

# The Wheeler Word

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**Term 4 Wk 11**

**17 December 2014**



**HAPPY CHRISTMAS to all at Wheeler Heights.....**

## Farewell to Staff

At the end of this term we say farewell to two of our long serving staff.

**Mrs Robyn Hill**, our Senior Administration Manager (SAM) retires after 25 years at Wheeler Heights. Robyn has been an invaluable assistance to the past five principals and enrolled, billed, band aided and assisted literally thousands of children and their parents.

**Ms Wendy Fairweather** also retires after almost 19 years at Wheeler Heights P.S. as a classroom, Reading Recovery and RFF teacher and this year as the part time librarian.

We wish both Mrs Hill and Ms Fairweather a very happy and healthy retirement. You will be greatly missed at our school.

## Year 6 Farewell and Graduation

This week has been very busy and exciting for our Year 6 leavers. On Monday evening was the Year 6 farewell and what an incredible job the parent organizing committee did. The hall and COLA looked beautiful, the food was delicious and the kids had a wonderful night. On Tuesday we had the Graduation ceremony in the school hall with ex-student and 2013 captain of Pittwater HS Nick Northey as special guest. Later that afternoon Year 6 were presented with their graduation certificates, Yearbooks and farewelled by the whole school with the traditional 'clap-out' tunnel.

Best wishes for the future boys and girls; you have been a tremendous year group.

## Stationery List 2015

Many parents have asked about purchasing stationery for their children's class for next year. The stationery lists are attached to this newsletter and will be on the school website. It includes the majority of items needed for years 1 – 6 2015 (Kindergarten students do not need to bring any materials). Parents may be able to buy things on sale or for Christmas!!

## Kindergarten 2015 Best Start Assessment

Letters are being posted to 2015 Kindergarten students this week. These letters will advise parents of the class grouping for 2015 and invite them to go online to book a convenient time from Wednesday 28 to Friday 30 January for their child to have their Best Start interview with the class teacher.

If you do not receive a letter before January, please contact our relieving Deputy Principal John Williams on [john.h.williams@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:john.h.williams@det.nsw.edu.au).

## Holiday Chicken Roster

Thank you to the many families who have volunteered to be chicken keepers!! We have 13 families who will be looking after our brood over the holidays. I have emailed those families with the dates and details.

## 2015 Bell Times

Next year we will be making a minor change to the bell times. From 2015 the start of lunch will be 1pm (instead of 1.10pm) and the end of lunch will be 1.50pm (instead of 2pm). This change is being made to more equitably divide up the three learning sessions of the day.

**David Scotter – Principal**

## COMING EVENTS

### 2015

#### Sat 17 Jan

Uniform Shop Open  
9 -11am

#### Wed 28 Jan

School begins for Years 1-6

Kindergarten Best Start interviews begin (3 days – Wed, Thurs, Fri)

#### Mon 2 Feb

Kindergarten students begin

#### Tues 3 Feb

Yr 3- 6 School Swim  
Carnival @ Manly

#### Term 1

Ends on Thursday 2 April

**Term 2** Tuesday 21 April - Friday 26 June

**Term 3** Tuesday 14 July - Friday 18 September

**Term 4** Tuesday 6 October - Wednesday 16 December



**The WheelerWay**

## School Banking

Please note that school banking will resume in week 3 of 2015.

### WHPS New Student

Our wonderful new sculpture, expertly designed and crafted by Mr Gorman, was officially named at last Monday's assembly.

The sculpture will be adorned with a plaque in memory of school parent Bee Gorman. The selected sculpture name was '**Justin Steel**' submitted by James Kofoed, and an honourable mention was given to Beau Van Der Kwartle. Congratulation James and Beau, and thank you Joe for such a wonderful sculpture.



### NEW GRASS A HIT!

Our new oval was opened for play this week. Whilst only a brief session this year, lunch and recess this week has proven the success of this wonderful facility. K-2 students appeared to almost disappear in the lush length of grass, 3-6 students relished the opportunity to get back onto 'their' oval, and even our wonderful office staff couldn't resist a brief roll in the grass during the Year 6 farewell dinner on Monday evening!





## CANTEEN ROSTER

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| WEEK 1 |  |   | WEDNESDAY 28 <sup>th</sup> JANUARY<br><br>No Voluneer Required                           | THURSDAY 29 <sup>th</sup><br><br><b>VACANT</b>                             | FRIDAY 30 <sup>th</sup><br><br>Kate Van Der Wall<br>0415 191 675                               |
| WEEK 2 | MONDAY 2 <sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY<br>Mel Gilmartin<br>9981 3807<br>Noelene Jenkins<br>0438 937 137 | TUESDAY 3 <sup>rd</sup><br><br>Jenni Nelson<br>0412 451 357                               | WEDNESDAY 4 <sup>th</sup><br><br><b>VACANT</b>   | THURSDAY 5 <sup>th</sup><br><br><b>VACANT</b>                              | FRIDAY 6 <sup>th</sup><br>Julie Harrison<br>0422 544 244<br><br>Debbie Sollitt<br>0421 019 881 |
| WEEK 3 | MONDAY 9 <sup>th</sup><br><br>Emma Ruttyn<br>0421 837 132  | TUESDAY 10 <sup>th</sup><br><br>Amy Keary<br>0414 542 680                                 | WEDNESDAY 11 <sup>th</sup><br><br>Katie Brown<br>0403 069 247                            | THURSDAY 12 <sup>th</sup><br><br>Peita Hilman<br>0432 956 656              | FRIDAY 13 <sup>th</sup><br>Philipa Blaxhall<br>0404 555 055<br>Mona Johnston<br>0403 324 367   |
| WEEK 4 | MONDAY 16 <sup>th</sup><br>Nicole Clark<br>0419 239 935<br>Fiona Chadwick<br>0415 214 645        | TUESDAY 17 <sup>th</sup><br>Kerrie Rattigan<br>9944 0449<br>Louise Cannell<br>0458 082175 | WEDNESDAY 18 <sup>th</sup><br>Karen Nitch<br>0402 131 416<br>Sam Wheeler<br>0416 275 979 | THURSDAY 19 <sup>th</sup><br><br>Nicole Byford<br>0403 964 700             | FRIDAY 20 <sup>th</sup><br><br>Belinda Reed<br>Jo Gaw<br>Susie Wu                              |
| WEEK 5 | MONDAY 23 <sup>rd</sup><br><br>Fiona Oldfield<br>9982 7886                                       | TUESDAY 24 <sup>th</sup><br><br><b>VACANT</b>   | WEDNESDAY 25 <sup>th</sup><br><br>Merryn McLachlan<br>0404 796 706                       | THURSDAY 26 <sup>th</sup><br><br>Penny Soegaard<br>9984 9798               | FRIDAY 27 <sup>th</sup><br>Dani Pearson<br>0422 238 695<br>Vanessa McCullum<br>0412 437 746    |
| WEEK 6 | MONDAY 2 <sup>nd</sup> MARCH<br>Mandy Spooner<br>0434 908 029<br>Kareena Carlos<br>0431 204 209  | TUESDAY 3 <sup>rd</sup><br><br>Jeanette Helyar<br>0403 823504                             | WEDNESDAY 4 <sup>th</sup><br><br>Merryn McLachlan<br>0404 796 706                        | THURSDAY 5 <sup>th</sup><br><br>Zoe Lown<br>0434 576 536<br>Kelly Sullivan | FRIDAY 6 <sup>th</sup><br>Joob Kofoed<br>0401 179 900<br>Philipa Blaxhall<br>0404 555 055      |

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## CANTEEN ROSTER

WEEK 7

MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup>

**VACANT**

TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup>

**VACANT**

WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup>

Simone Sakovits  
0417 41 516  
Susie Russell  
0404 407 535

THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup>

Marg Jacobs  
9982 1241  
Kylie Fokkens  
9971 6339

FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup>

Kate Van Der Wall  
0415 191 675  
Andrew Barker  
0412 479200

WEEK 8

MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup>

Paula O'Donnell

TUESDAY 17<sup>th</sup>

**VACANT**

WEDNESDAY 18<sup>th</sup>

Ann Crowe  
9982 6190

THURSDAY 19<sup>th</sup>

Karina Barnes  
0437 009 995  
Tara McConnell  
0459 122 072

FRIDAY 20<sup>th</sup>

Mona Johnson  
0403 324 367  
Yvette Dee  
0412 601 153

WEEK 9

MONDAY 23<sup>rd</sup>

Neeley Molinardi  
0411 537 621

TUESDAY 24<sup>th</sup>

Leanne Tester  
0405 794 251

WEDNESDAY 25<sup>th</sup>

**VACANT**

THURSDAY 26<sup>th</sup>

Peita Hilman

FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup>

Jo Gaw  
0412 673799  
Susie Wu  
0417 676310

WEEK 10

MONDAY 30<sup>th</sup>

Katie Brown

TUESDAY 31<sup>st</sup>

**VACANT**

WEDNESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> APRIL

Kim Feltscheer  
0413 451 409  
Merryn McLachlan  
0404 796 706

THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup>

**VACANT**

FRIDAY 3<sup>rd</sup>

**GOOD FRIDAY**



## YEAR ONE CLASS EQUIPMENT 2015

- HB pencils are required throughout the year. We recommend triangular grip pencils. You will need at least 2 in your pencil case at all times. Please check regularly.
- Pencil sharpener
- 2 erasers (white)
- Colouring pencils
- Textas (12)
- 2 whiteboard markers
- Scissors (not pointed)
- 128 page A4 exercise book for homework.
- 4 Blustick Glue sticks
- 1 plastic polypick wallets for a reading folder and loose worksheets. Approx 24cm x 36cm.
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 packet of wipes
- 1 small pencil case
- Art shirt
- Library Bag

All of the above MUST HAVE the child's name written on them.

Thank You

Year One Teachers



## Year 2 Class Equipment Requirements 2015

**The below stated items are all necessary for your child to be able to learn effectively. Please ensure they have all items and their names are clearly labelled on them.**

- Triangular HB pencils are required throughout the year (at least 2 at any given time)
- Pencil sharpener (no electric sharpeners)
- Eraser (white, standard size and no electric erasers)
- Colouring pencils (12 or 24) \*Textas are not required\*
- 2 whiteboard markers
- Clear plastic ruler (no wider than 3cm/no bend)
- Scissors (not pointed)
- 128 page A4 sized exercise book for homework
- 2 quality glue sticks (eg UHU or Bostik - your teacher may ask for more throughout the year)
- 2 A4 sized plastic envelopes with press stud or elastic fastener
- 2 boxes of tissues
- Pencil case with two compartments or two pencil cases (so writing needs can be kept separate from craft needs)
- 1 packet of wet wipes
- Art shirt
- Library Bag
- Headphones (in a zip lock bag with name clearly labelled)

\*Please limit the size of your pencil case – children do not need huge amounts of stationery.

\*Class workbook covers will be made at school and sent home for covering with clear contact.

**Please return all workbooks the next school day.**

*Thank you from the Year 2 Teachers ☺*



# WHEELER HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## Stage 2 classroom Requirements

Dear Parents and Students,

It's time to get equipped for 2015! We look forward to an exciting and successful year in each of our classes. Please ensure that all items are **CLEARLY LABELLED** with your child's name before they enter the classroom to prevent loss, confusion and disappointment. Some of the labelled equipment will be kept in the teacher's storeroom until needed by your child.

- ☐ 1 Box of 12 HB lead pencils (will be kept in teachers store room). **Please label** all of these individually.
- ☐ 1 x small pack of coloured pencils (12 max)
- ☐ 1 x small pack textas (12 max)
- ☐ 2 x fine black felt tip pen (0.4mm) (for art)
- ☐ 1 x thick black Artline texta pen (for art)
- ☐ 3 x whiteboard markers (blue or black)
- ☐ 1 x clean old sock (for cleaning their whiteboards)
- ☐ 3 x highlighters (different colours)
- ☐ 1 **each**: pencil eraser (white), scissors and pencil sharpener
- ☐ 1 x standard sized rule (30 cm long, 2cm wide, marked in cm and mm – preferably not bendy or metal)
- ☐ 4 x large Bostick/uhu or quality glue sticks
- ☐ 1 x ruled notebook for homework.
- ☐ 1 x large sheet coloured cardboard for an art folder
- ☐ 1 x large box tissues and 1 x large packet of wet wipes
- ☐ 1 small pencil case (**NO** tins, desktop organisers or large pencil cases).
- ☐ 1 x art shirt (an old adult short sleeved shirt is best)
- ☐ 1 x A4 plastic wallet for transporting items to and from home
- ☐ 1 x cardboard document wallet (or similar) to keep current worksheets under the desk
- ☐ 1 x dictionary (Macquarie Primary Dictionary or equivalent) NOTE: This used to be called the Macquarie Junior Dictionary
- ☐ 1 x standard audio headphones (rather than earphones) in a labeled ziplock plastic bag - for computer use)
- ☐ 1 x sturdy library bag
- ☐ 1 x Raincoat – not an umbrella!

Please be aware that some of these supplies will be lost, damaged or will simply run out and will need to be replaced (especially pencils and glue sticks). Please check with your child periodically during the year.

Regards,

Stage 2 Teachers





## WHEELER HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

### YEAR 5 GRADE REQUIREMENTS

Dear Year 5 Parents,

The following is a list of equipment Year 5 students will need for use at school in 2015.

- 2 Blue biros with grips
- 1 Black fine point pen
- 1 Red biro or fine point pen
- Thick Black permanent marker
- White board markers (set of 4 different colours)
- 30 cm wooden ruler
- 2HB lead pencils
- 1X 120 page A4 size exercise book for homework- no holes or metal spirals ( covered in contact of choice )
- 1 student dictionary (Macquarie or similar with word origins)
- 1 Display Folder
- 2 Plastic pocket/envelope folders
- 1 metal compass
- 1 plastic Taurus protractor
- Glue stick
- Pair of scissors
- Library Bag
- 2 Highlighters (different colours)
- 1 Box of tissues
- USB thumb drive (minimum 2GB)
- 1 eraser
- Set of coloured pencils (Max 12)
- Set of coloured textas (Max 12)
- Medium sized pencil case to hold above items

Please ensure all items are labelled with student's name and class before they enter the classroom!!!

Workbooks will be sent home in the first few weeks of the year and it would be greatly appreciated if they could be covered in clear contact.

Thank you for your assistance,

Grade 5 teachers





# WHEELER HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

## YEAR 6 REQUIREMENT LIST 2015

Dear Parents,

The following is a list of classroom equipment Year 6 students will need for use in 2015.

- Small pencil case for desk ( large ones can be used for storage in totes)
- 2 blue biros
- 2 red biros
- 2 HB pencils
- Eraser
- Ruler - plastic or wooden marked in mm and cm (not metal or flexi)
- Scissors
- Gluestick
- Homework book A4 128 page (no spiral back)
- Coloured pencils
- Protractor and small ruler for geometry lessons (no compass)
- 2 highlighter pens
- Black outliner pen (thin)
- Box of tissues
- Soap pump
- Baby wipes
- Pencil sharpener

PLEASE LABEL ALL EQUIPMENT if possible BUT we will take time to name pencils/pens on first day.

Thank you for your support.

Y6 teachers