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FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Application For Student Travel In 2016

Parents are reminded that all student absence from school for non-illness related reasons needs to be approved by the principal. If your child will not be returning at the start of the school year due to a holiday, an <u>Application for Extended Leave form</u> should be completed and returned to me as soon as possible. Additionally, <u>please read this information about bus passes for 2016</u>.

2016 Student Leaders

I have never been more impressed by the quality of candidature than those vying for 2016 leadership positions. Congratulations to all those who were nominated and expressed an interest in leadership. The leadership team for 2016 is:

School Captains: Lauren B & Aiden K Vice Captains: Claudia M & Max L

Prefects: Abby H, Lexi H, Harriet M, James C, Hugh H &

Will H

Check out my webpage to see more images



Storms

Last Friday, Sydney was hit with a vicious storm, and as often the case, it struck just before the end of the school day. Read more..

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 8

Library Stocktake Yrs 1 & 2 Talent Quest Auditions

Wednesday 25 Nov

- Dance Trial program K-6
- Sports uniform

Wednesday-Friday

Band Tour

Thursday 26 Nov

- Last day for Scripture
- No assembly



Week 9 Nov 30 - Dec 4

Thursday 3 Dec

- Last day for School Banner
- 10:15am Salvation Army Reverse Xmas collection

Trees

Overnight a large limb fell from a tree in the mulch area. Read more....

Susan Kindred Retirement

This week Mrs Kindred provided notice that she is retiring from the Department of Education effective December 4th. Read more...

Wellbeing Policy Update - Feedback Sought

In 2016, significant changes to the school's Student Wellbeing Policy will be implemented. This is in response to limited understanding about our current 'rules' and stated 'values' and the need for staff members to consistently resolve issues relating to student wellbeing. The new-look policy will incorporate the Department of Education's new Wellbeing Framework for Schools, specifically addressing the cognitive, social, emotional, physical and spiritual wellbeing of students. A small group of teaching staff members helped devise a draft policy that can be found here. Parent comment is now sought before finalising the updated policy document in readiness for 2016 implementation. I will hold a parent information session at 6:00pm on Wednesday December 2nd, which is just prior to the next P&C meeting.

<u>Draft Policy</u> Feedback Form

Enrichment Parent Nominations 2016

In follow-up to last week's information about Enrichment & Extension in 2016 (click here if you missed it), I am now seeking parent nominations for placement of students in a small withdrawal group for literacy, numeracy or both. Places are strictly limited and it is important to again note that for the very large majority of high achieving students, the most appropriate place to receive challenging curriculum instruction is the general classroom environment. Parent nominations will be considered alongside teacher nominations and groups will be formed before the end of the school year. Enrichment withdrawal groups nomination form.

Tom Moth (Principal)
Thomas.Moth@det.nsw.edu.au
@Moth_T

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS:

2016 Swimming Carnival

Emily Moore, our specialised swimming teacher will be assessing students from our year 1 2015 classes to attend the swimming carnival on 28 January. The students need to be turning 8 in 2016 and be competent swimmers who

- 10:30am Scripture service
- 11:15am Morning tea for scripture teachers
- Last day for swimming lessons
- K-6 assembly
- 5G and KW items

Friday 4 Dec

- 12:45pm: Principal's Banner lunch
- K-2 Practice in hall for Celebration Day assembly

See <u>assembly timetable</u>

For All Events:

• See school calendar

SWIMMING TIMETABLE



Click here to see timetable

- Apply sunscreen before school
- · Sport uniform
- Goggles
- Towel
- Swimming cap (optional)

Click on the images to see more photos from our swimming lessons.



SCHOOL ENQUIRIES:

71 Burns Rd Wahroonga Phone: 02 9489 3086 Website

Check Catchment Area

can swim three laps of the school's pool without stopping. Nominated students will receive a permission note.

5G's Swimming Lesson

Due to Band Camp 5G students will not have their Wednesday 11:40am lesson but will participate in other Stage 3 swimming lessons next Wednesday and Thursday. Parents of 5G will not be required next week.

K-2 Celebration Day 8 December 9:30am

The K-2 Celebration Day assembly is to be held on Tuesday 8 December at 9:30am. All of our K-2 students will receive a certificate at this assembly. The Junior Choir and Intermediate Band will be performing at this event.

3-6 Presentation Day Awards 9 December 9:30am

The 3-6 Presentation Day Awards assembly is to be held on Wednesday 9 December at 9:30am. The program includes performances from both the Intermediate and Senior Choirs and the Concert & Stage Bands. The induction of the 2016 Student Leadership Group will also take place at this assembly.

We welcome all parents to both our special assemblies.

House Captains And Vice Captains

Tomorrow, students from year 5 will be able to nominate themselves for these leadership positions. The students will then need to deliver a short speech followed by a voting round at their house meetings on Monday after lunch.

Library Stocktake

Please return all library books.

Reverse Christmas Tree Appeal

Our collection is growing day by day and we look forward to the Salvation Army presentation on Thursday 3 December. Please place the unwrapped gifts at the school office, 6F or KG.







Gold, Silver & Bronze:

 <u>View current award</u> <u>winners</u>

CHANGE OF DATE: BYOD INFO SESSION



DID YOU KNOW?

...that fireflies light up in the dark?

Check out KL's videos here



MUSIC MATTERS



• Uke Club: Tues 1:30pm

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

ERC NEWS:

ENVIROmentors

An ENVIROmentors incursion last Friday was attended by all 2015 ERC reps. Students learnt about the where's and why's of recycling, and discovered that our recycling efforts at school go a long way towards looking after our planet.

Activities included categorising rubbish, handling plastics that get into our waterways in various forms, examining products that we can make from recycled materials and jumping on a can bale! Hopefully what they learned will be shared with their class and students will make sure WPS families recycle correctly at home too!



LIBRARY NEWS:

Library News

Borrowing as now finished for the year for all grades. As there is no holiday borrowing over the Christmas break, all library books need to be returned. They can be dropped off at the library any day before school or at second-half lunch. Thank you for your help with this.

Premier's Reading Challenge

We had a record number of Challenge certificates awarded this year. Certificates will be handed out in Week 10. Well done everyone, great effort.

BAND NEWS:

Important Dates:

25– 27 November – Concert Band Tour to Southern Highlands

30 November – Christmas Concert – 5:30-7:00 pm in the

- Junior Choir: Wed 8:30am
- Intermediate:Thurs 8:30am
- Super Choir: Thurs Lunchtime
- Senior Choir: Fri 8:30am

MORE CHESS CLUB









DANCE PRACTICE:

Hall

For more band news, go to our webpage here.

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

MUSIC MATTERS:

Change Of Choir Rehearsal Times

Morning choir for Intermediate and Senior Choirs will return for weeks 7, 8 and 9 from 8.30-9.15 am in Mrs Piper's room. These are compulsory rehearsals for end of year performances and audition videos. (Band Tour students excused in week 8!)

- Thursday lunchtime Super Choir is moving to Mrs Piper's room for the remainder of the term.
- Music files are available for download in Collaboration / Composite / Choir 2015. Bring a USB or email the files home.
- Ukulele Club is back and better than ever! Tuesday 2nd half lunch in Miss Bosman's room. We are learning 3 chords and hope to perform by the end of the year.

WPS MAKER NIGHT:

Come To Our Inaugural Maker Night

First ever WPS Maker Night Thursday Week 9! Join us on the night of Thursday December 3 for the first ever WPS Maker Night. Bring your tech, your tinkering and your tools; share your passion with others or simply watch and learn. Full details, including RSVP, <u>Read more</u> on our website

2016 INTERSCHOOLS SNOWSPORTS:

2016 Snowsports Information Now Available

If your family enjoy skiing and the children would like to have a try skiing or snowboarding in the Interschool's championships the 2016 Interschool's information has been released in preparation for your planning for holidays next year. See website for more...

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



UNIFORM SHOP: SUMMER STOCK IS NOW AVAILABLE!

Opening Hours:

- Tuesdays: 2-3pm
- Thursdays: 8:30-10am

View our <u>Hours & Roster</u>

Last Day Of Opening: Thursday 10 December

Jane Ford

Uniform shop Manager Email: Bush Uniform Shop

DR SHOE

Dr Shoe: 0414 912 838
He can come to you for a free home fitting.
Dr Shoe will be at the gazebos 8.45*9.45 on
Thursday 10 December.
The P & C receive 10% back for every pair sold.

For details about Summer uniform, see <u>the school</u> <u>webpage</u>.

CANTEEN NEWS:



Bush Tuckshop

If anyone would like to volunteer next term, please email me your name and the



TALENT QUEST:

K-2 Audition Dates: Week 8

- Wednesday lunchtime
- Thursday lunchtime

see website for more...

CHESS CLUB:

Chess club has had such a fun time with Mr. Jones coaching us this year. The chess team would like to thank Mr. Jones and the parents so much for transporting the team to other schools and back.

Everyone in the chess club has had a wonderful experience and Yr. 6 especially will miss Mr. Jones vey much. Mr. Jones is a fantastic coach and very generous with his time. We are extremely lucky to have him.

At the end of year party many people got certificates and trophies, Craig Hargraves was the overall winner of our school championship competition. The chess party was very fun and enjoyable, particularly with all the delicious food and cakes.

Everyone left with a full stomach!

We are all looking forward to another great year with Chess Club in 2016. By Rayan 6G

DONATE AN ANDROID DEVICE:

Do you have an Android device you can donate to our school?

See website for more....

day of the week you are available and I will include you in the roster.

SCHOOL BANKING:

Tuesdays



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

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Please visit our website for <u>Community Notices</u>.



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STUDENT SHOWCASE: CHESS CLUB





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.

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.

Babysitting / Childminding

My name is Lauren and I am 17 years old, living in Turamurra. I am kind, helpful and responsible and

really enjoy working with children & babies. Available after school hours and weekends. Mob: 0423420940

Adult Pilates Classes

Physiotonic runs group exercise classes that will help you improve your deep core strength, pelvic stability, flexibility and posture. Classes are suitable for office workers, runners, people with injuries such as back pain or knee injuries, and mums. A new Mums & Bubs term is just starting. Classes run on Monday afternoons and evenings in Turramurra and can be claimed on private health insurance. Visit www.physiotonic.com.au to register for a free trial class.

BUSH SCHOOL LEARN TO SWIM CLUB

Voluntary organisation established over 40 years

71 Burns Road, Wahroonga 2076

Have your children taught to swim by our qualified and experienced instructors

- Age Group: 4 years to 12 years (School Year 6, 2015)
- When: Saturdays from 7th November 2015 to 19th March 2016, 30 min lesson
- Water Temperature: constant 27°C
- Season Cost: \$100 for 1 child, \$170 for 2 children, \$220 for 3 or more children (plus \$18.50 insurance per child payable to Swimming NSW)
- Enrolments: Saturday 31st October 2015 at 1:30 pm 3:00 pm (or on later Saturdays from November) at the Bush School pools. New enrolments should wear a swimsuit for grading.
- Enquiries: Frances Simpson-Lee 9489 1579
 Carolyn Cross 9489 2415
 Liz Wright bushschoollts@gmail.com
- Website: www.bushschoollts.org

Click here for the flyer



CHRISTMAS EVENT! SATURDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2015



Bring the kids along to Wentworth Park for some Christmas Fun with a visit from Santa! <u>GATES OPEN AT 5.30PM</u>

Keep the kids entertained with the Super Cute Jack Russell Races, Jumping Castle and more...including a Visit from SANTA! AND, the first *200 kids receive a Christmas Show bag! ENTRY IS FREE FOR KIDS and only \$6 per adult

Light meals are available from the Bistro on the day

Book your Annual Family Christmas get-together in the 'Hounds Function Room', decorated to compliment the festive season with stunning views of the city as you enjoy your 3 Course Meal (Kids Half Price). BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL Seating arrangements are on tables of 10 Contact us for more info or book online wentworthpark.com.au/DINING-BOOKING

*maximum 200 show bags. Show bags for kids only. Christmas show bag vouchers are available from the Wentworth Park Entrance only.

Wentworth Park Sporting Complex 2 Wentworth Park Road GLEBE NSW 2037 Phone: (02) 8587 1209

Email: enquiries@gbota.com.au



Holiday Programs

Junior Tennis & Sports Camps

From December 7 through to January 27

- Camps held rain, hail or shine during all school holiday periods
- Casual bookings and excursions available!
- FREE before care and racquet hire!



Venue: Killara Lawn Tennis Club

Term 1, 2016 Programs

From January 28 through to April 10

- ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Coaching (4-13yrs)
- Ladies & Adult Clinics (Beginnner & Intermediate)
- Private Lessons and more...

P: 1300 712 713 www.inspiretennis.com.au Register Online Today!



Irish Dancing classes coming to Wahroonga Public!

Established dance academy is coming in 2016 All ages - boys and girls

Great for fun, fitness and friendship

No experience needed – First class is **FREE** Fully qualified teacher with 25 years of Irish dance

Where & When

Location – Wahroonga Public School Hall Classes – Wednesday from 3.30pm – 4.30pm Other classes available in nearby locations

Book Now . Enrol for Term 1 2016

Megan Ryan TCRG ryanirishdancing@gmail.com 0402741508 Find us on Facebook!



Be the one that jumps a little higher!







(babies, toddlers, school age, adults LTS & squads + aquarobics)

Bush School Wahroonga; Lady Davidson Pool Nth Turramurra

Book now for T4 2015, Jan holidays, T1 2016 Classes Contact Chris Curran: <u>curran100@gmail.com</u> or 0412 165 100 Dr. Kathryn R. Hill
A.Mus.A., B. Mus (Syd. Con. of
Music), M.A. (Hons)(Syd), Ph.D. (Syd)
PIANO, MUSICANSHIP, THEORY
TEACHER

9482 2948
kathy0000000@telstra.com
Home tuition available







BIG FACTS:

Did You Know?

- that 46% of all parents read the T4W6 Bush Telegraph from their email.
- that 48% of Year 5 parents read the Bush Telegraph from their email this week.

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