FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

It is with tremendous pleasure that I introduce myself as your new school Principal. My educational career has taken me to most areas of Sydney, most recently as Deputy Principal of North Rocks Public School. I am delighted to now be here serving the Wahroonga community, working alongside families and teachers to provide a positive, effective and memorable school experience for our children.

Throughout the holiday period and this week I have spent time becoming accustomed to the school environment; walking the magnificent grounds and visiting students hard at work in their classrooms. It is clear to me that The Bush School is well-equipped with state of the art facilities, supported by quality teaching throughout the school. The many students I have spoken to radiate enthusiasm and pride and tell me that highlights of attending The Bush School are the rich and varied extra-curricular opportunities, the natural environment and the relationships they maintain with peers.

It is already evident to me that the school provides a well-rounded educational experience for students and is seen as a pillar of the community, a source of pride and inspiration. I seek to build upon the ethos of participation which exists and work in partnership with families to provide a safe and nurturing environment. I look forward to meeting members of the P&C and eagerly await the Spring Fair on Saturday 5th September.

The students, parents and teachers have provided a warm welcome this week. I invite you to make a time to meet me or to introduce yourself as you pass through the school. I look forward to making a lengthy contribution to Wahroonga Public School.

Tom Moth thomas.moth@det.nsw.edu.au (Principal)

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS:

Staff Development Day

This year, 15 teachers have been participating in two Action Learning projects with academic mentors from the University of Western Sydney (UWS), the University of Technology Sydney (UTS) and Microsoft. These projects are focussing on developing students’ 21st century capabilities, including ICT competencies. On Monday these teachers presented their projects including amazing examples of student work to all other staff and academics from UTS.
Teachers also spent time collaboratively planning for semester 2. We would like to thank the parents for a delicious morning tea.

**New Enrolments**

This week, we welcome Ronan, Jeremy and Alyssia to Kindergarten, Jasper to yr 1 and Eryn and Neil to Year 5. We trust they have settled in well to the Bush School.

**Education Week**

Parents and Grandparents are invited to the school on Thursday 30 July for an Education Week assembly from 9:30am. Following the assembly, our guests may visit classrooms, as well as the music, ICT and Enrichment rooms. The library will be open all day for the annual Book Fair. Each book donated to the library will have your child's name displayed on the book plate inside the front cover. Please join us for morning tea from 11:15am-12pm with light refreshments available from the canteen.

**Year 3 – 6 Sport**

Sport groups for Years 3—6 resumes tomorrow. As costing for the activities were based on enrolments for both terms, students are unable to change their sporting option. Students going to PSSA netball, soccer, AFL and the Macquarie Sports program will not be at school during lunch time. If ordering lunch at the canteen, there will be a limited selection of foods for these groups which will be distributed at recess time. Lunch orders must be ordered on-line using the specially allocated Friday Sport menu. The School Sport option, which is run by qualified physical education teachers, will have more game based activities this term.

**Uniform**

The support of parents in relation to the students wearing the school uniform correctly is very much appreciated. Boys are reminded that the winter uniform requires their shirts to be tucked in at all times. Boys are reminded that once they return to their classroom following recess and lunchtime their shirts must be tucked in. Parents are reminded that girls should not wear jewellery (other than sleeper or stud earrings) or nail polish to school. The school community strongly supports the wearing of the school tie as part of the winter uniform. All students are to wear sports uniform on Fridays this term.

**Raincoats**

The staff expect all students to have raincoats in their bags each day. Umbrellas are not to be brought to school due to safety concerns.

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

**OC PLACEMENT TEST:**

Year 4 students who have applied for entry to the Opportunity Class program for 2016/2017 are advised that the test will be conducted on Wednesday 22 July 2015, from 9:15 – 11:15am at Hornsby Girls High School, Edgeworth David Ave, HORNSBY NSW 2077.
An information sheet was sent home this week to participating students. If you did not receive a copy please contact Miss Wilcock.

AN UPDATE ON LACHLAN:
Here is an update from Lachlan’s dad:

As you are probably all aware, Lachlan has been in hospital since his brain injury in the last week of school. He is currently in a 'stable' condition.

On Tuesday this week, Lachie was moved out of the Intensive Care Unit and into the ward, which is a good step.

He is slowly waking a little each day, but is still mostly sleeping. He has had some big cries as he wakes. The doctors are happy with his progress, but cannot confirm yet whether his crying is from him recognising his mum and realising where he is or just an involuntary reaction. Either way it is expected and a sign of progress.

He will be in rehab at the hospital for at least 3 months.

The Carson family is very grateful for the kind support and well wishes received from so many students, staff, parents and the wider Bush School community.

From WPS
WPS students, staff and parents are wishing Lachie a very speedy recovery and our thoughts are with him and his family at this very difficult time.

P & C NEWS:
Welcome back to another school term. I hope you had an enjoyable two weeks of holidays.

School Principal
On your behalf I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new school principal Mr Thomas Moth. An interesting fact about Thomas is his grandfather was the president of the P&C when our school pool was built by the P&C.

Athletic Carnival Volunteers – Coordinator Needed
Coming up on the 29th July is the Athletics Carnival. A big thank you to those of you who have returned a volunteer form. However, we need someone to coordinate the volunteers and run the canteen at the sports field. If you are willing please put

MUSIC MATTERS:
• No Uke Club this term
• Jun Choir: Wed 8:30am
• Intermediate: Thurs 8:15am
• Senior Choir: Fri 8:15am

GET WELL LACHIE

'AROUND THE WORLD’ SCHOOL CONCERTS:
8 WEEKS TO GO
• K-2 Matinee & Evening: 8 Sept

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a note in the P&C pigeon hole at the school office or send me an email at wpspandc@gmail.com

Interrelate Family Evening
The P&C will be hosting an evening with a presenter from Interrelate on Wednesday 12th August. There will be two sessions.
Session 1: 6pm - Where did I come from?
This session is suitable for children in years 3 to 6
Session 2: 7:15pm Preparing for Puberty.
This session is suitable for children in years 5 to 6, although if you have a child in years 3 or 4 who you think would benefit from attending, they are very welcome.

Spring Fair - Mufti Day
The P&C have arranged a MUFTI DAY for Tuesday 28 July. Students are asked to please bring in items for the Tombola Stall for the Carnival Spring Fair being held on Saturday 5th September 2015. We need every child / family in the school to please help with prize donations.

The collection will take place on the Boardwalk and Water Street entrance from 8:45am - 9:15am or please deliver your item(s) at Before School Care on this morning. Suggestions for NEW prizes are:
• Books, comics, DVDs & CDs
• Games and puzzles (new and sealed)
• Kids toys
• Hand creams, fragrances, and cosmetics
• Hampers
• Chocolates
• Wine
• Anything that you think someone would love to win!

We appreciate your support in helping make our Fair a huge success! Thank you in advance. Students are reminded that they should wear sensible shoes with closed-in toes please.

Diary Dates
P&C Mufti Day – Tuesday 28th July
Athletics Carnival – Wednesday 29th July
P&C General Meeting – Wednesday 5th August at 7pm in the staffroom.
Interrelate Family Evening – Wednesday 12th August from 6pm in the School Hall.
School Fair – Saturday 5th September

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

MUSIC MATTERS:
What a fabulous last day of term we had last month as we farewelled our dear principal Mr Benton with an assembly of music, dance, singing, playing, dress ups and....math! All the things he loves. We had such fun teaching the Queen song “Don’t Stop Me Now” to the whole school. So many of the students told us “that’s my dad’s favourite song!” And wasn’t THE BAND amazing! Although I think the kids all got a bit of a surprise and forgot to sing themselves!! Hahaha. I’m sure Mr

DANCE PRACTICE:
• Junior: Tuesday
• Intermediate: Monday
• Senior Girls: Wednesday
• Primary Boys: Thursday

UNIFORM SHOP: WINTER STOCK IS NOW AVAILABLE!
Opening Hours:
• Tuesdays: 2-3pm
• Thursdays: 8:30-10am
View our Hours & Roster

Jane Ford
Uniform shop Manager
Email: Bush Uniform Shop

DR SHOE
Good quality shoes or runners appropriate for school are available from Dr Shoe, who can be reached on 0414 912 838 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:
Benton will treasure memories of that day for a long time to come.
Now looking ahead, we have such an exciting, musical term coming up AGAIN for our whole school!
Please note: There will be no Ukelele Club this term and there are changes to Choir times.
Read more on our webpage

**BAND NEWS:**
Welcome back to another wonderful term of Band and Recorder.

**NSW Band Festival – Sunday 9 August.**
University of NSW, Kensington.
This is the only competition for Beginner and Junior Bands and the final competition for the more senior bands, so please mark the date in your diary now.
For more news, go to our webpage here

All enquiries, contact Anne Seage or Louise Pascoe, on 9489 3086 or 0413 622142 – before 6.00 pm, unless it is urgent, please.
Email: anne.j.seage@det.nsw.edu.au

**INTERSCHOOL CHESS REPORT: RD 8 PT 1**
On Friday, June 19, team C hosted Lindfield East C and, after a titanic struggle, lost 1-3. Lehan Kulatunga produced the outstanding performance of the day to notch his first win of the season and the team’s sole point. The other games see-sawed wildly, with both Felix Staas and Manas Bansal riding a white-knuckle roller-coaster from certain defeat to apparent dominance and back again and again. Just spectating was exhausting as the fate of each match fluctuated over the hour or so of play. Sadly, the final results didn’t go our way, but the entire team deserves to be congratulated on a fabulous effort.

**2015 INTERSCHOOL SNOWSPORTS CHAMPIONSHIPS**
During the first week of the school holidays nine students from Kindergarten to Year 6 competed in the Northern NSW Regional Snowsports Championships.
The children competed in Alpine GS, Skier Cross, and Moguls.
Many thanks to all the parents for managing our teams and Mr Sherlock for his role as a course volunteer.
Each team member will receive a participation certificate from NSW Interschools at an assembly and their representative patches and year bars are available from the school office.
Kris Graham - Assistant Principal

**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:**
- Tuesdays

Michelle Lightfoot, Banking Coordinator
mjl@bigpond.net.au

**COMMUNITY NOTICES:**
Please visit our website for Community Notices.
STUDENT SHOWCASE: ENRICHMENT

To read our 2015 Term 3 Enrichment News, click here

AND NOW A WORD FROM OUR SPONSORS

We Accept Paid Advertisements In Our Newsletter

- Card cell size (290x107) - $100.00 per Term
- Half page size (590x400) - $30.00 week or $250 Term
- Full page size (590x800) - $50.00 (only one per Term)

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.
Wahroonga Public School
Spring Fair

Saturday 5th September
10am - 4pm

RIDES - STALLS - FOOD
FUN - ENTERTAINMENT
Rewarding regular savers with amazing prizes.

We're bringing the exciting news that an intergalactic Prize Portal has appeared on Planet Savings, giving students who demonstrate good savings behaviour the chance to win amazing prizes.

- 75 x iPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB
- 125 x Beats by Dr. Dre Solo² Headphones
- 200 x $30 Booktopia Gift Certificate

Help the Dollarmites activate the Prize Portal for a chance to win

To activate the Prize Portal, students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3 and they will automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes. Students can also complete a Money Mission at www.commbank.com.au/primeportal to double their chance of winning a prize. (Please note, students can start the Money Mission at any time, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning).

Win books for your school library

We're also giving schools participating in the School Banking program a chance to win one of 75 sets of children's books for their school library, valued at $200.

For more information, visit www.commbank.com.au/primeportal

Things to know before you go

Conditions apply. See www.commbank.com.au/primeportal. Permission ends 9.00am AEDT 15/12/16 and ends 15.59 pm AEDT 29/01/16. Student Talent Entry is open to all Youth savers customers aged 4-15 years. 4 entry received when 3 deposits are made through the School Banking Program. 1 bonus entry received when completing a Money Mission activity at www.commbank.com.au/primeportal and submitting a fully completed entry form. Max. of 2 entries per person. Entries will be divided into the following three player groups: New South Wales, Vic., SA, and NT; and QLD and WA. A total of 400 prizes comprising a $50 Planet Savings space gift valued at $2.99 each, 125 Beats by Dr. Dre Solo² On-Ear Headphones valued at $229 each, and 200 $20 Booktopia Gift Certificate will be distributed amongst the School Banking groups. The winners’ names will be published in the public notice section of The Australian on 20/02/16. School Banking Entry is open to all Australian schools in Australia. Win participants in the School Savings Program and must be at least 7 student entries into the Student Talent Entry. Limit 1 entry per child. Entries will be divided into the following three player groups: New South Wales, Vic., SA, and NT; and QLD and WA. A total of 75 prizes of a selection of children's books to the value at 15.59 pm AEDT 29/01/16 and 15.59 pm AEDT 29/01/16. Total prize value $5,000 or $5,000. Apple is not associated in any way with this promotion. The Period and these terms and conditions are subject to change by the Promoter at any time and in any way, at the Promoter's discretion, with or without notice. For full terms and conditions, visit www.commbank.com.au/primeportal.

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When kids ask "the" questions...
**Interrelate has the answers!**

Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 85 years' experience teaching sexuality and relationship education in NSW schools. Interrelate educators are highly trained and skillful presenters.

The topic of sexuality is handled with sensitivity, openness and humour. The program offers an interactive approach to learning, with a variety of audio-visual materials, discussions and games.

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**Session 1: Where did I come from?**
1-hour session: years 3-6

**Session 2: Preparing for puberty**
1-hour session: years 5-6
Years 3-4 can attend at parent's discretion

**Date:** Wednesday, 12th August 2015

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night. Keep a look out for flyers (coming home with your child before the program) outlining session content.

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ACOUSTIC GUITAR LESSONS
Learn to play the acoustic guitar in a friendly environment. Learn to play your favourite songs. Beginners and intermediates are welcome. Please contact Bernadette Palmer on: 0400 364 064.

German Intern At WPS Oct-Dec
Hello, my name is Sarah Hall and I am a 21 year old student from Germany. I am studying elementary school education and I am going to do an internship at Wahroonga...
Public School from 6 October until 4 December this year.
For this time I am looking for an accommodation in a host family. I would characterise myself as an open-minded and tidy person. I’d like to help your child/children doing their homework and watch them in the afternoons or evenings. I have experience in working with children as I have been tutoring children at different ages for six years now.
If I have piqued your interest, please contact me by e-mail: sarah.hall93@web.de
I’m looking forward to hearing from you.
Sarah Hall
BIG FACTS:

Did You Know?

- that 47% of all parents read the Bush Telegraph from their email last week.
- that 52% of year 5 parents read the Bush Telegraph from their email this week.