



Wallaby Whisper



The newsletter for Wallabadah Public
School & its community

“Excellence in Learning”

Term 1 Week 9 - 28th March, 2025

Welcome to week 9!

Harmony Day was celebrated last week. Wearing a touch of orange, our students were excited to see the posters at the front of the school and then to enter to see a wad of orange streamers and balloons. We spoke of the need for Harmony at school and to have a focus on kindness and care for each other.

We were thrilled to see two international rugby stars join us for a rugby session and this tied in perfectly with Harmony Day. At Wallabadah, we are inclusive and always respectful and the children were excited to hear the stories from Halisha and Radieki as they spoke of their experiences coming from New Zealand and Fiji respectively. The main message from Radieki was about culture and friendships. Playing rugby union for Australia, Radieki cherishes the friendships he made with people from all over the world. He mentioned that he feels he could go to numerous countries around the world and have a place to stay. It wasn't about how many tries he scored, or games that he one, it was all about the experiences with mates, the travel and learning to appreciate and respect all cultures.

We were right in the middle of some fabulous skills and drills when the rain and storm hit and whilst it rushed us all back to the COLA, the special guests continued to interact with the students. Thank you to Rugby Australia and to the organisers of the Gold Blooded Rugby Tour.

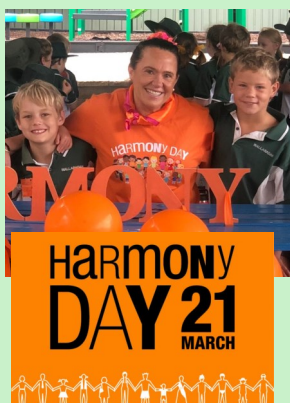
Congratulations to our sensational swimmers. Our two year three students held their nerves as they competed with a year five and six student in the mixed relay at the Regional Swimming Carnival. Postponed once, the students were fortunate it was rescheduled. Knocking a massive 40 seconds of their qualifying time, the team came second in their heat. Wallabadah are proud of our super fish, Will B, Henry R, Reva L and Bodie W.

Young Leaders Shine! This week our Captain and Vice Captain were fortunate enough to head to Sydney and participate in the annual Halogen Young Leaders Conference. This amazing conference held at the International Convention Centre hosts thousands of year six leaders from all over the country. Listening to inspiring speakers, our students heard and learnt lots of ways to be resilient, challenge yourself and set and achieve your goals. Well done to Bodie W and Vivian B who represented Wallabadah.

Have a fabulous week everyone!

Johanna Teague

Principal



Merit Award System

At Friday assemblies, students are awarded Merit Certificates, School Captains' Award and Library Awards. Children retain their awards at home and once they have **four**, they bring them back to school for a Wallaby Award.

When they have **three** Wallaby Awards they bring them in and receive a Merit Badge. All awards are stamped and returned.

Four Merit Awards=One Wallaby Award

Three Wallaby Awards=One Merit Badge

Please note birthday awards and sport ribbons are not included.

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AWARDS

Mrs Saunders

Week 7:

Carter Litchfield– always trying very hard in all classwork.

Alice Ingall– her improvement in number work, counting to 10.

Dominic Ferris– a super effort in “decoding words” activities.

Week 8:

Sophie Bagshaw– excellent reading and spelling results.

Jacob Street– excellent oral maths with Mrs DeRoos.

Lucas Walters– improvement in blending sounds together to make words.

Star of the Week—Ice-creams

Star of the Week - Ice-creams Friday 4th April 2025. Students that have been Star of the Week in Semester 1 2025 will receive an ice cream. **STUDENTS MUST BRING THEIR CARD TO CLAIM THEIR ICE-CREAM.**

Mrs Cudmore

Week 8:

Cheyenne Fardell– her enthusiastic attitude towards Mathematics

Charlie Ingall– being a kind and polite member of 3-6.

Mrs Teague

Week 7:

Will Bagshaw– consistent application to all subjects. Well Done!

Patrick Balint– great work in English–making Dampier.

Week 8:

Henry Rees– a fabulous effort with NAPLAN.

Xavier Skelly– fabulous handwriting.

Mrs Roseby

Week 7:

Sophie Bagshaw– excellent work with Reading Comprehension.

Darcy Street– giving 100% during Geography lessons.

Week 8:

Connor Hughes– beautiful handwriting.

Reva Liddle– excellent work on ‘Kakadu’.



Congratulations to the following students for their Library Awards:

Alice Ingall, Dominic Ferris, Jimmy Musty, Timothy Lay, Scarlett-Grace Primmer, Morgan Phillip, Sophie Bagshaw, Ted Ingall.

School Captains' Award

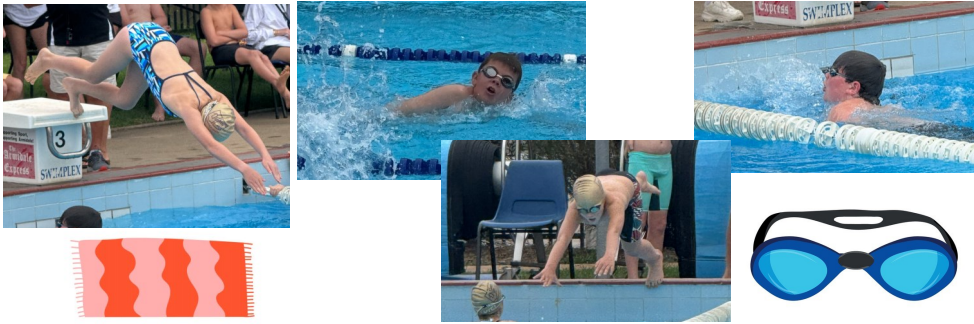


Week 7: Nate Barnett– being helpful and kind to all children.

Week 8: Dominic Ferris– Being kind to all Students.

North West PSSA Swimming

Congratulations to our Relay team who represented Wallabadah Public School at the North West Swimming on Monday. They Swam extremely well.



Halogen Young Leaders Conference

On Tuesday Bodie and Vivian travelled to Sydney to attend the Halogen Young Leaders conference.



Vivian- My favourite part of the young leaders conference was the dance troupe because they taught us some dance moves. I learnt that you keep trying even if you fail sometimes.

Bodie- My favourite part was when we got to meet Thomas Duncan-Watt who is an Author and screen writer. I also got to ask him a question Infront of the whole crowd. I learnt that you can do anything if you put your mind to it, you might not get it right the first time but keep trying.

Gold Blooded Tour- Wallabies Visit

Thank You to Steph Lennon from NSW Rugby who organised for the Gold Blooded Rugby Tour to visit the Wallabadah Students last Friday. They were lucky enough to meet former Wallaby and Wallaroo Radikie Samo and Hilisha Samoa.



ANZAC DAY

On the 25th of April we celebrate Anzac Day and each year we encourage our students to join us and march at the Anzac Day Parade in Quirindi. If your child/children are able to attend the march, please meet Mrs Teague dressed in full winter school uniform. Please note girls are to wear white socks.

WHERE: Quirindi Post Office

DATE & TIME: Friday 25 April, 2025 at 10.45am



COMING UP EVENTS IN WALLABADAH.

- 1st April, 2025 - Ooranga Wallabadah Playgroup, 10.00am to 12.00pm, Wallabadah Hall, Martyn Street, Wallabadah.
- 2nd April, 2025 – [Wallabadah Hotel -Trivia Night](#) & then every first Wednesday of the month.
- 6th April, 2025 – End of daylight saving in New South Wales.
- 6th April, 2025 – Wallabadah Hotel – Dried Flower Workshop with Daisy Lane. Tickets purchased from Daisy Lane.
- 8th April, 2025 – Wallabadah Community Association meeting, 6.30pm at Wallabadah Hall, Martyn Street. (See separate postings for agenda.)
- 18th April, 2025 till 23rd April, 2025 – Wallabadah Hotel will be closed.
- 24th April, 2025 – Red Cross Mother’s Day Raffle at IGA, Quirindi.
- 25th April, 2025 – Wallabadah Hotel – “Two-up” in the beer garden, spit roast, drink specials, live music and more!
- 29th April, 2025 - Ooranga Wallabadah Playgroup, 10.00am to 12.00pm, Wallabadah Hall, Martyn Street, Wallabadah.
- 7th May, 2025 - Wallabadah Hotel -Trivia Night
- 9th May, 2025 - Red Cross Mother’s Day Raffle at IGA, Quirindi.
- 11th May, 2025 – Wallabadah Hotel – Mother’s Day Luncheon. Live music with Snape & Son. Book a table.
- 13th May, 2025 - Ooranga Wallabadah Playgroup, 10.00am to 12.00pm, Wallabadah Hall, Martyn Street, Wallabadah.
- 17th & 18th May, 2025 – Wallabadah “How It Was” at the Wallabadah Racecourse.



Easter Timetable



Friday 11th April, 2025

Parents/carers, Family and Friends are welcome to attend

- 9:30am Cross Country at Wallabadah Racecourse. (Private Transport)
- 11:00am Meet at school for Presentation.
- 11:15am Cross Country Presentation
- 11:30am Morning Tea (Please bring some morning tea)
- 12:00pm Easter Hat Parade
- 12:30pm Lunch – (P&C BBQ-Details will be provided closer to the event)
- 1:30pm Easter Hunt
- 1:45pm P&C Easter Raffle will be drawn

Please help your child make their Easter hat at home.
[Google/Pinterest](#) are great sites for ideas for Easter hats

If you wish to collect more raffle tickets for the P&C Easter raffle, more tickets are available at the office.

Reminders/Save the Date

- P & C meeting- Tuesday 1st April at 3:30 in the Library.
- 3-6 Soccer Gala Day practise with Mr Smith 31/3, 1/4, 2/4. Students can bring soccer boots/joggers and shin pads.
- Thursday 3rd April –Soccer Gala day 3-6 students. Permission note in School Bytes.
- Netball- Wednesday 9th April –Students can wear their sports uniform.
- Friday 11th April Cross Country and Easter Celebrations. Permission note on School Bytes–Last day of Term One
- 25th April-Anzac Day Parade in Quirindi.
- Wednesday 30th April–Students return–Term 2

PLAYERS NEEDED

Werris Creek Minor League is looking for players to add to the following teams.

- ✓ Under 6's
- ✓ Under 9's
- ✓ Under 11's



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Wallabadah Public School 2025—Term 1

WEEK:	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
TERM 1	31	1	2	3	4	5/6
Week 10 March/April	Soccer Practise	Soccer Practise	Soccer Practise	Soccer Gala Day	Netball Star of the week ice creams K-2 Assembly	
Week 11	7	8	9	10	11	12/13
			Netball Students can wear sports uniform		Cross country Easter Celebrations Term 1 Ends	