

Wyrallah Road

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HARMONY DAY

Wyrallah Road Public School will be celebrating Harmony Day on Friday, 20 March. Students are invited to **DRESS IN ORANGE** and participate in activities throughout the day. Members of the school community will also join us on this day to discuss their cultural heritage with the students. The message of Harmony Day is **"Everyone Belongs"**. It's a day to celebrate Australia's diversity – a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home - from the traditional owners of this land to those who have come from many countries around the world.

NETBALL CLINIC

On Tuesday, 29 Year 4, 5, & 6 students attended a netball coaching clinic with former Australian netballers Catherine Cox and Liz Ellis. The girls got to participate in many training drills with the players and received a free hat and netball at the end of the day. All of the students were wonderfully behaved and participated with great enthusiasm in the heat. A big thank you to the wonderful parents and grandparents who provided transport to and from the courts for the girls.

We were very excited to meet Liz and Catherine as they used to play Netball for Australia. At the start they gave us all hats so that we wouldn't get sun burnt which was good because it was very hot! First we did a warm up, then we got split into groups and did some drills and games. It was heaps of fun and we learnt a lot! At the end of the clinic, they gave us all a netball to keep. Some girls got Liz and Catherine to sign their hats and netballs...I got them to sign my favourite netball photo and Liz said it was her favourite too!

By MacKinnon

We did drills like throwing and catching the ball to each other, we also played a game of netball and we all had great fun. We would like to thank Miss McLaughlin for taking us on the day. By Jasmine, Lena, Madison

CALENDAR

Term 1, Week 8

Wednesday, 18 March, 2015

Fri, 20 Mar	Harmony Day 2.10pm Assembly (1W, 5/6H)
Tue, 24 Mar	3.15-6.30pm K-2 Parent Teacher Interviews
Wed, 25 Mar	Theatre Theatre-Stages 2 & 3
Thu, 26 Mar	3/4W & 4/5N Science Excursion
Fri, 27 Mar	Earth Hour for Schools
Tue, 31 Mar	WRPS Cross Country P&C Fun Run World of Maths 3.15-6.30pm Yrs 3-6 Parent Teacher Interviews P&C Easter Raffle Draw
Thu, 2 Apr	Last Day Term 1
Tue, 21 Apr	First Day Term 2

CONGRATULATIONS BANNER WINNERS

- Grace
- Jaxon
- Malachi
- Luke
- Madison

(see pictures over)

Principal: **Gareth Hockings**

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RUNNING FOR FUN!

On Tuesday, 31 March the school will hold the annual Cross Country Carnival. This year, it will coincide with the P&C Fun Run. This is a great opportunity to raise much needed money for the school and the kids have the chance to claim some exciting prizes. Forms were sent home today. Please let the office know if you need another one and happy fundraising to all!

CONGRATULATIONS MS FLICK

Congratulations to Ms Flick who was recently successful at gaining the position of teaching principal at Rukenvale Public School. From all of us here at WRPS we wish her all the best for this exciting new career adventure. Following is a message from Ms Flick to the WRPS community.

I have been teaching at WRPS since 2006 and have enjoyed working with the wonderful students and supportive school community during this time. Last year as many of you know, I relieved as Principal of a small school. This year after that valuable experience, I was successful at interview for the position of Teaching Principal at Rukenvale PS. It is sad to leave the hard working students of WRPS but I am enjoying the challenges of my new position. I wish you all well for the future and I am sure I will continue to see many of you at sporting venues and look forward to hearing of your future successes at school.

REMINDER

Parents are asked to avoid parking in front of Wilson Park School, especially near their driveway. There have been occasions this year where parking in this area has caused a hazard to traffic. We thank you for your understanding in trying to keep everyone safe.

OVER-PAYMENT OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

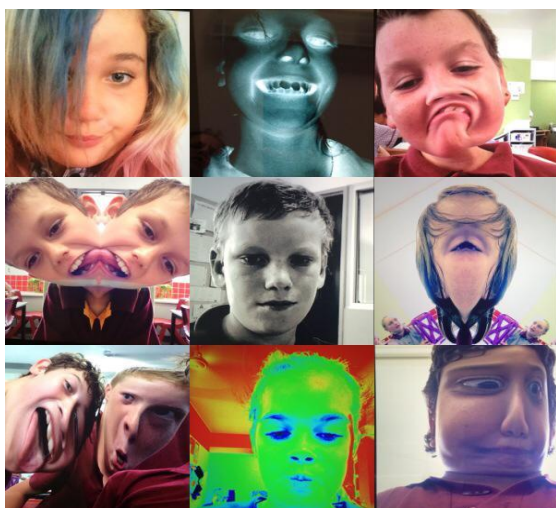
Thank you to the families who have paid their voluntary contributions. We still have a long way to go to reach our target of \$15000, which would represent payment from just over half of our students. All the initial correspondence from the school has advertised \$110 for two students. This was a mistake from us as the figure should have been \$100 for two students. For any parents of two students who have paid \$110, please contact the office if you would like a refund. All other payments details are correct.

2015 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS FOR YEARS 3-6

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND MONEY TO MR WILLIAMSON BY WEDNESDAY, 25 MARCH

I would like my child _____ Year _____
to participate in the following competitions (please tick).

COMPETITION	DATE OF COMPETITION	COST	✓
Digital Technologies	Tuesday, 19 May	\$8.80	
Science	Wednesday, 3 June	\$8.80	
Spelling	Tuesday, 16 June	\$12.10	
English	Tuesday, 28 July	\$8.80	
Mathematics	Tuesday, 11 August	\$8.80	



5/6B have been looking at Identities over the past few weeks. This week we have focused on self-concepts and how we view ourselves. We used the iPads to take 'selfies' and manipulated our images to present the 'me' that we want the world to see. The students enjoyed creating a variety of images however struggled with finding the image that they wanted to share with many more 'selfies' taken.



They had to explain why they represented themselves this way and then looked at how the media influences our concept of self. There was also a good discussion surrounding whether the people they see in magazines are a realistic representation of the population.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Wyrallah Road Public School – NORTA NORTA Tutor

Expressions of Interest are being sought for the position of NORTA NORTA Tutor for Years 4 and 6 Aboriginal students at WRPS. This is a short term, casual position with an anticipated start date of Monday, 27 April 2015. The contract would require the tutor to work from 9.15am-12.55pm Monday to Friday for approximately 9 school weeks (until funding expires).

Norta Norta provides targeted support for Aboriginal students to accelerate progress in student achievement. The focus of Norta Norta is to provide learning assistance in the key areas of literacy and numeracy to improve educational outcomes for Aboriginal students.

Applicants must demonstrate ability to address following criteria:

- Ability to provide support to targeted Aboriginal students to improve their literacy and/or numeracy achievements,
- Ability to assist students to develop skills and understandings that enable them to independently participate in class activities,
- Ability to work closely with the teacher to ensure the tuition provided is relevant to their learning needs and to maintain a structured timetable in negotiation with teachers to ensure all eligible students receive tutor support,
- Ability to keep a record to communicate observations and information about each student to the class teacher and assist teachers as requested to communicate and provide feedback to parents, caregivers and community members.

Applicants are to use the above criteria as a guide to provide a brief resume and statement (1 page maximum) and provide contact details for two referees. Interviews may be conducted if required.

Applications to be submitted via email to rowena.mclaughlin@det.nsw.edu.au by 4pm Friday, 27 March.

Enquiries to: rowena.mclaughlin@det.nsw.edu.au or by appointment.

NORTHERN STAR \$5000 CLASSROOM MAKEOVER COMPETITION

The last tokens for the \$5000 classroom makeover were in Monday, 16 March's newspaper (there were bonus tokens in the paper). Please place them in the labelled box in the office foyer to help our school win a \$5000 classroom makeover.

CRUNCH AND SIP

How can I make fruit and vegetables more appealing to my child?

Research has found that children prefer small, cold, crisp, juicy and sweet fruits and colourful, crisp, fresh vegetables. Try the following tips to encourage children to enjoy fruit and vegetables:

- Buy a variety of seasonal fresh fruit so your child doesn't become bored
- Involve your child in choosing what fruit and vegetables to buy
- Give them a small, hand-sized piece
- Cut large fruit and vegetables into small manageable pieces
- Make 'vegie or fruit people' with your child
- Freeze small pieces of fruit as an icy snack (try pineapple wedges, orange quarters or grapes)
- Create pizzas together
- Grate up vegies such as carrot and zucchini and place it in spaghetti Bolognese or lasagne.



CANTEEN ROSTER

Thu, 19 March	Steph Gregory, Naomi Pitkin, Freda Yee
Fri, 20 March	Vicki Muddiman, Asher Smith, HELP PLEASE
Mon, 23 March	Dave McLean, Leanne Dillon
Tue, 24 March	Shona Powell, Angela Lawler
Wed, 25 March	Renea Allen, Jess Guyer
Thu, 26 March	Freda Yee, Clair O'Gorman
Fri, 27 March	Asher Smith, Mel Day
Mon, 30 March	Dave McLean, Amanda Keys
Tue, 31 March	Freda Yee, HELP PLEASE
Wed, 1 April	Kerry McDonald, Leonie Freund

UNIFORM SHOP

Open on Fridays from 8:30-10:00am. Roster: Friday, 20 March – Lisa Munn and Louise McKenzie.

Heaps of second-hand jumpers and tracksuit pants available. Great to have for emergency spare or everyday wear! URGENT HELP STILL NEEDED IN UNIFORM SHOP. Please contact Lisa on 0448580188.

COMMUNITY NEWS

- HOCKEY - Interested in playing a new sport or you're an experienced player or you just want to have a try first? Try hockey – an excellent sport for developing teamwork, co-ordination, fitness, improving health and making new friends. Just come to East Lismore Goonellabah's hockey training: Juniors 5-6pm and Seniors 6-7pm Wednesdays at the artificial hockey surface at Hepburn Park, Goonellabah. All levels, ages and genders welcome and catered for. For more information call 0466 377331.
- Soccer X Holiday Clinic held at Asia Pacific Football Institute on Monday, 13 to Wednesday, 15 April from 9am to 1pm. Cost \$130/3 days, \$90/2 days, \$50/1 day. To register visit www.SOCCER-X.com
- East Lismore Community Pre-school have a small number of vacancies. Please call Tracey to enquire or put your child's name on our waiting list. You are welcome to drop in to have a look at our learning environment and meet our staff. Phone 6621 6692.
- Brisbane 'Roar' into Lismore. A League Champions Brisbane Roar will be holding a coaching clinic aimed at ages 5-12 years on Friday, 10 April at the Asia Pacific Football Institute. Players will receive 3 hours of football fun with experienced Roar coaches, a Roar supporter pack, Skills, drills & fun games. Phone Rozanne on 0448 136986.
- Sport and Recreation has some great holiday activities for kids and families this Easter. There will be Kids' Camps and Family Camps. Phone 131302 for more information.