

## Werrington Public School Term 2 Week 10, 2nd July 2018

Dates for your calendar!

6th July: Last day Term 2; Semester 1 reports

23rd July: Staff Development Day

24th July: First day of Term 3 for students

24th July– 2nd August: Life Education

26th July: NAIDOC Celebration

1st August: Round 3 Penrith Valley Debating.

2nd August: Hype dress Rehearsal 11am-2pm Stage 2 Spelling Bee 2pm

3rd August: Stage 3 Spelling Bee

6th August: HYPE Performing Arts Concert

8th August: HYPE Performing Arts Concert

9th August: School Transition Night at Yoorami Preschool





### **Principal's Message**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This is the last newsletter for the term. Thank you for your support of our students and our school over the last term. I hope you have an enjoyable holiday break with your child. Our school office will be open for enquiries and uniform purchases on Monday 23rd July. School resumes for students on Tuesday 24th July.

#### Staffing Update

Mrs Watson will be on leave from this Tuesday until the 10th of August. Ms John will be taking 1W during this time. Mr Kealey will be on long service leave from today until Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> July. Mr Cordingley will be taking 6K during this time.

Mrs Culley one of our dedicated SLSO's was successful in gaining a transfer to Fernhill School and will commence next term, we wish Mrs Culley all the best in her new school. Thank you Mrs Culley for your dedication to students and Werrington Public School.

Mr Justin Bale was successful at interview for a relieving Assistant Principal position at Rydalmere East Public School until the end of this year. To ensure continuity of learning for the class, Mrs Surrinder Blackford has been engaged to teach 4/5B until the end of this year and will join the 3-6 team.

Lastly, Mrs Leigh Bade was successful at interview recently and will be taking up the position of Principal at Lynwood Park Public School next term. We are currently working to fill the Instructional Leader role.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mr Bale and Mrs Bade, and wish them every success in their new positions.

I would like to also thank Mrs Bade, for her dedication to student and staff learning whilst in her role as instructional leader at Werrington Public School.

#### **Festival Tickets**

The Hype Performing Arts Festival will be held on the 6th and 8th August. Tickets are on sale from the office from Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July, on a first come first served basis, until sold out.

#### **School Reports**

Semester 1 reports will be sent home on the last day of term. If your child is absent on this day, please collect your reports from the office in Term 3.

#### NAIDOC Cup

Congratulations to all our students who attended the NAIDOC Cup recently. All students who attended represented Werrington Public School well, with students competing across a variety of sports on the day. Thank you to all the staff who attended and led the many sports teams.

#### Stage 2 Basketball Gala Day

Stage 2 students represented Werrington Public School at the Basketball Gala day last week. Thank you to the staff who supervised the students. Mr Cordingley indicated that all students represented the school well and had a great day of basketball.

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#### GOT It!

This is our last week of GoT It! being supported by Nepean Blue Mountains Health. I would like to thank all the facilitators, parents and students for their contributions to this very worthwhile program. Mrs Brandies and Mrs Tucker are currently developing how the GoT It! program will continue into the future.

#### Debating

Congratulations to our debating team who competed against Henry Fulton Public School on Wednesday of last week at Cambridge Park PS and won. A wonderful effort from our debaters, who now have five wins in five debates.

#### Werrington Wise Assembly

Huge congratulations to all our students who were presented with their Principal's Awards this morning. What a fantastic effort! Keep up the great work of being Safe, Respectful Learners!

#### **Enrolling Kindergarten 2019 Now**

We are currently accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2019. We are required to submit our anticipated numbers for 2019 to the Department of Education in August. Please contact the school office for further details. It would be of great assistance to have accurate numbers of proposed Kindergarten enrolments before then.

#### **Staff Professional Learning**

Regularly, teachers and staff undertake professional learning to keep up to date with the latest theory, research and practice in education. Many of these are held after school hours! These sessions have included:

- Mrs Bade attended the Early Action for Success Conference;
- Mrs Avery attended two Principal Network meetings;
- Mrs Young and Mr Bale attended Focus on Reading training;
- Ms Watts and Mrs Backhouse attended Youth in Distress professional learning; and
- Mr Bale, Mrs Young, Mrs Bade, Mrs Grant, Mr Kealy, Miss Clark, Mrs Mason and Mrs Avery attended training for Focus on Reading—Leadership modules.

Have a great fortnight and a wonderful winter holiday! Mrs Avery Principal

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." -- Dr Seuss



On Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June, 55 students from Werrington Public School attended the NAIDOC Cup held at Hunter Fields, Emu Plains. Students in primary grades participated in Oz-Tag and Netball competitions and infant's students participated in traditional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural activities including art, craft and dance. It was a great way for our indigenous students and their friends to celebrate the culture of the traditional owners of the land.

Students had the privilege of listening to a welcome to country from Uncle Wes, a local elder, and a traditional smoking ceremony before the fun and games kicked off. Our Joeys infant's group had a great day at their rotational activities and were treated to some wonderful song and dance and exposure to Aboriginal language.

Both our netball teams had a great day, with our junior side making the semi-finals. Our senior boys Oz-Tag team unluckily missed out on a semi-final spot on a for-and-against count back. However, our greatest success story was our junior Oz-Tag side who won the junior competition. All our students were great sports and showed respect to their opposition and the referees. A special mention for sportsmanship goes to Brock Sullivan who was selected by the carnival manager to receive the junior Oz-Tag sportsmanship award. He received a lovely warm jumper and a certificate.

There were lots of full bellies, thanks to the great food and drink provided and lots of tired but happy smiling faces on the bus on the way home. Many students are already looking forward to NAIDOC Cup 2019!

Thanks to Mr Bale, Mrs Mason, Mrs Allen, Miss Ella, Mrs Fuller, Miss Armstrong and Mr Kealy for assisting our students to have a wonderful experience at NAIDOC Cup 2018.







## Werrington Public School P & C News



We would like to thank the families that came along to our Meet the Principal disco earlier this term. It was lovely to see so many families enjoying the night. Matts Mobile Music supplied the entertainment and had the families dancing the night away. If you need a great DJ please contact Matt on 0414 647 291. A huge THANKS to Woolworths Cranebrook for donating the bread for our sausage sizzle and to IGA Werrington for ordering in some sausages for us. Thanks to Nicole and Merv for doing our cooking and to Mrs Walker, Mrs Taliana, Emily and Mrs Culley for helping on the night. We are also grateful to Mr Bale and Mrs Young for coming along and helping us out and to Mr Moses for helping set up and the amazing office staff for helping with the pre orders.



A special mention to Mrs Kimberley Culley. Mrs Culley has been a member of the P & C Committee for many years, handing over her position as P & C President at the end of 2016. Mrs Culley has been an active member of our community, always approachable, kind and caring. We are sad to hear that she will be leaving our school at the end of this term but know that she will be an amazing addition to her new school. On behalf of the Werrington Community, we will miss you and wish you well!

The P & C Committee would like to say a huge THANK YOU to our families and the wonderful hard working staff at Werrington Public School for their support.

We wish you all safe and happy holidays!

P & C Committee

# 禋 K-2 Assembly

**2F** performed an innovative play written by Ms Fitz. The play explored the wonders of what happens when you mix different materials. The audience were enthralled as they learnt about the catastrophic nature of mixing the wrong ingredients together.

27<sup>th</sup> June Special Assembly Awards







Little Hoot Award Well Done, Jaiden Jolley for a marvellous effort in following the 5Ls at our assembly.

Our K-2 school assembly takes place on Wednesday each fortnight in the school hall from 2:00 pm. Awards are given to students at each assembly to celebrate their achievements. One class will perform an item. We encourage our families and local community to attend. Our next K-2 assembly will be in Term 3, on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July.

Previous Special Award Winner				
	Big Hoot- Class Award	Little Hoot- Individual child award Ebony Pardey KM		
16 <sup>th</sup> May	K-2W			
30 <sup>th</sup> May	2EB	Annaleigh Buckley KGK		
13 <sup>th</sup> June	1W	Tamia Lawler 2EB		
27 <sup>th</sup> June	1/2P	Jaiden Jolley 1M		

#### From the K-2 team

Miss Clark, Mrs Conduit, Mrs Gill, Mrs Kilbourne, Miss March, Mrs Watson, Ms Fitz, Mrs Enese, Mrs Broadhurst, Mr Prants, Mrs Khan, Mrs Walsh and Mrs Mason

## Gateway Family Services Parenting Group Programs Term 3, 2018



Program	Date & Time	Location	Registration
<b>Circle of Security</b> Learn how to be a strong, wiser &	Every Tuesday 7th Aug—18th Sept 10:00am - 12noon <b>* Childcare available</b>	Westend St, KATOOMBA Connect Child & Family Services Door to right of Mikayla Children's Centre	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
inder parent with your kids. Suitable or parents of 0 -12 year old.	Every Saturday 4th Aug—15th Sept 10:00am—12noon <i>** NO Childcare</i>	Heatherbrae, Lawson 1 Benang Street, LAWSON, (located beside carpark behind Lawson Pub)	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
<b>Tuning In To Kids</b> Emotionally Intelligent Parenting Learning to better talk & understand your child to help manage your child's emotions & behaviour.	Every Thursday 9th Aug—13th Sept 9:30am - 11:30am <b>* Childcare available</b>	Pinnaroo OOSH Winmalee Public School White Cross Rd, WINMALEE	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
<b>1-2-3 Magic &amp; Emotion Coaching</b> Learn how to understand & manage	Every Tuesday 7th –21st August 6:30pm - 8:30pm * <i>Childcare available</i>	Gumbirra Children's Centre 97a Cook Parade, ST CLAIR	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
your child's difficult behaviour. Suitable for parents with 2 -12 year olds.	Every Tuesday 21st Aug—4th Sept 9:30am - 11:30am * Childcare available	Kingswood Park Public School Caloola Avenue, KINGSWOOD	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
Let's Talk about Siblings without Rivalry Discussion and practical tools for parents who want to help their children live well together so you can all live.	Every Thursday 9th—30th August 9:30am - 11:30am <i>* NO Childcare</i>	Wentworth Falls Public School Falls Road, WENTWORTH FALLS	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
From Floundering to Flourishing Helping adults identify how to maximise kids successes giving you tools to enhance and improve kid's resilience.	Monday 17th September 9:30am—11:30pm * <i>Childcare available</i>	Tanderra OOSH 14 Raymond Rd, SPRINGWOOD (behind Neighbourhood Centre)	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
Bringing Up Great Kids Learn your parenting style, the meaning behind children's behaviour, ways parents can take care of themselves & find support when they need it.	Wednesday 8th Aug—12th Sept 10:30am—12:30pm * Childcare available	Blaxland Uniting Church 72 Old Bathurst Rd, BLAXLAND (Onsite parking available)	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)

For more information and Individual Flyers go to:

www.gatewayfamilyservices.org.au or www.facebook.com/GatewayFS

Gateway family services parent group program is funded by DSS and NSW FACS.

Gateway works collaboratively with community partners to bring parent groups to communities from St Marys to Blackheath. Thanks to MMM for providing childcare for the Daytime groups.

Gateway encourages, supports & respects diversity in families & communities. Our Groups are open to everyone.

