

TALLONG

Official Newsletter

Wallsend South Public School

Monday Term 1, Week 5 2012

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Wallsend South Public School serves a supportive parent community which clearly values high educational standards. It is a school which values positive student behaviours and attitudes.

WSPS Calendar

Day	This week is Week 5 commencing February 20	Next week is Week 6 commencing February 27
Monday		Year 5 Raw Art
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Community Chat 9.15am Easter Fair Planning Meeting at 6.00pm	
Thursday	Zone Swimming Carnival Year 6 Raw Art	
Friday	Year 6 Raw Art Year 3 Raw Art Basketball Trials	School Cross Country

Important Notes :Term Costs

Important Diary Dates : Easter Fair March 23

Zone Swimming Carnival: Feb 23

Dear Parents

Thanks to those people who have been able to pay their term costs already. We would appreciate this being attended to as soon as possible. Uniform has started beautifully this year although we have a small number of children who are regularly without their hat. It is vital that students have a hat with them every day. The Easter Fair team are in top organisational gear at the moment preparing for a memorable March 23. This day will also be our Grandfriends Day so it promises to be a big one. A final plan for the day will be sent after the meeting this week. We look forward to your support. Have a great week,
Ian Hamilton

Canteen

Tuesday

Alison Kime Leanne Jones Rosalind Fraser

Wednesday

Louise Bailey Delores Johnson VOLUNTEER

Thursday

Rachelle Hawkins Jalaah Mallaby Linda Greswell

Friday

Sally Evans Helen Moore Leisa Bishop Kristine Morgan

Monday

VOLUNTEER NEEDED Donna Terry

Uniform Shop

Tuesday

Danielle Hemsworth-Smith Karina Currington
(Kristine Morgan)

Wednesday

Kirrily McMurtrie Kristine Morgan (Suzanna Vale)

Friday

Helen Honnery Meredith Flynn (Jalaah Mallaby)

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Cross Country Practice

While we are training for the Cross Country at school please make sure children have their puffers with them if this is part of their medical plan. Also children have appropriate shoes and their hats.

Congratulations to SRC Representatives

The following children will be representing their class for Terms 1 & 2 and were presented with their badges on Monday morning last week. We had our first meeting on Thursday and I can see why they were selected. We have much work to do.

3M Gia Pasquale

3H Meghan Steele

3/4S Jada Moloney

4R Declan Jacobson

4H Lara Witherdin

5K Abbey Armstrong

5D Gabe Curry

5L Cooper Dearing

6L Connor Townsend

6Os Zoey Gresswell

6B Samantha Hiles

Community Chat

Next week (Wednesday Feb 22 at 9.15am) we have our first Community Chat for the year. This is where we simply sit and chat about some of the issues to do with our school and come up with recommendations and suggestions for improvement or maintenance. It is not a formal forum but a low key chat with a cuppa. It would be great if you could come along. Suggested topics for our first group include the 2-6 Swimming Carnival, Parent Teacher meetings, the Tallong and end of year parties. I would appreciate your input. See you there. If you can't make it but would like to say something, feel free to drop me a note or an email and I will share it at the chat. Ask at the front office for directions as to the meeting place.

Kindergarten Term Costs

Kindergarten teachers are of the opinion that Kindergarten would be better served by accessing Reading Eggs rather than Mathletics, so the \$5.00 in Term Costs will go towards this cost rather than Mathletics. If you would prefer this didn't happen for your child please see your child's teacher.

Swimming Caps

Thanks to the generosity of the Gentle family our Zone Swimming Team will be competing in caps with the WSPS logo.

Basketball Trials

We wish the following students all the best as they head off for a chance to represent the zone in basketball. Olivia King, Zoey Franks, Jordan Gillett

and Patrick Murray Cassell will make up the WSPS representation.

Stranger Danger

While walking home from school on Friday a student was approached by a middle aged man in a grey station wagon. Could I urge you to again remind your children of the correct procedures for going to and from school.

GRANDFRIENDS' DAY MINI-SHOWCASE

We have decided to include a mini version of our very popular "Showcase of Talent" for our Grandfriends' and Fair Day extravaganza which will be held on Friday 23rd March in Week 9 of this term. The Mini-Showcase will be open to all children from K to Year 6 and will run on an outdoor stage area from 4pm for about 45 minutes (depending on the number of acts who wish to perform). To enter, children simply need to complete the nomination form below, have it signed by a parent, and return it to the box in front of Ms Diehl's room by Wednesday 14th March (Week 8). Children will be limited to performing in one act only. We also encourage the students to limit their acts to 2 minutes, or they may not have the opportunity to complete their performance (be warned, there will be a GONG!).

Our usual "Showcase of Talent" will still be held in Term 3, so children are not to worry that they will miss out if they can't organise a performance in 5 weeks. They will still have an opportunity to perform for the school later in the year.

Name of Act:

Performer: _____

Class: _____

Type of act (eg dance, poetry, song):

Props required (eg CD, tape, microphone etc):

Additional Information:

Parent's Signature:

_____ Date: _____

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Zone Swimming

Good luck to our Zone swimming team as they represent our school at the Zone Carnival. The very best swimmers from this carnival go on to represent our zone at the Regional Carnival. Our squad is made up of:

Zone Swimming Team

Mathew Honnery, Sebastian Tzaros, Ryan Chandler, Kelly Mitchell, Harrison Hughes, Zeke Gentle, Matt Serjeant, Kent Harrison, Cooper Dearing, Matthew MacClure, Sam Donaldson, Jack Styles, Blake Ryan, Angus Graham, Chris Urdarov, Jacob Pasovski, Ruby Bishop, Jessica McMurtrie, Meghan Steele, Emily Ryan, Lucy Thomas, Ruby Styles, Georgia Schipp, Phoebe Gray, Emil Ngo, Sophie Carathanassis, Samantha Hiles, Freya Zok, Courtney Hiles, Gabby Rupek, Emily Mitchell, Jessica McDonald and Gabby Virtue.

Fixed Equipment

Thanks to all those parents who have spoken to their children regarding the fixed equipment before and after school. The equipment is out of bounds as it is not supervised. Your continued efforts in this are appreciated.

Summer Hockey

This week is the last week of Summer Hockey. Each session will include a bbq at the end. Miss O will also have information about Winter comp and uniforms to try on. Hopefully the rain will stay away!

Hockey winter season 2012

For those aged 5-9 and wishing to play in a modified competition throughout winter season, details are as follows;

Games to be Saturday mornings [at 8.30am](#) or [9.30am](#)

Teams are mixed and siblings of different ages can be placed in the same team.

I will be entering teams with my club, Oxfords.

An information session for parents and players will be held this [Sat 25 February 8.30am-9.30am](#) at the hockey centre. Students will be kept busy on the turf during this time with some coaches. I will be there with rego forms and uniforms from 8am.

I am also entering a D grade team for girls aged 10-12 who wish to play in a competition.

Games will be held on Saturday mornings [at 8.30am](#) to allow for players to also play netball later in the morning.

Training will be held in the half an hour before games.

If you are interested in having your child placed in a team, please contact me

thea.osullivan@det.nsw.edu.au

Boys aged 10+ wishing to play, I can provide

contact details for clubs.

Regards,

Thea O'Sullivan

Playgroup

There will be a playgroup outing February 28 to Oakvale Farm at 10.00am.

Ribbons in Hats

Some children have started wearing ribbons in their school hat. Could I ask that students don't do this as this is a practice we keep for serious medical alert children.

Gala Charity Event

Miss O is organising a ladies charity lunch this Saturday for ovarian cancer research.

All money raised will go to HMRI here in the Hunter.

Tickets are available online at Sticky Tickets.

Click on this link to purchase

tickets <http://www.stickytickets.com.au/7261>

Oxfords Ladies Hockey Club is hosting.....

OXFORDS AGAINST OVARIAN CANCER

LADIES LUNCH - Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club

[Saturday 25 February 2012 1pm](#)

\$70 Ticket includes:

lunch, donation to HMRI (Hunter Medical Research Institute) research into ovarian cancer, glass of champagne on arrival, entertainment 'The Pink Bits', goody bag, lucky door ticket. There will also be: auctions, raffles, prizes and dancing!

Tables of Ten - Purchase tickets individually, email the names of your table members

to oxfords.hockey@gmail.com <<mailto:oxfords.hockey@gmail.com>> If you don't have 10, we will match you up with others to form a table.

Dress: Party Frocks