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Good News Story

During the week, I was very pleased when one of our students – Zeke – alerted me to an article in Ray Williams’ newsletter. I have included the article below. It is certainly nice to be recognised in the wider community in such a positive way. A big pat on the back for our students, staff and community who all contribute to the wonderful things happening at our school.

Principal’s Report

School Office Arrangements - Term 2

As you may be aware, due to the reduction in student numbers, Mrs Oliver will now be working a 7 day fortnight. This means that the school office will not be staffed on Monday’s (every week) or on Tuesdays (even weeks). We therefore request that money and notes be returned to school on Wed/Thurs/Fri wherever possible to facilitate our new staffing arrangement. Telephone messages can be left on the answering machine on these days HOWEVER we request that non-urgent messages be left before lunch (1.05pm). Only urgent messages regarding changes to afternoon transport arrangements should be made after lunch. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

It has been suggested at the recent P&C meeting that some parents may be willing to volunteer some time on these days (Mon and every 2nd Tues) to man our school office. If you would be interested in being included on a roster for this, please notify Mrs Oliver. Duties would only include answering phones, directing phone calls, receiving notes and notifying staff of visitors to the school. No ‘school business’ would be undertaken.

Wisemans Ferry Public School P & C Committee are as follows

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Please feel free to contact any of these representatives if you have any concerns you wish to discuss.
Principal's Report (cont’d)

**Interrelate Courses - ‘Where Did I Come From’ and ‘Preparing for Puberty’**

Our Student Welfare Worker – Miss Clucas – has been able to negotiate an excellent deal for students and parents to attend 2 very informative sessions - ‘Where Did I Come From’ and ‘Preparing for Puberty’. Details of this opportunity are included on the attached Peppercorn Services Newsletter. You can choose to attend one or both sessions for the affordable price of just $10 per family. Peppercorn have heavily subsidised this cost (normally $30) in order to make it accessible to as many families as possible. These courses are conducted by Interrelate who have a great deal of experience in delivering these sessions. Bookings are essential as places are limited. I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity.

**Mother’s Day Stall**

Our school Mother’s Day stall will be held on Thursday 8 May. Many thanks to all those families who have donated items to sell – donations are still being accepted at the school office. The SRC will be managing the stall this year and appear to have things well organised. There will be a range of items on sale at a number of price points. Students are reminded to bring their ‘shopping money’ on Thursday.

**Stewart House Envelopes**

Envelopes for the Stewart House Donation Drive are attached to this newsletter. If you wish to participate in the draw, please return your envelope to the school office by Friday 16th May.

**Opportunity Class**

Information was sent home this week to parents of our Year 4 students regarding OC class applications for 2015. OC classes are special classes established by the DEC to cater for students identified as academically gifted and talented. Students who apply for placement in OC classes (for Year 5 in 2015), will also need to undertake a Placement Test in July. Applications should be made online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. If you do not have access to the internet at home, you can obtain a paper copy of the application from school. Please note that all applications (online or paper) are due by Friday, 16th May. Paper copies of the application should be returned to the school office by this date. If you have any questions about OC classes or the application process, please contact the school.

**NAPLAN**

In Week 3, students in Year 3 and 5 will undertake NAPLAN testing in Reading, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation, Writing and Numeracy. The tests will take place on Tues 13/5, Wed 14/5 and Thurs 15/5. During this time, alternate classroom arrangements will be made for students in Years 4 and 6. We wish all our students undertaking the NAPLAN testing program good luck – I am sure they will do well. Results will be sent home to parents in Term 3.

**School ANZAC Assembly**

Congratulations to the senior students who led our school ANZAC assembly last Thursday. They all did a fantastic job at reading their lines and led the assembly in a respectful way. Well done also to our very attentive audience who listened carefully to the presentations. The ANZAC story is a very significant part of our history and it’s very encouraging to see our students showing such an interest in carrying the torch.

**Fantastic Ferry Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who have received awards during the past fortnight.

- **K/1/2**
  - Isaac
  - Payton
  - Kyla
  - Leo
  - Maddison
  - Tess

- **3/4**
  - Samira
  - Sierra
  - Gabby
  - Dayne
  - Bonnie
  - Alyssa
  - Sky
  - Joshua
  - Mack
  - Ashley

- **5/6**
  - Amber
  - Mason
  - Henry
  - John
  - Mykaela
  - Zahra
  - Liam
  - Arthur
  - George
  - Alexander
  - Zeke
  - Harley
  - Karl

Liam, Mykaela, Maddison and Harley will be presented with their Bronze award at next week’s assembly (Week 2, Term 2). Students are reminded that when they have collected 5 Ferry Awards then they qualify for their BRONZE award. If they have collected 10 Ferry Awards this year then they qualify for their SILVER award. These Ferry Awards are handed in at the school office.

**TERM 1 FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE**

Could these please be paid by Friday 16th May.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the office.

Thank you to all the families who have already paid.

Senior Camp Instalments are also due.
Principal’s Report (cont’d)

Small Schools’ Cross Country
The Small Schools’ Cross Country Carnival will be held on Friday 9 May. Notes have been sent home regrading this and need to be retuned ASAP. Transport will be by private vehicle. Mrs Harris will be supervising the students on the day. Good luck to all competitors.

P&C News

Uniform Orders
Uniform orders can be sent in to the school office at any time and these will be filled if we have the items in stock, but the final date to place your order is Friday, 16th May. Please find enclosed in this newsletter our recent order form. Order forms are also on the school’s website.

P&C Fundraising Golf Day
This year our Golf Day will be on Sunday, 20th July. Please mark this date on your calendar. Every alternative year, Wisemans Ferry Public School P&C hold a Golf Day at Del Rio Riverside Resort. Families and community members are invited to come along, have breakfast, an 18 hole game of golf and lunch. If you are not a golfer, we would still love your company for lunch. More information regarding this event will be forthcoming.

Wisemans Ferry & district Sports Inc (WF&DSI)

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Further Information:
If you require further information Phone 4566 4212 (Chris) or 0425 248 586 (Jenny)

COMMUNITY NOTICES

UWS PENRITH OBSERVATORY
Astronomy Night – Saturday 10 May (7pm – 9pm)
MUMS & KIDS ASTRONOMY NIGHT - WOMEN IN ASTRONOMY AND ASTROBIOLOGY
Dr Carol Oliver, Associate Director of the Australian Centre for Astrobiology (ACA) at the University of New South Wales, is guest speaker for this special night. She is currently leading two major education and research projects – The Mars Lab and the Smart Science Initiative. This night not only includes Dr Oliver’s talk but also a 3D astronomy movie and viewing of the night sky through the University’s computerised telescopes. Our program will run regardless of the weather.
Cost: $15 adult, $10 child/concession and $40 family.
Bookings are essential: Book online: www.uws.edu.au/observatory, What's On
Enquiries: Phone (02)4736 0135 or email r.mccourt@uws.edu.au (Mon, Wed, or Thurs)

WESLEY GIANT GARAGE SALE
Where: In the Wesley Uniting Church grounds at 32 Showground Road, Castle Hill.
Dates/Times: Friday May 9th 2014 (operating from 8:00am to 3:00pm) and Saturday May 10th 2014 (operating from 8:00am to 1:00pm)
Sale items/Stalls will include Books, Records, CDs, DVDs, Clothing, Electrical, Plants, Toys, Furniture, Manchester, White Elephant, Fine Art and China etc.
We will also be providing tea and coffee during sale hours, together with a Sausage Sizzle for lunch on both days, and Bacon and Egg rolls for breakfast on Saturday morning.
Enjoy the friendly atmosphere, and pick up a bargain (or two) knowing you are helping those families who need help within the Hills District, through the Hills Family Centre.

BOOK CLUB
Book club orders are included in this week’s newsletter.
If you would like to order anything from Scholastic Book Club, orders are due back by TUESDAY, 13TH MAY
WISEMANS PLUMBING
PTY LTD
ALL YOUR PLUMBING NEEDS
FREE QUOTES: NO JOB TOO SMALL.
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Shop 7/2 Old Northern Road Wisemans
Ferry
0245 664 300
Business Hours
Monday & Friday 9:00 to 5:00
Wednesday 9:00 to 3:30
(Monday evening available by
appointment)
1st & 3rd Saturday of each month 9:00 to
1:00
Closed Tuesday & Thursday

NEW! WISEMANS FERRY DANCE SCHOOL
AIMS: We aim to give students a dance experience that celebrates beauty and strength, innocence, expression, technical excellence and mutual respect. Each child is encouraged to be their best regardless of body type or innate talent. We guide rather than criticise.
We want our dancers to feel the exhilaration of achievement.
TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION: Gives students an understanding of the core muscle groups and postural alignment from an early age, providing a safe way to train limbs and muscles to a high level of expertise.
EXPRESSION: We develop expression and imagination with interpretive dance stories, integrated into our Living Dance curriculum.
CONCEPTS: such as the value of an individual, kindness, care and respect of each other are taught throughout the curriculum's expressive section.
Admin/Enrolment Fee of $20 per child per year. This covers all costume hire and insurance. No set uniform - please wear comfortable clothes for dancing, dress ups are encouraged.
Option to pay by the month or term (8 week terms) $10/30min class $12/45min class.
Our dance year starts in Term 3 - end of year performance at end of 2nd term.
We protect the purity of the child.
No refunds or 'make-ups' for missed classes.
The School's Living Dance Curriculum brings together the world's best training methods of classical and contemporary dance styles supported by a French method of training and expressive interpretive dance.

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‘MISS LILLI’
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0402064062

Looking for a job?
Need help to choose and start your career?
Interested in an apprenticeship or traineeship?

Hawkesbury JobShop
Where:
Windsor RSL
Cnr Miskin St & Angle Street St Windsor
When:
Wednesday 11 June 2014
Time:
5:15 pm for 5:45 pm start. Finish by 7:30pm

• Find out about and APPLY for current jobs, apprenticeships and traineeships
• Get tips from experts about which jobs are in demand and how to find them
• Discover jobs available in Hawkesbury and surrounding areas
• Learn how to market yourself to employers
• Build your skills through training to create a career pathway
• Talk with employers, training organisations and employment service providers

Friends and parents are encouraged to come.
Get a free USB with heaps of info to help you get a job.
No need to register—just come!