Congratulations SRC Reps for Term 4

Our SRC (student representative council) students for term 4 were presented with their badges of office at our school assembly on Monday morning. Congratulations to all the nominated students.

Children from year 5 will be presented with their badges at next Monday’s assembly.
This week we will be sending home a survey aimed at getting parent and carer opinions and ideas about the overall “climate” and feel of our school. Please consider and complete these surveys and return them to school as soon as possible.

On a previous occasion I let you know that we are to begin our strategic planning for the three years 2015 – 2017. The significant thing is that the formant and the development of this planning is quite different to what we have used in the past and the new format provides for a lot more decisions to be made at an individual school level. There is also with this format a stronger need to hear the opinions of Parents and community, our students and our school staff and leadership team.

Last week at our staff meeting we conducted a SWOT Analysis which aimed at seeing our strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (Hence the name SWOT). The data collected will form the beginning of examining why we do what we do. This “Why?” is to be very important in testing what we do in our school. It also allows the school and its community to do some things differently according to each schools’ needs.

There is a “What?” and a “How?” to be asked when filling in the details of our plan and when we get that far we will be seeking your opinions again. The finished document has to be ready at the end of Term 1 next year so we need to maintain our focus on where we are heading in the future. It is important to note that this year we continue to use our existing management plan. We also have to work towards a new vision for the school. This will only eventuate after lengthy discussions and consultation but you can help by starting to think about a vision statement which is best described as a dream of where you would like to see the school in the future – Why? What? How?

With this, the overall plan is to fit within three strategic areas. One of these will always cover the teaching and learning around mandatory syllabus documents. To get you thinking about the three broad strategic areas we had documented at our first meeting a suggestion that these should be: “Quality
“Relationships”, “Quality Care” and “Quality Curriculum”. These three strategic areas excite the imagination and seem to be very appropriate. They are of course not locked in because we need to see where you, our school community, our students and our school staff take us.

The surveys will be sent home this week. In some ways this will measure the amount of interest parents show in our school. The more surveys we have returned the greater the opportunity there is for you to help shape the future direction of Our School – ‘Our’ because it belongs to all of us as a collective.

All public schools will be following this process – perhaps in a different way and perhaps according to a different timetable but certainly all plans should end up being different according to the individual school’s situation.

Our school is very complex! This is why we have a very large staff, we run a wide range of programs and we cater for a wide range of student abilities and social needs.

If you need assistance with the survey, please contact the school and we will see what we can do to help.

Think about what you think the three strategic areas could / should be named and when thinking of your school, think about your long-term vision of where you want the school to be in the foreseeable future.

Feedback will be given about your responses after they are collated in subsequent issues of the Whisper. We are hoping for 100% response so let’s see how we go.

Your responses can be anonymous but in most instances we would like you to put a name at the top in case we need to ask you further about your responses.

Denis Anderson

Principal
Selective High Schools 2016

Parents wanting their Year 6 children to seek a Selective High School placement in 2016 are being invited to submit an online application (preferred method) commencing today, 14th October, 2014.

Online applications close on 17th November, 2014. All applications are to be lodged electronically and can be accessed through this web address—www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

Offers for Selective High School placement will be determined mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday, 12th March, 2015.
Homework Centre & Active After Schools has started!

The program runs on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 2.45pm until 4.45pm.

Activities

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W.P.S. RAFFLE for Boys Touch Football...

Tickets are on sale at the W.P.S front office, to raise money for the Boys’ Touch Football Team and their trip to Sydney for the State Finals. Prizes include a Manly Indigenous Shirt signed by Anthony Watmough and a Cricket bat signed by Mike Hussey.

Tickets are $2 each or 3 for $5.

Your support for this fundraiser is much appreciated.
Do you have or know of any children who are ready for BIG SCHOOL in 2015?

**Enrol NOW**

for Kindergarten 2015

Enrolment forms available from the school office.

Birth certificate and immunisation record is required.

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**Celebrating Great Efforts and Performances**

*This Week’s Buzzie Winners*

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**Stay in touch**

with the

**Wellington PS app.**

*Free download available for android (google play) and apple OS (Apple app store)*
Wellington High School believes that giving incoming students a strong start in Year 7 helps to assure their continued success throughout secondary school. All Year 6 students are welcome to join in our upcoming transition events.

1. **Transition afternoons** will include the following dates:
   - Wednesday 20\textsuperscript{th} August 2014 (Week 6)
   - Wednesday 3\textsuperscript{rd} September 2014 (Week 8) and
   - Wednesday 15\textsuperscript{th} October 2014 (Term 4 – Week 2)

   Students to meet at the front of the school at 1.45pm and can catch buses home at 3.10pm.

2. **Year 7 Orientation Day** - this will be a whole day event held on **Tuesday 4\textsuperscript{th} November 2014**.

   Students will follow a timetable where they will be given the opportunity to see what it is like as a high school student. Lunch will be provided for the students and a sit down lunch for parents as per previous years.

3. **Testing** - There will be a series of testing for our Enrichment and Opportunity classes as well as literacy and numeracy testing later in Term 4, dates to be confirmed. This collection of data will allow us to appropriately place each student according to their skill set.

If you have any further questions please contact Alicia Stevenson Head Teacher Transition on (02) 6845 2344.

Alternatively download our Wellington High School app on your smartphone or visit our school webpage [http://www.wellington-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.wellington-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/)
Please detach and return to either your child’s preschool or Wellington Public School (by September 5th)

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I __________________ give permission for my child __________________ to attend the Wellington Public School each Friday morning from 9am until 11am for the Kindergarten Transition Program from 10th October until 28th November 2014.
WELLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN 2015 TRANSITION PROGRAM

Wellington Public School will again run an eight week Kindergarten (2014) Transition Program this year. The program will each Friday from 10th October (Week 1 Term 4) until 28th November (Week 8 Term 4) from 9am until 11am.

This program is designed to achieve a number of goals. These include:

- Preparing children for the commencement of primary school.
- Placing children in the structured learning environment of a Kindergarten classroom, allowing the children to gain familiarity with their surrounds and feel more comfortable in their learning environment.
- Build on experiences gained at preschool, daycare or at home to ensure that fundamental concepts are familiar prior to the commencement of formal schooling in 2015.

We encourage all children who are attending Kindergarten in 2015 to take advantage of this opportunity.

Attached is an expression of interest and permission form for the Kindergarten 2015 Transition Program.

Please fill it in and return to either your child’s preschool or Wellington Public School office. This expression of interest will form the basis of our planning for the transition program. Once these forms are collated we will contact you with an outline for the commencement of the Kindergarten 2015 Transition Program.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school for more information regarding this program and enrolment for 2015.

Kind Regards

______________________________  ______________________________
Mrs Debbie Milgate            Mr Denis Anderson
P-K Transition Coordinator     Principal

Wellington Public School | NSW Department of Education & Training
Percy St Wellington NSW 2820 | PO Box 426 Wellington NSW 2820 | ph 02 6845 4080 | fx 02 6845 2843 | Email wellington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Wellington Primary School is a proud KidsMatter School.

2000 schools across Australia are involved in KidsMatter.

WHY????

Because a positive school community has been proven to significantly improve

- the mental health and wellbeing of students.
- The quality of school work
- The ability of parents, carers and teachers to help children deal with problems.

Wellington Primary School—because our KidsMatter.

Kindergarten Assemblies Term 4 2014

Assemblies are held every second Thursday at 2:00pm in the Block A Hall. If there are any changes to this timetable you will be notified as soon as possible.

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BUS ZONE PARKING...

PARENTS ARE ASKED NOT TO PARK IN THE BUS ZONES, IT IS A HUGE SAFETY ISSUE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN GETTING ON AND OFF THE BUSES.

Police will be patrolling the school bus stop during home time.

THANKYOU.
Welcome to Week 2.

We hope that all families had a successful transition day last Friday and that you are beginning to see what amazing things our school has to offer. Transition will continue each Friday until November 28th, we hope that your child will be involved each week, arriving at 9am and finishing at 11am.

Last week was a short one for us at preschool however we managed to fit a lot of fun and learning into our short days. This term we will begin our days with outside play so the children are not in the sun during times with the most damaging sun rays. We ask that on arrival families ask their children to apply sunscreen when they are signed in.

As we are transitioning to school during Term 4 please remember that staff will no longer be cutting and peeling fruit or preparing and warming food as we will begin to get them used to school lunchboxes. It has been great seeing all of the wonderful food in the children’s lunches so far.

Please remember to pay your preschool fees. We still have some overdue fees for previous terms and Term 4 fees are now due also.

Have a great week!!

Donna Langlands and Preschool Staff

Enrolments for 2015

If you know of anyone who has a child of Preschool age and would be interested in accessing our Preschool in 2015, please tell them to come into the Preschool to pick up a waiting list form.
We enjoyed our week at Preschool!!

Decklin decided to make ‘sand hands’ with gloves, many children were intrigued.

Lauchlan and Kydan made a ‘bomb fire’ using the ‘bombs’ from the bottlebrush tree.

Jarell is demonstrating his skills and showing us how to kick a ball correctly.

Emma is enjoying some quiet time reading her reptiles book.

Matthew and Billy made cars using wood, nails and milk bottle tops.

Kydan, Lauchlan and Daniel were able to build a tall tower with help from their friends.
Help us celebrate a Wellington icon and commemorate 50 years of the Mount Arthur Reserve

Photo Competition

Prize money in 17 categories across Open, Primary and Secondary School sections.

Landscape/Scenery, native flora and fauna, recreation, panoramic, black and white and photographic art/digitally manipulated

ALL PHOTOS to be taken within, or of, the Mt Arthur Reserve

ENTRIES CLOSE 14 November 2014
Entries will be exhibited

FOR MORE DETAILS AND REQUIREMENTS:
Pick up an entry form at the Wellington Information and Neighbourhood Centre OR www.mtarthurreserve.org.au

Prize Sponsors to date:

Major Prize donors
- Mt Arthur Reserve Trust
- Project Analysis
- Imajenit Commercial Photography
- Lola and Neil Hanington

Category donors
- Lion of Waterloo
- Twin Rivers Printing
- Papillion Foundation
- Friends of Burrendong Arboretum
- Wellington Redbacks
- Trim Hair Studio
- Brian Holmes

- Geoff and Penny Cook
- Leo and Marion Dawson
- The Baigent family
- Kimbells Cafe
- Pacific Seafoods
- Bell River Estate

SPONSORS STILL NEEDED! If you are interested in donating a prize, please contact the Mt Arthur Trust via mount.arthur@hotmail.com
### Wellington Public School
#### Canteen Price List

**Term 4 – 2014**

All Orders to be in before 9:30 am
All Lunches must be pre-ordered.

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Can Saver Plus assist you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to $500 for educational costs including:

- school uniforms and text books
- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself.

Contact Kim Mathieson, your local Saver Plus Worker:
(02) 6881 8032 / 0419 319 564
or kim.mathieson@thesmithfamily.com.au

Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered in Dubbo and surrounding districts by The Smith Family. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.
Resourceful Adolescent Parent Program

This 3-4 week program can provide support & information to parents of teenagers and allows an opportunity for parents to share ideas & experiences of parenting teenagers.

Time: 10:30am-12:30pm
Day: Wednesdays
Dates: 15th October – 5th November
Location: WINS
Swift St, Wellington
Cost: FREE. Morning Tea will be provided
If interested call
Liz or Di on 68451606
Or just turn up on the day

Come along to our program every Wednesday from 10am-12pm at the Mission Australia office.
2 Nanima Crescent, Wellington
Starting on Wednesday 15th October, 2014

• Meet other teenage parents
• Children very welcome
• Morning tea is provided

Please phone for any questions
Melissa or Rachelle - 68848526
Mother Daughter Information Night

An information night for mothers and daughters will be held at the Wellington Community & Allied Health Centre on Thursday the 6th November 2014.

Presented by Nicky Giddings (Women’s Health Nurse) this session is designed to provide factual information that is easy to understand. Topics to be covered include the basics of puberty and menstruation, coping with changes, products available, nutrition and how to communicate better.

The ‘Mother Daughter Night’ starts at 6.00pm and is for girls in Years 5 and 6. There is no cost to attend and you will need to contact Community Health on 6840 7210 as numbers are limited.

Clean-up Nanima Day

Project

18th of October 2014

Time: 10am to 4:00pm
Free BBQ Provided

Wellington Local Aboriginal Land Council is inviting you to join us to clean-up at Nanima

The project aims to improve the health and well-being of local residence by providing a safe and clean environment for the children at Nanima and their families.

The Nanima Village currently have little or no resources to achieve a well needed clean-up and are seeking local community’s involvement to play a part.

If you can help out on the day or would like to contribute in some way please contact Mille West at Wellington Aboriginal Land Council on 6845 2329.
Kidz Community Veggie Patch

Experience the thrill!
Building raised bed garden, soil preparation and health, germinating vegetable seeds, planting, fertilising, maintenance, harvest, worm farming, compost plus more!

5 - 12 year old girls and boys welcome
Thursday Afternoons @ Wellington Scout Hall
(Corner of Gisborne and Pierce Streets)
During School Term: 3.30pm to 4.30pm

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“Strong women are our future leaders”
A special place for girls to come together!
Build lifelong friends, learn valuable life skills, develop strong self esteem, dignity and character, team building, discover purpose and potential unique to every girl.
Enjoy FUN hands-on-activities including crafts, sewing, cooking, event planning and so much more.

TUESDAY 3.30pm-4.30pm
During School Term

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CAUTION ENTER AT YOUR OWN RISK

FREE Girls 6 to 12 years WINS
Swift Street Wellington

To book in or for information:
Contact Sharon
6889 1422 or 0428894180

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A POSITIVE START TO EMPLOYMENT... Girls Empowering Girls ...