



Wallaby Whisper

The newsletter for Wallabadah Public School and its community.

“Excellence in Learning”

Term 4, Week 1 ~ 11th October, 2013

Welcome back to what is shaping up to be a fantastic Term 4. There will be many things happening so please read the newsletter each week and watch the sign out the front of the school so you don't miss anything.

Food Safety Reminder

The weather is certainly warming up and this can pose a problem for packing lunches with perishable items. These tips can keep your child's lunch from spoiling and can prevent illness.

1. **Freeze It** – Frozen tubes of yoghurt, water bottles and even pieces of fruit are very refreshing. While frozen items will defrost a bit before lunch, they will stay nice and cool.
2. **Ice Packs** – Look for ones that are flexible and 'sweat proof' so you don't need to worry about wetness in your child's lunch box.
3. **Insulated Lunch Boxes** – Look for one that is easy to wipe down and has room for several small containers and/or a drink.
4. **Smart Choices** – If it is an extremely hot day, stick to non-perishable or less perishable items. Whole apples, oranges, rice cakes, dried fruit and salads are great alternatives.

Bag hooks are available in the shade for all students. Students in K-2 can hang their bags between the Staffroom and the new classroom while 3-6 hang their bags in the demountable.

Social Networking

The way people communicate via social networking can be an issue for schools. Facebook is the most popular social networking site at present, however, there are others such as Twitter, LinkedIn, MySpace and many others.

There are clear guidelines on how to manage bullying or harassment online however, this requires a partnership between parents, students and the school. Facebook users should be over the age of 13 and have a clear understanding of the legalities of posting content about others without their consent or posting sensitive information about others' identity. It is hoped that adults are modelling this behaviour as well. The entire Facebook agreement can be located at <http://www.facebook.com/terms.php>.

Health Message/Reminder

We have had some cases of illness throughout the school community – some tummy bugs, some flu like symptoms and some skin infections. To minimise the risk of spreading these germs to others, there are a few points to remember:

- Please remind your children to wash their hands regularly and thoroughly – especially after going to the toilet and before eating. It is important that, whenever possible, they use soap. Sometimes we assume children know how to wash their hands properly. A quick demonstration may be helpful.
- Any sores on a child must be covered whilst they are at school. This is not only to prevent their clothing from further irritating it, but also to reduce the risk of spreading the sores on their own body or to another child.
- Ensure your child has had at least one day free from illness before sending them back to school.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Vicki York
Relieving Principal

Small school “BIG” opportunities!

Coming Events

TERM 3

October

Come & Try Day (9:30-11:00)
P & C Meeting

15th
21st

Kindergarten 2014

Enrolments are now being taken
at Wallabadah Public School

Enrolment forms are available from the School
office.

For further information please contact
Mrs Vicki York
Principal (Rel)
Ph: 67465512

Come and Try Day

Tuesday, 15th October
9.30am – 11.00am

Lunch Orders

Cheryl Bray will be making lunches on
Monday 14th October.



10 Point Plan

Term 4 2013

Event	Points
Swimming School	2
Cricket Sports Clinic	2
CAPERS (Primary)	2
Celebrations Day (Infants)	2
Library borrowing	2
Homework	2
Uniforms checks x2	4
TOTAL	14

No Assembly was held this week.

AWARDS



K-1-2 Class

Brian Stocks for improvement in sentence writing.

Natalie Payne for terrific spelling results!

Alanamae Abbott-Blundell for progressing well in "counting on" activities.

Mrs Roseby

Patrick Penick for having a fantastic attitude to learning.

3-5-6 Class

Joshua Hall for fantastic work with times tables and telling time.

Henry Saunders for enthusiasm in CAPERS rehearsals.

Jock Barnett for utilising different techniques in his writing.



Wallaby Week Ahead Term 4, 2013

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<u>WEEK 2</u>	Come and Try Morning			K-2 Assembly



Wallabadah Horse Sports

Everyone worked hard to make the first Wallabadah School Horse Sports Day happen on the last day of term! We had 70 riders who all had a fun day with 4 showing rings, a fancy dress parade and then sporting events in the afternoon. The P & C mums and dads worked hard in the canteen all day keeping everyone fed and watered. A big thankyou for all the cakes and slices that were made for the day! Wallabadah class 3-6 came to cheer on their schoolmates and lend a hand which was really appreciated by the riders. The star for Wallabadah was Brodie Nankivell, who won the Champion Boy 11yrs and also the Highest Point Score Junior Boy, with a rug donated by Dick and Mary Frear. Ben Hawthorne was Reserve Champion. Sasha Mackay, Jayde Smith and Sophie Hawthorne all won some ribbons, with Sasha winning the Highest Point Score Wallabadah Girl and a lovely combo rug donated by Adele Woods.

A huge thankyou to all our sponsors for the great day and raffle prizes! After the prize giving one little girl tapped me on the elbow and said, "Thank you for a lovely day." She made it all worth the effort and hopefully we will run again next year!

Vicki Hawthorne



Wallabadah Horse Sports

Raffle Winners

Fence feeder- Belinda Sherwood

Willow Tree Voucher-Luke Saul

Backpack- Henry Saunders

Dinner at Marshall McMahon- Wayne Jones

Browning Service- Mrs York

Browning Car Wash- Makeham family (2)

Jane Simpson and Sienna Cronin.

Cinema Voucher- B O'neil Shaw

Photo frame, holder, fondue set- Steve Elford

3 wormers- Mary Frear and Delores Nankivell

3 wormers & electrolyte- Makeham family

Hay bag- Bruce Witts

Performa oil- Brodie Nankivell

Peel Valley toy- Max Fleet

Mitavite feed-Joan Davey



Quirindi Junior Cricket Association Inc

Weet-Bix
MyCricket

REGISTRATION DAY

Boys and Girls from 5 to 16 years are invited to register for our 2013-14 Cricket Season

10AM - SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER
CRICKET SHED, NO 1 OVAL,
HENRY STREET QUIRINDI

\$50 PER PLAYER, SPECIAL FAMILY DEALS (3 OR MORE CHILDREN)
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT DAVE BROWNHILL ON 0427 473 725



Quirindi Little Athletics

Athletics

Little Athletics registrations are still open.

Register at the Netball grounds from 4.30-5.30pm.

Monday 14/10/13 (first day of season) and Monday 21/10/13.

Competition starts at 5.30-7.00pm.

Hope to see you there.

Kylie Green President LAC 0438617595