Do you have children starting “Big School” in 2015?

Do you know of any children starting “Big School” in 2015?

Preschool to Kindergarten Transition—Information session /BBQ

Friday 5th September at 11:30am.

Wellington PS is once again holding its ground breaking and comprehensive transition to school program during term 4. We will be running one information session this year on Friday 5th September at 11:30am in the Gould League Hall. The meeting will be followed by a BBQ sausage sizzle.

The Program— Children beginning school in 2015 can attend each Friday morning for 2 hours from Friday 10th October and participate in a variety of academic and social activities. These activities offer an opportunity for the children to become familiar with their school surroundings and also for teachers to assess school readiness and support needs.
P&C FATHER’S DAY STALL

This FRIDAY 5th September

GIFTS from $1 to $5

Donations of gifts are urgently needed and can be left at the school office.

and implement processes that can be in place right from the start of the school year. The transition program runs from Friday 10th of October until Friday 28th November.

REGIONAL ATHLETICS

A fantastic effort by all our Wellington Public School athletes at the Western Carnival last Friday. Georgia Veech and Shep Taylor both ran exceptionally well in their 100m events. Emerson Humphries jumped well in the long jump and Mark Stanley was a great help being a runner. Four of our athletes made it to State; Patrick
O’Donnell in the Para athlete shot put and 100m, Hannah Petrovic in the Discus and Kyla Tasker and Ryan Kong in the Shot put. Well done to all of you, it is a great effort to get to Western.

A big thankyou to all the family members and teachers who were there to support the students.

**PBL CLASSROOM RULES**

Teachers are currently working with students implementing our new classroom rules. This is a common set of rules that applies to all classrooms and teaching spaces across the school. The idea is to provide consistency in expectations and the language used to express these expectations across the school. Our 5 rules are:

#1: Hands and feet to yourself  
#2: Look and listen to the speaker  
#3: Be polite and kind to others  
#4: Follow instructions  
#5: Stay on task  

Teachers will be issuing Buzzies based on the positive application of these rules by students.

**SPELLING BEE—Successful Applicants**

Wellington Public School held their annual School Spelling Bee last Tuesday. The competition comprised of two divisions – Junior for Years 3 & 4 and Senior for Years 5 & 6. Congratulations to all of the students who competed in the Spelling Bee.

Our successful applicants were:

Seniors: Erin McQuade and Ezekiel Turaga  
Juniors: Aisha Sullivan and William Dimmick
The successful four applicants will be attending a Regional Finals knockout to be held on Wednesday 10th September 2014, at Dubbo West Public School.

We would like to congratulate and wish our students all the very best at the Regional Finals.
FATHER’S DAY STALL

The P&C will be holding a Father’s Day Stall this Friday at school. From 9am—11am, Gifts will be priced from $1 to $5.

If you are able to donate any gifts, please send them in to the school office.

P&C MEETING this week

Our next P&C meeting is scheduled for tomorrow night, Wednesday 3rd September at 6:30pm. Meetings are held in the staffroom near the main school office. Come along and have your say!

KINDERGARTEN EXCURSION

Kindergarten students are getting excited about their excursion to the Wambangalang Environmental Education Centre for the “Teddy Bears’ Picnic.

K Yellow and K Green are going on Tuesday 9th September,
K Red and K Blue are going on Wednesday 10th September.

Students receive a letter from the Wambangalang Teddy, Theodore. Theodore invites them to visit Wambangalang and become Teddy

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The next Hear Our Heart Ear Bus Wellington Support Group meeting will be held on the 4th of September at 3pm in A Block Hall at Wellington Public School. All are welcome! Bring your friends!!

There will be an afternoon tea provided.

Please RSVP for catering purposes: 68454080

For more information contact either Maree Thomas: 68401700 or Leeanne Everett: 68454080
Bear Guardians.

On arrival students are met by Theodore and the secret of "P.A.W.S." is revealed to them. "P.A.W.S." is the secret needs of bears and other living things. Lunches and visiting teddies are packed away in the picnic baskets for later.

Students then play two games which reinforce the secret of P.A.W.S. Teddy Bear Tag - is a game of chasies where a teddy searches for all the things he or she needs.

Musical Trees - all student teddies dance around to the music until they must find a tree to shelter under.

Students then go on an Earth Walk to experience the sights, smell and sounds of the Wambangalang Woodland.

The day finishes with the folk tale, "The People who Hugged the Trees". This story reinforces the importance of trees and plants for a healthy environment.

Excursion cost is $30 and needs to be paid ASAP to the school office. An excursion permission note has been included in this Whisper if you have misplaced yours, or contact the school office.

Have a great week

WPS Executive team.
Kindergarten Wambangaang Environmental Education Centre Excursion
Parent or Guardian Information and Consent Form

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Kindergarten will be going on an excursion to Wambangaang Environmental Education Centre. The program planned for the day is ‘The Teddy Bear’s Picnic’. This supports learning in Science and HSIE.

We will be going as two groups. The first group will be going on Tuesday 9th September, 2014: this will be Kindergarten Green and Kindergarten Yellow.

The second group will be attending the Environmental Education Centre on Wednesday 10th September, 2014: this will be Kindergarten Blue and Kindergarten Red.

Morning tea comprising of teddy bear biscuits, fruit and cordial is provided by Wambangaang. Your child will need a packed lunch, a teddy bear or soft toy and a drink bottle of water. As Wambangaang is an Environmental Education Centre, please try to limit the amount of packaging with your child’s lunch.

The cost of the excursion is $30.00, payable to the School Office by Monday 1st September. The cost can be paid in instalments, please see your child’s class teacher to arrange this.

The students will depart from WELLINGTON PS at 9 AM and return to School by 2:45PM.

Travel will be by OGDENS COACH.

The first group will be supervised by Mrs Milgate and Mrs Hardwick as well as Kindergarten aides; Narelle Goninan, Deb George, Michelle Staggs and Sarah Stone.

The second group will be supervised by Mrs Hawke and Mrs Keirle as well as Kindergarten aides; Narelle Goninan, Deb George, Michelle Staggs and Sarah Stone.

Additional information—Please provide the following for your child:
Teddy Bear or soft toy; Lunch and plenty to drink; Casual clothes- older clothes, as they may get dirty; A hat and sensible, closed in shoes for walking; Please include a warm jacket; Please include a raincoat if it is overcast on the day.

Phone number: 02 6845 4080. (Emergency contact can be made through the school office.) Please complete details on this page and return to school as soon as possible with payment.

Wellington Public School

Excursion Consent Form

I hereby consent to __________________________ participating in an excursion to Wambangaang Environmental Education Centre on Wednesday 10th September, 2014.

I am aware that my child will be completing activities around water (not in water).

I have included payment of $30.00.

Special needs of my child which you should be aware (e.g. allergies, medication - please provide full details):

__________________________________________

MEDICARE NUMBER.................................................................

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER + PERSON...........................................

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

Keiran KB, Maddison KG, Ashton KR, Katie 1S, Rylee 2W, Dirk 2G, Alex 3OB, Ben 3/4B, Kade K/6N, Letiah 5S, Paige M 5S and Mark 6A

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Free download available for android (google play) and apple OS (Apple app store)
Welcome to Week 8.

Last week we enjoyed a visit to Kinder Red where we talked to Mrs Kierle and the Kindy Red children. The children were also inspired by the circus performance which they attended on Monday and have been practicing their circus skills at preschool all week.

We would like to welcome Mrs Tegan Peckham into the preschool. Tegan will be working with Miss Donna on the Assessment and Ratings process whilst also working with the children in the classroom. Tegan has had 4 years of experience in preschool settings so we are delighted that she is willing to lend her expertise to us in this area.

This Friday 5th September is the Preschool to Kindergarten BBQ for families and children attending Kindergarten in 2015. This function begin at 11:30am and will take place at the Gould League Hall. We ask that as many families attend this BBQ as possible so you do not miss out on valuable information regarding the transition process and beginning big school. Also please make sure that you have handed in your child’s transition permission note either to preschool or the office.

Please remember to pay your compulsory fees for Preschool. 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 craft
Wednesday – Father’s Day gifts

Tuesday – Father’s Day gift
Thursday – Remember the Preschool to Kindergarten transition BBQ tomorrow.
Last week at Preschool

After the circus performance the children were excited to get back and practise their skills. Kirsty practised spinning the hula hoop on different parts of her body.

Alex made a camera out of recycled materials and enjoyed taking photos of everybody in the room. Decklin and Xavier used the blocks to create a barrier and more wood for the campfire.

Lauchlan and Kirsty wanted to be mermaids in the sandpit. Nate used his imagination to create things using the engineering set.
Wellington High School Transition Program

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/)
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        Mr Denis Anderson
P-K Transition Coordinator Principal
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 __________________

Parent/carer name: Please print

Child’s name: Please print

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.
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
THE MARTY GORDON MEMORIAL NAIDOC GOLF

Date: Friday 26th September 2014

Location: Dubbo Golf Club (Peak Hill Road)

Time: 9:00am for Registration—10:00am Tee Off

Cost: $60 covers (18 holes of Golf-BBQ-T-shirt-hat)

♦ 2 man Ambrose, Teams selected on the day
♦ Fantastic prizes up for grabs

All money raised on the day will be donated to the Dialysis Unit at the Dubbo Base Hospital

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