AWARD WINNING STAFF AND COMMUNITY

Last Wednesday, four Wyrallah Road staff members were recognised for the outstanding jobs they do at the 2014 Education Week Awards ceremony. Congratulations to Debbie Angelosanto, Leanne Hall, Steve Livingstone and Sue Pagotto for their very well deserved recognition.

Debbie Angelosanto was successful due to her dedication and commitment to WRPS for over 23 years. She is a teacher who gives generously of her own time to both students and colleagues and who also regularly supports P&C activities above and beyond expectations.

Sue Pagotto has also been a dedicated long-serving member of our school community, first as a parent and now as the welcoming face at the canteen. In her current role as canteen manager, Sue works with all parts of our community and consistently gives more of herself to ensure that our students, staff and parents feel a sense of belonging.

Steve Livingstone does vital works, often behind the scenes, to ensure that many of our students are engaged and accessing their learning every day. As a School Learning and Support Officer, he builds excellent rapport with students both in the classroom and playground. Steve regularly gives his own time to ensure that the programs he works on can continue with success.

Leanne Hall is our outstanding School Administrative Manager (SAM). She works tirelessly, well beyond expectations to ensure the smooth running of the school office and provide a welcoming and friendly face as the first point of contact for visitors to our school. Her knowledge and skills in the role of SAM are outstanding and she is respected and well-liked by colleagues, parents, students and external staff.

Congratulations to all four recipients and thank you for the hard work you do, contributing to make Wyrallah Road Public School the great school it is today.

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BIKE / SCOOTER SAFETY DAY & GOLD DAY CELEBRATIONS

Our Bike / Scooter Safety Day will take place on Thursday, 18 September. The Gold Day celebration will occur the very next day (Friday, 19 Sept). With the two activities occurring so close together, it has been decided that $5.00 will cover the costs for both days. If your son or daughter is ineligible for the Gold Day, they are still able to participate in the Bike Day at a cost of $2.50.

**Bike Day** will involve all children and will include: a police talk by Constable Struan Presgrove, mechanical checks, an obstacle course, relay riding, partner riding at Wade Park, iPad work and slow riding/obeying road rules. All children participating will have the chance to win a girls’ or boys’ brand new bike! This is the third time we have held this event and we would hope all children will be able participate in a day that adds skill to their riding and improves their knowledge of ways to prevent accidents. If your child doesn’t own their own bike or scooter, perhaps they could borrow one from a neighbour or friend. Bikes can be brought to school the day before and stored safely overnight if this is more convenient. They must be picked up by Friday, before the school holidays. Remember, children will need a helmet and covered shoes on the day. Any child under the age of 10 will need to be accompanied by a parent or trusted adult if choosing to ride to and from school for the day.

**Gold Day**

This term’s Gold Day celebration will be a movie day and a dress-up occasion with the theme being ‘Pyjamas’ (students will still need to wear sensible covered shoes). This celebration is for all our students who come to school ready to learn and work with others to make the most out of their day. The vast majority of WRPS kids have qualified for Gold Day with the only students missing out being those who have been in Planning Room for three or more separate incidents and subsequently placed on Amber or Red Level or any student who has received either a suspension or warning of suspension.

**COFFEE, CAKE AND BOOKS**

Sounds like the perfect recipe for an afternoon at school. A huge thankyou to parents Katja McPherson, Andrew Griffiths, Jenny Thompson, Kate Muldowney, Cheryl Smoother and Louise Maxwell who came along last week and helped the school by covering plenty of books for the library.

**WRPS IS SEEKING YOUR OPINION**

As part of our school’s evaluation processes, we would like to know the opinions of parents, caregivers, community members and students on different areas of school life. Responses are used to inform the Annual School Report and to help future planning. Your response is confidential and will be stored securely. The survey should take no more than 10 minutes to complete and can be accessed via the following link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1y2OE_pOfRqHSR5C1xkYnYQMkr5BkyKzwBoXN83606S0/viewform?c=0&w=1 &usp=mail_form_link

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback.
PLEASE NOTE AMENDED DATE
THE RIVERS – PARENT INFORMATION SESSION WITH JOHN BAKER, EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL
Parents are invited to attend an information session about The Rivers, hosted by executive principal, Mr John Baker. The Rivers is an exciting development in the provision of quality public education in Lismore from preschool to Year 12 and this information session will be an opportunity for parents to learn more about what is happening and ask any questions they might have. While the focus will be for parents of students in Year 4, 5 and 6, all parents are welcome to attend.
The information session will be held on Monday, 8 September from 6.30-7.30pm in the staffroom.

REMEMBER – CAR PARK ZONE
Parents are reminded to be at the school pick up zone before 3.15pm when collecting children by car. If you arrive after this time, students will be waiting in the office where we ask you to get out of your car to escort them through the car park.
Also, there has been some confusion from students when late changes are made to regular going home arrangements. In the case of an emergency and you need to make any late changes – please use the terms “car park” for those going home by car or “parent pick-up” if collecting your child on foot from outside the kindergarten classrooms. Thank you for your understanding and helping to keep our school as safe as possible.

FRUIT AND VEGIE MONTH
Congratulations to all the students (and parents/carers) for eating fruit and vegetables. We have certainly seen the colours of the rainbow eaten. KEEP IT UP!

How much fruit and vegetables do children need?
We are encouraged to go for 2 fruits and 5 vegetables every day. The amount children should eat depends on their, age, appetite and activity levels. The emphasis in education should be on eating a variety of fruit and vegetables (including raw, cooked and different colours). This provides a wide range of nutrients.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - KINDER SCHOOL LEARNING AND SUPPORT OFFICER
We are looking to add to our wonderful team of Learning and Support Officers (SLSOs). Initially, the position would be working with the Kindergarten teachers and children during our four days of Kinder orientation which will be held on consecutive Thursdays - 30 October, 6 November, 13 November and 20 November. This may lead to an opportunity to join the WRPS team as a SLSO for 2015, working every morning from 9.00-11.00am in a Kinder classroom to support the introduction of L3 (Language, Learning and Literacy).

POSITION CRITERIA:
• Ability to work collaboratively with other staff members
• Willingness to work with different ability groups and actively facilitate student engagement in different activities within the classroom
• Effective communication within a whole-school environment
• Willingness to support a classroom behaviour management program

APPLICATIONS: Please limit your application to a maximum of two pages in which to:
• address the criteria
• include all relevant skills and experience
• include two referees

Applications are due by Wednesday, 10 September and should be emailed to Relieving Assistant Principal, Wyrallah Road Public School, at: megan.perring@det.nsw.edu.au Interviews may be conducted as required.

ENQUIRIES: Gareth Hockings, Principal, or Megan Perring, Relieving Assistant Principal, WRPS, 66213363
WRPS P&C

NEXT P & C MEETING:
6.30pm Fundraising meeting 7.00pm General - Wednesday, 10 September in the school staffroom. ALL WELCOME.

THANK YOU:
I would like to say a huge thank you to an amazing parent community. This week we have had two large events the Regional Athletics Carnival and Father’s Day. Without the amazing work from so many volunteers these events wouldn’t happen. So thank you so much for your hard work and dedication to Wyrallah Road Public School.

SCHOOL FEES:
P&C collect this money on behalf of the school.
All money goes directly back to the school for essential resources and opportunities for all students. Paying by instalments is an option if you are unable to pay the full amount at once. Payment can be by cash, cheque (made out to WRPS P&C) or direct deposit.
(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.

CANTEEN NEWS:
Special: Thursday & Friday only: BLT (Bacon, Lettuce, Tomato on Roll) - $3.00
Roster - September:
Thu, 4 Dave McLean, Steph Gregory, Donna Lee
Fri, 5 Vicki Muddiman, Elaine Barry, Natasha Mattmueller, Amy Malloy
Mon, 8 Cheryl Smoother, HELP PLEASE
Tue, 9 Sally Bates, Asher Smith
Wed, 10 Amanda Keys, Iris Millard
Thu, 11 Dave McLean, Donna Lee
Fri, 12 Kylie Burnett, Silvana Barlow, HELP PLEASE
Mon, 15 Katie Parker, Juanita Allen, Sharryn Beddoes
Tue, 16 Mel Crabtree, Sally Bates, Asher Smith
Wed, 17 Peter Bylos, Amanda Keys

COMMUNITY NEWS
- Parent Power – 4 steps to strong, gentle parenting. 2 Saturdays Interactive workshop – 6 & 13 September. Based on ‘Compassionate Communication’ this workshop will empower you in relating with love & truth to children & family. Contact Ken Bright 0402 006893, Jana Krins 0412 408915 for more information.
Summerland House Farm Country Fair – 114.9.14 9am-3pm Loads of fun, entertainment for the whole family.
- Little Athletics Sign-On Days 5.9.14 5.30-7.30 (registration & 1st session); 12/9/14 5.30-7.30 (registration & 2nd session) or http://www.laansw.com.au to register online. $80 per child, $25 comp. shirt. For more information, contact Stephen on Stephen.lismorela@gmail.com.
- Sensory Movie Day – 2pm Sunday, 14 September – How to Train your Dragon 2. Phone Wendy on 0418 280669.
- FNC NSW Futsal – Goonellabah Sports & Aquatic Centre Sign On 2.9.14 6pm. Phone 0407 230336 for more info.