Presentation Day

Presentation day allows us to recognise students who have performed well academically, as good citizens, as specially recognised people in their classes, achievers in sporting endeavours and as school leaders.

Congratulations to all who received awards yesterday as individual or teams/groups and to all students who have demonstrated their preparedness to attend school every day and try so hard to achieve their personal best.

Our sincere thanks go to all who were able to share this day with us and give our school their support.
We also say ‘thank you’ to our special guests who added importance to this significant occasion and/or to those who offered donations to assist us in celebrating student success.

Towards the conclusion of proceedings we gave our appreciation for our school’s student leaders who not only were responsible for the smooth running of the presentations but who have also represented the school so well and so consistently throughout the 2014 school year. Well done Jake, Kiara, Talisa and Tyreek!

Congratulations to our Leaders Elect for 2015, Charlotte Boland, Will Eather, Hannah Petrovic and Cooper Taylor. These children can look forward to their official induction early next year.

At an individual level we must specifically recognise our Sportsperson of the year, Kiara Sullivan and the Dux of the school, Rebecca Dutfield. These are very significant awards and both have been made to very deserving, outstanding students. Again, our heart-felt congratulations! Other major award winners were: AECG Award—Hayley Mohr; Peachey Family Award—Erica Brydon; Natalie Towney Award—Kya May; Home Reading—Will Deshon; Conn

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Family Award—Lochlan George; Lions Club Award—Josephine Taylor; Runciman Family Award—Ella Gregory; Marg Goninan Memorial Award—Angela Donnelly and Outstanding Effort in Music Award to Ngara Kennedy. Sporting Blues were awarded to Rylee Blackhall, Mason Humphries, Keiran Hart, Mark Stanley, Lewis Stanley, Jordan Blackhall, Will Eather, Justin Hetherington, Justin Walker, Kyle George, Cooper Taylor, Taylor Cubby, Kyla Tasker, Ryan Kong, Patrick O’Donnell and Hannah Petrovic.

Well done to our school band and thank you too for helping us celebrate on this special day. It was terrific knowing that you had this opportunity to share your collective talent with our school community.

Click on this link to see the picture gallery from the Wellington Times.

Link to Wellington Times WPS Presentation Day Gallery
Student Semester Two Reports

Reports follow class assessments and this time will capture the learning outcomes that have been achieved in the second half of the year. All reports will be finalised and ready to be sent home this Friday, 12th December.

Please take the time to share these reports with your children and praise them for the positive comments and discuss anything that may be of a concern. Many students have learning plans and teacher programs reflect the adjustments made for individual students. Please look also at the absences. Where students have a lot of absences this generally has a less than desirable effect on a student’s level of achievement. Another thing to celebrate is good attendance and congratulations to all students who haven’t missed a single day.

Carols Night Success

Once again our annual Carols under the COLA night was a huge hit with many families attending to enjoy the wonderful singing and to soak up the festive family atmosphere. The P&C raffles were very popular, we congratulate the winners and thank you all for buying tickets and contributing to its success as proceeds go to the purchasing of resources to support the many wonderful programs and initiatives that happen at our school. As usual, the P&C BBQ team kept the steaks and sausages coming. Many thanks to Stella May Miller and the P&C as well to Mr Leeder for his technical support and Mrs Blackhall for coordinating the event.

Class Parties—Friday 12th December

Teachers will send notes home with details for your child’s class.
**Year 2 Excursion**

Just a reminder that the Year 2 excursion & class party is on **THIS FRIDAY, 12th December**. If you have not already paid the $35, could you please do so by **this Thursday** so numbers can be finalised.

Students are reminded to wear sensible shoes, a hat and sunscreen and bring plenty of water to drink. They also need to bring along a plate of ‘party food’ to share with their class.

If you have any questions or concerns please don’t hesitate to contact the school.

Regards, Year 2 Teachers.

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**Canteen Renovations – Canteen to operate from Breakfast Club next week.**

Renovations to the School Canteen will be beginning next Monday. This means that our canteen will be running next week from the Breakfast Club room. Please note that hot food and slushies will NOT be available next week. Canteen breakfast items are also NOT available next week. However, the Breakfast Club will continue to run next week.

Sandwiches, salads, cold drinks and ice blocks will still be available.

**WPS School Yearbook**

The fabulous WPS Yearbook for 2014 is now on sale from the school office for $12 per copy. We thanks Mrs Batho for her tireless work in coordinating, designing and arranging the printing. This is our first yearbook since 1992!
Last “Whisper” for 2014

This will be the last Whisper published for 2014. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year. Last day for students is next Wednesday 17th December. School resumes for children going into Years 1 to 6 on Wednesday 28th January 2015 and Monday 1st February for Kindy and Preschool. Any alerts and updates will be broadcast through the WPS app and will appear on the WPS website.

See you in 2015!

Wellington PS School Calendar—Coming events

December

- Thu 11th – Kindy Assembly – 2pm GL Hall – K Yellow are your hosts
- Thu 11th – Stage 2 Assembly – 1pm E Block Hall
- Thu 11th – Stage 3 Assembly – 2pm F Block Hall
- **Thu 11th – Yr6 Farewell – 5pm - Wellington Soldiers Club**
- Fri 12th — Class parties
- Fri 12th – Student Reports sent home
- Wed 17th – Last day for students

January 2015

- Tue 27th—Staff return to school
- Wed 28th—Years 1 to 6 return to school
- **Wed 28th, Thur 29th, Fri 30th—Kindy Best Start appointments**

February 2015

- Mon 1st—Kindy and Preschool commence
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An outstanding keepsake from the 2014 school year
Recycling School Uniforms

This is a call to all parents and carers as the end of year is approaching, if there are any school uniforms that no longer fit your children please remember to recycle and bring them into the office.

School library borrowing is finished for the year. Please return any books that you still have at home this week.

Thanks, Mrs Blackhall and Mrs Legg.
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.

Celebrating Great Efforts and Performances

This Week’s Buzzie Winners

Be a Learner | Be Safe | Be Respectful
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Charlotte 5P; Edwina 3/4E; Nate 3/4E; Blake 3K; Brent K/6N; Tammy 1K; Katie 1S; Paige KG; Amy-Lee KY; Kataya KG; Emma PreS; Shakira K6KN; Sonja 5P; Lincoln PreS

Stay in touch with the Wellington PS app.

Free download available for android (google play) and apple OS (Apple app store)
Welcome to Week 10 the final week of Preschool for 2014!!!!

What a fantastic year it has been, all of the staff would like to thank you for allowing us to be a part of your child’s life. We have loved the learning journey they have taken us on this year as we have watched them grow and get ready for formal schooling. We are wishing all of our families a safe and relaxing holiday over the Christmas/New Year break.

Thursday (11/12) will be our final day for 2014 and as such we will be celebrating with a Graduation/Christmas party. The day will begin at 11am and will include our annual Preschool Christmas raffle. Thank you to everyone for your support and generous donations. We are asking that all families donate a plate of healthy food to share with the group as part of these celebrations.

Please remember to finalise your preschool fees for the year as notes will appear in your child’s pocket for outstanding money.

If you have any questions regarding Kindergarten please ask our staff and we will endeavor to find answers in order to help you smoothly transition into school life.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS and may our thoughts and best wishes follow you safely into 2015!!!!

Have a great week. Donna Langlands and Preschool Staff

What’s Happening This Week – Christmas Art & Craft

Monday – Zoo visit
Tuesday – Christmas art & craft
Wednesday – Wiradjuri
Thursday – Graduation/Christmas party starting at 11am Raffle drawn approximately 12pm
We enjoyed our week at Preschool!!

Christmas trees with wrapping paper was a challenging sorting experience.

Lincoln and Zayne enjoy just chillin’ under the fireplace. I hope Santa isn’t coming yet!

Billy is helping Alex to build a massive tower.

Emma and Claire were drawn out of the “Buzzie basket” at the school assembly!!

Our fireplace is looking good with some stocking hanging around it. I wonder if Santa will come?

We are getting very excited about the number of Preschool Sleeps to Christmas getting lower.
NETBALL CUP & CLINIC

LIFE Studio

Saturday 7th February 2015
9AM to 12.30PM
$45 PER CHILD

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For more information call mardi on 0416 112 885 OR email mardi@life-studio.com.au
Registration closes on 23/01/15 or a $5 late fee will be incurred

ALL MONEY RAISED SUPPORTS CHILDREN WITH HEART DISEASE & THEIR FAMILIES
Dear Parents, Staff and SRC,

The Department of Education and Communities (DEC) School Uniform guidelines outline that school uniforms should be reviewed approximately every three years. In light of this the P&C would like to form a committee to undertake this review for Wellington Public School.

According DEC Guidelines, the wearing of school uniforms by students will assist school communities in:

- defining an identity for the school within its community
- developing students’ sense of belonging to the school community
- providing an opportunity to build school spirit
- enhancing the health and safety of students when involved in school activities
- promoting a sense of inclusiveness, non-discrimination and equal opportunity
- reinforcing the perception of the school as an ordered and safe environment
- increasing the personal safety of students and staff by allowing easier recognition of visitors and potential intruders in the school
- promoting positive community perceptions of public education
- making school clothing more affordable for families by eliminating the risk of peer pressure to wear transiently fashionable and expensive clothes.

To establish this committee, the policy requires representation from Parents, Staff and Students. We would like to have between 8-10 members on this committee with a minimum of 2 members from each of these groups. This committee will be established by the end of this year in order to start the review process in Term 1 2015.

If you are interested, please fill out the below details are return to the school office.

With Thanks

Wellington Public School P&C Committee

I would like to be a part of the School Uniform Committee.

Name: ________________________________

Phone: ________________________________

Email: ________________________________

Are you: Parent  Staff  P&C  SRC

Wellington Public School Parents & Citizens Association
C/O Wellington Public School | PO Box 426 Wellington NSW 2820 | ph 02 6845 4080  | tx 02 6845 2843
The Western Band Camp is on again! The 2015 Camp will be held at Lake Burrendong Sport and Recreation Centre from Sunday 15 February – Friday 20 February 2015. The camp is open to all public school students from years 5-12 and caters for musicians of all levels from beginner to advanced. During the week students will participate in a range of programs including concert band, advanced band and instrumental group tutorials.

The camp aims to give students a valuable educational and musical experience. It will give students the opportunity to enhance their skills by working with professional musicians, tutors and conductors and exposing them to a variety of music and styles. Students who attend camp will be eligible for selection for State Wind Band and Beyond the Divide Band Tours.

Bass guitarists are welcome, however, there are no positions available for vocalists, electric or acoustic guitarists. Separate camps are available for these students. Piano students are welcome to attend, with the understanding that they will be placed with the percussion section. A single drum kit is provided for drummers and they will be expected to rotate turns on the equipment with percussion instruments.

It is expected that all students that apply will be accepted. A confirmation email will be sent to parents/care givers so please ensure that an up-to-date email is provided. Payment can be made either in full - $400, OR as a $50 deposit that accompanies the application form followed by instalments of your choice. Students who withdraw will forfeit all monies paid, unless a Doctor’s Certificate is presented.

Closing Date for Nominations

Monday 15 December 2014

Please contact Mrs Nott for more information and/or permission notes.

Thankyou,
Mrs Nott.
Christmas in the Park
Friday
12th December 2014
Cameron Park, Wellington
6.30pm to 8.30pm
Followed by DV Collective
Movie Night in the Sunken Garden “Despicable Me”

FREE Family Fun including:
• Jumping Castle
• Kids Christmas Craft
• Fairy Floss, Snow Cones & Popcorn
• Lucky Door Prizes
• Bucking Bull
• Trike Rides
• Face Painting & Balloons
• Market Stalls
• Music by Town Band/Local Talent
• Free Sausage Sandwiches & Drinks
Plus a Special Visitor with a SURPRISE for the kids!!

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ENQUIRIES
Maree Thomas - Communities for Children Coordinator - 0427636023
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.

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.
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SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS WILL BE HOLDING CHRISTMAS LUNCH FOR LOCAL PEOPLE WHO WILL BE ALONE OR UNABLE TO PREPARE A MEAL ON CHRISTMAS DAY.

COME AND JOIN US TO CELEBRATE.

WHEN: CHRISTMAS DAY, 25 December 2014, 11.00am
WHERE: Senior Citizens Centre, Swift Street, Wellington

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A BOOKING OR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT CATHY DONNELLY 6845 2391
or put your name down at WINS or the Senior Citizens Centre

Volunteers and donations welcomed
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:

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- 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
THE SPY WHO LOVED HER

Friday, 12th December, 2014 in the Sunken Garden, Cameron Park, Wellington from 8.30pm.

Prizes to be won.

Popcorn & Drinks available following the “Community Christmas Party” at 6.30pm

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Bonus! Residential Kids’ Camps include supervised transport from:

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- Lithgow
- Bathurst
- Orange
- Wellington
- Brooklyn
- Mooney Mooney.

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dsr.nsw.gov.au/familyCamps

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facebook.com/nswsportandrecreation
PCYC Wellington will be holding activity open days during the January school holidays. Kids can come down and try a variety of activities on offer. All it will cost to participate is $5 per day and will include PCYC membership. For more information call 6882 3273 or MDevenish@pcycnsw.org.au

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During School Term: 3.30pm to 4.30pm

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