



# Wentworth Falls Public School Newsletter

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### TERM 2, 2017

#### June

8	Stg3 to Parliament House
14	Cyber Safety
19	P&C Meeting 7.30pm
20	UBMMF Rehearsal
21	FOCM Cluster Rehearsal
23	Year 2 Elizabeth Farm
27	Year 1 Elizabeth Farm
30	Last Day of Term

### TERM 3

#### July

17	Staff return
18	Students return
20	OC Placement Test

Darkness cannot  
drive out darkness;  
only light can do  
that.

Hate cannot drive  
out hate; only love  
can do that.

*Martin Luther King*

## From the Principal...

The weather smiled on us yet again for our annual Athletics Carnival. Students gave their best and enjoyed the many different activities on offer. We adults also enjoyed our coffee and cake, thanks to Michael Kelly and Karen Louis and those volunteers who baked and worked at the canteen on the day. Also thanks to Kirrilee Hugo for helping set up and use the Little Athletics equipment at Pitt Park. Thanks also to all those volunteers who helped time races, monitor activities such as long jump and cheer on all our children. It really was a great team effort. Of course a big thank you to Mr Zammit who organised the day and was rewarded with a Blues win in the State of Origin series played that night.

Our students did us proud yet again at the District Cross Carnival held at Blackheath on 26<sup>th</sup> May. Amelie Hugo won the 10year girl's race and also broke the standing record. Congratulations Amelie!!

We have dogs coming into the school and we kindly ask for your help in ensuring that no dogs come into the school. This is a school wide policy and one that caters for the health and safety of the school environment.

When dropping your child off at school or picking them up in the

afternoon, we ask that you obey all roads rules and observe the school time speed limits. Afternoons are a particularly hectic time with many people walking home, catching a bus or making their way to cars. Please help us to stay safe.

Senior Constable Michelle Jansco is visiting our school to speak to students and parents about Cybersafety. Snr Constable Jansco will be speaking to Stage 2 & 3 children after recess on Wednesday 14 June and returning for the parents and community session at 5:30pm in the Library. A note has been sent home and if you are attending the parent's session, we ask that you return the note so that we have an idea of how many parents will be attending.

As an educator, I highly value the role technology plays in the classroom while being acutely aware that it has a not so positive side. Technology is also constantly changing and it's a struggle to keep on top of the latest game, app or trend. I recommend that you attend this session to upskill your knowledge and most importantly, find out how we can work together to keep our children safe in our online world.

Ms Ley Wighton,  
Relieving Principal



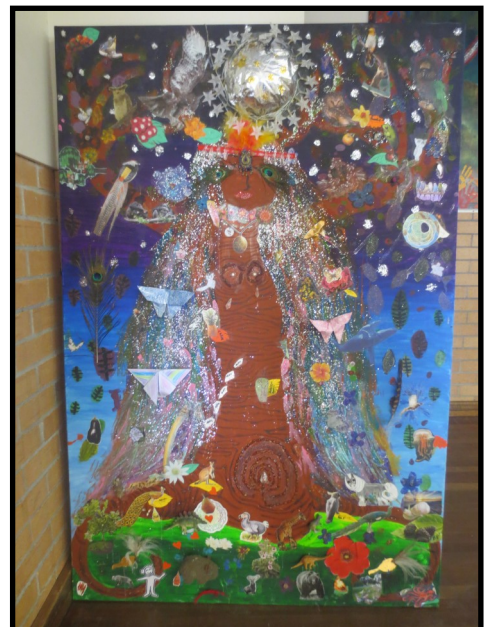
Principal's Awards		PBL Awards		Principal's Awards		PBL Awards	
	<b><u>WEEK 5, Term 2</u></b>		<b><u>WEEK 6 Term 2</u></b>		<b><u>WEEK 6 Term 2</u></b>		<b><u>WEEK 7Term 2</u></b>
KB	Harvey	KB	Emma	KB	Ariel	KB	Evelyn
KM	Abby-Rose	KM	Abby-Rosa	KM	William	KM	Chloe
K/1C	Jayyda	K/1C	Sciana	K/1C	Jayden	K/1C	Jayda
1D	Rosalie	1D	Douglas	1D	Clementine	1D	Clementine
1S	Lukas	1S	Sharma	1S	Matilda	1S	Gabe
2F	Audrey	2F	Natalya	2F	Josh	2F	Louis
2PD	Tamim	2PD	Lilian	2PD	Blake	2PD	Violet
2/3M	Dante	2/3M	Alex	2/3M	Cooper	2/3M	Asha
3M	Kelly	3M	Lochlan	3M	Jacob	3M	Emily
3/4H	Tyler	3/4H	Portia	3/4H	Alex	3/4H	Nina
4F	Ethan	4F	Poppy	4F	Iggy	4F	Arlo
5/6B	Aleesha	5/6B	Leonie	5/6B	Christian	5/6B	Cody
5/6E	Fin	5/6E	Luke	5/6E	Dominic	5/6E	Ben
5/6H	Joshua	5/6H	Vinnie	5/6H	Emmagen	5/6H	Quincy
5/6Z	Mia	5/6Z	Unavailable	5/6Z	Phoebe	5/6Z	Patrick

## Winter Magic Festival Art Street Exhibition

Girls from Stage 3 were invited to join a lunchtime art group with resident Art Therapy trainee, Amy Bell, to create an entry for the Winter Magic Festival Art Street exhibition.

Each year a theme is chosen for Winter Magic, this year is "Gaia". The girls were asked to create an artwork together on this theme to represent our school, and used mixed media to create "Mother Earth: Birth of Life".

The artwork will be on display from 6th June to 30th July at The Blue Mountains Food Co-op, near the post office in Katoomba. voting for 'people's choice' award will be open, and you are encouraged to go and vote.





## Infants Sports Carnival



## School Athletics Carnival





**TERM 2 OPENING DAYS :**

**FULL LUNCH SERVICE:** Most Mondays, and ALL Wednesdays and Fridays

**RECESS ONLY SERVICE:** Some Tuesdays and Thursdays

# Canteen

## CORNER

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8<sup>th</sup> June 2017**QUICK BITES****KEY DATES:**

- Canteen meeting, Week 10 29th June, 9.15am @ Blue Mist Café.
- Food Prep Day, Term 3 TBA

**NEWS IN BRIEF:**

*Skim our headlines quickly.*

- ❖ Athletics Day Pop-up Café Raises \$375
- ❖ Need Volunteers for Open Day (Term 3)
- ❖ Food prep this week
- ❖ Winner of our online canteen draw is...
- ❖ Missing toy
- ❖ Container give-away

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Like us on Facebook:  
"Wentworth Falls Public School Canteen"

Online Ordering Canteen Website:  
[ouronlinecanteen.com.au](http://ouronlinecanteen.com.au)

### ATHLETICS DAY POP-UP CAFÉ RAISES \$375

Thank you too everyone who supported our first pop-up café at the Athletics Carnival. We raised about \$375 for school resources, so well done to everyone involved.

The original idea was to sell to parents, helpers and teachers. It turns out the students missed their canteen fix too, and were happy to feast on our kid-friendly snacks.

Thanks to Karen for quick-fire organisation at the last minute. Thanks to our cooks and bakers: Jane, Caroline, Anne, Agnes, Sonja and Phillipa. Thanks to Michael for providing and manning the coffee machine, and Vera for helping make hot drinks. And thanks to Karen, Anne, Sandie, Tegan, Erica, and Winton for manning the stall, and also Year 6 helpers Tehya and Indigo for helping serve.



Our Open Day fundraiser (Term 3) is fast approaching.

We usually provide morning tea, and a "lunch special" for our visitors. To do this we need volunteers to help organise, bake, donate goods, and serving on the day. Contact us now if you're interested in helping!

**FOOD PREP THIS WEEK**

Thank you to Karen, Fenny and Sonja for baking our fresh goodies this week (pic above). This team has been baking up a storm in canteen for five years now... what an effort girls! Well done.

**WINNER OF OUR  
ONLINE CANTEEN  
DRAW IS ...**

And the winner of a canteen voucher for registering with online canteen is... Zoe Keep (2F).

**MISSING TOY**

We found this toy at canteen recently. Is it yours?

**CONTAINER GIVE-AWAY**

Containers for free (pictured). Collect from canteen if you want one or two.



# P & C NEWS

## Blue Mountains Artfest 2017

Come along to the first Artfest gathering of the year. Have a drink, meet parents involved in Artfest 2016, and get a better idea of what goes on behind the scenes to prepare Artfest.

**Where:** Grandview Hotel

**When:** Friday 30 June

**At:** 7.30pm

Artfest is a great way to volunteer your time to help the school and socialise with other like-minded parents. You don't need to attend all the meetings and many volunteer jobs can be done at home in your own time or over the Artfest weekend at school.

The aim this year is to have many more volunteers with small bite-sized tasks that are easier to manage in our busy weeks. Doing roles with friends or in groups makes it all the more social and easier to juggle. If you aren't able to come along to the gathering but would like to find out more or get involved please contact Kathryn on [kgmurphy@bigpond.com](mailto:kgmurphy@bigpond.com).

## Café Atlética



Thanks to everyone who supported our Icafé at the athletics carnival. We made about \$380 profit from the day. Thanks to Michael Kelly for the hot drinks and inspiration and to the wonderful Karen and her bakers for baking basketfuls of fresh muffins, banana bread and biscuits for the event. As a new fundraiser we weren't sure how the cafe would go but we it was a success and we have lots of ideas for next year.

Don't forget to our Monday morning Café Canteena where we have coffee (\$3 or \$3.50 large or double), chai (\$3) and hot chocolates (\$2) to warm away the winter chill.

## Clothing Pool

### Opening times for Term 2

As mentioned in previous newsletters, Term 1 is our busiest period in the clothing pool where more than 70% of sales are made. We are therefore reverting to opening one day a week to reflect this demand, which will be **Wednesdays 8:30 - 8:50am inside foyer of classroom 1D**. The last Wednesday and Friday combination will be Friday 12 and June.

Pull on your beanies and puffer jackets for our next P & C meeting on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm in the school library.



## PUBLIC NOTICES



### Nationally Consistent Collection of Data School Students with Disability



## Information for parents and carers

### WHAT IS THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION?

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (the national data collection) is an annual collection that counts the number of school students receiving an adjustment due to disability and the level of reasonable adjustment they are receiving.

The national data collection counts students who have been identified by a school team as receiving an adjustment to address a disability as defined under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* (the DDA). The DDA can be accessed from the ComLaw website at [www.comlaw.gov.au](http://www.comlaw.gov.au).

### WHAT IS THE BENEFIT FOR MY CHILD?

The aim of the national data collection is to collect quality information about school students receiving an adjustment due to disability in Australia.

This information will help teachers, principals, education authorities and families to better support students with disability to take part in school on the same basis as other students.

The national data collection provides an opportunity for schools to review their learning and support systems and processes to continually improve education outcomes for their students with disability.

### WHY IS THIS DATA BEING COLLECTED?

All schools across Australia collect information about students with disability. But the type of information currently collected varies between each state and territory and across government, Catholic and independent school sectors.

When undertaking the national data collection, every school in Australia uses the same method to collect information. Therefore, a government school in suburban Sydney collects and submits data in the same way as a Catholic school in country Victoria and an independent school in the Northern Territory.

The annual collection aims to, over time, lead to nationally consistent, high quality data that will enable schools, education authorities and

governments to gain a more complete understanding of students who are receiving adjustments because of disability in schools in Australia, and how to best support them.

### WHAT ARE SCHOOLS REQUIRED TO DO FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY?

All students are entitled to a quality learning experience at school.

Schools are required to make reasonable adjustments, where needed, to assist students with disability to access and participate in education free from discrimination and on the same basis as other students.

These responsibilities are outlined in the DDA and the Disability Standards for Education 2005 (the Standards). The Standards require educators, students, parents and others (e.g. allied health professionals) to work together so that students with disability can participate in education. The Standards can be accessed via the ComLaw website at [www.comlaw.gov.au](http://www.comlaw.gov.au).

### WHAT IS A REASONABLE ADJUSTMENT?

A reasonable adjustment is a measure or action taken to help a student with disability access and participate in education on the same basis as other students. Reasonable adjustments reflect the assessed individual needs of the student, and are provided in consultation with the student and/or their parents and carers. Reasonable adjustments can be made across the whole school setting (e.g. ramps into school buildings), in the classroom (such as adapting teaching methods) and at an individual student level (e.g. extra tuition for a student with learning difficulties).

### WHAT INFORMATION WILL BE COLLECTED?

Every year your child's school will collect the following information for each student receiving an adjustment due to disability:

- the student's level of education (i.e. primary or secondary)
- the student's level of adjustment
- the student's broad type of disability.



The information collected by schools will be available to all governments to inform policy and program improvement for students with disability.

### **WHO IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION?**

The definition of disability for the national data collection is based on the broad definition under the DDA.

For the purposes of the national data collection, students with learning difficulties, such as dyslexia or auditory processing disorder, as well as chronic health conditions like epilepsy or diabetes, that require monitoring and the provision of adjustments by the school, may be included.

### **WHO COLLECTS INFORMATION FOR THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION?**

Teachers and school staff count the number of students receiving an adjustment due to disability in their school, and the level of reasonable adjustment they are provided, based on:

- consultation with parents and carers in the course of determining and providing reasonable adjustments
- the school team's observations and professional judgements
- any medical or other professional diagnosis
- other relevant information.

School principals are responsible for ensuring the information identified about each student is accurate.

### **HOW IS MY CHILD'S PRIVACY PROTECTED?**

Protecting the privacy and confidentiality of all students and their families is essential and is an explicit focus of the national data collection. Personal details, such as student names or other identifying information, are not provided to local or federal education authorities.

Further information about privacy is available from [www.education.gov.au/notices](http://www.education.gov.au/notices).

### **IS THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION COMPULSORY?**

Yes. All education ministers agreed to full implementation of the national data collection from 2015. This means that all schools must now collect and submit information annually on the number of students receiving adjustments due to disability in their care, and the level of adjustment they receive.

Information about the arrangements that may apply to your school in relation to this data collection is available from your child's school principal and the relevant education authority.

### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Contact your child's school if you have further questions about the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability.

You can also visit [www.education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability](http://www.education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability).

An e-learning resource about the Disability Standards for Education 2005 is freely available for the use of individuals, families and communities at <http://resource.dse.theeducationinstitute.edu.au/>.

## **WFPS iPhone/Android APP**

Our free school App is available for download from both the Apple App Store and Google Play Store, searching by the school's name.

Initially you will need to logon to the app with the following details:

Username – *community*

Password – *wentworthfallsps*

You will then be able to select the groups for which you wish to receive notifications (ie: select either ALL or choose the relevant Stage groups for your children).

**The App is an excellent way to be informed of up coming excursions, events, Newsletter and to notify the school of your child's absence.**

**An alert is sent if an excursion is delayed or cancelled.**





## THE WESTERN SYDNEY WANDERERS HOLIDAY CLINIC

The Western Sydney Wanderers FC is hosting a July School Holiday Soccer Clinic at Pitt Park. Powered by Soccer Kickstart, these sessions will follow through on proven development systems which follow the FFA curriculum. Players will also receive a Western Sydney clinic jersey at their first clinic.

**DATES:** 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> July 2017 (pick one or both days)

### ***Beginner/Intermediate Session:***

Ages 4 – 12  
9am – 12pm

In our beginner and intermediate clinics, most players are commencing or starting to enhance their football journey and therefore our number one goal is for all to enjoy the beautiful game through the way we believe it should be played, what we call the Wanderers Way. Sessions are heavily focused on technique, game understanding and improving confidence as well as obviously providing a great experience.

### ***Advanced Session:***

Ages 9 – 15  
2pm – 5pm

At the end of the clinic, we aim to have your child comfortably perform all four technical components of football - passing, shooting, controlling the ball and dribbling. In this program, players will go through the most diverse game scenarios further enhancing their decision-making ability and execution of the above skills.

Feel free to contact us on 1300 139 938 for more information.

**TO BOOK:** go to <https://wsw.eventdesq.com/holidayclinics>

<b>Holiday Clinic: Napean</b>  Beginner and Intermediate and Advanced Options  <b>Location :</b> Pitt Park, Matcham Avenue, Wentworth Falls	Monday 10th July 2017 Tuesday 11th July 2017
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### **Important information about the Wanderers Holiday Clinic:**

1. Beginner & Intermediate clinics are 9:00 - 12:00
2. Advanced Clinics are 14:00 - 17:00
3. You can drop your kids off 30 mins prior to the start time
4. Latest players can be picked up is 30 mins after the conclusion of the clinic
5. Players can wear soccer boots (please also bring sneakers/joggers)
6. Please bring shin pads, plenty of drinks and some light snacks.