The Wheeler Word



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Term 1 Week 5

Thursday 25 Feb 2021

Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land our school sits on. I feel happy when I'm at school so I thank them for looking after the land. Harry A – Year 2

Community Spirit

Thank you so much to everyone who completed the parent survey. We had almost 70 responses which was excellent. It was really exciting to see that both our parent community and our teachers' visions for the students and our school were so closely aligned. The results from both the parent and teacher surveys will be used in the development of our vision statement which will be shared with the community in the near future.

It was clear from the responses that community was very much valued and at Wheeler Heights we look for ways to engage our school community and our wider community. On Tuesday I met with Glen from the Manly Warringah Sea Eagles. Glen runs a program supporting young players to find employment within the local community. I have worked with Glen for a number of years supporting the program by training some of the players to become SLSOs (Student Learning Support Officers). These young men have gone on to be placed in schools including: Anzac Park, Arranoubai and Mona Vale PS. Josh is one of the Sea Eagles' brightest new stars and we will be working with Josh to assist him through the process and provide him with some work experience and hopefully seeing him working at Wheeler Heights on a few days!



2021 DATES

Tues 2 Mar Paul Kelly Cup AFL Gala Day

Fri 5 Mar WHPS Clean-Up event Summer PSSA starts

Tues 9 Mar Zone Swimming Carnival

Mon 15 Mar Syd Nth Swimming Carnival

Wed 17 Mar Harmony Day Celebration

Thurs 18 March Yr 7 2022 PCS Extension Test

Thurs 25 March Student Leaders to Halogen Young Leaders conference

Thurs 1 April Last Day of Term 1

Term 2 Tues 20 April - Fri 25 Jun

Term 3 Tues 13 July - Fri 17 Sept

Term 4 Tues 5 Oct - Thurs 16 Dec

There was another example of community spirit this week with one of our parents finding a large sum of money outside the school gates at pick up time. She brought it straight to the office to hand in and we were delighted to be able to get it back to the owner.

Safety First

Your children's safety is our number 1 priority. A few weeks ago, in the newsletter I requested that once parents have picked up students at the end of the day, they leave the gate areas as soon as possible so we can ensure that all students have been collected. Unfortunately, this does not seem to be happening. In addition, we have large numbers of parents and siblings congregating in the driveway to the school with some of the younger children pressing the intercom. What might seem funny and cute is actually disruptive to our office staff. Can we please remind parents that the entrance to the school is a driveway and nobody should be waiting to pick up children in this area. Another concern that we have witnessed, is that in the morning students are running down the path on the opposite side of the Veteran's Parade entrance and then racing straight on to the crossing. Very disturbingly this morning I have had a member of our community contact the school to say that they saw two Wheeler Heights students walking in the middle of the road, they moved out of the way to let the car pass and then moved back to the middle. This is incredibly dangerous behaviour and we ask that you please speak to your children about the importance of road safety and ensure they are doing the safe thing.

The safety of children is the responsibility of everyone and we thank you for your cooperation and assistance with this.

School Leaders

This week I was fortunate to be able to spend some time working with our school captains and prefects. Together we are undertaking an inquiry into leadership. Our first session focussed on brainstorming what leadership meant to them and coming up with 'wonderings' (questions) that will be used to guide our inquiry journey.







Young Poets

One of the added benefits of doing 'Birthday Visits' is that I get to see some of the wonderful work that our students are engaged in. Check out these 'senses poems' written by some of our talented Year 1 poets on the topic of 'The Beach'.

If feels like slimy rocks It sounds like surf boards skimming It tastes like fish and chips It looks like people having fun It smells like ocean mist. Georgia



It feels like smooth sand It sounds like birds It tastes like milk shakes It looks like rock pools It smells like wet towels. Chloe

It feels like calm water It sounds like birds It tastes like fish and chips It looks like warm sun It smells like salt. Jacob

Simone Rizzuto Principal

LOVE CHALLENGES, BE INTRIGUED BY MISTAKES, ENJOY EFFORT AND KEEP ON LEARNING. CAROL DWECK

FROM THE OFFICE

How to make a payment using the school website - PARENT ONLINE PORTAL (POP)

Statement of Accounts will be distributed later in the term – if you need to make a payment to the school prior to this e.g. PSSA, please use the online portal from the school website.

This is an online payment to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the school's website

https://wheelerhts-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/

by selecting Make a payment located at the top of the page.

All items can be paid through this system including voluntary school contributions, excursions, incursions and creative and practical arts activities (these include drama and dance). There is also a category called 'Other' this is to cover items not covered in the previous headings.

When you access the Make a payment tab you must enter:

the students name, and class

OR

the students name, and date of birth

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Ref number, these are not required, please leave blank.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed by you.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child's account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

Jodie Sly School Administration Manager

Mrs Wright's Wrap Up

Sensational and super swimmers and soakers

What a busy day it was last Thursday. Our students in Years 3-6 (and some Year 2 swimmers) participated in the annual Swimming Carnival and K-2 had their wonderful Water Fun Day. Everyone had an absolutely amazing time.

At the carnival we were super proud of our students as everyone was having a go, no matter their swimming ability. There was a lot of house pride on display (as you can see below). Each person who swam in a race helped their house collect points throughout the day. It was also wonderful to see students supporting each other and revelling in the success of others. There were some incredible races and very quick times recorded. You can see a full report in the Sports section of the newsletter. I'd like to make mention of Mr Sam James and Miss Sarah Higgs who organised the Swimming Carnival. They did an amazing job and the day ran smoothly because of their preparation and assistance of all staff members on site. We greatly appreciated the assistance of our parent volunteers too. Another terrific team effort.



The K-2 teachers were so proud of their students during the Water Fun Day and as you can see below a great deal of fun was had by all. Thank you to Ms McCombie for organising and all K-2 teachers for coordinating such a happy event for our students.



We were very sad that parents were unable to attend. We are really missing the interaction with you all and look forward to the time that it is safe and government required COVID restrictions are eased and we can have everyone back in the school and at all events.

Yoga and Mindfulness lessons



Our students in Years 2-6 are so lucky to be developing their wellbeing and mindfulness during Yoga lessons with the Lifeskills Group this term. We are so lucky to have Sally our wonderful instructor back this year. The children are thoroughly enjoying the experience and teachers have noticed growth in the student's emotional wellbeing, concentration and ability to self-regulate when dealing with differing emotions.

Learning these skills allows children to remain true to themselves and their values and allows them to understand their own feelings effectively. They can use these skills when they are upset or angry and can calm themselves. Similarly, the skills will assist them in understanding and recognising what makes them truly happy. This will help them throughout their entire lives. In a time when children have to deal with pressure from many areas including social media and images portrayed through the media; fostering self-confidence, emotional wellbeing and maturity is vitally important.

The most exciting part of these sessions is that it all happens whilst they are having fun! Kindergarten and Year 1 will complete the program in Term 2.





Teacher Training

As lifelong learners, all teachers are constantly attending Teacher Professional Learning (courses, meetings and seminars) and Compliance Training, upskilling themselves and ensuring they are equipped to provide quality learning experiences for the children in their care.

After school hours our teaching staff have been and will be undertaking mandatory training requirements of the NSW Department of Education including;

- Child Protection,
- CPR,
- Anaphylaxis, and
- Code of Conduct

Phew... it is only Week 5 and so much has been happening!

Mrs Priscilla Wright Assistant Principal Instructional Leader

LIBRARY NEWS



SPORTS NEWS PSSA

All permission notes and behaviour contracts were handed out earlier this week. Please return the notes to your child's coach as soon as possible.

**The permission note stated that parent spectators would not be allowed at PSSA games. These guidelines have now changed.

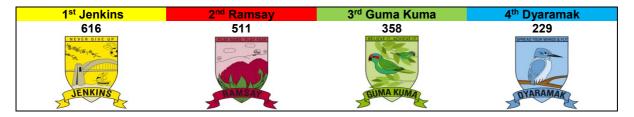
Parent spectators will be allowed at PSSA games under the following conditions:

- Spectators can attend PSSA Friday games (at venues NOT held on school grounds);
- Spectators should adhere to social distancing guidelines of 1.5m;
- Spectators must sit with their own school group and not mix with parents from other schools;
- Spectators must not engage with, talk to or approach students or teachers from their own or other schools at any time;
- Spectators must leave the venue immediately following the completion of the games;
- Spectators who do not comply with these regulations, could be asked to leave the venue.

Swimming Carnival

The swimming carnival took place last Thursday, 18 February at Manly Andrew Boy Charlton Swim Centre. All students performed to the best of their abilities and really showcased the Wheeler Way. Zone swimming notes were handed out this week. Please return notes to Mr James ASAP. Please see all the swimming results from the day in later pages.

The house points for the carnival were:



Congratulations to Jenkins house!

2021 Carnival Dates

Carnival	Date	
Sydney North Swimming	Monday 15 March	
WHPS Cross Country	TBC	
Pittwater Zone Cross Country	Wednesday 26 May	
Sydney North Cross Country	Friday 4 June	
WHPS Athletics	Thursday 5 August	
Pittwater Zone Athletics	TBC	
Sydney North Athletics	Monday 6 September	

Pittwater Zone Trials

I Incoming Trials

PSSA Zone trials are for older students 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.

Thursday 25 March
Tuesday 2 March
Thursday 4 March
Tuesday 16 March
Monday 22 March
Wednesday 24 March
Monday 29 March
Tuesday 30 March
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The full list of trials can be found on:

https://app.education.nsw.gov.au/sport/Calendar/TermCalendar?t=250&a=8&sp=&el=0&et=&act=&st=2,8,3,5,4&pl=true&par=false&dis _true&se=true&nep=true&nes=true&ml=False&vat=true&vaw=false&vad=false

Please email the school if your child is interested in trialling for Pittwater Zone/Sydney North 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.

The school will inform students when we receive more information about upcoming trials.

Keeping up to date

If you would like further information about sport at the school, zone, region or state level, please use the following apps/websites.

- WHPS Sport Flexischools app, school website and school newsletter.
- Pittwater Zone Sport Team app. Sign up to the website/app and search for 'Pittwater PSSA' https://www.teamapp.com/? detail=v1
- Sydney North PSSA Website https://app.education.nsw.gov.au/sport/SydneyNorth
- NSW PSSA Website https://app.education.nsw.gov.au/sport/NSWPSSA

Good luck to all our students who will be trialling and competing over the next few weeks.

Yours in sport, Mr James

WHPS Swimming Carnival Results 2021 - Girls

Event: Jnr 200 IM Place Name Time			
Place		Time	
1	Emmy H	3.43.03	
	Event: Snr 200 IM		
Place	Name	Time	
1	Alexis D	4.16.12	
	Event: 8 Yrs 50m FREE		
Place	Name	Time	
1	Miranda G	53.24	
2	Hallie O	54.97	
3	Alexis N	55.46	
	Event: 9 Yrs 50m FREE		
Place	Name	Time	
1	Emmy H	38.34	
2	Milly J	55.04	
3	Scarlett G	55.3	
	Event: 10 Yrs 50m FREE		
Place	Name	Time	
1	Lily N	44.24	
2	Charlotte H	46.9	
3	Hailey T	49.16	
	Event: 11 Yrs 50m FREE		
Place	Name	Time	
1	Alexis D	41.47	
2	Amber P	46.69	
3	Zali S	51.12	
	Event: 12 Yrs 50m FREE		
Place	Name	Time	
1	Mikaylah W	43.44	
2	Lucinda K	44.77	
3	Mali K	45.94	

	Event: Jnr 50m BREAST	
Place	Name	Time
1	Emmy H	56.45
2	Charlotte H	1.00.82
3	Lily N	1.02.87
	Event: 11yrs 50m BREAST	
Place	Name	Time
1	Leila M	1.04.83
2	Alexis D	1.05.22
3	Tessa S	1.07.87
	Event: Snr 50m BREAST	
Place	Name	Time
1	Macy M	52.48
2	Mali K	55.12
3	Lucinda K	1.03.91
	Event: Jnr 50m BACK	
Place	Name	Time
1	Emmy H	51.47
2	Lily N	52.07
3	Charlotte H	55.79
	Event: 11yrs 50m BACK	
Place	Name	Time
1	Alexis D	52.37
2	Ava D	1.02.50
3	Kaija D	1.03.99
	Event: Snr 50m BACK	
Place	Name	Time
1	Mikaylah W	54.14
2	Julia C	54.62
3	Kyah S	1.00.75
Order	Event: Jnr Girls Relay	Time
1	Lily N	43.57
2	Charlotte H	45.73
3	Miranda G	46.57
4	Emmy H	37.82
Res	Indigo J	47.63

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	Event: Jnr 50m FLY			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Emmy H	48.14		
2	Charlotte H	1.05.25		
3	Milly J	1.08.45		
	Event: 11yrs 50m FLY			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Alexis D	1.01.88		
2	Kaija D	1.14.70		
	Event: Snr 50m FLY			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Mali K	1.02.54		
2	Macy M	1.03.70		
3	Natalia T	1.15.46		
	Event: OPEN 100m FREE			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Emmy H	1.31.63		
2	Alexis D	1.38.94		
3	Mikaylah W	1.45.14		
	Event:Jnr Girls 4x50m Relay			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Jenkins	3.27.44		
2	Ramsay	3.49.63		
3	Guma Kuma	4.06.18		
	Event: SNR Girls 4x50m Relay			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Jenkins	3.05.66		
2	Dyaramak	3.26.92		
3	Ramsay	3.28.52		
Order	Event: Snr Girls Relay	Time		
1	Mikaylah W	41.69		
2	Lucinda K	43.57		
3	Mali K	44.69		
4	Alexis D	40.05		
Res	Amber P	45.30		

Event: Jnr 200 IM				
Place	Name	Time		
1	Cameron H	5.12.31		
2				
3				
Disco	Event: Snr 200 IM	Time		
Place	Name	Time		
1	Archie H	3.26.55		
2	Jake M	3.27.80		
3	Alex B	3.27.92		
Diago	Event: 8 Yrs 50m FREE	Time		
Place	Name	Time		
1	Dash A	52.04		
2	Nate S	55.33		
3	Kai N	59.82		
	Event: 9 Yrs 50m FREE			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Logan T	43.35		
2	Finn M	50.61		
3	Aubrey G	55.23		
	Event: 10 Yrs 50m FREE			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Bodhi K	42.57		
2	Jake M	42.66		
3	Zac M	45.04		
	Event: 11 Yrs 50m FREE	-		
Place	Name	Time		
1	Alex B	36.48		
2	Jake M	36.77		
3	Max C	37.67		
	Event: 12 Yrs 50m FREE			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Archie H	34.89		
2	Nathan C	37.01		
3	Jayden R	37.65		

	Event: Jnr 50m BREAST			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Zac M	1.00.71		
2	Jake M	1.02.81		
3	Bodhi K	1.02.92		
	Event: 11yrs 50m BREAST			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Max C	56.06		
2	Buddy A	56.34		
3	Beau O	57.01		
	Event: Snr 50m BREAST			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Nathan C	50.28		
2	Aiden N	57.15		
3	Archie H	57.21		
	Event: Jnr 50m BACK			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Bodhi K	54.05		
2	Logan T	56.63		
3	Jake M	57.56		
Event: 11yrs 50m BACK				
Place	Name	Time		
1	Alex B	46.34		
2	Beau O	46.47		
3	Jake M	50.59		
	Event: Snr 50m BACK			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Archie H	44.78		
2	Sterling N	46.85		
3	Jayden R	47.01		
Order	Event: Jnr Boys Relay	Time		
1	Jake M	42.57		
2	Logan T	43.35		
3	Zac M	45.04		
4	Bodhi K	42.57		
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3	Zac M	1.08.93		
	Event: 11yrs 50m FLY			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Jake M	45.85		
2	Alex B	46.02		
3	Max C	47.36		
	Event: Snr 50m FLY			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Archie H	42.55		
2	Sterling N	46.09		
3	Jayden R	50.01		
	Event: OPEN 100m FREE			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Archie H	1.23.54		
2	Nathan C	1.27.64		
3	Buddy A	1.27.78		
	Event:Jnr Boys 4x50m Relay			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Ramsay	3.11.74		
2	Jenkins	3.25.87		
3	Guma Kuma	3.54.59		
	Event: SNR Boys 4x50m Relay			
Place	Name	Time		
1	Ramsay	2.31.86		
2	Jenkins	2.34.80		
3	Guma Kuma	3.00.67		
Order	Event: Snr Boys Relay	Time		
1	Alex B	36.48		
2	Jake M	36.77		
3	Nathan C	37.01		
4	Archie H	34.89		
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MESSAGES FROM THE P&C

CANTEEN NEWS

As of next week (Week 6), the canteen will be open for over the counter sales for drinks and ice blocks at lunch time only.

We have now been given the go ahead to allow volunteers back into the canteen. This will be happening in the next few weeks once we have organised a roster with the classrooms.

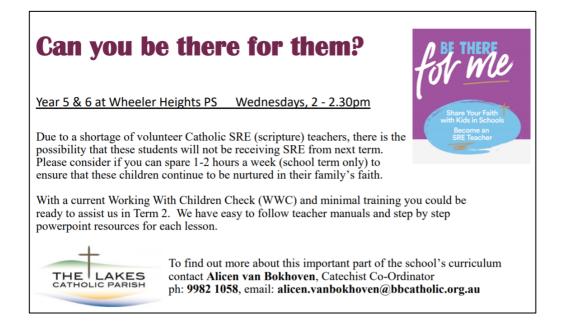
Please note our email address has changed to canteen@whps-pandc.org - please update your records accordingly.

Thank you

Tracey and Heidi Canteen supervisors

COMMUNITY NEWS







Primary OSHCare pride ourselves on providing your child/ren with **fun, play-based learning experiences** before and after school as well as during the school holidays. Whether your child attends OSHC daily or only occasionally, each visit is an **exciting and engaging adventure!**



COMPELLING PROGRAMS

We'll empower your child to explore, navigate, experiment and engage in a diverse range of experiences.



UNIFIED PARTNERSHIP

As an integral part of the school community, together we'll create a fun and engaging environment for your child to flourish.



EDUCATORS WHO CARE

Our educators will embrace your child's journey: caring deeply, thinking creatively and inspiring them to thrive.



FABULOUS FOOD

We fuel curious minds and growing bodies, helping to shape your child's understanding of health and wellness positively.



FUTURE READY

We focus on building knowledge, skills and behaviours that help prepare your child for whatever the future may hold.



PEACE OF MIND

You can be confident that your child is safe, happy and given every opportunity to fulfil their potential.

KEY SERVICE INFORMATION Wheeler Heights OSHC

PROGRAM		TIMES	FULL FE	E FEE AFTER 85% CCS**	
BEFORE SCHOOL CARE	7:00	AM - BELL TIME	\$15.00*	\$2.89	
AFTER SCHOOL CARE	BELL	BELL TIME - 6:00 PM		\$4.52	
VACATION CARE	7:00	7:00 AM - 6:00 PM		\$52.00 \$10.01	
DAILY PACKAGE Before & After Care on the same day	\$36.50	WEEKLY PACKAGE Before & After Care 5 days per week	\$172.50	SIBLING DISCOUNT Must attend the same permanent session***	

Fees & hours of operation as at Term 1, 2021 and may be subject to change | *Casual Before and After School Care bookings are an additional \$2.00 per session **Child Care Subsidy can provide up to 85% off your child care fees | ***Sibling Discount only available where no other package applies

ENROLMENTS

Enrolling with Primary OSHCare is easy, just head to our website **primaryoshcare.com.au**. Your child's enrolment must be confirmed before attending their first session with us.

Wheeler Heights OSHC charges an annual registration fee of \$50.00 for families using Before, After and/or Vacation Care or \$20.00 for families that use Vacation Care only. This fee is non-refundable. Where this fee is paid during Term 4, it will be carried over into the following school year.

BOOKINGS & CANCELLATIONS

PERMANENT BOOKINGS

All permanent bookings must be made with your Service Coordinator. Fees are payable for each session booked, regardless of attendance. This includes absences due to public holidays which fall on week days or changes/ cancellations without 2 Weeks' prior written notice.

To avoid any out of pocket costs, 2 weeks' advanced notice must be given in writing to the Service Coordinator for any changes or cancellations of permanent bookings.

Wheeler Heights OSHC offers packages and discounts for families with permanent bookings. Only one discount applies at any one time. For more information please speak to your Service Coordinator.

CASUAL BOOKINGS

Casual bookings for Before and After School Care can be made and cancelled online any time up to 24 hours before the session commences. To make a booking after this time, please contact your service directly on 0430 351 734. Cancellations made within 24 hours will incur the full casual fee, less any applicable CCS.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Vacation Care bookings can be made online any time up to 5 days before the session commences. To make a booking after this time, please contact your service directly on 0430 351 734. Late bookings will incur an additional \$10.00 fee per session.

Cancellations of Vacation Care bookings must be made at least 7 days in advance. Cancellations within this period will incur the full fee, less any applicable CCS.

CHILD CARE SUBSIDY

Many families are eligible for Child Care Subsidy (CCS), which can reduce the cost of Outside School Hours Care by up to 85%. All our services are CCS approved, so we encourage families to find out if they are eligible. To establish what level of CCS you may be entitled to please contact the Centrelink Family Line on 13 61 50.

STATEMENTS & PAYMENTS

Fees will be automatically debited every 2 weeks in arrears from the bank account, VISA or MasterCard you nominated during enrolment. Please note that if a transaction is declined, a late payment fee and dishonour fee will be applied. You can view your statements via your online account.

LATE PICK-UP: A \$2.00 per minute, per child fee may apply for children picked up after the service close time.

NO SHOW: An additional \$30.00 fee per child may be charged for any booking where no cancellation is provided.

INCURSIONS & EXCURSIONS: Incursions and excursions may incur an additional fee. These vary based on activity and may be subject to change.

For account specific enquiries, please contact our Customer Service and Billing Team on 1300 832 695 or email customerservice@primaryoshcare.com.au. Our team are available 9am - 7pm Monday - Friday (AEST/AEDT).

MEDICAL MANAGEMENT

So we can provide the best and safest care, it is important that you inform the service if your child/ren has an identified health care need, allergy or relevant medical condition diagnosed by a registered medical practitioner. On your first day of attendance, bring along a completed Risk Minimisation form, Medical Management forms and any required medications. All medications (including ointments and creams) must be prescribed by a medical practitioner, be in the original container with original pharmacist labels and clear instructions. All labels must be legible and undamaged, and the medication must still be within its expiry date.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

Come and see us in-service, email or give us a call. We look forward to welcoming you and your child/ren soon. 0430 351 734

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