



Wallaby Whisper

The newsletter for Wallabadah Public School and its community.

“Excellence in Learning”

Term 4 Week 5 ~ 2nd November, 2012

Principal's Message

Quirindi Small School Arts Festival

This week I travelled around to the small schools listening to the children rehearse for the Quirindi Small Schools Arts Festival. This years QSSAF is a little different as it will be taking on a Christmas theme.

It will be held on Wednesday 21st of November in the grounds of Quirindi High School starting at 7:00pm. A BBQ will be operating from 6:00pm and “Glow wear” will be for sale as well.

The most accessible of instruments is the 'voice' and it is one of the easiest instruments to play!!!! Our students have been going through the program of songs every Friday for the past four weeks and have enjoyed the variety of items.

Every year I am amazed at the enthusiasm of the children and commitment and dedication of the staff to make this event exciting and entertaining. There were a number of senior boys at Willow Tree on Tuesday who really got into the singing and grooved their way through “Santa wear your shorts”. The children at Blackville and Walhallow were helpful with actions for “I want a Hippopotamus for Christmas”, a number of Spring Ridge children tried out for solo parts and at Werris Creek the Infants classes sang beautifully. Today our children had fun singing their school item “Christmas Boogie”.

QSSAF is an opportunity for every child to perform on stage. To be a part of “a show” and experience the excitement of performing in front of an audience.

I encourage everyone to keep this date free and come along and enjoy an evening of fun packed entertainment.

Let us go singing as far as we go: the road will be less tedious.

Virgil (70 BC - 19 BC),

Christopher Jackson
Principal

Small school “BIG” opportunities!

Coming Events

TERM 3

November

Wallabadah Playgroup
QSSAF
Kindy Orientation Day (note date change)
Catholic Christmas Scripture

20th November
21st November
26th 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 12th November, Mandy Smith 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.

Captain Speeches

Last Friday Mr Jackson spoke to all the year 5 students about their nominations for school captain for 2013.

The purpose of this meeting was to outline their roles and responsibilities and explain the process of voting. Some students indicated that they would not be seeking selection for school captain, but they would for house captains. Mr Jackson urges them to discuss their decision with their parents so there is no misunderstanding later on.

On Tuesday 27th November at morning assembly the 2013 School Captain nominees will present their speeches to the school. Voting will be conducted afterwards.

The 2013 School Captains will then be announced and presented with their badges at the school Presentation Night on Tuesday 18th December.

Talent Quest



Towards end of Term 4 2012 children have the opportunity to participate in the schools talent quest. This involves children performing solos or join up with a group to perform a small item of their choice. We encourage all students to participate in presenting a poem, dance, musical item, magic act or singing. Parents if they could help encourage and practise their item would be great. Performing will gain each student 2 points towards the Ten Point Plan.



Topic Writing

On Tuesday the K-1 classroom the children had a topic writing subject on Spring.

Spring is when babies are born. The butterflies come out. The snow melts. You can go swimming the creeks and rivers. You can lie in the flowers. The flowers come out. It is very sunny. I like to plant flowers in the spring. Green leaves come on the trees. I don't like waiting for the flowers to grow.

By Nancye Hutchinson

Spring is baby animals are being born. You can swim in the pool in spring. I like to play with my tractors and cars in spring. The snow is melting in spring. Snakes are coming out. Watch out where you're going through the grass.

By Joey Reedy



Assembly was held in the 5-6J classroom. Thank you **James Sherwood** and **Ben Hawthorne** for being such wonderful hosts.

AWARDS



K-1 Class

Sophie Hawthorne for improvement in punctuation! Keep it up!

Brayden Smith for good listening skills when solving number problems in the carpet.

2-4 Class

Emily Cronin for excellent spelling results all year.

5-6 Class

Jamie Upperton for writing a very creative piece of prose this week.

Phoebe Smith for excellent work in English this week. Well Done!

Mrs Roseby

Jayde Smith for having an excellent attitude towards Reading.

Mediator Awards

Mediators awards this week go to:

James Sherwood for getting along well with friends.

Nancye Hutchinson for coming to school with a smile.

Rule of the Week

Remember to wear your hat every day, "No hat No play."



Wallaby Week Ahead Term 4, 2012

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<u>WEEK 6</u>	Prac Student	from Newcastle	University	Assembly K-1S

Community News

Australia Post

It is time for children to write to Santa!

Australia Post is encouraging all students to write a letter to Santa. Each child who writes a letter and provides an Australian return address on the back of their envelope will receive a special reply from Santa. Visit the Santa Mail section of the Australian Post Education website today auspost.com.au/education for ideas and facts about Christmas from around the world. Please address your Santa letter to

Santa

NORTH POLE 9999



NOVEMBER at the Movies in Quirindi

Saturday 10th

3.00 pm Madagascar 3 G
5.30 pm Looper MA

Sunday 11th

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5.30 pm Looper MA

Saturday 24th

3.00 pm Mental MA
5.30pm Moonrise Kingdom PG

Sunday 25th

3.00pm Mental MA
5.30pm Moonrise Kingdom PG

Live Entertainment Saturday 17th November

7.00pm Champagne Charlie Jazz Band Supported by Carly Robinson - Tickets \$20 - Bar and Canteen will be operating.

**NUNDLE CWA PRE-SCHOOL
OPEN DAY**

Date: 27th November 2012
Time: 10.30am – 12.00 pm

Come along and let your children join in on the activities

We'd love to have a cuppa and share morning tea with you and your family.

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