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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Years 3–6 Athletics Carnival

Last Monday, 25th June students from Years 3-6 participated in the annual Athletics Carnival at Gooden Reserve. We were very lucky to get this event in before the wet weather hit. A BIG thank you to Ms Johnston who organised the carnival, and to the many staff and volunteer parents who helped to make it such a great success. A school team will be selected to take part in the zone carnival in Term 3.

Dance-a-thon

Last Thursday we held our Dance-a-thon which was a huge success. Staff, parents and students had a fun time and we are hoping that it will raise lots of money for our school. I would like to thank all of the parents for their help on the day.

Recognition Assembly

Yesterday's Recognition Assembly was highlighted by the official unveiling of our Aboriginal Mural. This feature was a collaborative work between three Aboriginal artists and all of our students. A big thank you to Mrs Meale for coordinating this project. The Infants choir did an amazing job of singing our National Anthem in the Darug language at the assembly. Thank you to Miss Mason and Mrs Webb for doing an amazing job in teaching the choir.



Farewell

At the Recognition Assembly yesterday we also farewelled our band conductor, Mr Dimarzo who is leaving us at the end of the term. He has been a big part of our school community for the past 14 years and will be missed.

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CALENDAR

TERM 2

Week 10

Tuesday 3 July	Gymnastics K-2 Last Day of School Banking
Wednesday 4 July	Gymnastics K-2
Thursday 5 July	Uniform Shop Open 8.40am Uniform Shop Open 6-7pm
Friday 6 July	Last Day of Term

TERM 3

Week 1

Monday 23 July	School Development Day
Tuesday 24 July	Students Return School Banking Gymnastics 3-6
Wednesday 25 July	Kindy Farm Excursion Gymnastics 3-6
Thursday 26 July	Uniform Shop Open 8.40am HPAF Choir Rehearsal @ MPPS Debating
Friday 27 to 29 July	Band Camp

Week 2

Tuesday 31 July	ICAS English 8am Gymnastics 3-6
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WHAT'S DUE?

Thursday 5 July	Treasure Hunt Note & Payment Dance-a-thon Sponsor Cards & Money
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ACCOMPANYING NOTES

- Term 3 Calendar
- Education Week – Book Character Parade
- New Uniform Shop Order Form
- New Canteen Menu

FROM THE PRINCIPAL Continued...

Important Reminder

This is the time of the year that we find an increase in sickness amongst both students and staff. A room with 20 to 30 other people in it is not the best environment to be in if your child is not well, especially if what they have is contagious. Please keep your child at home if they are unwell and seek medical advice.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2019

If you are aware of any in-area children intending to enrol for next year (who haven't already done so), please advise them to contact the school as soon as possible to fill in enrolment forms.

Mark Byrne

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FROM THE DEPUTY

Dance-a-thon

Again, another very successful and FUN Dance-a-thon. A huge thank you to our amazing P&C Fundraising Team and all the parent helpers that assisted on the day. It sure made the Dance-a-thon run smoothly. It was great to see that the Dance-a-thon was enjoyed by all the students, including some teachers and even the parents!



Dance-a-thon money is now due. Please send money in to the class teacher in an envelope clearly labelled with your child's name and class. Thank you to all the students who have already brought in their Dance-a-thon money so promptly. Don't forget... 2 classes could win a PIZZA PARTY (one class from K-2 and one from 3-6) if they bring all their Dance-a-thon money in first!!!

Model Mathematicians

Well done to Indie Burgess, Lawrence Lin and Zachary Redwood who have been chosen to be our school's team for the Model Mathematician 2018 during Term 2. The team attended the Model Mathematician competition fortnightly at Model Farms High School, where they competed with other local primary schools. The winners will be announced at the presentation on Thursday 5 July at MFHS. Good luck boys!

Education Week

Our Education Week Open Day will be held on Wednesday 8 August. This day will include the book character parade, morning tea then followed by classroom visits. We will also have the Book Fair in the hall, where students could purchase books. More information is included in the Education Week note that accompanies this newsletter.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Focus Area for Week 9 & 10



This fortnight's PBL focus is about being respectful. Students are reminded of the importance of using manners and speaking kindly e.g. saying 'please' and 'thank you'. Posters will be put up around the school to emphasise this fortnight's focus.

I would like to congratulate all the students on their wonderful behaviour throughout this term, whether it be in the classroom, playground and assemblies. I love visiting classrooms and seeing how safe, respectful and responsible WHPS students really are. Keep up the IMPRESSIVE work!

Have a lovely and safe holiday break and I look forward to seeing you all in Term 3!

Wendy Kayello

Deputy Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

PSSA RESULTS – Round 8

No Games played due to ground closures.

PSSA RESULTS – Round 9

AFL

Junior Vs Glenhaven Public School **Lost 6-55**
 Senior Vs Glenhaven Public School **Lost 3-58**

Newcombe Ball

Junior Vs Jasper Rd Public School **Won 60-50**
 sets 2-1
 Senior Vs Jasper Rd Public School **Lost 43-63**
 sets 0-3

Netball

Jnr A Vs Glenhaven Public School **Lost 6-7**
 Jnr B Vs Kellyville Public School **Lost 0-2**
 Snr A Vs Matthew Pearce Public School **Won 12-7**
 Snr B Vs Crestwood Public School **Lost 0-18**

Rugby League

Junior Vs Jasper Rd Public School **Drew 6-6**
 Senior Vs Jasper Rd Public School **Lost 12-34**

Soccer (Football)

Junior Vs Jasper Rd Public School **Won 2-0**
 Senior Vs Jasper Rd Public School **Won 6-1**
 Open Girls Vs Jasper Rd Public School **Won 4-1**

Training

Rugby League – Wednesday 8.15am

Netball – Thursday 8.15am

AFL – Thursday 3pm- 4pm

Newcombe Ball & Soccer – Friday 8.15am

Melissa Johnston

PSSA – Where are they playing?



Round 10 – 6 July 2018

AFL	Vs Baulkham Hills North Kellyville Park
Netball	Kellyville Netball Courts
Rugby League	Vs Matthew Pearce PS John Curtain Oval
Soccer	Vs Murray Farm PS Max Ruddock Reserve
Newcombe Ball	Vs Murray Farm PS @ Winston Hills School

Round 11 – 27 July 2018

AFL	Vs Kellyville Public School Kellyville Park
Netball	Kellyville Netball Courts
Rugby League	Vs Crestwood Public School John Curtin Oval
Soccer	Vs Northmead PS Northmead High School
Newcombe Ball	Vs Northmead PS @ Northmead PS

Thank You



Thank you to all the families that donated to the Clothing Appeal and Donation Drive this semester. All bags were collected and will be distributed accordingly by Stewart House. Our school was able to raise \$309.80 for the Donation Drive.
 Thanks again for your generous support.

SCHOOL NEWS



Bookchat

Welcome to Bookchat!

Our little corner for enthusiastic readers who would like to share their book review...



Coen 4C

The Billionaire Boy by David Walliams is one of the funniest books I have ever read. It is about a boy and his dad who in the beginning of the story were poor and then one smart invention made them billionaires.

The best part of the story for me was when the boy tried so hard to keep his secret of being a son of a billionaire from his schoolmates but dad ruined it for him. He forgot his homework one day and made the mistake of asking his dad to take it to school so he does not get in trouble from his mean teacher. Dad decides to turn up in a helicopter.

Students my age, 9, and up will enjoy reading this book. It is entertaining, easy to read and super, super funny!

Westpac have improved the Parent Online Payment portal (POP)

- Collapsible sections have grouped information in a more logical order making the form easier to use.
- Browser auto-fill will allow parents and carers to make payments without having to re-enter details.
- More time to enter details.
- Larger controls to make it easier to use on mobile screens.
- Allow payment via a credit card or direct debit from a bank account.

Kindergarten, K-2G & 1-6SM Excursion to the Sydney Observatory Wednesday 20th June



SCHOOL NEWS

ASSEMBLIES

Kindergarten & Stage 1 Assembly (K-2)

- Thursday 26 July – 2.10pm
- Parents are welcome to attend

Stage 2 & 3 Assembly (Years 3,4,5 & 6)

- Thursday 2 August – 2.10pm
- 5V will host the Assembly
- Parents are welcome to attend

UNIFORM SHOP

Due to price increases from our supplier we have had to increase uniform prices. Prices have not increased in two and a half years. An updated price list is attached.

CANTEEN

From the start of Term Three, the canteen will have a new menu that has lots of new healthy items.

They are phasing out the less healthy items and replacing them with fresh, natural ingredients that will be made from scratch on the premises.

Although the new Healthy Canteen guidelines do not commence until 2020, as a community, we want to be the first in the region to make the changes.

There are lots of amazing new foods that the kids will love.



Open Day Book Character Parade Book Fair Wednesday 8th August 2018

The annual school Book Fair will be held in the new hall from 8.30am – 9.00am and re-open after the book character parade until 12:15pm. Please come along and buy a book for your child. EFTPOS is available.

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| 8.30 am – 9 am | Book fair in the new hall |
| 9.30 am | Book character parade |
| | - 3-6 playground |
| 11.00 am | Parent morning tea - multipurpose court |
| | Book fair in the new hall |
| 11.30 – 12.15pm | Open classrooms – K-6 |

Annual 3-6 Athletics Carnival

Finally, the school athletics carnival happened and it was a brilliant day at Gooden Reserve. All students from years 3-6 attended this school event. They loved the opportunity to participate and encourage each other. The program started with the 800m and 100m races followed by the field events.

Without the commitment and support of our parent volunteers for field events, the day wouldn't have ran as smoothly as it did. Your time and commitment is greatly appreciated. Special thanks to everyone who offered to volunteer. I hope the cancellations weren't too inconvenient.

Thank you to all the parents and friends who came out to the oval to support the students.

Special thank you to Ivan, Steve Freney, Racheal Frame, Louise Pollard, Mark Byrne, the teachers and office staff for your support on the day.

Melissa Johnston



BRAVE

In the previous newsletter we looked at a simple relaxation technique to help our body feel better. In the next BRAVE step, we now look at how to **Activate** helpful thoughts. Many times when we feel scared or worried, it's because we are thinking unhelpful thoughts and expecting bad things to happen. Children might think to themselves that they are going to be laughed at when standing in front of the class making a speech instead of thinking to themselves that the other students are going to find their talk interesting. When we feel worried, we need to change our unhelpful thoughts into more helpful thoughts by expecting good things to happen. We do have a choice. Just like practising relaxation techniques, getting into the practise of thinking positively and saying more helpful thoughts to ourselves instead of worrying about what might happen will make us feel better.

Take care
Kylie Isherwood
Chaplain



KW & 5F BUDDIES



ENJOYING OUR TIME TOGETHER

