

# TALLONG

Official Newsletter

## Wallsend South Public School

Monday August 12 Week 5 Term 3

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### WSPS Calendar

Day	This week is Week 5 Term 3 commencing Monday August 12	Next week is Week 6 commencing Monday August 19- BOOK WEEK
Monday	Girls Touch	Year 6 to Canberra
Tuesday	ICAS Maths Focus Groups-6.00pm Performing Arts-Library Girls Softball at 1.00	Focus Groups 6.00pm Library-Student Welfare
Wednesday	Zone Athletics	Raw Art Year 5
Thursday	School Spelling Bee Year 5 Debate	
Friday		Book Week Celebrations-wear your PJs

Dear Parents

Welcome to Week 5. This week we host another Focus Group meeting in the Library at 6.00pm. We will briefly outline what we do at WSPS in Performing Arts and take questions and hopefully come up with some recommendations to make our program even better. It is anticipated the meeting will not go longer than an hour. We have the school spelling bee this week for Stage 2 and 3, as class representatives spell it out for the chance to represent WSPS at Zone level. You are cordially invited to this and the times are indicated later in this Tallong. In Values Education we continue our focus on acceptance. We have spoken about some things we need to accept because we can't change them, and now we move on to what does acceptance look like in the wider world. Our Netball, Touch Football, Girls Softball and Soccer teams continue to do well as they progress up the ladder towards State finals.

Have a great week,  
Ian Hamilton

#### Canteen

##### Tuesday

Carmel Stormer Emma Watts

##### Wednesday

Kirrily McMurtrie Tammie Jones

##### Thursday

Vicki Odgers Simone Hanks Jo Ward Skye Higgins

##### Friday

Melissa Dimovski Danielle Harvey Leanne Sendjirdjian Natsha Ryan

##### Monday

Hayley Carroll Carolyn Dean

#### Uniform Shop

##### Tuesday 8.45-9.15am

Danielle Hemsworth Smith Kylie Robinson  
(Becky Gilbert)

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### **Wednesday 2.30-3.00pm**

Jemma Greentree Chris Clarke  
(Kirrily McMurtrie)

### **Friday 8.45-9.15 am**

Krystal Longworth Kristine Morgan  
(Helen Honnery)

### **Celebrating Bookweek –advance notice**

Next Friday WSPS will celebrate Book Week with a PJs day on Friday and shared reading times.

### **Celebration Night**

Advance notice that Celebration Night is confirmed for December 11 at Panthers in Newcastle. P & C will provide information regarding tickets during Term 4.

### **New Food to try**

The Canteen will be trialling a new homecooked food this week. It is sambusa from Ethiopia. It is a pastry filled with ground beef, onion and garlic with a little coriander. They will be \$2.00 each and available tomorrow from the Canteen as part of lunch orders. If your child would like to try one, and I do know 1J thought they were great, children may order from the Canteen when they place their lunch order in the morning.

### **Public Speaking**

Congratulations to the following students who represented WSPS at the recent Zone Public Speaking Finals

ES1

ZOE HOLLAND (Why I would like to be a princess)  
ELLA HARLEY (Space)

S1

MAX MOLONEY (Teeth)  
ANIKA GILLET (Pets)

S2

JADA MOLONEY (50 Shades of my mum)  
THOMAS O'CONNOR (iPod Time)

S3

SOPHIE CARATHANASSIS (Elevators)  
COOPER DEARING (WSPS Animal Kingdom)

### **School Spelling Bee**

Our school Spelling Bee will be held this Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August in the school hall. Representatives from each class in Stage 2 and 3 will be competing. Two students from each stage will then go on to compete at the Regional Finals to be held later this term.

Please note the following times:

Stage 2 10.00

Stage 3 11.20

Parents and friends are welcome to attend.

### **Congratulations**

This week to Halle Knutson from 4M who has been invited to participate in the Hunter Valley/Northumberland Region Champion of Champions tournament for tennis in September. Halle has made the top 6, 10 year old girls JDS Tennis series. Well done Halle!

### **K-2 Sports Carnival**

Our annual K-2 Sports Carnival will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September. The event is held on the soccer field within our school grounds. We would like to invite parents/caregivers to attend this special event to share in the fun and offer your enthusiasm.

Further details regarding the carnival will be printed in Tallong closer to the date.

We look forward to an exciting day, see you there!  
K-2 Teachers.

### **Year 4 Myuna Bay Camp-Final payments.**

There are some outstanding amounts that will need to be made before Friday this week. Please see the office staff or phone to make your final payment.

The children are very excited about camp and we hope to have wonderful weather.

Year 4 Teachers.

### **Premier's Reading Challenge**

All students participating in this year's challenge should complete their reading and reading log by August 20<sup>th</sup>. Entries will then be validated.

Certificates are not expected to arrive until late in Term 4.

### **Clean Shoeboxes**

K/1 Purple students are creating a town from shoeboxes. If you have any shoeboxes that are no longer needed, the students in K/1 Purple would love to have them. If you are able to drop them into our class or the office by Friday, it would be greatly appreciated.

### **Junior Choir**

Junior Choir meets in K/1 Purple classroom most Wednesday mornings. Students are collected from the sunshelter at 8:15am. The practice concludes at 8:55am. Plans are on the way for a number of performances later this term. Any student in Years 3 and 4 who missed joining the choir earlier in the year is invited to join us this Wednesday. Also we would like to invite any student in Year 2 who would like to have some singing fun to join us on Wednesday morning. If students enjoy the morning then they need to make the commitment to attend all practices.

### **Group Photographs**

These are now on display near the front office.

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