

LEARNING RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY SAFETY

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Term 2, Week 10 21 June, 2021

WALLSEND WHISPER

Payment Reminders					
Event	Class	Activity Date	Cost	Closing Date For Payments	
Canberra Excursion	Years 5 & 6	July 28 to July 30	Total Cost \$350	\$50 due 7/5/21 \$50 due 21/5/21 \$50 due 4/6/21 \$50 due 18/6/21 \$100 due 16/7/21	

Please Note: No payments for excursions or incursions will be accepted after the due date unless prior arrangements are made with the Office. All notes and money must be returned to the Office in an envelope with your child's name, class and activity. EFTPOS is available at the Office. If you have not received a note for any activity, these are available from the Office or the school's website.

Diary and Deadlines				
22 Jun	Girls 5 A Side Soccer Gala Day			
22 Jun	K-2 NAIDOC Games 12.05pm			
23 Jun	3-6 NAIDOC Games 12.05			
24 Jun	NAIDOC Assembly 12.05pm			
25 Jun	PBL Rewards Day			
25 Jun	School Assembly 2.10pm			
25 Jun	Semester 1 Student Reports Home			
25 Jun	Last Day Term 2			
Term 3				
12 Jul	Staff Development Day			
13 Jul	Students Return			
20 Jul	Bandlink			
21 Jul	Aerobic Fundraiser Bake/Spider Sale			

22 Jul Spelling Bee

Principal Message

Hello and welcome Wallsend Learning Community to week 10 and the last week of Term. Reflecting on this term, I am so incredibly proud of how hard all our students, staff and community has worked together to create the world's greatest school. At WPS our staff are working incredibly hard to 'raise the bar' even higher and I am really excited to see what we can achieve moving forward. This term we have had external and internal assessments that demonstrated an increase in student outcomes. I believe this has come about from systems and teaching that aims to improve day in and day out. Thank you so much for your support as a Learning Community for helping make our learning environment so special!

Last Friday and this week we are celebrating NAIDOC Week. NAIDOC 2021 invites the nation to embrace First Nations' cultural knowledge and understanding of Country as part of Australia's national heritage and equally respect the culture and values of Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islanders as they do the cultures and values of all Australians. Please feel free to join us today at 1.30pm for our Smoking Ceremony and/or the Indigenous games (K-2 Tuesday and 3-6 Wednesday from 12.05pm) and whole school NAIDOC assembly (Thursday 12.30pm). This Friday we will also have a whole school assembly at 2.10pm after the students celebrate PBL Rewards Day. Everyone is welcome to come along and celebrate the term, see awards handed out and some of our musicians play an item for our school.



Well done to our Netball Team who was once again undefeated last Friday. The girls have demonstrated some unbelievable improvement and team work that has seen them compete very well against other schools within our region. A huge thank you to those who donated money on Crazy Sock Day with proceeds going towards supporting our Aerobics Teams when they compete at Nationals next term.

Have a wonderful and safe break with your children and we look forward to catching up for Term 3 on your return.

Thank you

Proud Principal Mr Ricki Metcalfe

Wallsend Wrigglers

Applications are now being taken for the next intake of children for our Wrigglers program. This will be on **Tuesday 13th July.**

Please call into the office and collect an enrolment pack if you have a child commencing Kindergarten at Wallsend School in 2022. All documents need to be returned to the office prior to commencement in the program.

Don't miss this great opportunity to set your child up for a great start to their first year of school at Wallsend Public School.



P & C News

Fundraising

We have our Maccas Family Fun Night this Wednesday night 23 June, from 6pm till 7pm at Wallsend McDonald's. To make sure we are able to get our 10% of sales in the hour, McDonald's requires us to have a minimum of 30 people in store in the hour, so if you are able to come and order in store that would be fabulous. We will be inside as well so feel free to come and have a chat!

Great way to have an easy cheat meal with no clean up!

Looking forward to seeing you all on Wednesday 23 June from 6-7pm at Wallsend McDonald's.

Mango Fundraiser

Please look out for more details in Terms 3 for the Mango Fundraiser where you will have the opportunity to buy a beautiful box of mangos and support Wallsend School at the same time. Please let your family friends know we will be participating in the Mango fundraiser this year as we need to be able to purchase 65 boxes to participate.

Uniform Shop

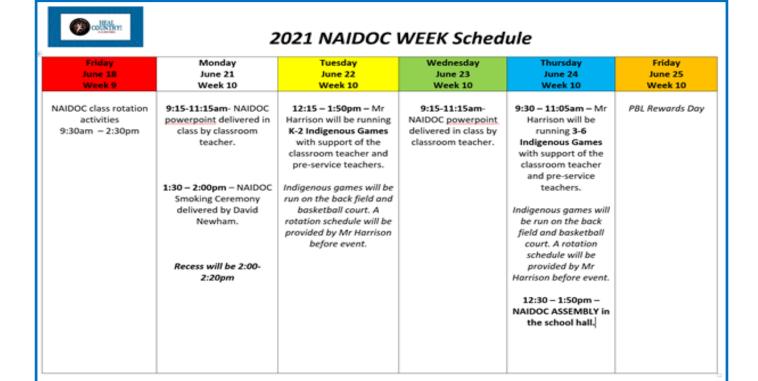
The uniform shop is currently having a winter sale.

School beanies are now only \$5.00 (were \$10.00)

Long sleeve polos are currently \$5.00 off original price.

Sale for long sleeve polos are: Size 4-16 \$25.00

Adult small—medium \$30.00



2021 HUNTER Primary

High Potential & Gifted Mini Camp,



We are happy to announce that the Hunter GATS Camp is going ahead this year... just in a mini version!

Students in Years 5 and 6 can attend day workshops in their chosen elective led by professional teachers and tutors.

Students attending will need to wear comfortable clothing, bring their own morning tea and lunch, plus a water bottle and a spirit of fun.

Cost: \$50 per student (including a camp beanie)

Venues:

Thursday 19th August - ENGLISH @ Floraville Public School Tuesday 24th August - SPORTS SCIENCE @ Hunter Sports High

Friday 3rd September - SCIENCE @ Swansea High School

Thursday 9th September - MATHEMATICS @ Blacksmiths Public School Wednesday 13th October – VISUAL ARTS @ The Junction Public School

Tuesday 26th October - ICT @ Valentine Public School

Click on this link to Register

Registration closes on Thursday July 22nd 2021

Students can attend more than one day in different electives. Information regarding payment, attendance, times and student requirements will be emailed to parents by Term 3, Week 3 to confirm your child's elective, venue and workshop day.

The Hunter HPGE Committee

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