Monday 24th August 2015

Welcome to yet another busy week at Westport Public School. Last week we had a number of fantastic events take place.

Our Buddy Bench is now in place and the students are already making great use of it. In general it is a place where friends can meet up to play. The rules are as follows:

If you choose to sit on the bench, you MUST say yes to the first friend who invites you to play, or walk and talk.
If you see a friend when you are sitting on the bench, invite them to play or walk and talk.
Two friends sitting on the bench can turn to each other and invite each other to play, or walk and talk.

Thank you very much to Star FM (102.3, 105.1) and Bunnings for kindly running this fantastic program and for providing and installing the bench.

The K-2 science day last week was just awesome and the kids, parents and teachers really enjoyed the opportunity to explore the fascinating world we live in. Thanks must go to Mrs Eichler and Mrs Burton for organising this excellent event.

Have a great week.
Tony Johnston
Principal

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

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Westport Public School Award Winners

KL – Wyatt, Ay tac
KB – Jaydin, Jesse
1/2B – Isabel, Laci
1/2H – Liam, Abbey
1/2E – Michael, Larnie
1/2R – Lily C-M, Alicia
3/4R – Cyan, Isaiah
3/4W – Scott, Vaha
4/5L – Georgia, Mikhayla K
5/6P – Sid, Tia
5/6WB – M ichayla B, Skie
5/6CO – Chloe-Lee, Jorja
Mathletics Award – Esta-Louise
Choir – Montanna, Misheela
Canberra Excursion
The Canberra excursion is from Mon 14th to Fri 18th Sept. A medical note and a list of items required for the excursion will be going home this week. Your child should have taken home the itinerary for the week in Canberra at the beginning of this term. If you don't have it a copy can be picked up from the office.
Mrs Osborne A.P.

Canteen News

Roster:
Tues 25th Aug - Sharon, Jacinda
Wed 26th - Amanda, Kerryn
Thurs 27th - Richelle, Rhiannon, Jan
Fri 28th - Richelle, Liza, Marie
Mon 31st - Richelle, Krystal

Heatherbrae Slice & Cookie Fundraiser
Keep an eye out this week for the Heatherbrae Slice and Cookie order form! Yum, Yum!
Thank you
Richelle
Canteen Manager

P&C News
This year's Fathers Day stall will be held on Friday the 28th August. Gifts will range from $2.00 to $10.00.
The next P&C meeting will be held on the 26th of August at the Westport Club at 6pm. We love seeing new faces and hearing new ideas, so please come along.

The Uniform Shop is reducing the prices of the Slouch and Surf hats to $7 due to lack of popularity they will be phasing them out eventually.
Donna Edenborough
P&C President

Lawn Bowls
There are 8 spots left for lawn bowls! Term 4, Weeks 1 to 8, Stage 2 and 3 students have the opportunity to play lawn bowls for sport. The cost is $40 for the 8 week program. Lawn bowls is an excellent sport where children can compete in a fun and friendly manner with their peers in a sport that requires thinking skills, concentration, patience, a steady aim and a good eye.
If your child is interested in this activity for sport, they can get a note from Mr Littlefield.
Mr Littlefield

Woolworths Earn and Learn
Thank you to the Parents and Students who have been collecting the Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers and bringing them in. Keep up the great support as it will assist in boosting educational supplies and resources for our classroom programs.
The Earn and Learn Collection box is located in the office foyer. You can get collection sheets from the office too.
Mr Pettit

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

Kinder Orientation for 2016
Enrolments are now being taken for Kindergarten next year. If your child turns 6 in 2016, legally, they then must be enrolled to start school.
Our Orientation Day is Friday, 9th October, Term 4 Week 1. Students can attend a kinder classroom while parents attend an information meeting in the library. If your child turns 5 in 2016, you may like to discuss with Mrs Riordan, whether your child is ready for school early. The meeting starts at 12.30pm followed by a Sausage sizzle on the top quad with teachers and students.

Don't forget, as soon as enrolment paperwork is complete, your child receives a free T-shirt to wear to the Transition Drop-in afternoons each Thursday and Friday. Some early birds already have theirs!
Mrs Pip Riordan A.P.
It was a fantastic day full of science and the students loved it. A big ‘Thank You’ to Ian Mavin, Karen Mann and 16 students from the Hastings Secondary College – Westport Campus, who supplied a lot of the equipment and helped on the day. A big ‘Thank You’ also goes to Mrs Eichler and Mrs Burton for organising this special day.

Community News

**COMMUNITY INVITATION**

We are hosting Big Deadly Yarn Up workshops across 6 locations. Come along to find out more about our education pathways within the Alstonville Learning Hub – North Coast TAFE.

We’d love to find out what you want to learn and how you like to learn.

Join us on 11th of October for some hands-on activities, have a yarn with our team, watch a local performer, hear from some of our students, and have a yarn with Kevin Hopmac.

School groups are welcome to attend, provided the school manages transport, supervision on the day and parental consent.

For more information, contact:

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Kippa built: Michelle Johnson 0408 302 503

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We look forward to you joining us.

Everyone has a story, we’d love to be part of yours.

**BIG DEADLY YARN UP**

**Get your yarn on with special guest:**

Kippa Built (11th of October)

**Location:**

North Coast TAFE

For more information please visit: [www.bigdeadlyyarnup.com](http://www.bigdeadlyyarnup.com)