

The Wheeler Word



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Term 4 Wk 3

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Acknowledgement of Country

Before we begin we would like to acknowledge the Gai-mariagal and Garigal people for being the caretakers of this land. They are the traditional custodians of the land our school stands on today. Their connection to this land is valuable and we must respect that. Thank you to the Elders of the past, present and future for taking care of this beautiful land.

CJ W – Year 6

Congratulations to Julia and David Smith on the birth of their second child Harvey May, a sister for Parker.

School Disco

What a wonderful night last week. Nearly 400 children danced the night away. DJ Andy was very impressed with the incredible behaviour of the children. Well done to the fabulous P&C fundraising team & the many, many parent helpers.



Year 2 Swim Scheme

Year 2 are enjoying the swim scheme at Manly Pool this week and next. Mrs Wright visited the students and teachers at the pool yesterday and was very impressed with the behaviour and application of our students. Special thanks to the Year 2 teachers Miss Earl, Miss Wilson & Mr Jeffery.

Kindy Transition Mornings

We had a very successful Transition morning last Friday. Our new Kindy students settled in very well with our Year 5 buddies helping. Thanks to Kindy parent Kristin Anstiss who spoke from a Kindy parent's point of view, and the wonderful students who modelled the school uniform with Julie Harrison providing the commentary.

Wheeler Woodstock

The sixth annual Wheeler Woodstock was held last Sunday. Jazz Bands from Collaroy Plateau, Harbord, Mona Vale & Wheeler Hts attended with renowned performers John Morrison, James Greening and Geoff Power. Special thanks to chief organiser Anthony MacDermott, band director Shauna Tyson and Kate Cura and the many band parent committee helpers. The highlight of the day was once again the incredibly creative & innovative performance by the combined band members from the four schools. Special thanks also to former student Aleta Wassell who sang beautifully!

Year 5 Leadership

Good luck to the Year 5 students who are currently preparing speeches for the upcoming leadership elections.

End of Year Dates

Please be sure to read the school calendar on the right hand side of the newsletter, each week. Some dates have been confirmed or amended for important end of year activities.

*David Scotter
Principal*

2019 DATES

Mon 28 Oct - Fri 8 Nov Yr 2 Special Swim Scheme @ Manly Pool

Fri 1 Nov Kindy O morning 9.30am PSSA

Thurs 7 Nov Stage 2 Public Speaking finals

Fri 8 Nov Kindy O morning 9.30am PSSA

Sat 9 Nov P&C TRIVIA night

Mon 11 Nov Remembrance Day Assembly at 10.50am

Thurs 14 Nov Stage 2 Public Speaking finals
Band Musicale TBC

Fri 15 Nov PSSA TBC

Mon 18 Nov P&C meeting 7pm

Thurs 21 Nov Yr 5 Surf Skills
Helpers Breakfast 8.15-9am

Fri 22 Nov PSSA TBC
Schools Spectacular

Thurs 28 Nov Yr 6 Wheeler Wonderland

Mon 2 – Wed 4 Dec Yr 4 to Milson Island

Wed 4 Dec Yr 2 Drama

Fri 6 Dec Sports Presentation

Mon 9 Dec Kindy Drama TBC
Band Concert TBC

Tues 10 Dec Carol Night TBC

Wed 11 Dec Yr 1 Drama

Thurs 12 Dec Yrs 3-6 Pres. Day 9.30am

Fri 13 Dec K-2 Pres. Day 9.30am

Mon 16 Dec Yr 6 Farewell Dinner
Yrs 3 & 4 Picnics

Tues 17 Dec Yrs 5 & 6 Picnics

Wed 18 Dec Yr 6 Graduation & clap out.
Last Day of Term 4

2020 dates

Tues 28 Jan Staff return

Wed 29 Jan Years 1-6 return

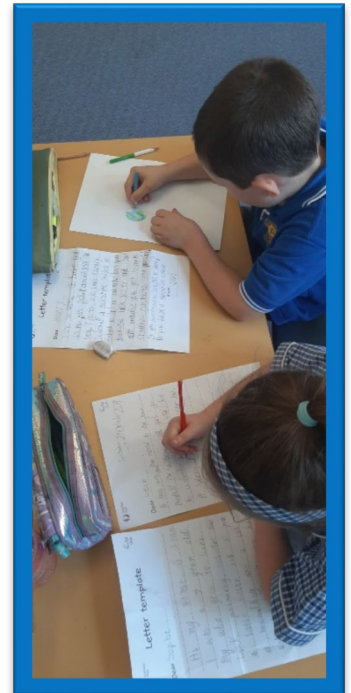
Wed – Fri 29-31 Jan Kindy Best Start meetings

Tues 4 Feb Kindy start school

Mrs Wright's Wrap Up

Perfectly planned, polished and presented Pen Pal partners

When did you last receive a hand written letter in the post? Do you remember how special you felt when you opened it? Do you remember that awesome feeling knowing someone had spent time carefully writing a letter, just for you? Well... our lovely 1R students have experienced that feeling this week. Ms Rolfe signed them up for the Australia Post Pen Pal Club this year and they received their letters from Lara Lakes Primary School, which is in a small suburb 40 minutes from Melbourne. The students who had written the letters are also in Year 1 and aged 6-7. The smiling faces I experienced when I visited 1R were heart-warming. The students showed me their special letters, and read parts out to me. Some also had beautiful artworks to go with them. The letters described the lives of the children from Lara Lakes and explained what it is like to go to school in their town. Our students loved hearing the stories of students their own age from another part of the country. They each then started work planning their responses and are very excited to share stories of their own lives with their friends down south. Ms Rolfe is planning to send these letters off later this week. I'd like to thank Ms Rolfe for making this lovely and educational opportunity available to her students.



Magnificent and majestic modelling

Look out Paris and Milan, there is a new fashion capital of the world – Wheeler Heights Public School! A number of our students assisted the P&C in showcasing our fantastic uniforms to the incoming Kindy parents at our first Kindy Orientation morning last Friday. They walked the runway and showed the varied options we have for summer, winter and sports uniforms. The parade is always a highlight at these events and the students did a terrific job again this year. Thank you to Julie H and the P&C team for coordinating it all so professionally!



Collaborative construction by our clever creative thinkers

Well haven't our critical and creative thinking lessons been working wonders? Look at the amazing fairy garden that is coming together on the K-2 playground! The first photo is how it looked a week ago and this is how it looks now! Mrs Hammond discovered this creative collaboration and was so impressed she called me to have a look! We are very proud of our clever students!



Mrs Priscilla Wright
Assistant Principal
Instructional Leader



SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

A very big congratulations to Monique W (6A) for being our sustainability star for the month of October. Monique is a real role model to her peers as she is always working hard around the school to assist with the bins, recycling, composting and teaching others what to do! She has also recently been involved in a council campaign to promote reusing and recycling! You can view the video at <https://saveourrecycling.com.au/>. We are all so extremely proud of you, Monique! Keep up the great job!

In other news, our veggie patch is growing bigger and better with thanks to many donations to the school! We wish to thank all the families, students and staff who have brought in seedlings. You are helping to transform our small patch into a wonderful thriving one! Keep an eye out for more growth!

Mrs Alexander
Sustainability and Eco Coordinator



DANCE PROGRAM

Children across Years 2-5, who were interested, have completed the auditions for the new dance season. Children were notified earlier this week if they were successful in gaining a place within a group. Permission notes and behaviour contracts were handed out and need to be returned as soon as possible.

Rehearsals will begin in Week 5. Please be prompt for all rehearsal times.
Junior Dance Group (Yr 2 and 3) – Friday mornings 8-9am in the hall
Senior Dance Group (Yr 4 and 5) – Wednesday mornings 8-9am in the hall

We are delighted to have Miss Rebecca De Battista as the dance teacher for both groups until Mrs Tahlia Lupton returns from maternity leave.

We look forward to another wonderful and successful dance season!

Sarah Higgs and Belinda Alexander
Dance Coordinators

SPORTS UPDATE

Summer PSSA

Unfortunately, due to the extreme heat PSSA was cancelled last week.

Week 3 Games – Friday 1 November: Wheeler Heights v Collaroy Plateau

- Boys Cricket – Plateau Park
- Girls Cricket – Narrabeen Reserve (Rat Park)
- Eagle Tag – Narrabeen Sports High School
- Softball – Narrabeen Reserve (Rat Park 3)
- T-Ball – Narrabeen Reserve (Rat Park 4)

Please ensure you have downloaded the Pittwater Team App and the Flexischools App, so you can keep up to date with all information related to PSSA, carnivals and gala days (all draws, calendars and results are posted and updated regularly).



Yours in Sport
Sam James

CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN ROSTER 2019	
TERM 4 2019	CLASS VOLUNTEER
WEEK 3	KT and 1R
WEEK 4	KS and 2J
WEEK 5	2W and 1/2E
WEEK 6	KH and 5M
WEEK 7	3/4Y and 3B
WEEK 8	3S and 4J
WEEK 9	5S and 4R
WEEK 10	5/6T (no year 6) and 1G

Wheeler Heights Weekly Canteen Summer Menu

NEW ITEMS!



DAILY SPECIALS

Monday

Sushi	\$3.50
Mac & Cheese NEW	\$4.00

Tuesday

Butter Chicken NEW from 5/11/19	\$4.50
Sausage Roll	\$4.00

Wednesday

Pasta Bolognese	\$4.00
Sushi	\$3.50

Thursday

Cheese Burger	\$4.50
Ramen Noodle Salad NEW	\$4.50

Friday

Sushi	\$3.50
Sausage Roll	\$3.80

RECESS AND LUNCH COUNTER ITEMS

Hard boiled organic egg	\$0.50
Fresh banana bread slice NEW	\$2.50
Seasonal fresh fruit	\$1.00
Garlic bread	\$1.00
Cheese melt	\$1.00
Cheese & vegemite scroll	\$1.00
Ham & cheese scroll	\$1.50
Fresh fruit cup	\$1.00
Pretzel NEW	\$1.50
Chips & Salsa	\$2.00
Popcorn	\$1.00
Orange quarter	\$0.20
Fresh pineapple slice	\$0.50
Homemade icy pole	\$0.50
Smoozes	\$1.00
Twisted Frozen Yoghurt	\$2.00
Organic Milk	\$2.00
Juice Bomb	\$2.00
Raw C Coconut Milk NEW	\$3.00

Please visit [flexischools](http://www.flexischools.com.au) for descriptions and more options at www.flexischools.com.au

Everything is homemade and made with hidden veggies when possible, see complete menu for ingredients.

For any questions email us at whpscanteen@gmail.com to volunteer please click <http://signup.com/go/NsULEeM>



'Get your Glow on' Disco!

We would like to thank all our amazing volunteers who helped to make last week's 'Get your Glow On' disco a success! We had such a positive response to the event and it couldn't have run as smoothly as it did without the help of the following parents - we hope your kids had a great time!

Thanks to Cath Littlejohn, Carly Halsall, Toni Muir, Darlean Williams, Erin Garcia, Alexis Inns, Jo Mathews, Danielle Stott, Emma Lonsdale, Catherine Jones, Leanne Patrick, Denae Melrose, Alana Shepherd, Melissa Bemrose, Simone Sakovits, Kate van de Wall, Megan Ling, Claudia Domrose, Michele Freebairn, Pernille Jensen, Belinda Reed, Cathie Butler, Susie Paul, Julie Harrison, Andrew Ward and Eilsa Winslett.

'It'll be All White on the Night' Trivia Night - Saturday 9 November - doors open 6.30pm – trivia starts 7pm!

We hope everyone is looking forward to our annual trivia night next Saturday! We're so excited that our tickets have officially sold out! If you didn't get a chance to get your ticket, or know of someone who would like to attend, please email us at whps.fundraising@gmail.com so we can look to work something out. We don't want anyone to miss it!

Keep an eye out on our school Facebook page for all the amazing sponsors & prizes up for grabs and for details around food and logistics for the event. Please also don't forget to bring coins, notes and your debit/credit cards as we will have an eftpos machine on the evening. As always, please email us if you have any questions!

"We would like to acknowledge and thank the following businesses for their generous support as table sponsors for our upcoming Trivia Night fundraiser"

