Monday 3rd August 2015

It’s been another busy week at Westport Public School! More athletic results have been sent through and I am very pleased to announce that Chermeeka Fernando tied for Junior Girls Champion at last week’s District Athletics Carnival in Wauchope. Well done Chermeeka!

The Hastings Valley Combined Schools Ceremony of Excellence was held last Tuesday night for our local public schools highlighting the amazing academic performance of our wonderful students. It was a great night and very well run. The following Westport Public School students received awards:

Back Row: John Page, Harry Freudenstein, Emily Sharp, Swatip Dahal, Eli Raglus
Front Row: Lachlan Higham, Lachlan Sharp, Zoe Gardner

Our big celebration will be coming up in Week 8 with our Splendour in the Hall show casing the many talents in our wonderful school.

I hope you have a great week.

Tony Johnston
Principal

*****COMING EVENTS TERM 3 *****

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<td>Visiting Performance – K-Yr3 9am, Yr4-Yr6 10am</td>
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Term 3 – Week 3
Assembly Awards
KL – Eleanor, Darryl
KB – Saxon, Hailey
1/2B – Charli, Billie
1/2H – Caylee, Johnathan
1/2E – Jocie, Lily
1/2R – Lennox, TJ
3/4R – Alyssa, Brenton
3/4W – Lachlan, Eli
4/5L – Charlotte, Hayden
5/6P – Annika, Beth
5/6WB – Matthew, Jayden
5/6CO – Zara, Tomas
Mathletics Award – Miranda
Choir – Charlie, Kirra’Lee

Education Week was celebrated at our school last week with parents welcomed into our classrooms where they could look over the great work our students have been doing. We hope everyone enjoyed the day.
District Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to the following students who have qualified for the next level:
Chermeeka Fernando, Bill Butlin, Blair Kemsley, Brock Lewins, Emily Sheather, Tiana Lambert, Phoebie Brown, Grace-Anne Pegler, Tia Elford, Miranda Weston, Jai Smith-Lloyd, Kayden Jones-Moore, Declan Dorrington.
The Lower North Coast Athletics Carnival is on Wednesday 5th August at Wauchope. Permission/Medical notes have been sent home. Please return with payment to Mrs Osborne. Transport to and from the carnival is each family’s responsibility.

Canteen News

Roster:

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*Reminder that no frozen ice blocks or juice cups are to be pre-ordered, they can only be purchased over the counter at lunch times.
Thank you
Richelle
Canteen Manager

Senior Choir Sausage Sizzle

On Tuesday the 4th August the Senior Choir are hosting a Sausage Sizzle to raise funds to help with their trip to the Sydney Opera house.
They will be $2.50 each and can be ordered on the day the same as you would a normal lunch order. Please note the Canteen WILL NOT be open for normal lunch orders on this day.
Thank you

Senior Choir

Child protection Lessons

K-2 classes will begin their series of Child Protection lessons from this week. These lessons are part of the Personal Development, Health and Physical Education syllabus and deal specifically with protective behaviours to inform and protect students from various types of abuse.
Please be aware that correct anatomical terms will be taught for all body parts, including the ‘private’ parts of the body. If you have any questions or concerns, please see your child’s teacher or myself.

Pip Riordan
Assistant Principal

Woolworths Earn and Learn

Westport Public School are now collecting Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers. To assist in boosting educational supplies and resources for our classroom programs.
Simply shop at Woolworths and earn 1 sticker for every $10 you spend. Send all stickers to school to be placed in the Earn and Learn Collection box located in the office foyer. You can get collection sheets from the office too.

Mr Pettitt

Rugby League – State Knockout in Penrith

Last Sunday 15 eager students from Westport PS travelled to Penrith to compete in the under 10 NSWRL State Knockout Carnival. All the students involved had a wonderful experience. It was great seeing the boys bond together as part of a team, un-pack and re-pack their own bags, follow instructions, deal with managing their own funds and handle being away from home for two whole days! The behaviour of all the Westport students is to be applauded, particularly Bradyn Foley who received the best behaved student award.

On the rugby league front, Westport had an unlucky 18 all draw with the team representing the entire Manly district, a narrow loss to the team representing the entire Canterbury district, who only scored on the bell to win by two points after a glut of penalties and a victory over a school from Taree.

Lachlan Gough was outstanding in defence, continually knocking some much bigger opponents down with crunching tackles around the legs. Lesley Smith, Kane Woodall and Jai Smith Lloyd made numerous side stepping runs carving up opposition defences whilst Declan Dorrington made dangerous scoots from dummy half. Special mention to Bill Butlin who scored six tries and was a standout player for Westport. Bill even climbed off the ground injured at one point and ran the entire length of the field to score an excellent try.

Charlie Hyde was also able to keep his team mates amused with humorous commentary throughout the trip.

Well done children. Your school is proud of you and you should all be very proud of yourselves! A big ‘thank you’ to the parents who gave up their time to travel to Penrith and be a part of the weekend; Michael Gough, Adam Taylor, Toni Taylor and David Russell. Westport PS thanks you as without your help the weekend would not have happened.
The team list is as follows; Bill Butlin, Jarrod Davey, Isaiah Philip, Hayden Bidner, Kane Woodall, Declan Dorrington, Kayden Jones-Moore, Lesley Smith, Jai Smith Lloyd, Charlie Hyde, Isaiah Philip, Brayden Foley, Brenton Harry, Jack Gough and Lachlan Gough

Mark Littlefield
Organising Teacher

Canberra Excursion

The Canberra excursion is in the last week of this term. Final payment of the excursion needs to be completed by Friday 21st August.
Thank you to all the parents who have finalised payment for their child. There is a limit of 60 students for this excursion and there are currently a number of students on the waiting list, these students will be offered the opportunity to fill the places of those who have not paid the full amount by Friday 21st August.

Mrs Osborne
Assistant Principal
School Banking
School banking runs at our school on Thursday mornings between 8.30am-9.15am. All your child needs is a Youth Saver account with the Commonwealth Bank. They can then make regular deposits at the school on banking day and will even be rewarded along the way. Come and see the school banking Co-ordinator for more information.
Kerryn Schofield

Science Day
Our K-2 Science day is very close now…
Date: Wednesday 19th August (week 6)
Wanted: Parent helpers for the day. Please let your class teacher know if you can help on the day.
(Note that non-school aged children are not allowed for safety reasons).
The science day will be filled with eight fun filled activities that students can explore with their class group. There will also be a special science inspired lunch order available through the canteen.
Mrs Eichler
Teacher

3/4W News
Students in 3/4W have been doing some cooking with Ms Conran. They made beetroot chocolate cake with beetroot from our school vegetable garden. It was delicious!
Miss Walton

Band & Guitar
Band and Guitar lessons are underway for Term 3. Please ensure that fees are paid as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have already paid.
Frank Ruggers (Band)    Ben Hardman (Guitar)

Students from 1/2B and KB
The students in 1/2B and KB have been using the well-known song ‘Bananas in Pyjamas’ to create new lyrics with Mrs Burton! They are very creative.

Bubble-gum in hot pink pants
Bubble-gum in hot pink pants are coming down the stairs, Bubble-gum in hot pink pants are coming down in pairs, Bubble-gum in hot pink pants are chasing Teddy Bears, ‘Cos on Tuesdays they all try to catch them unawares!
Laci 1/2B

Iguanas in collars
Iguanas in collars are coming down the trees, Iguanas in collars are coming down in pairs, Iguanas in collars are chasing Kitty Cats, ‘Cos on Tuesdays they all try to catch them unawares!
Ruby 1/2B

KB
Mia- Carrots in High heels and Apples in sneakers
Sierra – Strawberries in Shirts
Nate- Pumpkins in shirts
Helaina – Strawberries in Coats

Stage 3 Diaries
We still have diaries available for stage 3 students at $2.00 each. They can be purchased at the school office.

Head Lice
Please be vigilant in checking your child’s hair regularly for head lice. One treatment is not enough to get rid of them. There must be a follow up treatment no more than 7 days after the first. Checking every 2-3 days is the best way to keep on top of head lice and making sure that eggs are removed.

Community News
Are You Interested In Different Cultures?
World Education Program (WEP) is inviting you to experience another culture in your own home by becoming a volunteer host family to an overseas student arriving in January 2016. Hosting exchange students gives Australian families the opportunity to share their life and their culture with young international students for a term, semester or year. January is fast approaching and our students can’t wait to hear from a welcoming host family they can call their own and learn about the place they will soon call home.

Hosting Is Fun! Request Student Profiles!
Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. To help you make this important decision, contact WEP today on 1300 884 733, info@wep.org.au or www.wep.org.au to receive a full information pack.