON**



MARANATHA CARNIVAL

Date: Saturday 6th Dec

Time: 10.00am

Venue: Maranatha House
Wellington

Kidz Community Veggie Patch



Experience the thrill!

Building raised bed garden, soil preparation and health, germinating vegetable seeds, planting, fertilising, maintenance, harvest, worm farming, compost plus more!



5 - 12 year old girls and boys welcome

Thursday Afternoons @ Wellington Scout Hall

(Corner of Gisborne and Pierce Streets)

During School Term: 3.30pm to 4.30pm

16 Oct 2014	6 Nov 2014	27 Nov 2014
23 Oct 2014	13 Nov 2014	4 Dec 2014
30 Oct 2014	20 Nov 2014	



To book in or for information :
Contact Sharon
6889 1422 or 0428894180

