

Day	This week is Week 4 Term 4 commencing October 29	Next week is Week 4 Term 4 commencing Monday November 5
Monday		
Tuesday	Choir Excursion	
Wednesday	Kindergarten Orientation	
Thursday	Year 6 Interrelate Year 6 Farewell Decorating Committee meeting at 6.45 Library	Interrelate Year 6
Friday		

Important Diary Dates: Celebration Night Dec 12
Year 6 Farewell Dec 17,P & C AGM Dec 4

Dear Parents

Welcome to Week 4. We have had several instances this week of parents asking for copies of reports, or observational reports done, in preparation for Children's doctor' appointments etc. While we are very happy to assist in any way we can, I would ask that teachers are given sufficient notice so this is not a rushed task, and the full attention can be made to the report. We have also had a resurgence of children's toys being brought to school. We discourage this practice as not all children will respect another child's toy to the same degree, so we ask all toys to stay at home. Those of you who have been near the carpark will have seen the work on the lift to the Library is well underway. As soon as this work is complete the compound will be cleared and the new Canteen will commence. This should bring our building program to an end for

a while and life can return to normal at WSPS. Given the ongoing hysteria (well..) I have had many (some) requests for a souvenir edition of the Tallong to recognise the success of the Girl's Soccer win. Well here it is.
Have a great week,
Ian Hamilton

Canteen

Tuesday

Leanne Jones Phoebe Brooks

Wednesday

Louse Bailey Dolores Johnson

Thursday

Rachelle Hawkins Jalaah Mallaby Linda Greswell

Friday

Sally Evans Leigh Phillips Helen Moore

Leisa Bishop Kristine Morgan

Monday

Donna Terry Kristen St John Emma Steele

Uniform Shop

Tuesday

Kim Harrison Phoebe Brooks
(Danielle Hemsworth Smith)

Wednesday

Melynda Bailey Louise Biles (Rachael Metcalfe)

Friday

Leigh Phillips Michelle King
(Kristine Morgan)

Myuna Bay

On the 3rd of September all of year 4 went to Myuna Bay for a camp. All of year four went to the sports and recreation centre. We did this to build our independence and to know our friends better. We started the camp by knowing who was in our cabins. In my cabin I had Sam, Cruze and Tyler. Then we went to the dining hall to learn about the rules and know which group we were in. I was in the rock lobsters as some people would call us the rock mobsters. Once we finished learning the rules then year four went back to our cabins to make our beds. Then the rock lobsters had their first activity, the deadly bushwalk. Later in the (deadly) bushwalk we had damper. It took my damper about 30 minutes to make but when I took my damper off, there were two holes in it so I could not put golden syrup in it. Later we had free time and the boys played soccer with the awesome goals, where the girls were playing either basket ball or just plain talking. After free time we had dinner. Everyone had sausage, mash potato and vegetables. For dessert we had ice-cream and chocolate topping. I didn't have chocolate topping because I thought it was barbeque sauce. After that we went back to have a shower. We went to the night activity, we were doing running activities. But no bed yet! Everyone had supper which was chocolate milk with a biscuit. The boys were watching television. Once it was 10:30 boys went to bed but I could not sleep because Sam and Tyler were snoring and Cruze was talking in his sleep.

Josh Banks

Celebration Night

What is it?

It is the night when every child at WSPS goes on stage and performs. It is a night when we recognise success. It is a night when all classes K-2 present 2 awards for academic achievement and 2 awards for other successes. Years 3-6 (larger classes) present 6 awards. We will announce Sports Captains for 2013 and ask the 2012 leaders to present them with their badges. We will announce School Leaders for 2013 (and ask their parents to pin their badges on). We will present the Sporting Blues for High Achievement in sport and recognise excellence in the Arts. Finally we will acknowledge the major awards with a presentation. The evening will start at 6.30 with a DVD, then through the Grades starting

with Kindergarten and finishing up with Year 6.

Who is involved?

All students K-6

What happens?

Each grade will perform and then awards will be given while they are on stage. Kindergarten and Year 1 will wait in the second auditorium and make their way to the stage when appropriate. Years 2-6 will be seated in the hall. Some parents of the smaller children prefer to leave after their child has performed by collecting their child from Auditorium 2. Staff will be supervising children here until the end of the night.

How do I get in?

Admission is by pre-purchased tickets only. You will be given the opportunity to purchase a ticket by the P & C over the next few weeks.

Where is it?

We hold Celebration Night at Newcastle Panthers (King St Newcastle), in the upstairs auditorium. You will need to sign in so please bring identification and arrive in plenty of time to avoid queuing up and missing the start of the show. Parking can be a challenge so get there early. Gibson St Car park will not be open this year.

What time?

The show starts at 6.00pm and we expect to be finished by 8.30pm. There is no interval. Children will need to be at the venue by 5.45pm.

What do I bring?

Please bring fantastic audience manners and lots of enthusiasm.

Why do we do it like this?

This way we;

- celebrate as a whole school, and this venue will accommodate our whole school
- we celebrate in air conditioning, we are not limited by the weather
- parents don't generally have to take time off work
- children get to share the successes of others
- it is important to recognise success
- it encourages a whole school ethos.

Any particular requests?

If you are leaving before the end of the show please consider the children performing and leave at the end of the item or presentation and not during. Please do not video or photograph students on stage as permission is not granted to use photographs of other students for private use. Of course during times when only your own child is present, photographs are permitted.

ARTS News

"A Christmas Carol" is on 5th Dec-9th Dec at the Civic. Sofia Nolan is filming for the Tropfest Short Film Festival, in Sydney, this weekend in a film called "Mr Right" on Sunday which is very exciting.

Community Chat

It's time to get together for a bit of a chat. The topic for this chat is 'Homework'. If you have something to say or ask, come along and have a cuppa and a chat. If you wish to raise another issue, this will be most welcome.

When: Dec 6 at 9.15-Mr Hamilton's office.

Wallsy

Wallsy enjoyed a summer vacation in Europe keeping up with the elegant Jones and then found some time to relax in the sun in Thailand with the beautiful Evans girls followed up with cruising the South Pacific with the gorgeous Steele girls before returning to Australia. What would you do for Wall's lifestyle or even Wall's frequent flyer points?

School Banking

*It is great to see that we are still getting enquiries regarding opening new accounts. It is never too late. Simply go into your nearest CBA or go online to open a new account. It doesn't matter how much is deposited each week, it is all about having the ability to save for what you want, which is why the children have the chance to save the tokens to redeem for prizes. PLEASE NOTE: There will be no prizes given out in November but the redemption cards will still be collected. Prizes will be given out from the second week in December. If you wish to redeem for a prize please remember to hand in your tokens as we are getting close to the end of the year! **I am still waiting for the book lights to arrive.** This week we had 49 deposits and an amount of \$205 deposited.*

For Sale

Valencia Acoustic Guitar, \$150, red blackout line, ph 49516819.