



Wallaby Whisper

The newsletter for Wallabadah Public School and its community.

“Excellence in Learning”

Term 4 Week 1 ~ 12th October, 2012

Principal's Message

We have started Term Four with great enthusiasm with the prospect of all the exciting events and opportunities that the end of each school year brings. Next weekend the small choir is performing at the Murrurundi Frontier Festival, we have Musica Viva in Week 3, a dress up Halloween day and a Christmas QSSAF in Week 7. These along with our normal end of year activities like Presentation night, Talent Quest, movie days in Tamworth and our Ten Point Plan rewards day makes for a very busy term.

I have been talking to the senior students in the school about showing initiative in preparation for High School. We can teach children to take initiative in their lives by never saying NO unless it is a matter of safety. In this instance we must not neglect our responsibility as adults to keep kids healthy and safe.

Children need to “do”, to “try”, to “build” and to “create”, All of these verbs involving initiative require space, stuff, and adult patience. We need to make sure we give them space once we have provided them with materials and opportunity -- and we need to let them be.

Suddenly we will find them taking the initiative to build tree houses, draw, and do all the things which make childhood memorable. These incidents are the memories children keep because of the absence of adult input. Initiative is all about exercising free will in a satisfying way.

We must remember to allow our children to discover, and most importantly learn from the good and bad experiences, so the next time they'll know what works and what doesn't.

"Success seems to be connected with action. Successful people keep moving. They make mistakes, but they don't quit."

Conrad Hilton

Hilton Hotels

Christopher Jackson
Principal

Small school “BIG” opportunities!

Coming Events

TERM 3

October

P&C Meeting
Wallabadah Flower Show
Life Education Van
Musica Viva (Willow Tree)
Wallabadah Playgroup
Yr 6 visit Quirindi High School

15th October
20th October
22nd October
23rd October
23rd October
31st October

November

QSSAF
Kindy Orientation Day
Catholic Christmas Scripture

21st November
28th November
29th November

December

Intensive Swimming
P&C Meeting
Presentation Night
Movie Day

3rd – 14th December
10th December
18th December
19th December

Lunch Orders

Lunches will on Monday 15th October, Mandy Reedy is rostered on for canteen duty. Thank you to Kat for coming in on Monday to do lunches. Students please remember to come to the teacher on duty first thing in the morning and order your lunch.



Birthdays

Many happy returns to Abbey Lobsey, Troy Pendlebury and Brayden Smith who celebrated their birthdays in the holidays. Congratulations.

P&C News

P&C Meeting

Monday 15th October

7:30pm

Marshall McMahon Inn

Please come and support your P&C

School Captain

We would like to let Year 5 children know if they are going to stand for school captain, that speeches will need to be prepared and will be presented the 27th November (please note date change).

Year 6 Fundraiser

The Year 6 are holding a Halloween fundraiser on Friday 26th October. They are asking that students dress up in Halloween costume for the day. There will also be patty cakes for sale that the Year 6 students will make and sell for 50c a cake.

Assembly was held in the 5-6J classroom. Thank you **Andrea Makeham** and **Alex Smith** for being such wonderful hosts.

AWARDS



K-1 Class

Aston Sweeney for always trying his best in class.

Patrick Penick for participating well in number activities using tens/ones.

2-4 Class

Henry Saunders for being a maths whiz with multiplication.

5-6 Class

Maryjane Abbott-Blundell for working hard in class to solve problems in maths.

Jasmin Philp for actively participating in classroom discussions.

Mrs Roseby

Cloe Hancock for fantastic spelling work each morning.

Mediator Awards

Mediators awards this week go to:

Brayden Smith for playing happily with his friends.

Emily Cronin for wearing her school uniform with pride.

Stuart Davies for being a conscientious mediator.

Rule of the Week

No hat ~ No play.



Wallaby Week Ahead Term 4, 2012

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<u>WEEK 2</u>			State Athletics	
P&C Meeting 7:30pm		Quirindi High School Visit Yr 6		Assembly K-1

Community News

Quirindi Motorcycle Club Inc

RACING this weekend Sunday 14th October

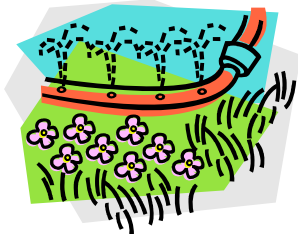
FREE ENTRY



**Starting at 10am ~ Bring hat, shade shelter, jumper and a chair.
Canteen operating ~ Riders coming from all over the district.**

Where: Stu Johnson Park in Porters Lane Quirindi

Come and see the fun and enjoyment of motocross racing.



Open Gardens

Saturday & Sunday 13th & 14th October 10am to 4:30pm Cost: \$7 per Garden

- "Willow Pine" - Pine Ridge = In the village of Pine Ridge
- "River View" - Pine Ridge = In the village of Pine Ridge
- "Connamara" - Pine Ridge = 487 Cattle Lane, Pine Ridge
- "Rockgedgiel" - Bundella = 132 Pandora Pass Road, Bundella
- "Telargra" - Bundella = 297 Telegara Road, Bundella

For more information please contact Carol Lord 67473918 or 0427 473 918



Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive starting soon

Australian summers usually involve plenty of fun in and around the water, but no parent can forget how important it is to make sure children stay safe.

Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive classes for preschoolers and school-aged children help youngsters learn important ways to be safe and enjoy our pools, rivers, beaches and lakes.

The intensive nine-day programs give wonderful results, and are great fun as well! Plus, family discounts make our program affordable for all the children in the family.

Sport and Recreation runs Swim and Survive classes in pools throughout regional NSW, including somewhere near you.

Our instructors are nationally qualified and screened for their suitability to work with children.

Prices for nine lessons are \$63 for school-aged children and \$46 for preschoolers (prices exclude pool entry fee).



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