Monday 14th September 2015

This year has gone so quickly! Here we are at the end of Term 3 with just 12 weeks before the end of the school year. This past week has been very busy with students competing in Chess, Touch Football and Milo Cricket as well as preparing for the big Canberra Excursion. I am sure everyone is very excited about the prospect of exploring our National Capital! I know that the teachers and adults attending the excursion have been really looking forward to it.

Mr Pepper was most impressed with the performance of our school chess team against Modanville Public School. It was a close fought match with victory only being decided during the last game! Congratulations to Lachlan, Sachin, Blake and Jack for a great effort. The same team, along with Harry, competed in a big competition in Sydney last Friday. What a huge week for Chess! We will update you on the Skoolbag App as to how they went.

As this is the last Newsletter for the Term, I would like to wish everyone a very happy and safe holiday and I look forward to finishing off the year with you all next term.

Tony Johnston
Principal

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

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Term 3 – Week 9
Assembly Awards
KL – Jemma, Thomas
KB – Sophie, Hailey
1/2B – Blake, Maddisyn
1/2H – Kira, Miela
1/2E – Logan, Flynn
1/2R – Hayley, Dylan
3/4W – Erin, Laura
4/5L – Taje, Rebecca, Mohuanga
5/6P – Taylor, Connor
5/6C – Mai, Hayden
Mathletics Award – Montana S
Choir – Charion, Chelsea, Mackenna

Canberra Excursion
We have departed for Canberra! Photos of our excursion will be posted in our Skoolbag App so if you don’t have it on your smartphone download it now!
All you need to download the ‘Skoolbag’ app on your phone is by going to your app downloader, type in ‘Westport Public School’ and install to your phone or device. Look for the symbol below to recognise our school app.

Book Club Orders
All Book Club orders are due in this Wednesday 16th and will arrive at school for collection next term.

www.westport-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Procedure for Money Collection
During the year we organise many varied excursions and events here at Westport. Our procedure is that all notes given to students are to be returned directly to the class teacher, or the teacher organising the event. This needs to be placed in an individual envelope with the permission note and correct money for each student prior to the day of the excursion. This ensures that your child’s teacher is aware that the payment has been made and has received the permission note.

The Office and the Canteen are very busy places in the mornings. Asking for change can also be tricky as banking is done daily and there is no change available.

A large amount of paperwork and risk assessments are required before an excursion can leave the school. It makes it difficult for these ‘last minute’ inclusions to be processed before it is time for the excursion to depart. It also makes it difficult to judge the amount of buses that are required to transport the students.

We all work together as a team to support our students and therefore your support in following these procedures is very much appreciated.

Canteen News
Volunteers needed for Tuesday – If anyone is available to help in the Canteen between 9am-12pm please phone Richelle 6583 8506.

Roster:
- Tues 15th Sep - Sharon, help needed
- Wed 16th - Kerryn, Richelle
- Thurs 17th - Richelle, Jacinda, Jan
- Fri 18th - Richelle, Sharon

Heatherbrae Slice & Cookie Fundraiser
Items that have been ordered will be delivered to school the first week of Term 4.

Monday Happy Meal
Our Monday meal deal has been so successful that we are continuing it in Term 4. A flyer with our meal deal special will be sent home first week of Term 4.

Community Feedback
When my son started kindergarten in 2010, I didn’t even know who or what a P&C Committee was. It took me 6 months to build up the courage to attend a meeting. Since then I have helped in many of their fundraising events as well as running the uniform shop and making lots of wonderful friends. My children and I love that I am able to be a part of their school community and it makes me so happy to see all students benefiting from our committees efforts.

Michelle (Heath & Zoe’s Mum)

Hello, my name is Marie, I’m not a member of the P&C, I volunteer my time at my son’s school canteen and I sometimes put my name down at various school functions. I enjoy it a lot and I get thrilled when my son Braydon comes to see me. All the girls in the canteen are amazing.

Thankyou Marie (Braydon’s Mum)

Thank you again to all our wonderful volunteers for their help this Term, it was quite a busy one!

Richelle
Canteen Manager

Kinder 2016
Thanks to all parents who have returned their child’s enrolment forms for Kindergarten next year. Don’t forget Kinder Orientation is on Friday 9th October. We request that all outstanding enrolments be completed and returned to school as soon as possible if you wish your child to attend the drop-in Afternoons.

Mrs Pip Riordan A.P.

T’s Tennis
A big thankyou to Te of T’s Tennis Resort for providing the umpire chair for our school Splendour night. It was definitely the best seat in the house. It provided the great vantage point we were after for the video. T’s Tennis provides accommodation to suit all budgets. T’s facilities provide entertainment for children. They have a 20m lap pool to enjoy and 5 tennis courts which are free for guests. The general public can hire courts at reasonable prices and children can try a coaching game of tennis on Monday and Thursday afternoons 3.30-5pm for only $6. T’s Tennis also has Mini-golf nestled within the gardens the general public can also access for only $5 per person. Take a look at their website: http://www.tstennisresort.com.au/

Band/Guitar Lessons
Because there are many students at Canberra and it is the last day of Term this Friday, Band and Guitar lessons have been cancelled. Tuesday Band lesson will still go ahead for the remaining students.

Frank and Ben
Community News

Soul Surfing
Surfing Season with Soul Surfing begins! Come and join one of our ‘fully sick’ holiday programs.
Full Day Kids Program: MON/WED/FRI 9am-3pm from $50 per day.
Term 4 Surfing: MON-FRI school pick-up to 5.30pm (including food) 1/week $180.00.
Soul Surfing’s Open Weekend: September 19th and 20th. $5 lessons. Places limited so be quick to register.
Call Corey or Loren on 6582 0114 or www.soulsurfing.com.au

Computer Capers
Holiday Minecraft Workshops: Discover, explore and build with Minecraft in a safe fun environment or journey to the outer reaches of the Galaxy, become one in PIXELMON minecraft style, and much more. All computers supplied.
Suitable for children from Yr2 to Yr8. Classes running from September 21st to October 2nd 2015.
For more information visit www.computercrapers.com.au or contact Rob via email: computercapers@gmail.com
Phone or Text: 0421 998 466

School Holiday Tennis Camps

WHEN
CAMP 1 21st Sept to 25 Sept
CAMP 2 20th Oct to 2 Oct

Times and Cost
Monday to Friday
5am to 12pm $35
9am to 3pm $35
Casual Days: 8am-12pm $20 or 9am-3pm $35

WHERE  WESTPORT TENNIS CLUB
33 Woods Street, Port Macquarie (opposite ALDI)

Program
Fun tennis experience for school children
Tennis stroke and ball skill development
Brand new HOTSHOT courts
Multi-Sport in Afternoon - Soccer, Cricket, Golf, Table Tennis

Phone Mark Rawlingson 6583 3053 or 0412 834 336