



Week 7, Term 3  
31 August, 2020

**LEARNING RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY SAFETY**  
The Wallsend Way: Successful learners show respect, take responsibility and make safe choices.

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## Principal's Message

Hello Wallsend Learning Community.

I hope everyone has been enjoying this warmer weather as we say goodbye to Winter.

Thank you to those parents who have already responded to our parent surveys. You can do this survey electronically from the link on Facebook. Alternatively, you can do it on the paper copy that was sent home last week or it can be downloaded from the SENTAL App. All surveys are anonymous and we appreciate as much feedback as possible to support moving the school forward.



It has been pleasing to see the rise in our school attendance over the past couple of weeks. Our area had a particularly challenging time with a few COVID cases and the cooler weather but it is really fantastic to see regular attendance on the rise and our students getting the best possible chance with their education.

Another thank you to our community for working through pick up and drop off of your children. I know the changes this year do restrict 'normal' routines and it has been pleasing to see our community respond to advice sent out last week. If anything, I hope this will make processes more efficient and maintain safety for our children and families.

Our Aboriginal Education Team has started planning for NAIDOC week. Our school will be making contact with families and outside resources to support this week of celebrating our rich Australian history and culture. During these challenging times, we will continue to find a way to be as inclusive as possible through events that we normally enjoy a high level of collaboration. Our team will be seeking ideas on how we can still incorporate community and provide the best possible celebration of this week for our next generation.



Finally, our school will be warmly welcoming a special guest next week. Executive Director for Regional North Public schools, Mr Tim McCallum. Mr McCallum along with our Director of Educational Leadership, Mrs Josie Bailey, are keen to observe our fantastic school and the exciting current changes, along with future directions for Wallsend Public School. We are certainly a school worth observing!

Thank you and have a lovely week.

Thank you

Proud Principal

Mr Metcalfe

### Diary and Deadlines

31 Aug ICAS Maths Test

2 Sep ICAS Spelling Test

18 Sep Theme Day—TBA  
Fundraiser

23 Sep PBL Rewards Day

25 Sep Last Day Term 3

### Term 4

12 Oct Students & Staff Return

## P & C NEWS

### Father's Day Stall

Thankyou to everyone that has placed orders for our Father's Day mystery bags. Bags are all packed and ready to go. They will be delivered to classrooms from Tuesday 1st September.

Thankyou for all your support with this fundraiser and we hope all enjoy their special bags on Sunday for Father's Day.

### Maccas Family Drive thru fun night!

Please take note that this fundraiser for McDonald's is DRIVE THRU ONLY from 6pm - 7pm on Wednesday 16th September at Wallsend McDonald's.

To ensure McDonald's can serve as many cars in the hour as possible we ask that you and/or your guests download the **mymaccas app**, and place your order and pay ahead where possible.

Thank you for your understanding in these changing times.

### Thompson's Pie Drive

Thompson's Pie Drive is going online as well this year.

We are holding our first online Thompson's Pie Drive starting this Thursday 3rd September. A note will come home with all the information required and we will also have the information put up on the school Facebook page and in Sentral.

Any questions please email

[fundraising@wps-pnc.org.au](mailto:fundraising@wps-pnc.org.au)

| <b>Weekly Award Recipients</b>  |   |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|
| <b>Learning</b><br>Miriama Parangi<br>Oliver Figgis<br>Kaelen Fean<br>Emily Jones<br>Mohammad Barmo<br>Abhinav Biju<br>Riley Carter<br>Ashley McLean<br>Tyrus Hardy<br>Francesca Vandenberg<br>Ayesha Johnson-Gray<br>Isaiah Campbell-Davies<br>Hussain Shojaei | <b>Respect</b><br>Audrey Boardman<br>Kirrily Georgievski<br>Jaxson Baker-Dimitrievski<br>Paige Gibbs<br>Indy Hall-Hurst<br>Tangaroa Rangi-Garnham<br>Tamika Kelly<br>Charlotte Williamson<br>Phoebe Fuller<br>Takumi Golvers<br>Amelia Simms<br>Emerson Lolohea | <b>Responsibility</b><br>Emily Halls<br>Amina Al Ouaid<br>Keisha Ranig-Garnham<br>Sidney Blaze<br>Kayla Halls<br>Adam Piggott<br>Leilani Tairi<br>Sophia Telfer<br>Shevvi Jones<br>Matthew Mangnall<br>Declan Young | <b>Safety</b><br>Charlotte Wettig<br>Chloe Grantham<br>Ruby Bailey<br>Mia Hopton<br>Emma Streete<br>Ashtyn Lorrie<br>Ky Baker<br>Molly Nicholls<br>Cooper Armstrong<br>Rehmat Athwal<br>Andy Robertson |

| <b>Home Reading Awards</b>  |                                  |
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| <b>100 Nights</b>           | <b>150 Nights</b>                |
| Odin Melvey<br>Keegan Pitts | Mitchell Gracek<br>Alexis Grieve |