Another busy week for the school has past and we are already half way through Term 3! A great deal of organisation and work is taking place preparing students for Splendour and the Canberra Excursion. Everyone is very excited and looking forward to these great events. Students need to remember that participation in any school activity is based upon good student behaviour at school.

Congratulations must go to the students who participated in last weeks athletics carnival. We had some excellent results! Well done Pheobe, Bill, Chermeeka, Tia and Miranda.

Next week we have some big Chess events taking place. Good luck to our A grade Chess team who will be competing in Newcastle. We will also be taking on Bishop Druitt College in the next round of the Chess knock out this Thursday.

I hope you all have a great week.

Tony Johnston
Principal

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

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Term 3 – Week 4
Assembly Awards
KL – Jamie, Mia
KB – Helaina, Kai
1/2B – LJ, Piper
1/2H – Tyler, Bodhi
1/2E – Larnie, Mia
1/2R – Tiara, James
3/4R – Alyssa, Brenton
3/4W – Kyuss, Montanna
3/4R – Charlie, Cyan
4/5L – Shanlee, Tyler
5/6P – Blake, Rori
5/6WB – Dakota, Emily
5/6CO – Blake, Grace
Mathletics Award – Tiana M-Highest accuracy in Level 3
Choir – Esta-Louise, Chermeeka

ICAS Timetable
Tues 11th August – Mathematics

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
Lower North Coast Athletics Carnival

Last Wednesday a talented group of Westport students represented the Hastings/Camden Haven at the LNC Athletics at Blackbutt Oval in Wauchope. They competed against other athletes from the Hastings/Camden Haven and Macleay Valley. It was a wonderful day of competition with the Westport athletes placing in many events. They showed great sportsmanship and were exemplary ambassadors of our school. Pheobie, Bill, Emily, Chermeeka, Tia and Miranda have qualified for the North Coast Athletics Carnival in Lismore on the 28th August.

Well done!

Results:

Jr Girls Relay - Chermeeka, Emily, Tia and Miranda 1st
Jr Boys Relay – Bill, Jai, Kayden and Declen 4th
Jr Girls 800m – Chermeeka 1st
Jr Boys 800m – Bill 2nd and Blair 5th
10yrs Girls 100m – Emily 2nd and Chermeeka 3rd
10yrs Boys 100m – Bill 4th
Jr Girls 200m – Chermeeka 1st
Jr Boys 200m – Bill 1st
Jr Girls Long Jump – Emily 2nd
Jr Girls Discus – Emily 3rd
11yrs Discus – Pheobie – 1st and Grace 5th

Canteen News

Roster:

- Sharon, Jacinda
- Amanda, Kerryn
- Richelle, Marie, Jan
- Richelle, Sharon, Donna
- Richelle, Krystal

*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

Senior choir students are very excited about their upcoming Opera House performance in October! Notes have gone home with offers and an approximate cost of the excursion. Permission notes are due back this week with a deposit. The teachers going on the trip are Mr Johnston, Mrs Eichler and Mrs Bensen.

Mrs Eichler
Teacher / Choir Co-ordinator

Splendor – Thursday 3rd September

Save the date for this very important whole school event. Students have been working hard again this year on dances, singing, plays, marimbas, band, recorders, guitars and so much more. Our lovely P&C are putting on a BBQ before the performance. It is all happening here at our fantastic school Westport Primary!

Mrs Eichler
Mrs Burton
Teacher
Teacher

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

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

Lost Property

The lost property basket in the office foyer is full of jumpers and items with no names. If your child has lost and item of clothing could you please come and check the basket.
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

Shontae and her Assistants Greatest Magic Show Ever!!
Tuesday afternoon “Girls Group” has been rehearsing their greatest magic show ever. We have lots of new and exciting tricks to share with the school. We are looking forward to taking our magic show around the school showing our tricks to the students and teachers. We hope you love our show!

![Shontae and assistants](image)

**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 Rugers (Band)  Ben Hardman (Guitar)**

**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.

**Icy Pole Party**
1/2R, 1/2E and KB are the winners of the Icy Pole Party. These classes brought in the most money for the Musica Viva concert. Well done!

**Attendance Matters**
*Did you know that if your child is 10 minutes late to school each day this adds up to them missing a total of 5 ½ days of school a year?*

It is important that students attend school, on time, every day. Teaching your child that being on time is important as children who are constantly late to school miss the most crucial part of the school day - when the teacher outlines the activities of the day. This time is also crucial for new skills and concepts to be presented to students, as this is the part of the day when a child’s concentration and focus is at its peak. Lateness often impacts on the wellbeing of your child, as students who are late on a regular basis may become the target for comment by other students. This can sometimes lead to isolation from peers, anxiety and school refusal. Lateness to school can develop into a habit and habits are hard to break.

**Hints to get to school on time:**
- Make lunches the night before and store in the fridge ready for the morning rush.
- Check the night before on things needed for the next school day such as lunch money, sports day uniform, library bag, and permission slips etc.
- Have school uniforms ready for your child to put on in the morning.
- Buy an alarm clock and place it at the foot of your child’s bed if they are having trouble waking for school.
- ROUTINE, ROUTINE, ROUTINE!

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents/carers. If you have any concerns regarding your child’s attendance you can contact their classroom teacher, the Principal, Tony Johnston or, the Home School Liaison Officer.

**Annie Stanford**
Home School Liaison Officer

**Community News**

“*Real humanity is shown when we care for others*” - Professor Fred Hollows
The Fred Hollows Foundation is keeping Fred’s vision alive through The Fred Hollows Humanity Award which recognises Year 6 students who follow in his footsteps by showing care and compassion for others.
After three successful years in the ACT the Award is expanding into NSW with the support of NSW Premier Mike Baird.
Teachers, principals, parents and members of the community are encouraged to nominate a compassionate Year 6 student through the online nomination form by August 21. It’s a great opportunity for students to be recognised outside the sporting and academic realm.
All nominees and their parents will be invited to a presentation ceremony in Sydney to announce the NSW winner.
To nominate a student and learn more about the award go to [www.hollows.org.au/humanityaward](http://www.hollows.org.au/humanityaward)
SEPT/OCT HOLIDAYS
MORNING INTENSIVE SWIM PROGRAM
Monday 21st September – Friday 25th September 2015
$55 per week - Seahorse Level (max 4 per class)
$50 per week - Goldfish Level (max 5 per class)
$45 per week - Frog Level (max 6 per class)
$40 per week - Penguin (max 8 per class)/Dolphin (Max 15/class)

Bookings are taken on a per week basis and are not refundable
(Fees include pool entry for the child) Names being taken now.
ALL INSTRUCTORS ARE AUSTSWIM QUALIFIED