WRPS Students Enhance Great Reputation

Every time our students head out into the community they receive positive feedback about their behaviour and participation. It was no different for the Year 4 students who recently went on an overnight excursion to Brisbane, with many comments regarding their cooperation, excellent listening skills and manners. We are proud to have such wonderful students at our school – they are a credit to their families and should be congratulated. A full report on the excursion, written by the students is further on in this newsletter.

Leadership Conference

Last Friday our school captains and 4 students from Year 5 attended a conference in Coolangatta to build on their leadership skills. They were challenged by interesting topics, such as "The School Yard Super Hero" and "Lead like a Strawberry, not like a Watermelon". The students came up with lots of great ideas that they will follow up back at school in coming weeks. Thank you to Mrs Bryant for helping with transport on the day and all the parents for supporting your children to become outstanding school leaders.

Rugby League

Last Thursday our Boy’s Open Rugby League Team competed in the 'All School's Rugby League Gala Day' at Casino. Being a relatively inexperienced team their improved play throughout the tournament was very pleasing, particularly as they lost by only 3 tries to 2 to one of the eventual finalists. We now look forward to the PSSA knockout in a couple of weeks. Well done to all the boys and thank you to the parents who helped with transport and their support on the day. Thanks also to Mr Campey for coaching the team.

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Working Bee a Hive of Activity
Thank you to the P&C helpers at the working bee last weekend. Particular thanks go to our terrific General Assistant (GA) Doug Jones, who gave up part of his weekend to coordinate and make the most of our wonderful volunteers. As a result, most of our outside seating has been given a new lease of life.

Aboriginal Education Team Meeting – Today 3:30
We would love to see parents and carers of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in the staff room this afternoon at 3:30 pm. There is plenty to discuss, including NAIDOC Week preparations and “Stronger Smarter” opportunities. I look forward to seeing you there.

Cross Country Ribbon Presentation
Congratulations to all the students who received ribbons for finishing in the top 6 of their age group at the school cross country. This year the students who finished in the top 6 in the older grades also received a voucher, generously donated by Chicken Mania – now open in Lismore and Ballina. The zone cross country will be held next Friday, 23 May at Corndale. Good luck to the whole team.

Class Feature – KT
KT love writing on the mini whiteboards and incorporating art into our maths lessons. We have also been doing art as part of our COG’s unit, ‘Me’. Our class drew self-portraits, which turned out beautifully.

Each week we choose someone who has been working hard, helping others and following school rules to be ‘Student of the Week’. This lucky person receives a poster at our Early Stage 1 Assembly. We interview the student then Miss T makes up a special poster, which has lots of wonderful information about that student. We look forward to seeing who gets this honour each week!

At the end of Term 2 we enjoyed making baskets, bunnies and eggs to take home to our families. The Easter Bunny even took some time out to visit our classroom and leave all of us an Easter present in our baskets! KT looks forward to the next learning adventures Miss T has installed for us!
Year 4 Brisbane Excursion - by Mia

On Thursday the 8th of May Year 4 went on an excursion to Brisbane. We had to arrive at school by 6:00am; everyone was very tired from getting up and ready so early. We packed everyone’s bags onto the bus and left at 6:30.

Two hours later we arrived at Southbank. We walked around Southbank looking at all the cool stuff. From there we went to the Brisbane Museum and Science Centre.

In the museum there were lots of cool things to look at, and the science centre had lots of fun, interactive things to do. One of the best things was the spinning chair. After we got back on the bus we went to Osprey House to learn about the Osprey, a bird of prey. From here we went to Camp Warrawee where we spent the night.

Next morning we were up early and headed to Brett’s Wharf and boarded the Lady Brisbane and set off for St Helena Island. On the ferry we saw lots of huge ships and boats. When we arrived we had a tour of the island which used to be a gaol. This was our last stop, from here we headed back to Lismore. Everyone had an awesome time. Thanks to Mrs McKenna, Mrs Salt and Mr Beck for taking us.

Year 4 Brisbane Excursion - by Bailey

• I had a great time on the Brisbane excursion. The first place we went was the museum and it had a lot of dinosaurs and a lot of animals.
• Next we went to the science centre it was my favourite place. The science centre had a lot of futuristic technology. My favourite thing in the first room was the static electricity ball. In the second room it had lots of games, it was called the ‘Action’ room.
• Then we went to ‘Osprey House’. It had a lot of mangroves and was near the ocean.
• Next we arrived at ‘Camp Warrawee’. We had dinner and then got to have a play in the gymnasium. We had biscuits to share with our buddies before bed.
• In the morning we went to the Jetty and went on the ferry called ‘Lady Brisbane’ to St Helena. St Helena was a very old jail and we walked 6kms around the Island. We got split up into 3 groups, in my group we saw wallabies and we got to pretend to be prisoners and warders. The prisoners got to run away and the warders had to chase them.
• Then it was time to get the ferry back to board the bus to come home.
NEXT MEETING IS TONIGHT!: Both meetings are held in the staff room and everyone is welcome.
6.30pm – Fundraising/canteen/uniform shop meeting
7.00pm – General meeting

SCHOOL FEES: Have you paid your child’s fees yet? This is not a fundraiser by the P&C; this money assists your student with general school resources and the money goes directly to the school, P&C just collect it on behalf of the school. Fees can be paid by cash, cheque (made out to WRPS P&C) or direct deposit. Thank you 🙏.
(Account name: Wyrallah Road Public School P&C, BSB #: 032539 Account #: 435610)
IMPORTANT: Please include the full name of your eldest child as a reference and return the payment slip.

Cherron Cameron – President

FUNDRAISING
Thank you to everyone who sent money in to purchase a gift from the Mother’s Day stall and a special thanks to those of you who came in to help out on the stall!

STUDENT BANKING
For your chance to win a share of exciting prizes, simply make three or more deposits every Monday at school during Term 2 and you’ll be automatically entered into the competition.

Major prize
• Five nights’ accommodation at the Sea World Resort & Water Park on the Gold Coast;
• VIP Passes for two adults and three kids to Sea World, Warner Bros. Movie World and Wet ‘n’ Wild Gold Coast;
• A Dolphin Family Aqua Adventure; and
• A $3000 travel gift card to get you there.

Runner up prizes
130 Toys “R” Us Gift Cards to the value of $250 each to spend on your favourite toys.
PLUS, a separate draw of $1000 cash for one school in each state/territory.
So come on Wyrallah Road let’s get saving and remember your deposit can be as little as twenty cents just as long as you make 3 deposits! For full terms and conditions please visit

CANTEEN
Please see attached New Menu. Hot food additions for the cooler months. Also Gluten-free foods!

Thursday Special: BLT $3 and BLAT $3.70
Thu, 15 Steph Gregory, Cherron Cameron, Dave McLean
Fri, 16 Sandra Sariago, Sharryn Beddoes, Cath Fahy
Mon, 19 Katie Parker, Juanita Allen
Tue, 20 Donna Hourigan, Alice Exton, Mel Crabtree
Wed, 21 Amanda Keys, Peter Bylos
Thu, 22 Dave McLean, Naomi Pitkin, Rachel Young
Fri, 23 Vicki Muddiman, Karen Bell, Help Please
Mon, 26 Michelle Carra, Cath Fahy
Tue, 27 Sally Bates, Asher Smith, Trish Rossington
Wed, 28 Louise Somerville, Lisa Bryant

UNIFORM SHOP
New sports skirts (with built in sports pants) now available - $15 all sizes.
Polar Fleece Vest, great for the changing seasons - $15 all sizes.
ROSTER: Friday May 16 – Melissa Gibson

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