PRINCIPAL’S PROSE:

Tax Time Donation Drive

Have you had a good financial year? Can you afford a $5 donation? a $50 donation? a $500 donation? a $5000 donation?
The School operates the Library Fund. Donations to this fund are tax deductible. We would like the library to have more books and more computers. Mark your donation to indicate its purpose and/or make cheques out to Wahroonga Public School Library Fund.

Rubbish

We are trying to reduce litter in the playground. You can help by providing as little wrapping as possible for school lunches and ask your child to bring home all items not consumed. Please ensure lunch boxes are clearly labelled. We ask students to take home any uneaten food and any wrapping used. Students are not to share or swap their morning tea or lunch with each other. I would like you to remind your child of these rules and routines.

Lost Property

Please check the baskets that are left outside the hall for your child’s lost property. Celia Hunter, our parent volunteer, tells me the problem is the LABELLING on the lost items. After last Tuesday’s clear out, there were still about 25 pieces of clothing, some brand new items that did not have a name written on them, or else written illegibly.

Please name all items clearly as unclaimed, items will be donated or thrown out after three weeks. If you are happy to help Celia sort and give back labelled items please let her or me know.

Mid Year Student Reports

We will be sending home mid-year student reports on Wednesday 24 June 2015, except for 3H. Students should bring the reports home still sealed in the envelopes we provide. It is up to parents to decide if, and when, to share
the reports with their children.
In cases where parents do not live at the same address the parent who does not have custody that day can send in an addressed A4 envelope so that we make an extra copy for that parent. We can also provide an extra copy after the 24 June 2015 upon request to parents and carers where there is a particular need. We do not send home reports early for the few students who don’t attend in the last week of term.

School Yard Problems
Parents are rightly concerned if their child has disagreements or reports they are being bullied by another child. If you have these concerns please raise them with your child’s teacher, the stage coordinator and the Deputy Principal. If you are not satisfied with the outcome you should raise the issue with me. Never go directly to the student who your child has accused of wrong doing.

What is bullying?
What is the difference between a disagreement and bullying? In a bullying situation there must be a power imbalance between the victim and the bully or bullies. This can be because of the number of students involved, an age or size difference, intellectual difference or because of passive or aggressive behaviour.

Do’s and don’ts
• Listen to your child. Don’t necessarily accept his or her version as the whole truth but a version of the truth. Be careful not to become a tool in a school ground disagreement.
• Encourage your child to be flexible and negotiate play with his or her peers. Talk about being a good sport, having your turn and letting others have their turn, losing gracefully and going on to the next game, round or activity.
• Ensure your child knows you do not accept aggressive behaviour that is verbal or physical
• Ensure your child knows he or she should not be passive but assertive in situations. Using ‘I” statements can help. For example ‘I think that is wrong.’ Is a better statement than ‘You are wrong.’
• Tell you child it is not fair to exclude peers. You can be friendly without being friends. Working and playing well with people for whom you don’t have an natural liking is a sign of emotional intelligence
• Encourage your child to use the NO GO TELL strategy. Say No in a strong confident voice if you are being bullied, go away from the bully and tell your teacher.
• Telling is not dobbing and it is important we know. Even if the particular occasion does not lead to the outcome you want if there are a number of reports about the same child it builds up a picture.

PREMIER’S READING
CHALLENGE:
Who has completed the 2015 challenge?
How to register on-line.

SPORT:
• T2 Sports timetable
• PSSA Soccer, Netball and AFL Draw
T2 Lunchtime Practice
• Tues: Netball
• Tues: Soccer
• Wed: Senior AFL
• Thurs: Junior AFL
• Be an active bystander. If a student thinks another student is being bullied he or she should say something. For example, if a student is trying to exclude another student the bystander can say – let him play and let’s get on with the game’ or ‘no that is not fair – we can all play’. To paraphrase an old axiom - for evil to triumph it is necessary at good people do nothing’

World Environment Day 2015 Is Tomorrow

This year’s WED theme is ‘7 Billion Dreams & One Planet, Consume with Care’. Dreaming is the first step towards actualizing a future we want. Imagine what seven billion dreams can do when they come true! It starts with an individual action. That leads to collective power...and translates to exponential impact! This year, the UN Goodwill Ambassadors have formed a Dream Team to encourage the global community to share our dreams for a healthier planet and to make pledges in support of the environmental Sustainable Development Goals focusing on the main things we consume and waste - water, food, energy and all natural resources like forests and animal products. So this World Environment Day, join the Dream Team by sharing your dreams and pledges today. And then inspire others to do the same! Your efforts will help the world consume with care for a healthier planet and happier people!

http://www.unep.org/wed/wedchallenge/

John Benton John.benton@det.nsw.edu.au (Principal)

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS:

Eisteddfods And Band Camp

During the week, I had the pleasure of watching the bands perform at the McDonald’s Sydney Eisteddfod. All bands were acknowledged by the adjudicators for performing pieces with a variety of styles with a well balanced sound and use of dynamics. Congratulations to the Stage Band for achieving first place. Band Camp was also an outstanding opportunity for the students to spend time with experienced tutors and conductors. Thank you to the many parents who organised the band camp and to Mr Edwards, Miss Spillane, Mrs Gilchrist, Mrs Flynn and Miss Wilcock for attending the camp.

NEXT P & C MEETING:

• 5 August- 7pm in Library

MUSIC MATTERS:

• Uke Club: Tues 1:30pm
• Junior Choir: Wed 8:30am
• Intermediate: Thurs 8:00am
• Senior Choir: Fri 8:00am
Great Book Swap For The Indigenous Literacy Foundation Reminder

Do you want to own a ‘new’ book and also donate to a worthwhile cause? We are now asking for students to be part of this worthwhile program by bringing to school an ‘owned’ book and a $2.00 donation to choose a “new” book for the Great Book Swap on Tuesday 23 June. Students may donate up to two books each, with each book being a $2.00 donation. Refer here to website.

Special Assembly Reminder

Please be part of our special retirement/farewell assembly for Mr Benton at 9:30am on Friday 26 June. Our concert band, choirs and dance groups will be performing along with special presentations from the parents, students and teachers. Tea and coffee will be available at the canteen.

Belinda Zorian: belinda.storr@det.nsw.edu.au
Debbie Evans: deborah.evans2@det.nsw.edu.au
(Deputy Principals)

BAND NEWS:

Sydney Eisteddfod

Congratulations to Stage Band on an outstanding performance in the Sydney Eisteddfod, winning First Place. Concert and Intermediate Bands also performed beautifully in this prestigious event at The Concourse. A huge thank you to Mrs Zorian for accompanying us over the three days, to the parents who came along to listen and help with transport, and to the children for all their extra practice. Read more....

All enquiries, contact Anne Seage, on 9489 3086 or 0413

DANCE PRACTICE:

- Junior: Tuesday
- Intermediate: Monday
- Senior Girls: Wednesday
- Primary Boys: Thursday

'AROUND THE WORLD'

SCHOOL CONCERTS:

14 WEEKS TO GO

- K-2 Matinee & Evening: 8 Sept
- 3-6 Matinee & Evening: 10 Sept

UNIFORM SHOP:

WINTER STOCK IS NOW AVAILABLE!

Opening Hours:
622142 – before 6.00 pm, unless it is urgent, please.
anne.j.seage@det.nsw.edu.au

P & C NEWS:

Spring Fair
As you know the biannual spring fair is to be held on Saturday 5th September. I attended the most recent committee meeting and would like to acknowledge the work that has been done so far. It is a huge endeavour and the only thing that will make it a success is if the school community help.
One way to help is to donate an item or service to be used as a prize in our raffle, chocolate wheel, etc. This can be done either as an individual or a business. All donors will be acknowledged, unless they choose not to be.

New Principal
As John mentioned last week, I am on the selection panel for our next principal. The position has been advertised and the selection process will commence shortly. Please do not ask me to comment on the process as any comment made can jeopardise the process.

Building Fund
As the current tax year draws to a close please keep in mind the P&C Building Fund. All donations over $2 are tax deductible and all proceeds are used by the P&C to improve the structural assets of the school. Previous examples include the covered learning areas on the mulch and the recent band room.

Diary Dates
WPS Band Eisteddfod – Sunday 14th June
P&C General meeting – Wednesday 5th August at 7pm in the staff room
School Fair – Saturday 5th September

Nicholas Fiennes
President: wpspandc@gmail.com
For more information, please visit the P&C website page

SPORTS NEWS

TENNIS - BUSH SCHOOL LEADS THE WAY!!
Last Saturday evening 14 keen tennis players represented Wahroonga Public School at the Term 2 Primary School Tennis Competition at Tennis Valley. Not only did we have many pairs winning or coming runners up in their divisions BUT out of 26 schools participating at 6 different locations across Sydney- Wahroonga Public were OVERALL WINNERS of the Term 2 Primary School Challenge!! AND after Term 1 & Term 2 competitions the combined TOTAL scoreboard results sees Wahroonga

DR SHOE
Good quality shoes or runners appropriate for school are available from Dr Shoe, who can be reached on 0414 912 898 and is happy to come to you for a free home fitting. Dr Shoe visits the school throughout the year.
The P & C receive 10% back for every pair sold.
For details about Winter uniform, see the school webpage.

CANTEEN NEWS:

Bush Tuckshop
If anyone would like to volunteer next term, please email me your name and the day of the week you are available and I will include you in the roster.

SCHOOL BANKING:

Michelle Lightfoot, Banking Coordinator
mj@bigpond.net.au
Public sitting at 1st place!! This is an amazing result, and is a credit to every student involved. Keep up the fantastic tennis, and we look forward to the next competition in Term 3.

Bush School
Tennis Team
Term 2 2015

Nick B
Georgia B
Mika C
James C
Craig H
Daniel H
Hugh H
Aaron K
Elliot K
Elyana M
Graham P
Adam S
Zac S

healthy Harold is here

Wahroonga Band Festival:
14 June
See Band website page
INTERSCHOOL CHESS REPORT

Interschool Chess Report Rounds 3 To 5

Having succumbed to the distractions of daily life, the keyboard has run hot with the results from the last three rounds of Interschool Chess.

After the rude awakening our teams experienced in round 2, round 3 proved to be a more balanced, if decidedly mixed, bag. With one win, one draw and one loss. Read more....

COMMUNITY NOTICES:
Please visit our website for Community Notices.
STUDENT SHOWCASE: WAHROONGA PUBLIC SCHOOL BANDS

This week, all our bands competed at the McDonalds Sydney Eisteddfod at Chatswood. Go to our Band gallery to see more images

AND NOW A WORD FROM OUR SPONSORS

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- Half page size (590x400) - $30.00 week or $250 Term
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Other sizes and format details for finished art available.

NOTE: The school does not provide a graphic design or image processing service - Incorrect size/format images cannot be published.
- Community Service notices are published on our website.
HORNSBY JUNIOR CHESS CLUB
Intermediate & Advanced Chess Lessons - Mondays 4:30PM – 6:00PM
Coach: Poyraz Kucukarslan (Fide Instructor)
Location: Hornsby Leisure and Learning Centre, 25 Edgeworth David Avenue, Hornsby
For more info, pls call Poyraz 0424132813 or (02) 9745 1170
Email: info@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au

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Call / Text NATHAN—0447 496 940

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- Maximise Motivation & Attention
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- TURRAMURRA, WAHROONGA, ST IVES, PYMBLE
- GREAT RESULTS—REFERENCES AVAILABLE

Interschools Music Workshop
9 & 10 July 2015

Fun 2 day event aimed at enthusiastic young musicians; providing a variety of opportunities to further their musical education. Students will learn new music, develop musicianship, improve ensemble skills and most importantly make new friends and have lots of fun! Maximise their musical potential in the holidays.

- 2 full days of activities
- Multiple bands and ensembles*
- Small group tutorials
- Challenging and motivating repertoire
- Professional tutors & conductors
- Additional fun music activities
- Concert on final day

*Actual number of bands and ensembles will depend on number and ability of participants

Date: Thursday 9th & Friday 10th July 2015
Time: 08:30 to 16:30 each day
Location: Baden Powell Scout Centre,
Pomona St, Pennant Hills NSW
Fee: $80 per student per day

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Camp 1: Jun 29th-Jul 3rd / Camp 2: Jul 6-10th
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School Holiday Groups

Join us for our groups in the July school holidays where we focus on handwriting and fine motor skills – the children have great fun whilst learning at the same time...

Kids Korner Kindergarten
For children who are in kindergarten. This group consolidates all the fine motor and handwriting concepts that are being learnt in school.
Week 1: 29th June – 3rd July, 9am – 10am Balgowlah Clinic
Week 2: 6th July – 10th July, 9am – 10am Balgowlah and Lindfield Clinics

Funky Fingers
For school aged children in Years 1-2. This group is especially designed to give your child the help they need with handwriting and story writing.
Week 1: 29th June – 3rd July, 10.30am – 11.30am Balgowlah Clinic
Week 2: 6th July – 10th July, 10.30am – 11.30am Balgowlah and Lindfield Clinics

BOOK NOW by calling Occupational Therapy Helping Children 02 9913 3823 or email mail@occupationaltherapy.com.au
BIG FACTS:

Did You Know?

- that 46% of all parents read the Bush Telegraph from their email last week.
- that 48% of Kindergarten parents read the Bush Telegraph from their email.