

The Wheeler Word

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Term 2 Wk 1

Thursday 2 May 2019

Welcome back to everyone and a Wonderful Wheeler Way Welcome to our new students Lucy and Angus L. We are very excited to have you here! We are ridiculously excited about the term ahead and yet again there is so much happening at Wheeler!

ANZAC Day Assembly

All students K-6 will participate in an ANZAC Day assembly this afternoon. Students have been discussing this important date in their classes and learning about the significance of commemorating Australian service men and women and acknowledging the sacrifices they have made. Lest we forget.

Staffing News

Mr Scotter will be away for the rest of this week and returns from his holiday early next week. We are all looking forward to his return and I know many of the children have missed seeing him at the gate in the afternoon!

This term, we have two **Pre-service teachers** working in our school. Mrs Erin Meredith is completing her internship with Ms Earl and 1/2E and Miss Isabella Schirato is working with Miss Thompson and KT over the next four weeks. We are lucky to have both of them and hope they enjoy their time with us.

Toilet Art

We would like to send a massive thank you to Kate (Charlie M's mum), for her wonderful artwork on the boys' toilet doors. Kate and her children worked over many days during the holidays to complete these works and they look absolutely incredible. Susie (mum of Charlie, Honor and Olivia P) will be completing artworks for the girls' toilets later in the year. We are so fortunate to have such talented and artistic parents within our community and we thank these ladies for their contributions.



Rotary Raffle – Thank you to our amazing community

Thank you to each and every student and family who sold tickets in our Rotary Raffle. This is a big fundraiser for our school and we appreciate everyone committing to the selling process. Of course we are still ecstatic about the fact that one of our families won the car this year! Again, congratulations to the Tierney family, we hope you are enjoying your new wheels. Some of our students went above and beyond in their selling of books and these students will be receiving prizes as a thank you from us all.

Oliver D in 1R sold an absolutely incredible 22 books!!!

Callum H in 6J – 7 books

Violet P in KT – 8 books

Leo P in 2J – 8 books and

Jasper S in KS – 6 books

On his return next week Mr Scotter will be contacting these students and their families to organise prizes. Similarly we have class awards for the highest ticket selling classes and this year these go to...

1R for K-2 and 3B for 3-6

These classes will be having a party with Mr Scotter later in the term. Thank you and congratulations to all our ticket selling award winners.

Artificial Grass

New areas of artificial grass have been installed at our school and they look terrific. The Year 6 tiered area adjacent to the oval and the area next to the hall have been greatly improved. Have a look if you get a chance as you'll notice a marked difference. Thank you again to our very generous P&C who have contributed substantially to this school project.



2019 DATES

TERM 2

Friday 3 May School Cross Country Carnival Yrs 3-6 and Yr 2 (if 8 yrs old)

Sat & Sun 4&5 May School Band Jam

Wed 8 May 7-8pm Hall Fears & Worries in Children Talk for parents

Fri 10 May Mothers' Day Breakfast PSSA Rd 1

Mon 13 May
Special Dance auditions
P&C Meeting 7pm

Tues 14 May – Thurs 16 May
NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5

Thurs 16 May Kindy excursion
Botanical Gardens

Fri 17 May PSSA Rd 2

Tues 21 May School Tour 9.45am

Wed 22 May Maths Olympiad No.1

Thurs 23 May School Photos

Sat 25 May Dance @ Pittwater House

Sun 2 June Dance @ Abbotsleigh

Wed 5 June District Cross Country

Thurs 6 June PSSA & Special Group Photos

Mon 10 June Public Holiday

Wed & Thurs 12&13 June Yrs 1&2
Excursion - Vaucluse House

Thurs 20 June
Yrs 3&4 Excursion – The Rocks
PCS NAIDOC Art Exhibition @
Warriewood Square

Fri 21 June Syd Nth Cross Country

Mon 1 July – Wed 3 July Yr 5 Camp

Wed 3 July – Fri 5 July Yr 6 Camp

Fri 5 Jul Last day of Term 2

TERM 3

Tues 23 July – Fri 27 Sept

Mon 5 Aug PCS Music Festival @
Pittwater HS

Tues 6 Aug Yr 3-6 Athletics Carnival
@ Narrabeen

Thurs 15 Aug Colour Run

Mon 2 Sept Pittwater Athletics
Carnival

Fri 27 Sept Last day of Term 3

TERM 4

Mon 14 Oct – Wed 18 Dec

Band Jam

Mrs Smith and Miss Thompson are excited to be visiting our students at the Band Jam performance this weekend. We know the students are extremely excited to participate in this initiative involving tutored workshops, prior to presenting a performance. Our band program is incredible and we thank the Band Committee, parents, teachers and tutors for providing this invaluable opportunity for our students.

NAPLAN 2019

This year NAPLAN is being completed online (with the exception of Year 3 Writing) and will take place for students in Years 3 and 5 during Weeks 3 and 4 this term. An information sheet for parents will be emailed shortly to families with students in Years 3 and 5. Please remember to not stress or worry about this process as these assessments are a snapshot on one particular day. Children should not be defined by one particular assessment. Every child is unique and has differing abilities and strengths to their peers. As a school we use NAPLAN data to ensure we are providing high quality learning experiences for all students and that every child is provided with opportunities to achieve adequate growth in the areas of literacy and numeracy.

Year 4 2020 OC (Opportunity Class) Applications

Applications for the Year 5 OC classes opened on 30 April and close on Friday 17 May 2019. Please note that all applications must be made online. Details of this process have been emailed to all Year 4 parents and copies of the form are available at the front office.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2020

The next tour is scheduled for Tuesday 21 May. All Kindergarten dates and details are on the school website. Please be sure to mention this date to your friends and neighbours.

Anxiety Talk – Wed 8 May 7pm

As advised last term, Dr Jennie Hudson will be coming to talk to us about 'Understanding fears and worries in children'. Please see the detailed note later in the newsletter. We are also inviting parents from Cromer and Collaroy Plateau Public Schools to attend. We have not received many RSVPs at this stage so please be sure to RSVP to the school office as soon as possible if you would like to attend.

Reminder - Safety before school

It has always been the rule that big balls are not allowed before school as many parents, siblings and babies are often in the playground area and may be endangered. Only small hand balls are permitted before school.

Cromer High School

If you will be attending Cromer HS in 2020 you may be interested in the dedicated Creative Arts (CAPA) Enrichment Program. Copies of the application forms are available at the front office.

Cross Country Carnival

Good luck to students competing in the Cross Country Carnival tomorrow. I'm sure the training they've completed at school will prove beneficial to them during their races.

Priscilla Wright
Relieving Principal

FROM THE OFFICE

Book club orders are due by Thursday 23 May

Change of Details

If any personal details have changed please inform the school office by email
wheelerhts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Address

Phone No.

Change in family relationship

Medical conditions

Include your child's name and class.

Thank you

Jodie Sly

School Administration Manager

Mrs Wright's Wrap Up

Staff Development Day

On Monday, our teaching staff were fortunate to attend a professional learning experience at the Quarantine Station in Manly. This provided us with opportunities to develop a deeper understanding of our local history and explore ways to incorporate this local resource into units of work across all areas of the curriculum. Having time to work together and discuss ideas means we will be able to incorporate the Quarantine Station and the history behind it into learning experiences across all the stages and possibly provide excursion opportunities in the future. A highlight of the day was being taught by one of our Wheeler community members. Timmy K's mum, Susie, was one of our instructors and her knowledge of the Quarantine Station and surrounding areas was impressive, to say the least. Thank you to Susie and the team at the Q Station for having us and providing us with such a valuable and rewarding experience. Also, thank you to Mrs Julia Smith for organising and coordinating the day.



SCHOOL PHOTOS

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON: THURSDAY 23 MAY

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by advancedlife Photography.

Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at www.advancedlife.com.au using our school's unique 9 digit advanced order code **VV6 AZM K8X**. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed **no later than the day before photography day**. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please direct them via email to enquiries@advancedlife.com.au



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Mrs Priscilla Wright
Assistant Principal
Instructional Leader

SRC NEWS



Week 2 Adopt a Farmer Mufti Day

Next Wednesday on 8 May, there is going to be a national "Adopt a Farmer" Day at public schools.

Our school held a mufti day in Term 4 last year to help farmers "Buy a Bale" to feed their livestock. Unfortunately the majority of farming communities across Australia are still suffering with crippling drought. As a result, we will also participate in the "Adopt a Farmer" Day next Wednesday.

Students are asked to dress as a farmer and bring a gold coin to donate. The money will go to Rural Aid who will supply farmers with a \$100 gift card which they can spend in their local community. As a result, the donation will help both the farmer and their local business community.

Thank you in advance for your support of this very worthy cause.

Miss Earl
SRC Coordinator

UPCOMING PARENT PRESENTATIONS

Understanding fears and worries in children



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Professor Jennie Hudson is the Director of the Centre for Emotional Health within the Department of Psychology, Macquarie University. Jennie's research focuses on understanding the factors that contribute to children's emotional health and working to improve the services available to children experiencing anxiety and other emotional disorders. She is an author of the internationally renowned Cool Kids program, an evidence-based program for managing anxiety problems in children & young people.

Jennie's presentation will provide parents with information on anxiety problems in primary school aged children. She will discuss how to know if your child's fears and worries are normal, when to seek help, and what strategies you can put in place to set them on the right track.

Date: Wednesday 8 May
Time: 7pm - 8pm
Location: WHPS School Hall
Cost : FREE



Please RSVP by phone or email to wheelerhts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au ASAP. Phone 9971 8352

Mrs Kathy Westwood
Learning and Support Teacher



CATHOLIC SRE TEACHER NEEDED FOR YEAR 2 - Wednesdays 2.30-3pm

Please consider joining the group of generous people who teach SRE, so these children do not miss out on learning about their faith. Teaching manuals, training and support are provided. Parents or grandparents who have 30 minutes to spare before pick up and are interested in finding out more, please contact the Lakes Parish Office in 9982 1058.

SPORTS UPDATE

Welcome back to an exciting term in sport. There will be many opportunities for students to be active and get involved in fun sporting activities, starting with the Cross Country this Friday. I wish everyone the best of luck for Friday and hope that they have a great day. There will be more exciting times this term, with several teams playing in Knockout competitions (netball, basketball and soccer). In addition, all students and staff will be participating in the Premiers Sporting Challenge later this term. More information will follow in regards to these events in the coming weeks.

Autumn/Winter PSSA:

The PSSA competition starts next Friday 10 May. Most teams have started training and coaches are very excited about the season ahead. Please ensure that all notes and behaviour contracts have been returned to school before the first game. **Payments are due by Round 2, Friday 17 May.**



ROUND 1 ~ FRIDAY 10 MAY ~ WHPS V. NARRABEEN NORTH

Team	Coach	Training	Game
Netball	Mrs Young (Snr) Miss Smithies (Jnr)	Snr: Wednesday @ lunch Jnr: Thursday @ lunch	NBISC (A+B) Boondah (C)
Soccer	Mr James (Boys) Mr Jefferies (Girls)	Boys: Friday @ Snr 8-8.30, Jnr 8.30-9am Girls: Thursday @ Snr 8-8.30, Jnr 8.30-9am	NNPS
Rugby League	Mr Jones	Wednesday @ Snr 8-8.30, Jnr 8.30-9am	Narrabeen 4
AFL	Mrs Wright	Wednesday @ Snr 8-8.30, Jnr 8.30-9am	Narrabeen 6

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



PITTWATER ZONE TRIALS:

PSSA Zone trials are for students in Years 5 and 6 who excel in a particular sport. They must have several years of club/representative experience. We are only allowed to send 2-3 students for each sport. Successful students must be able to commit to training and future trial sessions.

Date	Sport	Location	Time	Cost	Nomination Deadline
13 May 2019	Girls Softball	Newport Oval	From 2pm	Nil	8 May 2019
20 May 2019	Boys Softball	Newport Oval	From 2pm	Nil	8 May 2019

Please email the school if your child is interested in trialling for Pittwater Zone teams. Please remember that these trials are very competitive and of a very high standard. You will need to include details of your child's ability (years' experience and representative teams). Notes will be sent home to students selected to trial.

Yours in Sport
Nadine Young
Sports Coordinator

P&C NOTICES

P&C NEWS

Welcome back for Term 2!

Please note the next P&C meeting has been moved to **Monday 13 May, 7pm** in the staffroom. Please come along.

We will be discussing the upcoming P&C BBQ on Election Day. We would love to host one for our local voters but this requires many hands to help out. We understand the commitments of weekend sport but without more helpers we cannot host the BBQ and therefore raise valuable money that we can put back into our school. Please come along to the meeting or let me know if you can volunteer on Saturday 18 May. Email is below.

Please see the following message from our Treasurer.

The WHPS P&C Committee are looking for a parent with skills in MYOB Essentials to assist in reviewing the current accounting setup for the P&C across the Canteen, uniform shop and band and provide recommendations to ensure that we are operating in an efficient manner. If you are interested please contact Paul Hardy on 0448 259 957

Regards
Natalie Cook
P&C President
whps.committee@gmail.com



P&C FUNDRAISING EVENTS CALENDAR

Events	Class Helper	Dates
Mothers' Day Breakfast	Year 3	Friday 10 May
Fathers' Day Breakfast	Year 1	Friday 30 August
Colour Run	Year 5	Thursday 15 August
School Disco	Kindy	Thursday 24 October
Trivia Night	Year 2 & 4	Saturday 9 November

Mother's Day Breakfast - Friday 10 May - 7am till 9am

Don't forget to pre-book a time to come and have a lovely breakfast with your Child / Children. We are staggering booking times to help with catering and reduce queue times. **Pre-bookings Close 5pm Tuesday 7 May - Don't Miss Out!**

We will have a coffee van and some delicious scones, pastries and fruit to support your morning along with a photo wall to capture the day. You will also go into the running to win a fabulous prize kindly donated by our school supporter, Hampsons Homewares.



Don't forget this is a fundraiser so come and support the school and make some memories with your kids.

Any questions? Email whps.fundraising@gmail.com



COME AND JOIN US

Mother's Day Breakfast

FRIDAY MAY 10 | 7-9 AM
SCHOOL HALL

(Staggered bookings to avoid queues)

BREAKFAST & GIFTS

We will be serving a delicious selection of refreshments, scones, pastries & fruit platters and there will be an onsite barista serving fresh coffee to all our adult guests (GF options available online)

BOOKINGS

Please book on Flexischools. Tickets and gifts will be available within the next 7 days. We will send out a reminder email when they are available.

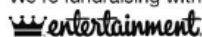
Parent & First child + gift
\$12.00 on Flexischools
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Gift only \$7.00 per child
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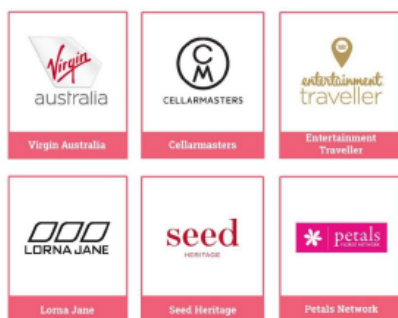
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CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN ROSTER 2019		
TERM 2 2019		CLASS VOLUNTEER
WEEK 1	20/04 – 03/05	6J
WEEK 2	06/05 – 10/05	1M & 1R
WEEK 3	13/05 – 17/05	1/2E & 2J
WEEK 4	20/05 – 24/05	KH & KS
WEEK 5	27/05 – 31/05	KT & 1G
WEEK 6	03/06 – 07/06	5/6T
WEEK 7	10/06 – 14/06	2W & 3B
WEEK 8	17/06 – 21/06	3S & 3/4Y
WEEK 9	24/06 – 28/06	4J & 4R
WEEK 10	01/07 – 05/07	5M & 5S
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		RETURN 23 JULY

Please email Belinda Lind, at bellelind@live.com.au, the canteen convenor, the Friday before your class is scheduled. If you're unable to volunteer the week you've been given please sign up at signup.com or pop into the canteen to pick a time. Thank you

COMMUNITY NEWS

CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Wheeler Heights Public School is held on Tuesdays 3.20-4.20pm, started on 30 April 2019.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment.


Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games. Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, email enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au or contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

Why Chess?

- Create Brighter Thinkers
- Improve Student Focus
- Achieve Academic Success

Combines learning with fun!



Educational Benefits:

- Improves concentration and focus
- Develops logical thinking and problem solving skills
- Enhances memory
- Encourages creative and lateral thinking
- Promotes discipline
- Accelerates emotional development
- Expands visualisation and spatial awareness
- Demonstrates actions and consequences
- Rewards correct decision making
- Increases self-confidence
- Provides opportunities to make new friends from diverse backgrounds

Wheeler Heights Public School Chess Classes, 2019 Tuesdays 3:20PM - 4:20PM

Term 1	Cost: \$100	5th Feb - 9th Apr
Term 2	Cost: \$100	30th Apr - 2nd Jul
Term 3	Cost: \$100	23rd Jul - 24th Sep
Term 4	Cost: \$90	15th Oct - 10th Dec

To enrol please pay online with your credit card at

www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment

Enter the code **D445D6FRWI** and fill in the electronic form, with your child's details.

**Fees are due on the first day of term. A late fee of \$10 will be applied if payment is not received within 4 weeks of the start of the term. No refunds or credits for missed lessons during the term and trial lessons must be paid for. For pro-rata fees (ie. starting part way during the term) please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on 9745 1170.*

OPTIONAL EXTRAS (prices include delivery)		
To enhance your child's learning experience these items are available for purchase online at the time of enrolment		
Workbook 1 – Cost: \$30 [For Beginner/Rookie Players]	Workbook 2 – Cost: \$30 [For Intermediate Players]	Workbook 1 & 2 – Cost: \$45 [SPECIAL OFFER]
Exploration in Chess Beauty – Cost: \$41 [For Advanced Players]	Chess Set & Roll-up Board – Cost: \$33 [Recommended for All Ages]	Chess Clock – Cost: \$76 [Recommended for All Ages]

Pay for four terms in advance and receive a **free chess set or workbook 2** valued at up to \$33. Offer expires 31st March, 2019.



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Could your child's resilience do with a top-up?

Book them into one of our fun, play-based, Term 2 after school workshops!

Wheeler Heights Primary School

Tuesdays | K-3 | 3.30 - 4.30

We will meet your child when the bell goes and supervise them until 3.30. We can also pick up from and drop off at after school care

Your \$292.50 investment includes 9 1-hour workshops, a 1-hour parent briefing and resources and support through the term

Book them into one of our 1-day April school holiday camps!

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www.resilienceinkids.com.au

hello@resilienceinkids.com.au

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RESILIENCE IN KIDS



Get Lost Mr Scary



The
Cottage
Counselling Centre

Is your child:

- In Kindergarten to Year 2?
- Seem more anxious than their peers?
- Worry so much that it gets in the way of them having fun?
- Have any specific phobias?
(eg. scared of the dark, or social situations)

Get Lost Mr Scary is an early intervention anxiety program for children in Kindergarten to Year 2.

It is a play-based, experiential group program that utilises Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) techniques.

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Facilitators:
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Costs:
Group Program \$670 (rebates available)
Initial Assessment \$170 (rebates available)

TO REGISTER, PLEASE CALL 9997 6246
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Wildflower ART & GARDEN Festival 2019

SCULPTURE WALK CALL FOR ENTRIES!

\$5,000 in prizes!

Create a masterpiece for our Sculpture Walk

Artists from across NSW are invited to submit works for the St Ives Wildflower Art and Garden Festival's annual Sculpture Walk competition, held on Sunday August 25.

Sculptures should showcase the uniqueness of the Australian bush landscape and utilise sustainable materials.


Entries close Monday 15 July

 kmc.nsw.gov.au/wildflowerfestival

