SPECTACULAR EFFORT!

Congratulations to the 12 Stage 3 students who did an outstanding job representing our school at the Schools Spectacular over the past week. All the girls have been working hard all year and their efforts were finally rewarded with a number of performances at the Sydney Entertainment Centre, which was televised over the weekend. For those who may have missed it you can still watch the show at: www.jump-in.com.au

While in Sydney, the kids spent most of their time either rehearsing or performing but also made the most of small opportunities to see the city. They enjoyed a ferry ride over to Manly, a walk around Circular Quay, a visit to the Aquarium and trip up Sydney Tower.

None of this would have been possible without the outstanding support of the school and wider Lismore community. Thank you to all who have assisted by contributing to fundraising and helping to build the excitement.

Thank you also to the parents who were involved in the planning process and again helping out in Sydney. I would like to particularly highlight the impact of Miss Pine, who got the ball rolling in Term 1 and helped the kids put together a successful audition piece. Finally, thank you to Ms McLaughlin who put in a phenomenal amount of work, organising the trip and rehearsing with the girls to ensure that they shone on stage. A truly memorable experience!

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GOOD LUCK SOFTBALL TEAM!

In another show of amazing support, thank you to all the staff, students and community who have helped get our softball team to Sydney for the finals of the State Knockout Competition. The school was awash with colour yesterday as students came to school in mufti with some money in their pockets to go towards a sausage sizzle and entry into a raffle with an impressive list of prizes. Congratulations to all our winners. Major prize winners were:

- Renae Blaikie (WRPS parent) won 1st prize (Razor Electric Scooter)
- Mrs Whitelaw won 2nd prize (Reg Gregor original painting).

The current coach, Mr Nind and previous coach Mr McLean are very proud to accompany the team to Sydney this afternoon with a number of parents. I look forward to reporting in next week’s newsletter about how they got on. Regardless of the outcome, congratulations to the whole team on another outstanding effort.

A massive THANK YOU to the following local businesses that supported our softball team by providing prizes to raffle or offered donations. Please in turn support these businesses, which have so generously supported our school.

Beach and Bush Distributer, Tony Gregor, Madeleine Nind, Harvey Norman, Summerland Trophies, Lismore Golf Club (Peter Jeager), Lucky’s Seafood, Café Cappelo, La Vida Bar and Restaurant, Spa Supermarket, Winks, Pomstar Salons, Pro Nails, Curves, Pete Creather Picture Framing, Lismore Country Meats, Glen Lawrence Summerland Sports, Raptis Fresh Produce (Con Raptis - Sydney Markets) and Bid Vest (Rob Menin).

ENRICHED STUDENTS

Yesterday the Stage 3 mathematics enrichment class spent the morning at Southern Cross University. For much of the year this class of talented mathematicians has worked with Mr Whitelaw from the university in weekly sessions exploring many of the fun, interesting and quirky aspects of the field. They enjoyed the opportunity to spend some time at the Uni and take a possible glimpse into their future. Thank you to Mr Whitelaw and SCU for providing this opportunity.
5 BANNER PARTY

Any student who has received 5 banners at WRPS is invited to attend a special celebration. Next Friday, Mr Hockings will accompany these deserving students to Ten Pin Bowling, followed by lunch. Usually this honour takes many years to achieve and only goes to Stage 3 students; however any student who has achieved this magnificent effort should bring their 5 banners to the school office by this Friday to ensure they don’t miss out.

PAST WRPS STUDENT SUCCESSES

Rhein Gibson played in the Australian Open Golf yesterday and was placed equal fourth, enabling him to qualify for a start in the British Open. The US based ex-WRPS student hit a 55 last year in Oklahoma – a figure that is now officially listed as the lowest ever recorded score and is listed in this year’s Guinness Book of Records.

Taholo (pictured) is a 17 year old student from Lismore High School, who was fortunate enough to be one of the featured artists at the Schools Spectacular. “This is my first year performing in the Schools Spectacular and I am proud of my opportunity to perform. I enjoy performing in front of a large audience!” www.schoolsspectacular.com.au/participating-2013

CLASS FEATURE - 5/6V Enterprise Project

5/6V is undertaking an Enterprise Project to help engage them with financial literacy components of the syllabus. For this project they are creating a business partnership with fellow students within the class for a market day. The students within their partnerships have undertaken market research by surveying other classes from their target market. They will be submitting a business plan which will include how they intend to fund their business, what price they will be selling their product or service for and an estimate of the profits they are expecting.

The next phase is to market and sell a service or product of their choice in preparation for the market day, which will be held during the middle session on Monday 16 December. The businesses will include food and activity stalls, with the money going to either the school or a charity, as set out in each groups’ business contract.

On Market Day, 5/6V will be setting up their businesses and inviting other classes to come and buy their goods and services. The students are aware that even though their market research may indicate that their product is of interest, external factors such as family budgets and competition will affect their ability to sell their product on the day. Full details of the businesses and their products will be in the newsletter next week.

Whilst 5/6V appreciate the school’s and your support for this project, there is no obligation for any family to purchase any goods or services at the Market Day. Please direct any questions you might have about this exciting project to Mrs McKenna.
OUR KIDS CD

Our school choir has had the honour of performing one of the songs on the Our Kids CD. The Our Kids organisation fundraises for the children’s ward at Lismore Base Hospital. The CD is now available for purchase at the office for $20 (this includes the CD and 2014 Calendar). The CD and Calendar would make a great Christmas present and is a wonderful way to help children stay local when needing medical care.

WYRALLAH ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL K-6 PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Recently, Stage 2 students were involved in a photography competition which saw many budding young photographers enter their photos. With such talent among our students, it was decided to run a whole-school competition. Therefore all students are invited to participate in the Wyrallah Road Public School SRC Photography Competition which is open to students of all ages. Entry is free. The rules of the competition are as follows:

- Students may submit one photo (free choice). No photos are to be taken at school.
- Students are responsible for their own developing of photos (size 10x15cm). They may be printed in colour or black and white.
- The photo should be given a title. The title and your name/class are to be written on the back of the photo.
- Photos must be taken by the student.
- Entries will be judged on a Stage basis ie; Kindergarten, Stage 1, Stage 2, Stage 3.
- Photos must be submitted to classroom teachers by Monday, 9 December. Winners will be announced at the school assembly on Friday, 13 December.
- If taking photos of people, permission should be obtained from the person.

Any questions to be directed to Mrs Sirach or your class teacher.

OOSH - Outside of School Hours service at WRPS

The tender process for the OOSH service at school has now been completed. I am pleased to announce that Helping Hands Network will be partnering with Wyrallah Road Public School to deliver this service from the hall from the start of the 2014 school year. Enrolment packs will be sent home to all families at the end of next week. Additionally, an information session will be held in the hall on Monday 16 December at 6pm. Staff of Helping Hands will be attending to deliver a brief presentation and answer any questions you may have. In the interim, if you would like to know more about Helping Hands, please visit www.helpinghandsnetwork.com.au or call the Help Desk on 1300 612 462.
PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO DECEMBER P&C MEETING. Instead, please come along to the dinner. Everyone who has assisted the school throughout the year is invited, whether it’s volunteering in the canteen, classroom, uniform shop, with fundraising, anything, we would love for you to join us.

WRPS P&C CHRISTMAS PARTY

Tuesday 10th December 2013
Mary G’s Lismore
Dinner @ 6:30 p.m.
Followed by Hit That Hit! Musical Bingo commencing at 8pm if you would like to join in.

Please bring a secret Santa gift to the value of $5.

Please R.S.V.P. by Friday 6th December to wyrallahrdps.pandc@gmail.com or call or text Corinne on 0413 143 722

STUDENT BANKING: Please note that the last banking day for 2013 will be Monday 9th December. If your child has received an award redemption letter, please send them in on Monday 9th to collect their reward. A maximum of 9 tokens only can be rolled over to 2014.

WRPS CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Families are asked to donate one quality item (non-perishable) to be put toward Christmas hampers for our 2013 Xmas raffle. Donations will need to be brought into the front office by Friday 6th Dec. Tickets are $1 each. All money and tickets (sold or unsold) need to be returned to the front office by Wednesday 11th December ready for the drawing on Friday 13th December.

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