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WALLSEND WHISPER

| Payment Reminders | | | | | |
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| Event | Class | Activity Date | Cost | Closing Date For Payments | |
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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 | | | |
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| O Fab | De C Sub Committee Meeting 12 20nm | | |
| | P&C Sub Committee Meeting 12.30pm | | |
| | Book Club Orders Close | | |
| | P&C Meeting 6.30pm | | |
| | Parent Information Sessions | | |
| 18 Feb | Zone Swimming Carnival | | |
| 15 Mar | Harmony Week | | |

Principal Message

Hello Wallsend Learning Community. We have started the year with a smooth transition into 2021 classes. We have already started to make progress with our new school plan including;

Strategic Direction 1- Student Growth and Attainment

- * The establishment of a High Impact Team consisting of 3 intervention teachers to target small group work in Numeracy and Reading.
- * Students setting aspirational individual goals.
- * A whole school review, through assessment, of students' progress in Numeracy.

Strategic Direction 2- Enhanced Pedagogy and Programming Development

- * A revised, developed and improved whole school maths program.
- * A revised and consistent Assessment Schedule K-6.
- * Establishment of online programming for efficiency, consistency and effectiveness.

Strategic Direction 3 - High Expectation Culture.

- * Goal setting for attendance (minimum 92% attendance).
- * Whole school mantra for attendance 'ATTENDANCE every minute every day MATTERS.'
- * Improved individual goal setting platform (continued through GoalHub).

This week we will have our first assembly, which will be on a Friday afternoon at 2.15pm this year. This will be our first together as a whole school since last March and we are looking forward to celebrating students' achievements at the beginning of 2021. We are also very excited about today's Swimming Carnival. I would like to thank Mrs Brown and Mrs McNicol for all their hard work in organising such an engaging carnival for all students to participate. Our aim is to make everyday exciting for our students and carnivals are certainly a great way to celebrate and come together as a whole Learning Community.

I hope everyone has a lovely week 3 and I look forward to catching all of you at the gate or at one of our upcoming events.

Thank you Proud Principal Mr Ricki Metcalfe

P&C News

Wallsend Public School P & C Association would like to invite you along to our first sub committee meeting of 2021.

It will be held on Tuesday - 9 February, 2021 at 12.30pm at the blue tables near the canteen.

Please go to the office and register using the NSW Service QR code and sign in.

The next **P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 16 February at 6.30pm in the school library**. Please come along and meet our team. We would love to meet some new parents/carers.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be going back to only opening twice a week from this week.

Week 3 opening hours are:

Tuesday 9 Feb 8.30am to 9.00am

AND

Thursday 11 Feb 2.45pm to 3.15pm

Flexischools is the preferred method of payment and we deliver the order to your child's class. Cash sales only onsite.

Thank you

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Uniform Coordinator

Canteen News

We have recently been advised to raise the price of our chicken crackles to fit the Healthy Kids guidelines.

As of Monday 15 February:

3 x Chicken Crackles will be \$2.40

5 x Chicken Crackles will be \$4.00

We appreciate you understanding

Maree and Canteen Team

School Banking

Welcome back to 2021!

Our School Banking Program will continue again this year.

If you are new to the school and would like to join your child/children up to start the Dollarmites Commonwealth School Banking Program, you can head into your local branch at Glendale or Kotara or you can join up online at:

www.commbank.com.au/banking/school-banking

School Banking Day is Tuesday.