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This week at The Bush School...

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Principal's News

Below are snippets. [Read more about each article on the website.](#)

School Tennis Tournament

I am delighted to include this report of sporting success from one of our parents, Karen Champion: *Wahroonga Public School recently entered a tennis team into the Pennant Hills Schoolboys and Schoolgirls Competition held in November. There were 101 schools entered into this competition and each school took part in singles, doubles and mixed doubles events. Our team of four; Nick, James, Elyana and Georgia, played some really fantastic tennis and finished in 3rd place overall which is a great achievement. We reached the semi-finals in each event entered with Georgia winning the 10 year girls' singles competition, and Elyana and Georgia winning the Year 5 girls' doubles event. Congratulations to all four players!*

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Thank You P&C

This Wednesday teachers completed their professional learning program for the year with an evening meeting. It is testament to the professionalism of our staff that they have maintained their own learning momentum all year. The P&C provided a generous and delicious spread of afternoon tea which was gratefully received. Thank you from all of our teachers.

Congratulations Mrs Evans

Good 'Evans! Many of you are aware that Mrs Evans has received a promotion to the position of Principal at Bondi Beach Public School. Debbie is so incredibly deserving of this acknowledgement of her educational leadership and we wish her well. [Here is my notice from earlier in the week.](#)

Ku-Ring-Gai High School Presentation

I immensely enjoyed the Ku-ring-gai High School presentation assembly on Wednesday. Principal Terri-Anne Kamasz spoke of the school's achievements in establishing a burgeoning community full of happy, resilient students supported in a warm and safe environment. Watching the students perform a range of musical items, and listening to the long list of achievements was a privilege. Well done Ku-ring-gai!

Year 6 Farerwell

The year 5 & 6 disco on Tuesday night was an enjoyable evening showcasing the wonderful volunteer spirit of our parents, and the incredible dance moves of our students and staff. The dance floor was indeed alight with action! Congratulations to our year 6 cohort on

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for a continued quality education. Remember your days at Warrumbungle with fondness, as we will remember you.

Holiday Security

Schools often become targets for theft and vandalism in holiday periods. If you live in close proximity to the school, I would very much appreciate your diligence in reporting any suspicious activity to the School Security Unit and to me via email. School Security can be reached on 1800 811 523.

Holiday Works

Please be reminded that school grounds are [Inclosed Land](#) and therefore should not be accessed without permission. It is not safe to be on school grounds during the holidays and no insurance covers any injury that may occur as the result of an accident on school grounds. There will be some minor tree works and general maintenance being completed in the holidays.

School Map 2017

[Attached here](#) you will find a map of classrooms for 2017. This may assist in picking up students early in the term. Most grades are grouped together, as best as possible, with consideration given to disability access for some students, room size and locality. Note that this map is a guide only at this stage and subject to change based on staffing movement or changed enrolment figures.

Keeping Up To Date

Throughout the holidays you can keep up-to-date with the school by following our Twitter feed [@wpsbushschool](#) or ensuring you have installed School Stream on your smart device. This week we notched our 700th download!!

Merry Christmas to our amazing community. Together we have achieved a lot in 2016, and I am so blessed to be the principal of this school. Stay safe over the break. I look forward to welcoming all of our students and families back in 2017.

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Uniform Shop

Shop reopens Tues
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P&C News

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Canteen News

reopen on Monday
30 Jan [Read more](#)



2017 Class Requirements

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Library News

180 books missing
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Deputy Principals' News

Important Dates for 2017

Term 1 Week 1

Friday 27 January

Teachers return to school
Staff Development Day

Term 1 Week 2

Monday 30 January

Students return to school
9am: New enrolments go to Hall
Best Start Interviews for Kindergarten begin
Canteen opens today

Wednesday 1 February

Best Start Interviews for Kindergarten continue

Thursday 2 February

Kindergarten's first day at school

**Friday 3 February**

Stage 3 Dance lessons begin

Term 1 Week 3**Wednesday 8 February**

Leadership Camp for school leaders

Thursday 9 February

Leadership Camp for school leaders

Friday 10 February

Leadership Camp for school leaders

School Swimming Carnival at Knox Grammar

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Debbie Evans and Kris Graham: Deputy Principals

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Year 6 Farewell Disco

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Tree Giving Service

Passing on the Bush School Spirit

On Wednesday afternoon our Kindergarten children were presented with a small tree from our outgoing Year 6 students. This tradition involves the “passing on of the Bush School spirit”.

The students went for a walk to the ‘classroom in the bush’ and ‘the wishing log’. The three trees on the school symbol are the three large trees behind the pool and after

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huge tree hug.



Tree hugging time

It was wonderful to see the Year 6 students embrace this final time with the Kindergarten students.

Many Year 6 students remember receiving their tree back in Kindergarten, saying their tree is still growing strongly in the garden at home.

One student shared how theirs had to be transplanted when the family moved house.

The Kindergarten students cherish their gifts and nurture and care for their trees with a loving passion.

More photos can be seen [here](#).

Party Day

Stage 2 Party Day

Yesterday the students enjoyed the end of year festivities at the stage party days, even in the rain. Thank you teachers for planning exciting

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for party day.

Premiers Reading Challenge



240 Wahroonga Public School students participated in this years Premier's Reading Challenge. If you would like some reading over the holidays, consider starting on your 2017 Challenge. Book lists for K-2 and 3-4 and 5-6 can be found [here](#).

Kindergarten 2017

Play in the Park



Meet and Greet
 Tuesday 24 January 2017
 At 3pm
 Meet at Wahroonga Park near Rotunda
 BYO Picnic afternoon tea

An opportunity for the children and parents to meet before starting school is on Tuesday January 24 at Wahroonga Park. Meet at the rotunda and bring a picnic rug, afternoon tea and something to play.

Best Start times have been sent by post last week. If you have not received your letter please contact the school office by Tuesday Dec 20.



Best Start Interviews
 Monday January 30 to Wednesday
 February 1 2017

Kindergarten's First Day
 Thursday February 2 2017

Join the Band in 2017

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The Bush School has a fabulous Band Program, with four graded concert bands for children in Years 3-6. If your child has never played an instrument before we will teach them from the beginning.

If your child has been playing an instrument for a while, or have been in the band at another school, we can offer an audition for one of our bands at the beginning of next year.

Please contact our Band Coordinator, Anne Seage at anne.j.seage@det.nsw.edu.au. Enrolment forms can be found on our Wahroonga Public School website. [Click here...](#)

Recorder ensembles are available for Years 1 and 2. Enrolments will take place early next year.

Anne Seage
Band Coordinator



2017 Interschools Snowsports

If your child would like to try skiing or snowboarding in the Nth NSW Interschools championships, the 2017 information has been released in preparation for next year. [Read more...](#)

Uniform Shop Message

First Opening for 2017

Opening Day for 2017 will be Tuesday 31 January 2017.

NB: children return to school on Monday 30 January

Please note, both sessions will be extremely busy and there will be long queues. Please avoid coming to the Shop at those times and come now instead!

Jane Ford
Uniform Shop Manager

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