



Wallaby Whisper

The newsletter for Wallabadah Public School and its community.

“Excellence in Learning”

Term 1 Week 4 ~ 22nd February, 2013

Principal's Message

Wallabadah Public School prides itself in the support it receives from the Wallabadah community. Our school is very much a part of the community. Many people who live in the township either attended the school as a child or have had their own children attend their Primary education here.

Parents provide vital support to our school in so many different ways. Just by being there is such an easy way to not only support your child but our school as well. Attending school functions and events, supporting fundraising and showing your children that you are there for them.

In-class support: parents often volunteer to help with one-to-one reading and individual activities. This really helps ensure that children get the support and personal attention that they require. Each morning a band of dedicated parents and Grandparents come into school assisting with Reading and Mathematics. We are all very grateful for their time and expertise listening to children read, drilling tables or problem solving in small groups.

Parents also support our students and school in Extra curricula activities. Sometimes we ask help at Swimming or Athletics carnivals or maybe on special hobby groups days.

We are also very fortunate to have an active P&C. A committed group of parents who work tirelessly raising funds for every child at our school. They are very generous with their time, participating in school events such as our swimming and athletics carnivals and working bees at school. This co-operation with the staff is most important and beneficial. Our P&C promotes the interest of the school by bringing parents, citizens students and staff into close co-operation.

I encourage all Wallabadah School parents and citizens to come along to our school and continue to support us throughout 2013. Come and have a positive influence at our school.

P & C AGM- 18th March at the Marshall McMahon Hotel at 7 pm

Role modelling is the most basic responsibility of parents. Parents are handing life's scripts to their children, scripts that in all likelihood will be acted out for the rest of the children's lives

Stephen R. Covey

Christopher Jackson
Principal

Small school “BIG” opportunities!

Coming Events

TERM 1

March 2013

Clean Up Australia Day
Blandford Horse Sports
Regional Swimming Carnival
Harmony Day- An African Experience

1st March
4th March
5th March
11th March

Lunch Orders

Lunches will be on Monday 25th February, Amanda Young is rostered on for canteen duty. Thank you to Meagan Hall for making lunches on Monday. If you are interested in volunteering for school lunches on a Monday please contact Cheryl Bray on 67465521 or Jaime at the school on 67465512.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Ben Hawthorne who turns 11 today.



Thank you

We would like to thank Year 6 from 2012 for their kind donations they made to the school last year. The students have been enjoying playing with the new puzzles and sand pit toys. Thank you!!

The 3-6 Assembly was hosted by Henry Saunders and Jock Barnett.

Awards



K-1-2 Class

Sophie Tacon for trying hard to learn new words.

Joey Reedy for amazing reading and spelling!

Sienna Cronin for completing work with thought and care!

Mrs Roseby

Eve Porter for beautiful, careful work in all class activities.

3-4-5-6 Class

Lia Robertson for writing a great FJ advertisement in English.

Andrea Makeham for completing a timeline and presenting it beautifully.

Zone Swimming Carnival-By Henry Saunders

Last Friday the Wallabadah Swim Team went to compete at the Quirindi Zone PSSA Swimming Carnival. It was a great day! The sun was out and heaps of people came to watch all of us. Sienna and Sophie had to race first. Sophie came 3rd in her age race!!

After that all the Seniors raced. Ben came 3rd in his age race and Zaibiane came 1st!! All of the breastroke, butterfly and back was on then. I came 4th in the breaststroke and Emily came 2nd in the butterfly.

We were all excited about the relays. Maryjane, Andrea, Emily and Lia came 4th in the Senior Girls. The Senior Boys came 2nd with Ben in the team. Our Small Schools relay came 2nd. That was me, Ben, Emily and Lia. We now get to go to Armidale.

Guess what!!?! At the end of the day it started to rain and I won the \$100 club!! I had a lot of fun talking to all my friends at marshalling. It was the best day.

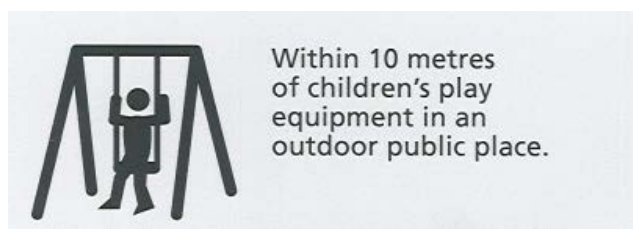



Harmony Day-An Africian Experience

On Monday the 11th of March each child will have the opportunity to participate in an Africian Experience with Teremayi. Students will be learning about Africian life, music, art, video making and cooking. Cost will be \$5. A permission note will be sent home next week.

New Smoking Laws

Each week we will be including important changes made on 7th January by the NSW government about new requirements in NSW making smoke free outdoor areas.



 Wallaby Week Ahead Term 1, 2013				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<u>WEEK 5</u> Zone Tennis		L3 training- Kinder teachers. 1-3pm		Clean Up Australia Day

P&C News

Cheryl will be reordering new pavers for those who missed out last year and wish to have their family/child's name included in the school beautification project. If anyone is interested in ordering please contact Cheryl by Friday 1st March.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Encore Dance Studio Quirindi

Quirindi's funkiest dance school for kids is now taking enrolments for **Saturday morning** classes.

Your child will learn to dance in a safe, fun & non-intimidating environment. They will learn coordination, social skills, confidence and more. Call Roxanne Galloway on 0429674681 or Erica Lawrence on 0458 606248 for more information

ART & ALL THAT JAZZ FESTIVAL



Friday 1st March, 2013,
Champagne Charlies Jazz Band @ Opening

6.30pm Start

includes Wine & Food

2nd & 3rd March

10am to 3pm

BBQ lunch Saturday

& Sunday from 11.30

Music, demonstrations

**Chocolate Wheel (Seafood/Meat
Trays)**

Run by Poultry Club at noon



WWallaby Art Group

Art Exhibition & Sale

Contact; Tania Hartigan 0427 462155 or taniarod@bigpond.com

Narelle: Nelson 67667472

Bus running on Friday night from Quirindi
if enough people interest, please book!

MONEY BEING RAISED FOR NIOKA PALLIATIVE CARE/CANCER SUPPORT



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