Dates to Remember - Term 1 2016

Friday 26th February  District Swimming Carnival

Weekly Events

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday  K - 6 Library

Thursday  Music/Drama/Choir K-6

Friday  Student Banking

Dance Classes

Scripture

Principal's Report

I will be absent on sick leave for the next two weeks as I am having a hip replacement. Mrs Harris will be relieving principal for that time while Miss Smith will take the 5/6 class. I look forward to coming back fit and healthy and pain free.

Small Schools Swimming Carnival

Yet again, the students of Wisemans Ferry PS who attended the swimming carnival last Tuesday made us proud. I witnessed wonderful displays of sportsmanship and the effort by our competitors was outstanding. We will find out soon who will go on to represent us at district level on Friday 26th February.

Welcome Kindergarten Students

What a delightful start it was for our new Kindergarten students. They are adjusting to the routines of school life beautifully and it is a pleasure to have these new faces around the school.

School Parking

Another reminder, for the safety of your children, parking is not permitted in the school car park between the hours of 8.30-9.15am and 2.15-3pm. Also, there is no car parking in the bus zone at the front of the school. The safety of your children is extremely important to us.

Punctuality

Children are required to be at school ready to line up at 9am each day. Children who are not in lines when the bell goes at 9am must report to the office and have a late note filled in which is to be handed to the classroom teacher.

In addition to children missing important information when they arrive late, it is also disruptive for children to be joining classes during morning announcements or when teachers are giving instructions at the beginning of the first lesson.

It is a legal requirement that teachers document all student absences in the class roll, regardless of the duration time of the absence. The Home School Liaison Officer, from the Department of Education monitors class rolls and follows up on children whose records show an unusual number of absences, patterns of repeated partial absences and/or unexplained absences.

P&C Meeting 2016

3rd March

AGM — 3rd March

The Annexe 3.00pm

Wisemans Ferry Public School P & C Committee are as follows

President  Mrs Hayhurst  0423 483 563  Please feel free to contact any of these representatives if you have
Treasurer  Kate Sako  0403 397 886  any concerns you wish to discuss
Secretary  Jenni-Mae Clissold  0415 880 936
Parents/Carers Visiting the School

While we are keen to involve parents in many aspects of the school, we do request that all parents/caregivers and visitors sign in at the school office before going to classrooms throughout the day. If you have anything to drop off to your child/ren, please bring it to the office and we will ensure it is delivered. We would rather that, than having people wandering around the school during school time. This is another way we make certain all children are safe.

Premier’s Reading Challenge 2016

The Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC) will open on 7th March 2016 and closes on 19th August. Remember titles read since the close of last year’s challenge (September 2014) are able to be put onto this year’s reading list.

Children are able to enter their own book titles by logging onto the challenge website through their DET access. That is they use the same method they use to access the internet at school. If you are not sure of their ID and password please speak to your child’s class teacher.

If you go into a search engine you can type in ‘NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge’ and then at the PRC homepage log in the same way as your child logs in at school. A quicker way is to type ‘DET student portal’ into your favourite search engine and the first two links should be to the NSW Education site. One URL says Student Portal - https://student.det.nsw.edu.au/ and the other Students - NSW Department of Education & Communities - www.dec.nsw.gov.au/students

If you take this link it will bring your child to their portal page where they can log in exactly the same way they log in at school. On their portal page you will find there is a direct link to the PRC. All the rules are available on the Premier’s Reading Challenge website. Please ensure that you read them.

PENRITH OBservATORY

SCHOOL OF COMPUTING, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS

ASTRONOMY NIGHT –
Saturday 13 February – 8.00 pm – 10.00 pm
The evening will include a presentation, a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory’s telescopes.

Cost: $18 adult, $12 child/concession and $50 family

Bookings are essential: Book and pay online: western-sydney.edu.au/observatory, What’s On

Contact: Tel: (02)473601350135
Email: r.mccourt@westernsydney.edu.au
westernsydney.edu.au/observatory

FROM THE P & C

AGM Meeting - Nomination Form
Please find our P&C nomination form at the end of this Newsletter. If you would like to nominate please return the form to the school office by 3rd March, 2016.

Fundraising 2016

Our first fundraiser for 2016 will be a BBQ at Bunnings Dural on February 28. These events are hugely successful and raise a substantial amount of money for the school.

Please contact me if you think you might be able to help run the BBQ stall.

Sarah Hall
Fundraising Coordinator
Phone: 0429513778
Email: Fundraising.WFPS@gmail.com

Mrs Jo’elle Frampton
Principal
From the Office

Current Notes:
1. 2015 Outstanding Fees
2. Dancing Term 1 2016 Note + payment
3. Emergency Contacts Card
4. Newsletter email or paper notification
5. 2016 School Fees

If you have not been able to pay your outstanding 2015 fees please organise to fix this up at the start of 2016. Thank You.

Payments

We do not have Eftpos or Credit Card facilities in the office but please remember you can to make a payment easily with your credit card through our website.

www.wisemansfe-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Click on the link $ Make a Payment.
Please make sure you fill in your details so we know who the payment is from and what it’s for.

Westpac Online Payment Update

Behind the scenes Westpac has been working on an upgrade to the Parent Online Payment webpage attached to the school’s website. In the past using the ‘$ Make a payment” page through a mobile device or tablet has not been as easy as on a computer. Now, automatically, when parents click on this page, via a mobile device, they will be able to complete the online form with ease.

Fantastic Ferry Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have received awards during the last assembly.

Kinder  Year 1
Amber Daniel Tyson

Year 2  Year 3  Year 4
Zakari Kyla Drake

Year 5  Year 6
Riley Laicey Ben Selene

Wisemans Ferry Public School Newsletter Advertising

Book now to be part of our 2016 fortnightly newsletters.

Prices are as follows:
A4 colour page = $25.00 + gst per term
½ A4 colour page = $15.00 + gst per term
¼ A4 colour page = $12.00 + gst per term
10% discount for 4 terms paid in advance

Distributed to all families in the school community, staff members past and present and various other community members.

If you would like to promote your business in our newsletter or require further information please contact
Jenny Macarencu or Jo'elle Frampton on 4566 4345 or E: wisemansfe-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Alternatively, fence signage is available for $200.00 + gst per year for a sign approximately 1m x .7m
Contact us for further information.
HILLS HAWKS
FOOTBALL CLUB
2016 SOCCER SEASON
U/6’s - Over 45’s and
Ladies Full Field and Social Comps.
REGISTER ONLINE
PLACES STILL AVAILABLE
For further details contact: Michael Rosier - Registrar on 0418 676 768
Go to - www.hillshawksfc.com.au

HAWKESBURY DISTRICT BASKETBALL

If there is any Yr5 or Yr6 students interested in playing Basketball there are trials on Tuesday 16th Feb and Wednesday 17th Feb at Pitt Town Public School between 3.30-4.30pm. Forms can be collected at the school office.

Please note that any student wishing to try out should be familiar with the game and ideally, play for a club out of school hours. This is not a pre-requisite for selection of course, but the students need more understanding of the game than just dribbling or passing.
Closure of the Webbs Creek vehicle ferry – 15 and 16 February

The vehicle ferry ramp at Webbs Creek will be closed on Monday 15 February from 9.30am – 2.30pm and Tuesday 16 February from 9.30am – 2.30pm for repairs.

Roads and Maritime Services is carrying out the work to improve the safety of the ferry crossing and help the ferry operate more reliably and quietly.

How will the work affect you?

There will be some noise associated with this work. We will make every effort to minimise noise.

Traffic changes

During the closure, an alternative route will be available across the river via Wisemans Ferry.

Please follow the direction of traffic controllers and electronic message signs.

For the latest traffic updates, call 132 701, visit livetracking.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App for iPhone, iPad and Android.

Contact

If you have any questions, please contact Project Engineer Ross Dalo on 02 9654 6127 or email ross.dalo@rms.nsw.gov.au. For more information on Roads and Maritime projects, visit rms.nsw.gov.au

Thank you for your patience during this important work.
Windsor High School - Open day

When: Wednesday 17th February 2016
Times: 5:30pm - 7pm

Where: Windsor High School, Mulgrave Road, McGraths Hill
(Phone 45877122)

A brief presentation by the new Principal, Mrs Jennifer Hawken, (previously at Baulkham Hills Selective High) will be given in the school hall at 5:30, followed by a tour of the school in smaller groups by our student leaders.

Parents and students of the Hawkesbury community are invited to come and learn about the great facilities and wide ranging opportunities that are currently available at Windsor High. This may be particularly relevant to Parents and Students of primary school age who are deciding into which high school they will be enrolling in the future, as well as parents of students new to Windsor High.
P&C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd March 2016, 3pm in the Annexe. All are welcome to attend and we would love to see new faces as well as the old. It would be great to see some new faces and get some fresh ideas. All positions will be declared vacant and we will elect our new committee members for 2016. Afternoon tea will be provided. Please have a look at the Proposed P&C Guidelines on the school webpage:


Short Description of Positions for the P&C Committee:
President and Vice President: The President shall act as a chair person at P&C meetings, in the absence of the President, the Vice President shall act as chair person. The President shall represent the Wisemans Ferry Public School P&C at any designated functions or meetings appropriate to the school.
Secretary: The Secretary shall attend meetings keep a record of all business conducted. The Secretary is required to maintain incoming and outgoing correspondence and report to the P&C Committee meeting each month.
Treasurer: The Treasurer shall receive and deposit monies, maintain records, draw cheques and present accounts to each meeting. The Treasurer is required to prepare a report for the P&C Committee meeting each month.
Uniform Coordinator: The uniform coordinator is responsible for stocktaking of all uniforms at the end of each term and provides a report to the P&C Committee meeting each month.
Fundraising Coordinator: The Fundraising coordinator is responsible for overseeing all fundraising activities undertaken for the benefit of raising funds for our school and must provide a report to the P&C Committee meeting each month.

If you would like to nominate for one of these positions, please fill in the Nomination Form below and drop this into Mrs Macarencu at the office by Thursday, 3rd March.

NOMINATION FORM FOR P&C COMMITTEE MEMBER

I/we wish to nominate __________________________________ for the position of
_____________________________________.

Nominated by: __________________________     _____________________________________
(Print name)                         (Signature)

Seconded by: ___________________________     _____________________________________
(Print name)                         (Signature)

I accept this nomination.

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(Nominee’s Signature)         (Date)

NOTE: The term of office for elected members of the P&C is ONE year. All members of Wisemans Ferry Public School parent community are eligible and entitled to vote for their representatives on the P&C.