THANK YOU AND FAREWELL MRS WHITELAW

Mrs Whitelaw has only been back at our school for a short period but in that time she has worked tirelessly, ensuring a terrific start for a lovely group of kindergarten students as well as supporting colleagues and special projects across the school. Tomorrow will be her last day at WRPS before taking up a new post as Instructional Leader at Lismore South Public School. Her work, particularly with the kindergarten L3 project, will mean we don’t lose her completely and I know she will enjoy coming back and working with our great kids and families over the next couple of years. We wish her all the best for her new job and look forward to lots of visits in the not too distant future.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

We’re taking it in our stride this Friday, 23 May. Not only is walking to school a wonderful way to get where you want to be but it also helps improve your child’s health. That is why WRPS is participating in National Walk Safely to School Day on Friday. You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

- Walking with them the whole way to school;
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from school and walk the rest of the way;
- When the children get off the bus, they can walk along Wyrallah Road, turn down Elizabeth Street and turn right again into Nielson Street and into school (teachers will supervise the route).

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental issues and diabetes, it also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic. Remember, active kids are healthy kids, so start planning your own “Walk Safely to School Day”.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR LEARNING FOCUS

Assembly Area – Fair is Fun

- Sit on class line
- Allow personal space

Principal: Gareth Hockings
Wyrallah Road Public School proudly stands on Bundjalung land
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6A spent Tuesday morning with the rest of Year 6 in the hall participating in a variety of maths activities.

Abbie and Hunter enjoyed dice addition.

The activity that Angus, Alex and Ethan enjoyed the most was Sudoku.

How fast can you say your 9x tables? 9x tables champ Shiralee said them in 8 seconds. Can you beat her?

Welcome back to Term 2 at Before and After School Care, we had a wonderful fun packed vacation care which was enjoyed by all. Please feel free to visit us and check out all of the fun things we did in our photo book.

A few reminders for parents of enrolled children:

- Now the weather is cooling down please ensure your child has a jumper in their bag to put on in the afternoons.
- Please ensure you phone us at After School Care if your child will not be attending Care if they are sick or for whatever the reason maybe. All phone calls Staff have to make to find out where your child is will be charged to your accounts.
- Please remember to bring in your family photos, thank you to those parents who have done so already.

Should you wish to find out more our operating hours are 6.30am-6.30pm (Vacation Care), 6.30am-8.30am (Before School Care) and 3.00pm-6.30pm (After School Care).

Please feel free to come and visit our friendly staff who are more than happy to answer any of your questions. Alternately you can contact Julie (Coordinator) via phone 0448 125 995 or email wyrallahroad@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au.
P&C FEDERATION UPDATE: Please note that the changes will not directly affect the day-to-day operations and activities of our P&C Association, which will continue as normal.

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations. Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councilors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management.

EVER WONDERED WHY THE P&C ASSOCIATION EXISTS? The Department of Education and Communities issued a statement ‘The Partnership Between School and Established Parent Bodies’ which outlines the proper place of parent organisations in school and places special emphasis on the P&C Association’s role in providing “a forum in which parents can develop their partnership with the school and articulate their aspirations for their children’s education.” See excerpt below:

Public education is strongly supported through a series of partnerships based on mutual respect, shared goals and trust. Parents and Citizens’ Associations (P&Cs) are valued partners in our schools demonstrating how successful student learning can be when parents and staff work together.

Schools will be most effective in meeting their goals when the partnership between parents and staff is open, publicly valued and based on a clear understanding of respective roles and responsibilities.

Meetings of the P&C provide an important opportunity for the principal and members of the parent community to work together. P&C meetings allow all parents to come together as members and contribute in an open and inclusive forum where ideas and concerns can be raised and discussed. The principal has a significant role in P&C meetings by ensuring members are well informed about relevant school and wider systemic matters and have an opportunity to express their views. A link to the full version of The Partnership between Schools and Established Parent Organisations memorandum is available through here:


The WRPS P&C Association welcomes all parents and citizens to come along to our meetings. The next meeting is Wednesday 11th June. Fundraising/Uniform shop/canteen meeting starts at 6.30pm and general meeting starts at 7pm. Call Cherron on 0407 208 407 for more information.

Cherron Cameron – President

CANTEEN NEWS:

Thu, 22 May  Dave McLean, Naomi Pitkin, Rachel Young
Fri, 23 May  Vicki Muddiman, Kerensa Bell, Help Please
Mon, 26 May  Michelle Cara, Cath Fahy
Tue, 27 May  Sally Bates, Asher Smith
Wed, 28 May  Louise Somerville, Lisa Bryant
Thu, 29 May  Dave McLean, Steph Gregory, Cherron Cameron
Fri, 30 May  Vicki Muddiman, Kate Muldowney, Sandra Sariago
Mon, 2 June  Renea Allen, Help Please
Tue, 3 June  Tracey Menger, Sally Bates
Wed, 4 June  Kerry McDonald, Leoni Fruend, Peter Bylos

Thursday Special: Jelly Cups – Red, Orange, Green - $1.00

Please note: Spoons and forks will be provided with canteen purchases. If a spoon or fork is needed for food bought from home, there will be a charge of 5 cents.

UNIFORM SHOP

ROSTER: Friday, 23 May – Asher Neilson
2013-2014 Family Energy Rebate

$125* TOWARDS ENERGY BILLS

DON’T MISS THE DEADLINE!
Apply before 5pm Friday 13 June 2014

WHAT IS THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE?
The Family Energy Rebate helps to cover the costs of energy bills for NSW households with dependent children. In 2013 – 2014 the rebate gives:
- A $125 credit against electricity bills for eligible applicants who receive electricity from an electricity retailer.
- A $137.50 direct payment to nominated bank accounts for eligible applicants who live in a caravan or mobile home park and receive electricity from the park operator.

AM I ELIGIBLE FOR THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE?
To be eligible you MUST:
- Be eligible for Family Tax Benefit A or B during 2012-2013 and have received a relevant payment; and
- Be the primary account holder of an electricity retailer, OR a long term resident of a caravan or mobile park home, whose name appears on the electricity bills supplied by the park operator.

YOU CHOOSE HOW YOU WANT TO APPLY FOR THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE
- ONLINE – it takes a few minutes to submit and processing starts immediately.
- PAPER – download a form from the website, complete and submit by email, fax or post.

FOR MORE INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE
PHONE Service NSW 13 77 88
EMAIL fer.program@trade.nsw.gov.au
WRPS P&C

Pie Drive Fundraiser

in conjunction with Modarville Takeaway are giving our school community
an opportunity to purchase freshly made pies and sweets.

The orders will be ready for collection outside the school canteen on Thursday 19th June from 2:30pm.

Please complete the order form and return with payment to the school canteen by **Friday 13th June**.

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| Meat & Mushroom pie | | $9.50 | |
| Meat, Bacon & Cheese pie | | $9.50 | |
| Meat, Tomato, Onion & Cheese pie | | $10.00 | |
| Cottage pie       |          | $11.50        |       |
| Chicken Mornay pie |          | $10.50        |       |
| Satay Chicken pie |          | $10.50        |       |
| Corn, Cheese & Asparagus pie | | $9.50 | |
| Cauliflower & Broccoli pie | | $9.50 | |
| Sausage rolls - 6 pack |
  *won first place at Lismore Show Oct 2012* | | $13.00 | |
| Small plain pies - 6 pack | | $16.00 | |
| Apple pie         |          | $9.50         |       |
| Apple Crumble     |          | $9.50         |       |
| Apple Blueberry pie |       | $9.50         |       |
| Apple Blueberry Crumble | | $9.50 | |

Amount enclosed $