



# Wallaby Whisper

The newsletter for Wallabadah Public School and its community.

## “Excellence in Learning”

*Term 2 Week 9 ~22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2012*

### *Principal's Message*

## School Reports

Today your child should have brought their school reports home for this semester and for students, school reports can be a source of pride or something that they dread. For parents, the feelings are much the same. Nowadays there is little difference in reports from school to school, as the Federal Government stipulated certain conditions – one being A to E assessment in Progress and Effort.

At Wallabadah Public we issue reports for students at the end of each semester, June and December, with parent teacher interviews requested in June and available in December. We believe this is an excellent way to report to parents, informing them of their child's progress and the plans underway for the following semester. This process, along with the student portfolios, enable teachers, students and parents to work collaboratively meeting the needs of each student.

Grades do matter, but the most important factor in judging your child's performance is effort. All of us have our strengths and weaknesses, children included. It is important to look not for perfection, but for effort and improvement.

Your child's teacher is a partner ensuring that your child makes consistent academic progress. If after looking over the report, you have any questions or concerns, the parent/teacher interview that will take place next week is an excellent time to discuss this with them.

*“My report card always said, 'Jim finishes first and then disrupts the other students'.”*  
~ *Jim Carrey*

Christopher Jackson  
Principal

Small school “BIG” opportunities!

# Coming Events

## TERM 2

### June

Multicultural Speaking Comp  
Parent teacher Interviews  
Athletics Carnival

26<sup>th</sup> June  
26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> June  
29<sup>th</sup> June

### July

Students Return Term 3  
Wallabadah Playgroup  
State Cross Country  
Spring Ridge Sports Carnival

17<sup>th</sup> July  
17<sup>th</sup> July  
20<sup>th</sup> July  
27<sup>th</sup> July

### Lunch Orders

Lunches will on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June, ???????? is rostered on for canteen duty. Thank you to Kat for coming on Monday to do the lunches. Students please remember to come to the teacher on duty first thing in the morning and order your lunch.

### Birthdays

This week we had Phoebe Smith who celebrated her birthday this week. Congratulations.



## Athletics Carnival

# Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June

Golland Fields

9:30am



**P&C Selling**

**Tea / Coffee and Slices**

**Chicken & Gravy Rolls**

**Pies & Sausage Rolls**

**Chicken Rolls**

*Parents and family welcome to come along.*

## Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking

We would like to wish Lia and Henry good luck in their participation in the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking competition in Tamworth next Tuesday. Lia and Henry will need to prepare a speech which has multicultural content and do an impromptu speech chosen by the adjudicator. Good Luck.

## Regional Cross Country

Well done to Wyatt and Sasha who went and competed at Coolah for the Regional Cross Country last Friday. While we have been told Sasha ran a fantastic race for her first time competing at this level we have Wyatt who made it onto State in Sydney next term.

## Fun at Lunch



There was no assembly today.

# AWARDS



## K-1 Class

**Brayden Smith** for developing terrific writing skills.

**Eve Porter** for improving her punctuation in writing activities.

## 2-4 Class

**Wyatt Smith** for an excellent Recount of our excursion to Nundle.

## 5-6 Class

**Andrea Makeham** for excellent transformation this week.

**Jamie Upperton** for excellent transformation this week.

## Mrs Roseby

**Henry Saunders** for consistent, hard work all term.

## Mediator Awards

This week award goes to:

**Quaydan Effer** for having fun in the playground.

**Ben Hawthorne** for looking smart in full school uniform.

**Zaibiane Effer** for having fun with classmates.

## Rule of the Week

In soccer pick your teams fairly, so that everyone has a good game.



## Wallaby Week Ahead Term 2, 2012

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<u>WEEK 10</u>	2-4 Interviews 5-6 Interviews	K-1 Interviews		Athletics Carnival Golland Fields

**8 & 9 JULY 2012**

**BigLift**

We connect uni students with communities.  
After 3 trips and dozens of mini-projects, Big Lifters have proudly clocked over **3000 hours** working with groups that make our country great!) Even more buses are rolling in 2012...

**Jump on Board!**

80 University of Technology Sydney (UTS) students are coming to Wallabadah on 8. and 9. July 2012. The students will be carrying out community work at Wallabadah and Quirindi on Monday 9th July. If you see them say hello and give them a smile!

The community is invited to meet the students on Sunday, 8th July at 5.30pm at the Wallabadah Hall, have dinner with them for \$5.00 or just come along.

As a special treat Peter from Coonabarrabran will bring three **Telescopes** to Wallabadah so that everyone can have a closer look at the stars! Peter has a wealth of stellar information to offer so please come along and **stargaze** with us! Peter has kindly been sponsored by the following Wallabadah businesses:

Tank 'n Tummy, Marshall McMahon Hotel, Clark Automotives, Wallabadah Public School, Wallabadah P&C and the Robertson Family.

Thank you, generous sponsors!

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## Namoi Sustainable Living Expo Nundle Excursion

Mrs Musgrave, Mrs Davidson and 3-6 children enjoyed a wonderful morning at Nundle Public School on Monday. The morning started with morning tea and trying the delights that Nundle has to offer, smoked trout with horseradish cream on a biscuit (yum) berry smoothies, frittata, carrot dip for the grissini's which the children got to make. After some encouragement the children did try some different ingredients. This all came from the magnificent garden they have at Nundle Public School. They also have an animal section where the manure goes to their worm farm and compost. They make their own fertiliser from comfrey (remember the sum children), soil testing and learning the correct PH levels we need in our garden for different plants to grow. Thank you to Mr Worley (Principal), the children of Nundle and a huge thank you to the volunteers who helped to make it an educational and instructive morning.

