



10 May 2017

# NEWSLETTER NUMBER 14

## STUDENT ABSENCES – TELEPHONE 3286 0660

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### DIARY DATES

MAY 2017		
Thur	11	Naplan – Numeracy Mother's Day stall Years 4 – 6
Fri	12	Osprey Cup Basketball Mother's Day stall Prep – Year 3 Osprey Cup Basketball – Wellington Point State High School
Mon	15	2.30pm Parade
Thur	18	Chappy Pancake Breakfast
Fri	19	Senior Band Workshop WPSHS

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Students, Parents and Staff,

#### Our 130 Years Birthday Celebrations

Yesterday, our P&C Association organised a wonderful 130<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration for our school. As students, staff and parents arrived at school they were greeted with party balloons and streamers tied to our front fence. What a lovely way to start the day! At 1.45pm we were to pose for a whole school photo on the slope between the two ovals, but because of the rain we opted to take the photo on the stage in the hall. Thanks to Mrs Tarrant for taking the official photos. Following the photo, we sang happy birthday before our school captains cut the cake. Students then enjoyed a piece of cake whilst watching a puppet performance by one of our parents, Mr Carl Wynn. To complete our celebrations, P&C President, Mrs Lisa Blackmore advised that the association had organised for each student and staff member to receive a special 130<sup>th</sup> birthday bag tag in honour of the celebration. What a special gift!

It certainly was a lovely school celebration and it was wonderful to see some past students who attended for the afternoon. I would like to acknowledge and thank for attending, Mrs Jenny Clapham who was enrolled at our school in 1949; Mrs Margaret Bell who was enrolled in 1952 and Mrs Rita Pennisi who was enrolled in 1957.

**Finally, a big thank you to our P&C Association for organising the celebration. Greatly appreciated!**

#### Osprey Cup – Basketball

This Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May, four teams from our school will be competing in the Osprey Cup basketball competition, at Wellington Point State High School. We will be competing against teams from Birkdale South State School. Mr Davey will be coaching the Senior Boys and Girls teams and Mr Bottomer the Junior Boys and Girls teams.

Students competing in the competition will need to be at school by 8.20am and meet their teachers in the Covered Games Area before walking to the high school. Following a full day of competition students will return to school by 3pm. Good luck to all our teams!

#### District Sporting Reps

Recently, students from our school have been attending trials, after school, to seek selection in various district sporting teams. I would like to congratulate the following students who have gained District selection and will now compete at Regional trials. They are:

Alexis T and Clara C – District Soccer Team  
Keala D and Poko T – District Softball Team  
Logan B – District Rugby Union Team

#### Staff Carparks

I wish to remind parents that our carparks, located to the left of the administration block and beside our school hall, **are for employees use only**. Parents wishing to accompany students into the school grounds will need to park their vehicle on neighbouring streets and walk them through the pedestrian access gates. In the interest of student safety, students should not be walked through the staff carparks. Your understanding and co-operation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

#### Staffing Update

I wish to advise of the following staffing arrangements: This Thursday, Mr David Bottomer will commence 5 days leave. We have contracted Mrs Camelia Harvey to teach Year 5B during this time.

Next week, our Literacy Specialist, Mrs Lyn Williams will be commencing four weeks leave. I have contracted Mrs Maria Bloomfield to undertake the Literacy Specialist role and Mrs Michelle Valkenburg to teach Year 2B full time during this time.

Mrs Cathy Gillam will be commencing 5 days leave next Monday. Mrs Allyson Green will teach P/1G fulltime during this time.

Mrs Carly Faino will be commencing 7 days leave next Thursday. We have contracted Mr Michael Willis to teach Yr4/5F during this time.

Regards, Marg Lane

#### HEAD OF CURRICULUM

This week our amazing year 3 and 5 students are undertaking NAPLAN testing along with more than one million students across Australia.

Many myths surround NAPLAN but there is one universal truth: that there is an important correlation between report card and NAPLAN data. This means, while NAPLAN provides useful data, concentrating on teaching the curriculum, using effective assessment and moderation processes, and focusing on the progress of every student in every classroom is really the only way to go!

It has been wonderful to see students coming to school with an *I Can Do It* attitude each day. The skills of Persistence, Confidence, Organisation, Resilience and Getting Along have been evident in every classroom as students have been working hard to do their best.

I want to share a letter that was written by a teacher to her students as it highlights that although the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests basic literacy and numeracy skills in order to ensure that students are progressing as expected within the current curriculum, it does not test everything about them.

*“Dear Students,  
As you sit your NAPLAN test there is something important for you all to know: This test does not assess all of what makes you exceptional and unique.*



*The people who score the tests do not know that some of you like to sing, are good at drawing or can teach others how to use a computer program. They have not seen the way some of you can dance with grace or speak confidently in front of a large group. They do not know that your friends count on you to be there for them when they are sad. They do not know that you participate in sports, help your Mum or Dad or that you play with your little brother, sister or cousins. They do not know that you are caring, thoughtful and that every day you do your best. Because these attributes cannot be tested.*

*The scores you get from this test will tell you how you did on that day but they will not tell you everything. They can't tell you that you have improved on something you once found difficult. They can't tell you that you brighten up your teacher's day. They can't tell you how amazingly special you are.*

*So come to school ready to do your best for the NAPLAN test and remember there is no one way to 'test' all of the wonderful things that make you, YOU!*

*Regards,  
Your classroom teacher”*

Yours in Learning,  
Stacey Kelleher



#### **LOTE**

Congratulations to Felix H from 3/4T who is the LOTE (Language Other Than English) – Japanese Award winner this week.

#### **WELLO CHAMPS**

Congratulations to Ellie W from PP and Tyler L from 2S who were this week's Wello Champs!



**CLASS OF THE WEEK 2B**



#### **LIBRARY STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

Congratulations to Keala D from 6D, who is this week's Library Student of the Week.

#### **STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

Well done to the following students, who received a certificate at assembly.

<b>PK</b>	Riley	<b>3S</b>	Sarah C
<b>PO</b>	Zane P	<b>3W</b>	Neve R
<b>PP</b>	Lawson R	<b>3/4T</b>	Tishya V
<b>P/1G</b>	Tiare G	<b>4E</b>	Isabelle
<b>1B</b>	Miah W	<b>4M</b>	Sienna M
<b>1D</b>	Lilli U	<b>4/5F</b>	Makayla L
<b>1/2F</b>	Claire P	<b>5B</b>	Harper A
<b>2B</b>	Macy	<b>5W</b>	
<b>2G</b>	Pippi	<b>6C</b>	Hannah B
<b>2S</b>	Casey	<b>6D</b>	Keala D
<b>3J</b>	Ethan J	<b>6M</b>	Jaydah S

#### **LIBRARY NEWS**

##### **Premier's Reading Challenge**

The Premier's Reading Challenge is due to commence next week on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017. A letter that fully explains the challenge and a record sheet will be sent home with every child next Monday. This is a wonderful opportunity to encourage your children to read a wide variety of books and we would love everyone to participate. Why not visit the library to get some ideas of books your child could read? The challenge concludes on Friday 25 August. When your child has finished reading the books please return their completed record sheet to their class teacher or, Ms Saverin or Mrs Mackellar in the Library. Children who complete the Challenge will receive a certificate from the Premier of Queensland. All children who complete the challenge will also go into a weekly prize draw and a major prize draw to win one of two book vouchers. Love to Read!

#### **P & C NEWS**

##### **Mother's Day Stall**

Our Mother's Day Stall will be held on Thursday and Friday this week

- Years 4-6 shop on Thursday
- Prep - Year 3 shop on Friday

There is lots to choose from, with a wide selection of great gifts, ranging from \$1.00-\$8 00

*For younger students it is suggested that their spending money is sent in a labelled bag or envelope. Teachers & helpers will 'assist' their shopping experience.*

##### **Bush Dance News**

Thank you to everyone for the great donations on Free Dress Day. It was greatly appreciated.

##### **Volunteers needed**

Can you help make our Bush Dance the best yet? We need to round up some volunteers to run stalls on the night. Rosters are on the noticeboard outside Admin building or email [wpsc\\_pc\\_secretary@outlook.com](mailto:wpsc_pc_secretary@outlook.com) for more details

##### **Celebrating 130 Years: 1887 - 2017**

Thank you to all who attended the school's 130th birthday celebrations on Monday. It was a wonderful afternoon. The P&C would also like to thank Kensington Fair Bakery and Puppatrix for their contribution.

Don't forget to follow the Wellington Point State School P&C Facebook page to stay up to date.

#### **SPORTS NEWS**

##### **Bayside District Girls Softball Team**

Congratulations to Keala D and Poko T on their selection in the District U12 Girls Softball Team. The girls will play in the Regional carnival on the 6th June.

##### **Bayside District Rugby Union Team**

Congratulations to Logan B on his selection in the District U12 Rugby Union team. Logan will play in the Metropolitan East Regional Selection Carnival on the 6th /7th June.

##### **Term Two - AFL Qld 'Auskick' After School Clinic**

**Who:** Prep - Year Three students invited

**Where:** Top Oval

**Time** 3.15 - 4.15pm

**Starting:** Thursday 11th May (Ending 15th June)

**Cost:** \$75.00

Information leaflets have been sent home for online bookings or simply turn up next Thursday at 3.00pm

#### **MUSIC NEWS**

##### **Senior Choir News**

On the 20th of April, our Senior Choir had the pleasure of performing at the Wellington Point State High School ANZAC Day Ceremony. We were able to sing "Advanced Australia Fair"

alongside the Wello High Band, led by Miss Steffen, "God Defend New Zealand" acapella (unaccompanied) with two male high school students, and "We are the Children" with a piano backing track. It was an amazing experience. Mrs Tuckwood was extremely proud of the way we were able to perform with a concert band, and acapella with two soloists, all with only one short rehearsal just before the ceremony.

A special thank you to Mrs MacKellar and the parents who walked to and from the high school with us, and to Mrs Tuckwood for her help.

Holly J, Beth E, Lani M, Emily E and Grace F.

### **FINANCIAL NEWS**

If paying via Internet banking to the school bank account allow two business days for payments to be processed.

### **BANKING DETAILS FOR ONLINE BANKING**

**ACCOUNT : WELLINGTON POINT STATE SCHOOL**

**BSB : 064 138**

**ACCOUNT NO: 00090131**

**DESCRIPTION: SURNAME+ACTIVITY**

\*\*Invoices are now being sent out via email for excursions/incursions and school sports activities where payment is required. Please ensure the parent/carer email address is kept up to date to enable this process to occur.

Each invoice will have BPOINT (similar to BPAY) payment details in the bottom left hand corner, example shown below.

When paying via BPOINT, please ensure that you enter:

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3. Student Name as shown on the invoice.
4. Amount being paid

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### **ADMINISTRATION NEWS**

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