WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Term 4 – Week 9

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Message from the Principal.

WIPEOUT

Please keep your fingers crossed for fine weather on Friday for our 2014 Wipeout. Permission notes and money continue to roll in with prizes to be awarded to the boy and girl student who raise the most sponsorship money and all students required to return the signed note and a minimum $5 to participate. (This is to cover the cost of the hired activities) The P&C are still looking for volunteers to be involved on the day so please, if you can spare some time, let them know. Children will need swimmers, shoes and spare dry shoes, rash vest or T-shirt to wear over swimmers, a towel and to come in school in uniform. Prepaid sausage sizzle have closed, sausages and bread ordered and fairy floss and snow-cones available for purchase on the day. We can’t thank the P&C members enough for all the planning that has gone into making this not only a successful fundraiser, but lots of fun as well.

Garden Volunteers

A very special “thankyou” to the families and staff who once again, manned the shovels and wheelbarrows for last Saturday’s Working Bee. We set ourselves a big task in the “Secret Garden” and managed to weed quite a few garden beds, redefine paths and edges and mulch some of our reclaimed gardens. There is still a lot of work to be done but a good start was certainly made. We would like to continue with our working bees next year, with parents, children and staff working alongside each other to beautify our school.

Our thanks to the Prince family – Alexander (3/4B), Lachlan (KH), Emily and Stephen, Lahna (2S) and her mum Mabel, Tracey (mother of Zarnie 3/4B and Saxon 6S), Steve (dad of Teakayla 5M), Trevor (former WWS cleaner) and staff Lyndsey and his son-Liam, Shannon and his wife Sarah, Matt and Vanessa (our site manager on the day!) I hope you all recover from sore muscles much more quickly than I am!

Performance groups

This morning, the first of our “Travelling Performances” went ahead with students travelling to two local pre-schools to sing, dance and play ukuleles accompanied by Mr Kendell and Mr McKinnon. On Thursday, they will travel to Peninsula Village Nursing Home to entertain a very special and much older audience. Thank you Mrs Biddulph for your organisation of these events. We are sharing our talent with our local community and spreading the word about how talented the Woy Woy South students are.

Mrs K. Whealey
PRINCIPAL.

P & C NEWS.

Wipeout!! this Friday 5 December 2014

Our major (and most popular) fundraiser event for the year, is this Friday!!! There are still quite a number of Sponsorship Forms (which include the Permission Note) to be returned. Please note, a minimum of $5 is required in order to take part in Wipeout and the Sponsorship Form must be returned regardless of whether you will participate. Sausage sizzle orders have closed however the Canteen will operate as usual. As well as the sausage sizzle, there will be fairy floss ($2 per stick) and snow cones ($3 each) for sale. PLUS, one of the activities is an opportunity to throw water at a teacher - this will cost you $1 for 3 throws.

There are prizes for the most money raised by girl, boy and class. Also, you will be entered into a multi prize raffle draw for every $10 of sponsorship you raise.

So come on, get those forms in and participate in a fabulous day and raise some money for your school.

Session Times for the day.

There will be three sessions incorporating 7 classes each and will broadly be as follows:

Session 1 - 9.15am to 10.45am for classes K to 2
Session 2 - 11am to 12.30pm for classes 3/3 - 4
Session 3 - 1pm to 2.30pm for classes 5-6

Recess and lunch times will be staggered to fit in with the session times.

Volunteers

Thank you to those who have volunteered. You should have received a brief acknowledgement from the P&C this week (they were sent home via your child). If you have any questions please call/text Tracey Thomas 0437 686 641.

Uniform Shop

Parents/carers of students heading into year 6 in 2015 may like to think about purchasing their uniform. Girls wear a skirt with white polo and boys wear a red polo. Also, children heading into year 3 may like to think about ordering/purchasing their sports uniform consisting of red shorts and a Tshirt in their house colour. House
Student School Banking is going weekly

Commencing Friday 5 December, our School Banking coordinators will be trialling banking on a weekly basis. Hand your banking to the class teacher first thing each Friday morning. Last Banking day for 2014 is Friday 12 December and will resume Friday 6 February 2015.

If you would like your child to participate in school banking, please visit your nearest Commonwealth Bank branch or its website www.commbank.com.au for guidance.

Student Survey

Following our recent survey of parents and teachers, students at Woy Woy South were surveyed to determine their attitude to school, the teachers and their learning. The results from the data were overwhelmingly positive. Students stated that their teachers have high expectations of them, explain why their learning is important and expect them to pay attention when concepts are explained.

The only area identified by the students as requiring further attention was the question “My parents talk to me about what I learn at school”. This correlates directly with the area needing development in the parent survey. Parents also identified a greater need to support learning at home by low rating to the question “We talk about how important schoolwork is”. One possible reason for this is the common response of “nothing” most children give to “What did you do in school today?” We will be publishing a series of questions in future newsletters as a guide for parents to use when discussing school and learning with their children.

Mrs Silvia
Assistant Principal Stage 3

Mini Fete a great success

Thankyou to all students who participated in the recent Mini Fete for Year 6. The students had a great time and were successful in raising $3,200 towards the cost of their farewell, as students at Woy Woy South are not charged to attend the farewell. A portion of the money will also be donated to the school for the purchase of a gift which will be enjoyed by all students for many years to come.

Library News:

WANTED! OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS!!!

There is a staggering amount of overdue library books that need to come back to school ASAP. Please help your children locate them and send them back to school for the holidays. Your help, as always, is greatly appreciated.

Mrs R. Santos (Teacher-Librarian)

Year 6 Farewell Meeting

The final meeting planning meeting for the Year 6 Farewell will be held on Friday the 12th of December, 2014 in Mrs Lappan’s room.

SPECIAL AWARDS FOR SPECIAL STUDENTS.

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Year 6 – Brenden, Liam, Year 5 – Logan, Gemma, Teakayla, Year 4 – Peyton, Baylee, Year 3 – Van, Alex, Matthew, Summer Year 2 – Ella – Rose, Max, Shonoah Year 1 – Koby, Noel, Luke Kindy – Mikayla, Kohatu, Bailey
Superstar Awards.
Jack, Therese, Luke, Max Jarrod, Conor, Courtney, Liam, Anais, Shane, Reece
Woysie Awards – Gemma 6S. Finn 1H.

PBL (POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR & LEARNING).
This week we are looking at showing respect, being responsible and developing good relationships in our playground.

COMMUNITY NEWS.
School holiday Tennis Camps
Tennis camps will be run at the Woy Woy tennis club over 3 consecutive weeks in the upcoming Christmas school holidays.

DATES AND TIMES
Monday 5th Tuesday 6th Wednesday 7th of January 2015 9am to 3pm. Monday 12th Tuesday 13th Wednesday 14th of January 2015- 9am to 3pm. Monday 19th Tuesday 20th Wednesday 21st of January 2015 – 9am to 3pm. Half day options are available (9am to 12pm or 12pm to 3pm) Fees $40 per child per day or $110 for 3 consecutive days. Half day $20 per child per day.
Activities include tennis coaching and tennis orientated games, including round robins and match play, also included are activity circuits, soccer, cricket, touch football etc. A small canteen will operate each day and lunch orders can be taken for fresh sandwiches, pies and sausage rolls. Drinks, ice blocks, chips etc. will also be available.
For all Bookings and Enquiries email – actennis14@yahoo.com or phone 0416770763

STUDENTS LEAVING
AT THE END OF
2014.
If your child/ren WILL NOT be returning to Woy Woy South Public School in 2015.
Please fill in the information below.
We are currently organising our numbers for 2015 and the information you provide will help us a great deal.
Thank you.

Child’s Name:…………………………………
Class:…………………………………………..
Name of School which they will be attending if known:…………………………………………..
Intended Leaving Date:…………………………………………..
Our Stewart House Moneyometer just over $200 collected from lunchtime change!

The plaque which will be mounted in the Secret Garden when the area is completed.