Wonderful Book Parade

Last Friday saw our school’s Book Parade where children were encouraged to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. We are extremely grateful for the huge effort that many children, parents and families went to make the parade the success that it was. The children obviously enjoyed “rocking” to the music and parading their outfits in front of their peers. Reading is the most important skill that children will learn at school and it was wonderful to see so many of our students fully engaged in this activity.
At the conclusion of the assembly, many families returned to their children’s classrooms and participated in D.E.A.R (Drop Everything And Read). Our students enjoyed having visitors in the classroom and were excited to be showing off their reading skills to their parents and relatives. Children need to remember to keep borrowing and to get their “frequent borrower card” stamped and filled so that at the conclusion of term 3 they can collect their reward! Many thanks to Mrs Blackhall and Mrs Legg for organising a fabulous event.
Lots more Book Parade photos on the school website.
Debating win
On Monday 25th August Wellington Public School experienced another wonderful win in the third round of the Western Challenge debating competition. A big group of Stage 2 and Stage 3 students were a captive audience and witnessed their peers in a very close competition. Both teams performed remarkably well and should be incredibly proud of their efforts.

The adjudicators were Mrs Chick Jones and Mrs Jenny Conn. The Wellington team is now officially the winner in Zone F of the Western Challenge and will compete in the semi finals at Bletchington Public School on Wednesday 17th September. We congratulate these keen students who have shown much initiative and dedication to progress to this level and wish them luck at the next stage.
Manly Sea Eagles Trip

Last week we travelled to Royal Far West in Manly. When we arrived we were greeted by Dee who works for the manly Sea Eagles and she had a bag of goodies for each of us. Wednesday morning we were taken to Narrabeen where the Manly Sea Eagles were training. We went for a swim in the indoor pool before watching the players train for their big game on Friday night. After this we met Jorge Taufua, Manaia Rudolph, Tua Transvaal Tualima, Josh Starling and Jesse Sene-Lefao whilst we played Tenpin Bowling. When we arrived back at our accommodation we were also lucky enough to meet Steve Matai and Kieran Foran who joined us in a game of footy. Later that night we had a talk about healthy food followed by a trip to Coles to purchase a healthy snack each. Thursday morning we headed to Taronga Zoo with Tua and Manaia, we seen plenty of amazing animals throughout our walk around the zoo. Following the trip to the Zoo we went to the movies and watched How To Train Your Dragon 2 this was exciting as we were joined by Matt, Tua, Jesse and Manaia. That night we were treated to a meal of Hungi. This was a beautiful meal, it consisted of chicken, pork, potato, pumpkin, sweet potato and topped with a seasoning. After dinner we had a visit by Don Singe (the head trainer for Manly)
who gave us a talk about leadership and looking after our bodies. On Friday morning we headed to Manly Beach for a surfing lesson. This was a fantastic experience all of the boys were able to surf. We went back to Royal Far West and had a game of tips and footy with Matt and Manaia before hitting the showers and getting ready for the big game. When we arrived at Parramatta Stadium we seen the end of the under 20’s game. Before the game started we were able to get a wave from Jesse, Manaia and Jorge. Both Manaia and Tua joined us in watching the manly Sea Eagles play. Saturday morning we were up bright and early ready for our trip back home.

“My favourite thing was watching the Sea Eagles and Parramatta play at Parramatta Stadium” Mark Stanley

“My favourite part was going to watch the footy game with Manaia and Tua and all of the other boys” Warren Powell

“My favourite part was when we watched the footy game and when Tua came over and sat with us” Rylee Blackhall

“My favourite part was at the football game when Jorge Taufua scored the try and smiled at us” Mason Humphries

“The highlight of the trip was meeting the NRL players” Chris Merritt and Lewis McCarthy

“My favourite part was surfing and Tenpin Bowling” Brodie Hyde

“My highlight was meeting the NRL players and playing Tenpin Bowling with them” Mark Walsh

“I liked meeting the NRL players especially Manaia” Jye Elemes Carr

“I liked when we went surfing with the players” Robert Gilbert
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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Free download available for android (google play) and apple OS (app store via itunes)
Welcome to Week 7.

Last week we visited the music bus where we sang, danced and played instruments with Mr Chris. On Thursday we had lots of book and movie characters attend preschool for the day which was very exciting! Thank you to everyone for dressing up.

Happy Birthday to Emma who turned 5 last week, we hope you had a great day.

Head lice have been reported at preschool. We are asking that all families check their child’s hair and treat it if necessary.

I attended a healthy eating workshop last week where we discussed healthy options for pre-packaged foods. Bupa “Foodswitch” is an app available which is designed for families to choose healthy options when purchasing pre-packaged foods. Please keep in mind our healthy food policy when choosing foods for your child to bring to preschool.

We ask once again that if your child is sick or has a green runny nose that you keep them home from preschool in order to avoid spreading illness.

Term 3 fees are now due, if you are unsure how much you owe for this term please see one of our staff to help you.

Have a great week!! Miss 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.

What’s Happening This Week – Father’s Day

Monday – Circus performance
Wednesday – Father’s Day gifts

Tuesday – Father’s Day gift
Thursday – Kinder Red visit
Last week at Preschool

On the Music Bus we all had a turn playing the piano with Mr Chris.

We strummed the guitar ...

We beat the drum, the Music Bus was a very loud, fun place to be.

Lincoln, Decklin and Lauchlan worked together to read the instructions and put the tent up.

Our ‘Elsa twins’ (as Daniel named them) enjoyed playing Frozen games on dress-up day.

Billy drew “a map to make a robot” before putting all of the tools together to make it.
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\(^{th}\) August 2014 (Week 6)
   - Wednesday 3\(^{rd}\) September 2014 (Week 8) and
   - Wednesday 15\(^{th}\) 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\(^{th}\) 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/)
Come to Wellington Public School and learn all about our exciting Transition to Kindergarten program.

This innovative program runs each Friday morning for 8 weeks during Term 4.

Come along with your child to meet the teachers, support staff and other parents.

This year there will be an information session at 11:30am followed by a tour around the kindergarten classrooms and a free BBQ.

Please contact the school on 6845 4080 for further information.
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  
P-K Transition Coordinator

Mr Denis Anderson  
Principal
PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN TO EITHER YOUR CHILD’S PRESCHOOL OR WELLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL (By September 5th)

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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.
WPS is participating in a Seed Fundraiser

Thank you to all the wonderful children who have helped us with our fundraising for our ‘Kitchen Garden Program’. If any children have unsold stock at home, please bring it back to school next week with any money they have raised. When we have all our monies in, I will let you know how we went. Thank you—Sue Nicholas
Busking and Street Performance Competition

Do you love to sing, act or dance and would like a chance to perform in public? If so, why not enter the Wellington SpringFest Busking and Street Performance Competition?

Not only are some great prizes on offer, but you have the chance to showcase your talent to our local community.

WHEN: 1pm, Saturday, September 27
WHERE: Cameron Park

For further details or to enter, visit the SpringFest website, www.wellingtonspringfest.com.au and fill in the entry form or contact Gloria on 0428 928 166.
Indigenous Sky Stories

17th of September
6pm-8pm
Free BBQ & Drinks
Aboriginal Dancing
Using Telescopes
Sky Stories performances
Home Reading Program

New books! New books! New books!

Students have been asking for some books that the Home Reading Program didn’t have. Well, we do now. (Thanks Mr Anderson)

Roald Dahl, Diary of a Wimpy Kid, detective stories, more Goosebumps and lots of animal stories. Why not return the book you have and borrow a new book!

If you haven’t joined the Home Reading Program, it’s not too late. Either see Kaylene in the Home Reading Room on Wednesday or ask your teacher for a permission note.

For those of you who have joined, don’t forget to return your book, Kindergarten and 2G on Tuesdays and everyone else on Wednesdays. Thanks.

Home Reading Coordinator.
Kaylene Brien
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We are proud to invite you to our Art Auction Dinner Party

7pm, Saturday 30th August at the Western Star Dubbo

Art themed Games

Tickets – Purchase at Hot Poppyz Florist, Brisbane St, Dubbo or online Try Booking www.trybooking.com/93031 (small fee) Tickets close 12pm Monday 25th August.

See our website for artwork www.heartourheart.org

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