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Official Newsletter

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Week 6 Term 3 2019

The Wallsend South Public School community values and respects all people as individuals and believes in life-long learning, the celebration of success and the achievement of academic and social potential for all, in a secure, stimulating and challenging environment.

Day	This week is Week 6 Term 3 Commencing Monday 26 August.	This week is Week 7 Term 3 Commencing Monday 2 September.
Monday	✓	✓ Talent Quest Auditions Yrs 3 & 4
Tuesday	✓ ES1 excursion to Oakvale Farm	✓ Talent Quest Auditions Yrs 3 & 4
Wednesday	✓ Lambton High School Transition	✓ Talent Quest Auditions Yrs 3 & 4 ✓ Disco Jnr 5.30pm to 6.45pm ✓ Snr 7pm to 8.30pm ✓ LHS Transition Program 1.30 – 2.30pm
Thursday	✓ BOOKFAIR – 9am-3.30pm (student viewing and parent purchasing) ✓ Gymnastics – K, 2, 4, 6 ✓ Father's Day Stall 7.30am – 9am	✓ Gymnastics – K, 2, 4, 6 ✓ Year 1 Tocal Excursion
Friday	✓ BOOKFAIR- 7.30am - 2pm (purchasing) ✓ Father's Day Stall 7.30am – 9am ✓ Father's Day Breakfast 7.30am - 9am ✓ School Banking	✓ Talent Quest Auditions K, Yr 1 & Yr 2 ✓ Electricity Presentation – Hall ✓ K - 2 9.15am to 10am ✓ Yr 3-6 10.15am to 11am ✓ School Banking

Principal's Message

Celebration Night

At last week's P&C meeting I announced that for 2019 we would be continuing with our traditional Celebration Night after extensive consultation with our truly wonderful teachers. The revised date for Celebration Night is Wednesday, 11th December. We are looking forward to a great night!

Keeping our school a safe place

Schools are a place where we all strive to keep our children, and by extension the school environment, safe and happy. With this in mind, please ensure that all interactions and communication at school are appropriate. Teachers and executive staff are available to discuss difficult situations with you as required. We are more than happy to work positively and proactively with all parents and carers to support student wellbeing. Thank you for your support in keeping our school the wonderful place it is.

Book Week success

What a fantastic time we all had during our Book Week day last week! Thank you Mrs Chapman for organising this wonderful event. We are looking forward to the Book Fair this week.

6V gift!

Thank you 6V for creating my wonderful woven wall hanging! I particularly liked your message about the hanging symbolising that you have already woven me into our Wallsend South school community!



Congratulations PSSA Netball and Soccer

Congratulations to our senior and junior netball and soccer teams who all represented our school with excellent sportsmanship on Friday. A special congratulations to our junior netball team who won their grand final!

Whole school value focus: Fairness

For the rest of this term we will be focusing on our whole school value: Fairness. This morning at assembly I read a quote to the children and asked them to think about what this meant. I asked them to have a think about how they could try to make sure that they are being fair.



Drop off and Pick up times – issue

I note there have been a number of staff noticing that some children are consistently being dropped to school before teachers are on duty. Similarly, of an afternoon there has been an increase of parents not collecting children on time for both general pick up and for Pick Up and Go. Your cooperation in ensuring that your children are at school within the designated times are very much appreciated.

SASS Appreciation Week

I would like to take this opportunity to recognise our wonderful administrative and support staff at Wallsend South Public School who do an amazing job of supporting both teachers and students. Their jobs are complex and challenging but they perform their roles expertly and calmly each and every day - we are very lucky. During recess today we held a special morning tea to show how much we value them! If you get the opportunity you are more than welcome to also say thanks! They are a great team of people.

Online games information for parents – link

Some parents have been seeking advice regarding how to manage arguments and issues as a result of children playing online games. We have also had to manage situations recently where students are bringing these issues to school resulting in teachers having to manage and restore relationships during school time. Please see the link below which will take you to our information page on the school's website. I would recommend that parents think carefully about how to monitor and supervise your child's involvement in these games. Setting clear parameters and then actively applying them is critical to support how children interact online. Like any social/interactive game, children require monitoring and mentoring to ensure that they are socialising appropriately and positively.

<https://wallsends-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/supporting-our-students/cyber-safety-information.html>

Tennis workshops

Our tennis workshops started this morning for our senior students.

Kelly Deakin

Principal 😊



Coming Up/Reminders...

School Photos

School Photos will be coming home today. If your child was in a group photo ie: School Leaders, Band, Choir etc. they will bring home a letter today from MSP Photography on how to order these photos. Samples of the group photos are up in the administration area if you would like to have a look before ordering.

Claim the Date for 2020

Next year our school photos will be on Wednesday March 11 and Thursday March 12, 2020. It will be nice to have our students in summer uniform for a change!

Kinder Enrolments for 2020

Please inform the school as soon as possible if your child will be commencing Kindergarten in 2020. If any family or friends know of pending enrolments for 2020 it would be greatly appreciated if they could contact the school as soon as possible to assist with our future planning.

Library News...



LIBRARY BUZZ

Hello Everyone!

What fun we had last week! The students really enjoyed the Dress Up Day and the revelation of the teachers behind their masks and their secret powers.

This week we are preparing for our biennial Book Fair. MacLean's Booksellers will once again provide the wonderful books for your children. They always come prepared with the latest bestsellers as well as many more books from all genres for all school ages. The students will have the opportunity to browse these books with their teachers. Our school is lucky enough to receive a commission from the sale of the books which we use to keep our own Library well stocked and a great place to be. There is no obligation for students to buy but if you wish to purchase, cash or card facilities will be available.

The Book Fair will be open for sales on Thursday, 29/8 from 9 am to 3.30 pm and again on Friday, 30/8 from 7.30 am to 2 pm. This time coincides with the Father's Day Breakfast so that the Dads can come up and buy a book too!

Here are two more thoughts about why reading can be a secret power.

Happy Reading! The Library Teachers

10 Ways Reading is a Secret Power

(Taken from the Ipswich District Teacher-Librarian Network, 2019)

5. Reading improves Writing: The more you read, the better grasp of the written word you have.

6. Reading increases Empathy and Social Awareness: Reading allows us to walk in the shoes of others and experience historical and current world events from the safety of our favourite place to read.

PSSA Crossroads Cup Finals

On Friday, our netball and soccer teams travelled to Cardiff to play in the finals of the Crossroads Cup competition. This was the culmination of the PSSA season which has taken place over terms 2 and 3.

Netball

Our Junior team went into battle against Edgeworth in the first game and really impressed us with just how much they have improved over this PSSA season. Unable to beat them prior, our Junior girls out ran, out shot, defended and dominated the court to defeat Edgeworth 29-4. This victory took our Junior team straight into the grand final against Elernore Vale. This 2287 grudge match was special for many of our players, who are team mates with many from Elernore Vale in their Saturday teams. Elernore Vale put up a good fight, but our Junior team secured the win 15-8, bringing the Crossroads Cup home to Southy! A spectacular finish to a brilliant season, for many first time players and newcomers to the game.

Our Senior team went into their first game knowing they needed to put to use, all of their skills to try and out play a very strong Edgeworth Senior team. The game was evenly matched and the girls worked incredibly hard to keep our goal count up. Unfortunately at the sound of the final bell, Edgeworth defeated them by just 1 point, 22-21. With great determination and resilience our Seniors backed up in their final play off for 3rd/ 4th position and did us proud defeating Glendore 23-5, securing a 3rd position final standing.

All of our PSSA players have showed great perseverance and sportsmanship throughout the season and we couldn't be prouder of each and every one of them.



Soccer

Our Junior team took on an all-conquering Cardiff South side in their semi-final. It was a tough mission against the minor premiers but our Juniors rose to the occasion. An exciting game of constant momentum shifts ended in a 2-2 draw. This meant Cardiff South advanced to the grand final based on ladder position. Despite the disappointment, the Juniors took to the field later in the day to play Glendore in the playoff final. The game was played in great spirit, both teams entertaining the crowd with freeflowing football and lots of goals. WSPS held on for a 6-5 victory at the final whistle, earning third place in the competition.

A similar story ensued for our Senior footballers. A tense semi-final against local rivals, Elernore Vale, ended in a draw and relegation to the playoff final. The team embraced a sense of fun and experimentation for the game against Barnsley with most players switching up positions. It was lovely to see some of our players register their first ever goal for WSPS as we claimed third place with a 5-1 win. It was a fitting send-off for our year 6 soccer representatives, some of whom have played in our PSSA teams for four years.

Final results: Juniors - Third place and Seniors - Third place.

Mrs Lennard, Mr Johnston and the players would like to thank all those family members, teachers and students who have supported our endeavours throughout the 2019 PSSA season! All participants in the PSSA season will be receiving recognition in Friday's Primary Assembly, where the Crossroads Trophy will be presented to the school. Families are welcome to attend 😊

IT'S SHOWCASE TIME AGAIN

Our very popular "Showcase of Talent" is back! The Showcase is open to all children from Kindergarten to Year 6. It will be held in the hall during lunch time from 1:20pm until 1:55pm in weeks 7 & 8 & 9 of this term. To enter:-

- K,1,2 – require a parent to complete and sign the nomination form below and return it to the box outside Ms. Diehl's room by Wednesday 28 August.
- Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 – Fill in one of the performance slots on the A3 booking sheets on the Stage 3 notice Board outside Mrs Jackson's room by Wednesday 28 August .

To cater for the vast multitude of talented performers at WSPS, children will be limited to performing in **one act only**. We also encourage the children to limit their acts to around 2 minutes, or they may not have the opportunity to complete their performance.

Each Grade will perform on the following days:-

- Years 3 & 4 Monday 2, Tuesday 3, Wednesday 4 September
- Kindergarten, Year 1, Year 2 Friday 6, Monday 9, Tuesday 10 September
- Years 5 & 6 Wednesday 11, Friday 13, Monday 16 September

For their performance day, children need to bring music, costumes and anything else they require for their act. Parents are most welcome to attend the lunch time performances.

On Friday 27 September, we will hold a Final Showcase of the most popular performances. This concert is for staff and students only due to the hall's limited seating capacity.

The Final Showcase performances will be selected by the children in the audience, who will vote each day by placing a counter in a closed, numbered ice-cream container. (No parent voting please!) These votes will be tallied each day. The successful acts will receive a note to take home to inform parents their children are performing again in the Final Showcase. Entry to the hall to watch the performances will be free, but if the children wish to vote they need to bring in 50c to exchange for a voting token. All money collected will be donated to the local RSPCA. Each child is only allowed to purchase one voting token each day, however if they wish to donate more than 50c, I'm certain the RSPCA would be grateful!

Karen Diehl

Kindergarten, Year 1 & Year 2

Name of act: _____

Performer/s: (Please record Name & Class for each performer)

Class:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Type of act (e.g. dance, poetry, song): _____

Props required (e.g. CD, tape, microphone etc): _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Date: _____

P & C News...

Father's Day Stall

It is with great excitement that we approach our annual **Father's Day Stall** this **Thursday 29th August**. It really is lovely to watch the children "shop" and then become so proud of their chosen gift. In this act the children show great responsibility. All gifts will be **\$5.00** each and there will also be a number of gifts for grandfathers. All classes will visit the stall throughout the day. The stall will also be open during the Father's Day Breakfast on Friday morning.

In previous years the P&C have provided children with a bag for their purchases if needed. This year the consensus is that this is not the responsible, environmentally friendly way to act. If you believe your child will benefit from having a bag to store their gifts, please pack one along with the \$5 for each purchase being made on the day.

Entertainment Book

Father's Day is 1st September, give Dad a thoughtful, smart and exciting gift – much more fun than socks and jocks!

Purchase an Entertainment Membership for Dad for Father's Day and not only will you be supporting Wallsend South Public School but you will also go in the draw to WIN the Ultimate Father's Day Prize - 2 tickets to the 2019 Toyota AFL Grand Final + a \$400 flight voucher!

Get your Membership online today

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/348o67>

Fundraising – Term 3

Father's Day Stall – Thursday 29th August & Friday 30th (7.30am – 9am)

Father's Day Breakfast – Friday 30th August (7.30am – 9am)

Disco – Theme – 'Colourful'

Wednesday 4th September

Years K – 2 will be from 5.30pm – 6.45pm

Years 3 – 6 will be from 7pm – 8.30pm

You can purchase a meal deal and tickets for the disco via the Qkr! app at any time up to **6pm Monday 2nd September** or by cash sales this **Thursday 29th and Friday 30th August under the top COLA from 8.45am-9.00am**. Please make sure you send in the correct money to assist the Year 6 students to efficiently serve as many customers as possible.

Volunteers are required for the evening. If you are able to assist, please complete the slip on the bottom of the note your child/ren brought home last week and return it to the Office or email the P and C at wsps_pandc@yahoo.com.au

Our school's P&C Committee has a position vacant:- P&C President

(Due to a change in circumstances this role has now become vacant)

Role of the President

The President is responsible for:

- The successful functioning of the P&C Association meetings
- The attainment of the P&C Association's objectives
- Ensuring that the P&C Association takes part in decision-making processes in the school
- Fostering fair participation of all members and ensuring that all new members are made to feel welcome
- Supporting volunteers
- Consistent adherence to the constitution
- Acting as the P&C Association's spokesperson when public statements or actions are needed
- Setting up lines of communication with the Principal
- Being signatory on the Association's bank accounts
- Chairing meetings

The President is automatically a member of all P&C sub-committees. The President should be informed of all sub-committee meetings and decisions, this would occur through written report.

The President also has important responsibilities outside of meetings and is looked to as a leader of the parent community.

The President would be fully supported by an already functioning wonderful P&C Executive and general members. All activities are planned for the rest of the year.

If you would be interested in this role or would like further information please email wsps_pandc@yahoo.com.au or contact the P&C Federation's Member Services Team mail@pandc.org.au or 1300 885 982

Canteen News...

Father's Day Breakfast – Friday 30th August

Bacon and Egg Rolls \$4-
Poppers and Water \$2-
Muffins – Choc Chip & Blueberry \$2=-
Banana Bread - \$3-



If you are available to help with the cooking of the BBQ from 6.30am please let Nicole know as soon as possible on 0438538531

If you are able to help serve for the Father's Day breakfast from 7.30am please also let Nicole know of your availability.

Spaghetti Bolognaise Day – Tuesday 3rd September

A note went home last week for orders. Orders are due back by Thursday 29th August. (Orders can also be placed on the Qkr app) or sent to Canteen.

This week's volunteers are:

Mon 26 th Aug	Tues 27 th Aug	Wed 28 th Aug	Thurs 29 th Aug	Fri 30 th Aug
	Julie Dann	Kaisey Brogan	Nicole Crooks	Kim O'Connor Tania Barnes Suzanne Rigg

Thankyou for supporting our school canteen from your Canteen Committee ☺

The Uniform Shop

News...

Short sleeve polos are currently out of stock in size 12. Replacement stock has been ordered and we hope to have the new shirts on the shelves in November. We will inform the school community when they arrive and we apologise for any inconvenience caused.

The Uniform shop is in need of extra volunteers. If you can offer just over half an hour on a Tuesday or Friday morning please come to the uniform shop during opening hours or send an email to: wsps_pandc@yahoo.com.au

This week's volunteers are:

Tuesday 27 th August 8:45 am – 9:15 am	Wednesday 28 th August 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Friday 30 th Aug 8:45 am – 9:15 am
Joyce Marodin Kylie Hale R: Tammie Jones	CLOSED	Father's Day Breakfast Maxine Robinson Helen Taylor R: Tracey Mahoney

We appreciate the continued support of all our volunteers and our school community.

\$ School Banking News \$\$\$

Year	Students Banked – 23/08/19
Kindergarten	9
Year 1	20
Year 2	15
Year 3	11
Year 4	12
Year 5	9
Year 6	5
Ex students/ Siblings	0

Term 3	Student deposits
Week 1	52
Week 2	83
Week 3	88
Week 4	85
Week 5	67
Week 6	
Week 7	
Week 8	
Week 9	
Week 10	



Term 3 Rewards

Arctic Owl Fluffy Keyring



Scratch Art Cards



This weeks volunteers are:

Friday 30th August - 9am – 10:30 am

Leanne Outram, Leah Walker & Holly Spannenberg

We are looking for a volunteer to help out on a Friday morning from 9 am – 10:30 am, if you are available please email wsps_pandc@yahoo.com.au or pop into the Committee room (next to the Computer room) on Friday.

Keep on banking!

From your School Banking Team ☺

COMMUNITY NEWS

Good for Kids good for life RECIPE

Spinach Pesto Pasta with Cherry Tomatoes



Ingredients

100g baby spinach leaves	2 tbs olive oil
1/2 cup firmly packed fresh basil leaves	1/4 cup shredded parmesan cheese
2 tbs toasted slivered almonds	375g short pasta shapes (e.g. penne, fusilli)
2 cloves garlic, crushed	250g punnet small cherry tomatoes, halved

Method

1. To make spinach pesto, place spinach, basil, almonds and garlic in a food processor. Process until finely chopped. Add oil and parmesan. Process to form a thick paste.
2. Cook pasta in a large, deep pan of boiling water for 10 to 12 minutes or until just tender (al dente). Drain and return to same pan.
3. Add spinach pesto to pasta. Stir over low-medium heat until pasta is coated with pesto and heated through.
4. Stir in tomatoes. Serve hot.

Tips: To toast slivered almonds, spread over an oven tray. Bake in a moderate oven (180C) for 3-5 minutes until light golden. This pasta is also delicious served cold. Keep covered in refrigerator for up to 2 days. Great for school or office lunches.

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- Prizes for Winner

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yourhealthlinkphotocomp.com.au

Competition Partners:

You are invited

COME AND TRY WATERPOLO

10-16yrs +seniors

CNWP
CENTRAL NEWCASTLE WATER POLO

Saturday 7th Sept
Saturday 14th Sept
10am -12 noon

LAMBTON DIVING POOL

FREE BBQ TO FOLLOW

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