

Wentworth Falls Public School Newsletter

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IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 3, 2020

July

- 20 P&C Meeting via Zoom
- 21 Students Return
- 22 Interrelate year 5
- 29 Interrelate year 5

August

- 3-7 Education Week
- 5 Interrelate year 5
- 10 Stage 2 Longneck Lagoon
- 14 Athletics carnival
- 19 Stage 2 Longneck Lagoon
- 26 Stage 1 Warragamba Dam
- 27 Stage 1 Warragamba Dam

"Whether you think you can or think you can't, you're right."

- Henry Ford

From the Principal..

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- Welcome to Week 10 and the final
- newsletter for Term 2. I would like to
- thank our community, staff, students
 - and parents/carers for everything that has been done to make this term a successful learning one. Saying it has been a unique semester is an understatement but I am very proud of the way our school community has managed to navigate our way through the two terms.

Thank you to the P&C who have put on a wonderful morning tea for the staff today. All staff truly appreciated the gesture and of course the lovely food that was provided.

Term 3 will begin in much the same way as we finish this term. More restrictions have been relaxed for school activities in regards to what we are allowed to do however our ability to have parents or non-essential adult visitors onsite remains one of the restrictions in place. This will be reviewed early in Term 3 and as soon as it changes I will communicate this to everyone as I know all of our teachers are eagerly awaiting the time when parents are able to return and help out around the school.

Our current drop off and pick up arrangements will continue and I thank all of our parents who are able to drop off and pick up at the gates.

Term 3 will be another busy term, especially as some of the activities that would have run in semester 1 have been moved to Terms 3 & 4. More information will follow next term regarding sport carnivals and when they will occur.

Education Week will be in Week 3 (3-7 August) with the theme of "Learning Together" and at this stage will be a virtual Education Week due to the current restrictions. My plan is to hold a second Education Week later in the year so that the activities that would normally have been held can take place with our school community.

One of the highlights of Term 2 for me has been seeing all of the great work students have been doing. I have had many visits to my office of students bringing me work to see and I have visited many classrooms to see learning in action.

I was visited by a very persuasive delegation from Stage 2 yesterday who convinced me that having a **mufti-day on Friday** would be a great reward for our students on what has been an outstanding term. The mufti-day will be for **all students** K-6 and I apologise for any confusion the note sent home to Stage 1 about their activities on Friday may have caused as this was done earlier in the day.

Have a safe and happy holiday and take some time to relax and enjoy family time. If you are travelling I wish you a safe journey and look forward to hearing from students next term about the adventures they have experienced.

Mr Giles Principal

Dogs In Schools

As everyone would know, dogs are not allowed in school grounds unless permission has been given for a specific purpose. I want to thank all of our community for helping with this by keeping their dogs outside when dropping off or picking up each day.

Recently we have had a few students who are becoming anxious about the number of dogs that may be directly outside the pedestrian gates during the afternoon pickups when they exit. To help these students I would ask that the few parents who are bringing their dogs to afternoon pickups please wait a little distance away from the exit gates. Thank you for your understanding and assistance with this request.



Feed the Bookie Monster



Lots of extra books went home during Covid and we are now trying to gather them back to the library. If you received an overdue notice this week, please help your child have a search for the missing resources and bring them back to school as soon as possible. If you believe that a resource has already been returned please contact us through the school email wentwthfal-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to let us know so that we can search for it on the shelves. If a title has gone missing please return the replacement cost in an envelope to the school office or contact the office directly for eftpos payment.

Borrowing is still happening over these school holidays.

Premier's Reading Challenge 2020

Please note the SPECIAL RULE AMENDMENTS FOR 2020: Check the website for details

 Students on all Challenge levels are able to read 10 choice books - an increase from five. Search

https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/studentExperience.html

for Free choice 2020. Go to this website, and use your username (firstname.lastname) and password (classname-lowercase) to log in.

Congratulations to

these Students who have completed the PRC this fortnight: K-2 Leila KF Grace 12M Jarvis 12G Gracie K1P Jasper 12CM Rosa 12WG Achilles 12WG Izabella K1P Alyssa 12M

3-4 Owen 45Z 5-6 Tara H 56B Tara N 56E





Film Making in the Library

Here are some stage 3 students hard at work filming scenes for their Guided Inquiry unit, hopefully to be entered in the 'Film By The Eucalypts Festival'.



Happy Reading, from Mrs Partington and Mrs Halse

P&C NEWS

Next P&C meeting

The next P&C meeting will be via Zoom on Monday 20th July at 7pm ahead of the first day back at school in term 3. Please email Elise on <u>wentworthfallspandc@gmail.com</u> if you would like to join the P&C mailing list and be sent the Zoom meeting details.

Thank you morning tea for Teachers

Today the P&C organised a thank you morning tea for the teachers in the staff room. We thank them sincerely, on behalf of the parent body, for all they have done for our children in helping navigate these usual times we have all been through.

Picture Plate Fundraiser early next term

Information for a picture plate fundraiser will be sent home early next term. Look out for the details and information on submitting your child's plate artwork.



Father's Day Stall – 1 Litre Jars needed

We will be preparing for the P&C Father's Day stall soon and we need lots of empty, clean label free jars.

We especially need 1 Litre jars as this saves money buying them.

Also needed 750ml (passata jars, preferably with the larger opening), 500ml and 250ml

Please drop them in the basket at the school office.

Many thanks!





Reminder from Katoomba High School to all Year 7 Parents for 2021

If you have a child enrolling into Year 7 in 2021 could you please submit your enrolment forms as soon as possible to assist the school with our planning.

If you have any questions please ring on 47822622 or email <u>katoomba-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> and we will happily answer any questions you may have.

Thank you

Katoomba High School Administration Staff



Nationally Consistent Collection of Data School Students with Disability

What is the NCCD?

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 adjustment they are receiving to access education on the same basis as other students.

Why is this data being collected?

From 2018, the student with disability loading provided by the Australian Government is based on the national data collection. Funding is provided via a loading at different rates based on students' received level of adjustment. This will enable funding to be better targeted to student need as identified through the collection.

Teachers will notify parents of students to be included in the data collection. All data is confidential and no names are included.