



# Wallaby Whisper

The newsletter for Wallabadah Public School and its community.

## “Excellence in Learning”

*Term 4 Week 10 ~ 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2012*

### *Principal's Message*

#### **Farewell**

So it's with a great deal of sadness that we say “Best wishes” to our colleague and friend Mrs Davidson.

Next Friday will Mrs Davidsons last day at Wallabadah Public School as she commences 2013 at her new school Oxley Vale P.S.

Christine has been involved at Wallabadah School for many years first as a parent, then as a staff member. She has been in the Senior Administration Managers role since 2009, after taking over the position from Mrs Swain.

Over the past few days many parents have come into school wishing Christine best of luck and saying how much she is going to be missed. Christine is a valued member of our staff who goes above and beyond her duties in the office.

She is totally committed to every child in her care. I've seen Mrs Davidson bend down to tie a Kindergarten shoelace, tenderly put her arm around a child upset from a playground squabble, or put a bandaid on a war wound from a playground battle. She assists teachers in the classroom, runs errands for the P&C and has actively been involved in community events.

Christine doesn't just look around and see things that need attention. She takes action. There are jobs that need to be done, problems that need to be solved, and as we look at those and think about our busy lives, we most likely say to ourselves, “Somebody will take care of that.” We mean well but we just don't get around to doing anything. Christine is the person who does something.

I would like to thank Christine for the many years of service, dedication and effort she has given to us all at Wallabadah.

*“Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened”. ~Theodor Seuss Geisel,  
Dr Seuss*

**Christopher Jackson**  
**Principal**

**Small school “BIG” opportunities!**

# Coming Events

## TERM 4

### **December**

Thank You (volunteers)  
Presentation Night  
Movie Day  
Last of Term for students

18<sup>th</sup> December  
18<sup>th</sup> December  
19<sup>th</sup> December  
19<sup>th</sup> December

### **January 2013**

Students Return  
Kinder Students Start

30<sup>th</sup> January  
31<sup>st</sup> January

### **February 2013**

Carnival Practice  
Swimming Carnival

5<sup>th</sup> February  
7<sup>th</sup> February

## Lunch Orders

A very big thank you to all the lovely mums and dad who came in and helped with the canteen lunch orders for 2012. The P&C appreciate your precious time you devote to help our children.

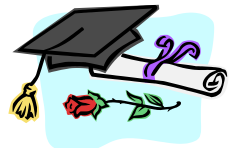


## Volunteers

We would like to invite all our volunteers who have assisted the school for reading groups, library and scripture to a morning tea on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 11:20am.

## Presentation Night

The school would like to invite all parents, family and community members to our Presentation Night at Wallabadah Public School on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm.



We ask families to bring a plate to share for after Presentation Night. At that end of the night could parents please help staff pack away some chairs and equipment.

## School Magazine

The school magazine is again available on Presentation Night. If you wish to purchase this valuable piece of history for 2012 schooling the magazine it costs \$10.00. It is mostly coloured. Please fill out form on back page and send in with your money.

## Intensive Swimming

The school would like to thank our wonderful AUST Swim teachers Ms Sue Boyle, Annah O'Neil-Shaw and Andrew Jackson. This is a valuable resource that the Dept of Education put on for our children that will give them skills for life.



There was no assembly today.

## Awards



### K-1 Class

**Alanamae Abbott-Blundell** for trying hard at swimming school.

**Zack Sweeney** for being a very responsible member of the K/1 class.

### 2-4 Class

**Cloe Hancock** for excellent results in Indonesian test.

**Emily Cronin** for excellent results in Indonesian test.

### 5-6 Class

**Lia Robertson** for very creative work in Literacy this week.

**Jake Boon** For being a responsible member of our class.

### Thank You

**Emma Bates** for helping out at our school in the last 2 weeks.



## Wallaby Week Ahead Term 1, 2013

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b><u>WEEK 1</u></b> Public Holiday	School Development Day	Students Return	Kinder Starts	

### P&C News

The fire-engine sirens announced Santa's arrival at the school at 7pm yesterday, and all the kids got very excited when they saw that his sacks was so enormous that he needed help carrying them! I don't know who was more excited, Santa or the kids, the old man with the white beard was full of beans and jokes! He had a pressie for everyone, and he even made the shy children smile. Good on you, Santa! The P&C would like to thank everyone helping with organizing this great annual event and the cooks (Kerralee, Linda, Nikki and Delores) supervising those snags even when Santa was in full swing. Thank you parents for coming and supporting the P&C. Have a great break and Merry Christmas! See you in 2013.



P&C Christmas  
Tree

## Community News

### Quirindi Poultry Club

#### Monster Christmas Raffle

14<sup>th</sup> December at Marshall McMahon Inn  
Peter Denovan will be entertaining 7-12pm  
Free Sausage Sizzle and Raffle Night

#### School Magazine Purchase

I wish to purchase school magazine for the cost of \$10.00 each.

Name:.....

How Many:.....

Amount enclosed: \$.....