

Term 2, Week 5
17 May, 2021

LEARNING RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY SAFETY

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WALLSEND WHISPER

Payment Reminders

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

- 17 May Yrs 3 & 5 NAPLAN Language Test
- 18 May Yrs 3 & 5 NAPLAN Numeracy Test
- 18 May P&C Meeting 6.30pm
- 24 May Aspire Program Yr7 2022 Exam
- 25/26 May Aspire Program Yr7 2022 Interviews
- 26 May Netball Gala Day
- 3 Jun Spelling Bee
- 4 Jun Netball Gala Day
- 4 Jun CAPA Program Yr7 2022 Group Audition
- 5 Jun Aerobic State Series
- 10 Jun Public Speaking Competition
- 14 Jun Public Holiday -Queens Birthday
- 16 Jun Children's University Excursion
- 18 Jun Crazy Hair Day—Stage 3 Fundraiser
- 18 Jun Netball Gala Day

Principal Message

Hello and welcome to week 5 of Term. Our new Strategic Plan and goals for improving student outcomes is well and truly underway with some pleasing early results. Both our Year 4 and 6 students demonstrated growth in all assessments and this supports our data recorded here at school. We eagerly await the results of our NAPLAN data next term. Congratulations to all the participating students (and teachers) for your hard work, you must be very proud of yourselves! This week our students sit both the Conventions of language and Numeracy assessments.

Congratulations to our aerobics teams over the weekend, with Insync and Dynamics placing 1st and Lightning placing 2nd. The result is off the back of many hours of training by each group and demonstrates that hard work does pay off. Our teams will now participate in the state championships and we wish them all the very best of luck.

Last week we had a highly successful athletics carnival. It was a lovely sunny day, with almost 100% attendance. It was also great to see our community members cheering the students on during the events. I was really impressed at the effort shown by our students who are always trying their best. One area we are now looking at is the drop in our attendance in the days following events. We are keen to hear any community views on why.

Tomorrow night our monthly P&C meeting will commence at 6.30pm. Often many people are unable to attend due to other commitments. However, the next two P&C meetings will be conducted via zoom for anyone interested in joining us through this link. This gives our members the opportunity to join these meetings from the comfort of their own homes if they wish. Please let us know if you would like to be sent the link for this meeting if you are not a regular attender.

Wishing everyone a happy and safe week ahead.

Thank you

Mr Ricki Metcalfe
Proud Principal

Wrigglers

Do you have a child commencing Kindergarten at Wallsend Public School in 2022?

The next start date for our Wrigglers Program (a program to transition children to Kindergarten) is 25 May 2021. Please call the office for more information.

If you have not already registered your child—please call into the office for an enrolment pack. This must be fully completed before children can start.



P & C News

P & C Meeting

Our next P & C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 18 May at 6.30pm. This meeting will be via the Zoom Platform. If you would like to join us via Zoom please email executive@wps-pnc.org.au and we will send you the log in details.

Uniform Shop

Not cold enough yet for the jacket, but too cold for the short sleeve polo?

The uniform shop has the answer... long sleeve polos!

Full range from size 4-16 \$30

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Order your child their long sleeve polos now on Flexischools or pop in and see Deb in the uniform shop on Monday afternoon 2:45-3:20 or Wednesday morning 8:45-9:20.

We also have very cosy school beanies on sale. These super warm beanies in royal blue have WPS embroidered on them. Grab you child one today for only \$10.

School Banking

School Banking is now on every Wednesday morning. Please drop your bank books off at the office to be processed.



Weekly Award Recipients



Learning	Respect	Responsibility	Safety
Mason R	Frankie V	Millie P	Claire G
Emerson L	Andrew R	Kirra B	Isabelle G
Clayton Y	Lexi K	Rosalee N	Ava B
Pravi P	Seedra A	Evie Q	Emma M
Harry P	Sidney B	Ruqaiya S	Harley M
Bianca C	Rosalee S	Piper D	Destinee H
Noah C	Annika H	Dylan G	Allira S
Henry J	Nalah S	Alierrah B	Paige G
Aiden Y	Macaylah W	Stacy S	Oliver F
Areleia B		Ella M	
Andrew G		Ivy C	
Maxwell J		Milly L	
Sophia D			

Community News



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HOPE STREET

WHAT'S ON

Case Work (By Appointment)	Mon—Thu 10 am—2 pm
Practical Support	Mon—Thu 10 am—2 pm
Chaplaincy	Thursdays Only
Shower & Laundry	Mon—Thu 10 am—2 pm
Community Wardrobe (gold coin donation)	Mon-Thu 10am-2pm
Café Takeaway Coffee (\$2)	Mon—Thu 10am—2 pm
Café hot meals and snacks (small cost)	Mon—Thu 10am—2 pm
All Day Breakfast Bar (free)	Mon—Thu 10am-2pm
Free Fruit & Veg (Limited availability)	Mon—Thu 10 am—1 pm
The Pantry (low cost pantry items)	Mon-Thurs 10 am—2 pm
Pantry and fruit and veg are by appointment. Call from 9am (please book appointments ahead of arrival)	

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Because we care