

Week 8, Term 4
3 December, 2018

LEARNING RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY SAFETY

The Wallsend Way: Successful learners show respect, take responsibility and make safe choices.

WALLSEND WHISPER

Payment Reminders

Event	Class	Activity Date	Cost	Closing Date For Payments
K-2 Activity Day	K-2	18 December	\$13.00	10 December
3-6 Activity Day	Years 3 –6	18 December	\$12.00	10 December

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

4 Dec	Year 6 Orientation Day
4 Dec	Volunteers Afternoon Tea
4 Dec	Year 6 Farewell
6 Dec	Out of Uniform Day
7 Dec	Gold Award Assembly
10 Dec	Summit Care Performance
11 Dec	Celebration of Success
11 Dec	Student Reports Home
13 Dec	Carols Under the COLA
14 Dec	Platinum Event
18 Dec	Activity Day
19 Dec	Last Day for Students

Principal Message for Week 8

The Shine and Strength Programs were a huge success for both groups. I heard stories all week from the boys being 'sore' from all the push ups they did! The boys enjoyed the participation and engaging with Mr Rob and Nate, thank you so much for supporting the Year 6 boys not only during the Strength Program but also throughout 2018. Ms Phillips informs me the Shine program was a highly worthwhile day where all the Year 6 girls engaged and shared. Thank you Mr Rob for organising these programs.

The Wrigglers graduation was another huge success and the 2019 kindergarten students are certainly ready for 'big school'. This program supports students in gaining confidence and learning school rules and expectations, thank you Mrs Merry, Miss Campbell and Mrs Gilchrist for organising this fun, enjoyable and well deserving celebration.

Miss Phillips took 5 students to the University on Wednesday to participate in a robotics meet. The students were filmed by NBN. Thank you for representing the school with such pride, knowledge and collaborative group work.

The 2019 leader nomination speeches were held on Thursday and Friday mornings in the hall, all students did an amazing job with their speeches they all showed confidence and should be proud of themselves. Students in Years 2-5 voted on Friday electronically to determine the 8 ministers for 2019. Congratulations and good luck.

Thursday night was the Digital Media Festival which was held at Callaghan College Waratah Campus, although we did not get a win this year we certainly produced a quality student directed movie. Congratulations and thank you to all students, teachers involved.

This week is the second last full week so will be extremely busy!

We wish to remind all volunteer helpers of the afternoon tea being held in the library 2:30-3:15. This afternoon is to show our appreciation for all your help and to acknowledge that without your assistance WPS would not be the success it is. Year 6 farewell is on tomorrow night, it will be a celebration and joy. Students can arrive at 6pm and will need to be collected at 9:00pm. I look forward to seeing the students celebrate their primary schooling and to have the chance to share this special time with parents and the community.

Thursday will be another Year 6 fundraiser of out of uniform Year 6 have currently have raised approx. \$2393.00.

We will end the week with the 'Gold Award Assembly' on Friday, starting at 9:30. This assembly allows all the students at WPS to be acknowledge and their achievements celebrated. Reports will go out Tuesday 11 December, if you would like to arrange a parent teacher meeting please contact the office to organise a time.

Have a great week.
Kate Quinnell
Relieving Principal

YEAR 7 2019 - ORIENTATION DAY - TUESDAY 4 DECEMBER 2018

- WHERE: Callaghan College Wallsend Campus Hall
- WHEN: Tuesday 4 December 2018
- TIME: 9.00am – 10.15am for parents/carers
9.00am - 2.50pm for students
- WEAR: Students are to wear their full current primary school **sports uniform**
- BRING: Please pack morning tea, lunch and a drink. Food can also be purchased from the canteen.
Please also ensure you have a school hat, bag and pencil case
- PICK UP: Year 6 students are to be collected from the school hall at 2.50pm by a parent/ carer.

Students who will be picked up by someone other than their parent/carer must bring a note on the day stating who they will be going home with.

Year 6 Fundraiser

To raise money for the annual Year 6 gift to the school, Stage 3 are organising an 'Out of Uniform Day'. The theme will be Happy Heroes. This could include: Superheroes, sporting heroes or personal heroes.

Date: Friday 7 December 2018

Cost: Gold Coin Donation



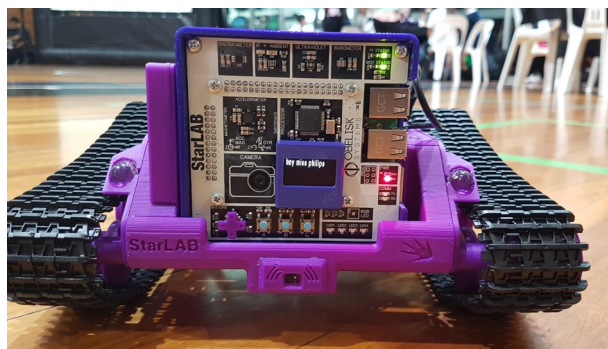
Robotics Excursion

On Wednesday last week a group of students attended a Robotics excursion to the University of Newcastle. Students had to navigate their robot through a model city of Newcastle and used the robot's sensors to detect heat and water to put out an imaginary fire. Our students were fantastic at working in teams and have excellent coding skills. Well Done!

We were featured in an NBN Newcastle news broadcast on the evening news.

<https://www.nbnnews.com.au/2018/11/28/students-tackle-rover-challenge/>

Ms Phillips



Prayer Meeting Reminder:-

Just a reminder that the WPS Prayer Meeting is this Friday, 7 December after drop-off. We are a group of Christians meeting at the Picnic Table outside the Office, to pray for the School and Community once a month. Don't forget, if you have a prayer request, you can put it in the prayer pocket in the office. All Parents, Carers, Teachers and Staff are welcome.

Weekly Award Recipients

Learning	Respect	Responsibility	Safety
Lucy McColl Samuel Varughese Seth Carmody-Mason Rory Walters Joshua Heine Amelia Forster Nicholas Payne	Yaseen Al-Saadi Marlee Green-Lawrence Riley Carter Jessica Dean-Peachman Andrew Green Alierrah Bates Tristan Hanna	Jaxson Baker-Dimitrievski Mahad Sarwar Emma Streete Ruby Hopton Angelie Panter Henry Jeffress Oliver Kaurijoki-White Salita Stroud-Watts	Shevi Jones Jaxon Bailey Amelia Henderson Arleia Bates Liam Parish Max Wettig

Principal Smiley

Genesis Ejones	Ella Maliszewski	Shanzay Sarwar	Jaxon Bailey
Amelia Stephenson	Riley Carter	Samuel Varughese	Isabella Duncan
Indy Hall-Hurst	Alierrah Bates	Delisha Green	Lahnie Montgomery
Jack Ball	Ella Lowe	Keisha Rangi Garnham	

Home Reading Awards

50 Nights	100 Nights	150 Nights	200 Nights	250 Nights
	Kaliyah Baker-Dimitrievski Seth Koplms	Abhinav Biju Abhineeth Biju Keisha Rangi-Garnham	Emma Streete Yaseen Al-Saadi Nalah Smith Bella Leto-Harding Thomas Blundell Strinic	Jaxon Bailey Mason Hopton Mia Hopton Destinee Harvey Corey Stackman Shontae Harvey Lori Clark

P & C Christmas Hamper Donations

The P&C are looking for donations for our Christmas Hampers for this year's Christmas Raffle. We are asking that you refer to your child/children's stage and find something you are able to donate. You are more than welcome to donate anything from the list below as well. Any donation/s big or small is greatly appreciated.

Please ensure that all perishables are in date and have a long expiry date. No fresh produce is to be brought in please. There will be a basket placed in each classroom and will be emptied weekly.

Thank you for all your support throughout 2018!!

Early Stage One (Kindergarten)-Pantry Fillers

Jelly, Pasta and Sauce, 2min Noodles, UHT Milk, BBQ/Tomato sauce, Zooper Doopers, Tissues, Hand wash, Sugar, Coffee, Teabags, Cereal etc.

Stage One (Year 1-2)-Laundry Items/Personal Hygiene

Laundry Liquid/Powder, Softener, Stain removers, Pegs etc.

Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Shampoo, Conditioner, Deodorant etc.

Stage Two (Year 3-4)-Lunch Box Items/Canned Goods

Roll-Ups, Muesli Bars, LCM Bars, Fruit Sticks, Chips, Poppers, Popcorn etc.

Beetroot, Peas, Corn, Salmon, Tuna, Spaghetti, Baked Beans etc.

Stage Three (Year 5-6)-Party Food/Christmas Items

Lollies, Chips, Biscuits, Cordial, Popcorn, Soft Drink, Little bags of chocolates etc.

Wrapping Paper, Bon Bons, Gift Tags, Serviettes, Paper plates, Decorations etc.



P&C News

Hello Everyone,

Thank you to our hard working committee and volunteers for your continued hard work for another successful year!

School Banking

Thankyou to everyone that uses Commonwealth School Banking. We are now finished for this year and look forward to seeing you all again in 2019 with some new cool redemption items.

Fundraising

- We have been given a date for a **Bunning BBQ on Sunday 23 December** any and all help is very much appreciated. A list with times available to help will be attached to newsletter. Thank you in advance.
- We have a limited number one off extra tea towels available if you wish to purchase one of these great keepsakes. Please take your money to the office, 1 for \$16 or 2 for \$28.
- We are seeking donations toward our Christmas Raffle Hamper. A list is attached to the newsletter for your guidance. We will be taking donations in the classroom until the Christmas carols. Raffle tickets for the Christmas Raffle will be coming home today (Monday) with the newsletter.

Carols Under The COLA

Be sure to come along to support our school at annual Carols Under the COLA on Thursday 13 December. There will be a sausage sizzle , ice cream truck and coffee van for all your food and drink needs along with a P&C stall. If you are able to volunteer your time to assist with any of these stalls please contact Nicole or a member of the P&C.

OOSH

OOSH enrolment packs are available for 2019. Our Vacation Care program and booking forms are now also available, so if your looking for ways to keep the kids entertained during the school holidays, why not let them come along and join in the fun!

We've got everything from excursions to the Reptile Park and Blackbutt Reserve, our own version of a Colour Run in the park as well of loads of awesome activities on site like billy cart building, games days, a disco, wheels day and loads more!

We even have additional excursions specifically for our Year 5&6 kids! Spaces are limited so book in early. Please see Emily or Monique in the hall before or after school for more information or forms.

Canteen

The canteen will have its last day of full trading on Monday 17 December with limited items available. The canteen will only be taking orders over the counter this day. Flexischools will finish on Friday 14 December. The canteen will be open for snacks only on Tuesday 15 December for last day of trade for the year.

Volunteers are desperately needed to assist in keeping the Canteen open especially for recess. If you are able to assist, training will be provided. Please speak to Maree Brown or Carrie Parker for further information. You can also email your contact details and availability to wps_pnc@mail.com

Uniform Shop

The last day of trading for the uniform shop this year will be Tuesday 18 December from 8.45am to 10am. There will be **NO** afternoon trading this day. Online orders will close Monday 17 December.

Keep an eye on the school Facebook page to be updated with the early open day and time in the school holidays before school returns for 2019.

With the end of year fast approaching take advantage of this time to get organised for next year by purchasing your new uniforms now! Can't make the opening times. Then take advantage of using Flexischools or leave your order with correct money at the office and your order can be delivered to the classroom.

A massive thank you to all our volunteers who help keep things running throughout our school community. More volunteers are always needed as without you we cannot operate Breakfast Club, Canteen and the Uniform shop.

Renee Stackman

Secretary

Wallsend Public School P&C Association



Volunteer Sign Up Sheet for Carols Under The COLA

The P&C will be holding our annual fundraising BBQ's at Carols under the COLA on **Thursday 13 December 2018.**

We need your **HELP** as this is one of our last major fundraisers of the year.

We are only asking for a small amount of your time, anything you are able to help with will be much appreciated. Please fill out the form below and return to school office by Wednesday 12 December 2017 or contact Nicole Smith on 0422 745 566.

- 1.30pm - 2.30pm (preparation) requires 2/3 people
- 4.30pm - 5.30pm (set up)
- 5.30pm-7.00pm
- 7.00pm-7.30pm (clean up)

Name: _____

Phone: _____



Volunteer Sign-up sheet for BBQ

The P&C will be holding a fundraising BBQ's at Bunning Wallsend on Sunday 23 December 2018

We need your HELP as this is one of our major fundraisers of the year. Last year we raised over \$1000 which went straight back in to the school and your children.

We are only asking for 1hr of your time but anything you are able to help with will be much appreciated.

Please fill out the form below and return to school office by Wednesday 19 December 2018 or contact Nicole Smith on 0422 745 566.

- 8.00-9.30 (set up)
- 9.30-10.30 (set up)
- 10.30-11.30
- 11.30-12.30
- 12.30-1.30
- 1.30-2.30
- 2.30-3.30
- 3.30-4.30 (clean up)



Name: _____

Phone: _____