Leaders’ parade
Each year our Leaders’ parade is a very special and exciting time, with many family members proudly attending to watch as their child receives their badge. This year was no exception with many family members attending this very important milestone in their child’s life. We are very proud of our school leaders and will continue to support them in their leadership roles throughout the year.

Year 6/7 Camp to Noosa Northshore
On Tuesday our Year 6 and 7 students made their way to Noosa Northshore for their four (4) day camp. I would like to thank all the staff who have given up their family time to allow the children to experience what Noosa Northshore has to offer. I look forward to the students and staff returning on Friday afternoon and hearing all about their adventures.

Working Bee
Thank you to all the parents who attended the working Bee on the weekend. The bank near the Year 5 classrooms is looking fantastic, due to your commitment to making improvements around the school. The next working bee will be held Sunday 25 May from 9am to 11am.
Parent Teacher Interviews

As we near the end of term teachers will be offering parents the opportunity to meet to discuss your child’s progress to date and their work habits. I encourage all parents to take advantage of the parent teacher interviews being offered.

Planning Week

Planning Week for those new to Wellers Hill is when all teachers from each year level have the opportunity to meet together for their weekly Non-Contact Time. This time is used to plan and discuss the work programs for the following term. While the teachers are planning together the children rotate through their weekly specialist lessons. Planning week this term is during Week Nine (9).

Parent Representative Network

Yesterday afternoon thirty (30) of our forty-six (46) Parent representatives attended the first meeting of the year. I would like to thank all who have offered to be a Class Parent Representative this year. We can make anything happen when home and school work together. I would also like to thank Hayley Jennison the P&C Parent Representative for co-ordinating the parent Representatives this year. If you were unable to attend the meeting the office has spare copies of the Parent Representative Handbook or alternatively the handbook can be downloaded from the school website.

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Payments must be deposited in the payment box located in the office. Do not give payments to Class Teachers.

Multiple excursions/activities can be paid with one cheque or EFTPOS transaction (located at office). Cash is also acceptable.

On each excursion letter will be a DUE DATE for payment. No monies will be accepted after the due date. Therefore, unfortunately, students will not be able to attend the excursion/activity.
CONGRATULATIONS!

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For their selection to attend the Metropolitan Regional Choral Honours Camp. Well done girls!

Choirs –

It’s been a great start to the year, with Vocal Group, Senior Choir, and Junior Choir settling into rehearsals. Ms Enright is very impressed with the standard of singing here at Wellers Hill! Keep up the great work choirs!

Rehearsal Punctuality-

All Ensembles and Choir Rehearsals – please make sure your child is at the rehearsal room at least 5 minutes prior for choirs and at least 10 minutes prior for all other ensembles (for instrument set up etc.). Late arrivals are very disruptive and make it very difficult for directors to rehearse their ensembles productively.

Reminders:

- **Band folders** are available for purchase from the uniform shop. All students should have these items for term 2.
- **Choir/band uniforms** are available for purchase from the uniform shop. Orders should be placed as soon as possible to ensure students have the correct uniform for performances in term 2.
- **No Senior Strings Rehearsal Friday the 14th** - as Grade 6 and 7 students are away on camp.

FROM THE P&C PRESIDENT

AGM next Wednesday 19 March at 7pm

The P & C AGM will be held next Wednesday 19 March at 7pm in the library annexe. All members of the school community are welcome. This will be a short meeting; lasting an hour at most. There will be a report from the President and then the Treasurer followed by election of the P & C executive for this year. Please don’t think that by coming you will somehow end up with a role. There will be nominees for the current roles. The AGM is the only time during the year when membership forms can be submitted without the person attending a meeting. If you would like to become a member and be on the P & C email list please complete a membership form (at the back of the newsletter) and hand in to the office before next Wednesday. It would be great to see a good attendance at the AGM.

Family Portrait Fundraiser

The $20 Photography Fundraiser will take place this **Saturday 15 March 2014 at WHSS** in the library annexe. We made the quota of 30 families so these photos can go ahead. Thanks to all those families who will be involved. If you have not yet paid the $20 please put in a named envelope in the payment box at the office ASAP.

If you have any questions please email me at narelle@cooleyfamily.com.au

Regards

Narelle Cooley

Last Sunday was the first of four working bees for the year, and in an effort to elicit more participation the hours were kept to 2 hours. This seems to have met with approval, with over 30 adults and almost as many children turning up to help. Owing to the fantastic support we were able to completely weed and plant the bank between the school and the Scout Hall. This really was a huge effort with close to a dozen huge piles of weeds generated, five bags of rubbish removed and 50 plants with protective grow bags (to keep the plants in better shape as we move into the cooler, dryer season) installed. In the coming weeks woodchip and mulch will be added to the bank, which should see the bank looking even better than it does now. Later in the year, more native plants will be planted to stabilise this bank further.

A big thank you goes out to the following people who generously gave their time, although it is worth noting that many more managed to dodge the list that was being circulated for the purposes of acknowledging contribution, so in this instance you know who you are.

Jacky, Sam, Emily, Sarah and Alex Ingram
Issy, Jess, Mark and Nicole Byerley
Kate, Tyson, Liam and Callum Boguslawski
Cathy, Oscar, Nick & Mike Noad
Jane and Amy Bernays
Susie Savage
Mary Hawthorne
Saskia, Elishka and David Vivian
Jana Novak
Joel Cullin, Kirsten Way and Noah & Stanley Cullin-Way.

The next working bee is planned for Sunday 25 May 9-11am. This working bee will concentrate on the area of the school around the years 2 and 7 buildings, so naturally we would encourage parents with children in those grades to attend.

Andrew Dickinson
Working Bee Co-ordinator
SPORT NEWS

Wellers Hill Sports News
Term 1 - Week 7

Sports Dates for Semester One

Term One
- Yr 4-7 Cross Country > Thursday 27th March (wk 9)

Term Two
- District Cross Country > Wednesday 23rd April (wk 3)
- P-3 Cross Country > Friday 7th May (wk 4)
- 4-7 Athletics > Wednesday 18th June (wk 9)
  > Thursday 19th June (wk 9)

Mt Gravatt District Tennis Trials
Mt Gravatt District trials for girls and boys tennis are coming up. If you play tennis at a high standard, and are born in 2003 or 2002, please see Mr Munro for more information.

Mt Gravatt District Touch Football
Mt Gravatt District trials for girls and boys touch football are coming up. If you play touch football at a high standard, and are born in 2003 or 2002, please see Mr Munro for more information.

Mt Gravatt District Soccer Trials
Mt Gravatt District trials for girls and boys soccer are coming up. If you play soccer at a very high standard, and are born in 2003 or 2002, please see Mr Munro for more information. Please note, that school nominations are limited to five places each for girls and boys for soccer trials with preference given to students turning twelve as per Mt Gravatt District Sport policy.

District Team Selections
Congratulations to Jack C on his selection in the district AFL team. Good luck at the Met East trials!

Uniform Shop has football socks and shorts in!
Rugby League shorts and football socks for both soccer and rugby league have arrived. These are optional, students may choose to wear their own shorts and socks from club teams etc.

Games This Week
- Rugby League – Carina JRL – U11 1:45pm, Jnr 1 & 2 1pm.
- Netball – Wembley Park, Coorparoo
- Soccer - TBC

Rec Sports Program – Slight changes due to camp!
Students are reminded to return their permission slip for rec sport and permission to travel form before Friday. Students attending the gym must pay prior to the visit ($6).
Students who are remaining at school who are normally in group one or three, will be at school with Mrs Edwards for swimming.

X-Country Training

X-country training is on Tuesday and Thursday of each week. Training is open to students who are turning 9 in 2014 up to 13 years. Parents are welcome to come along and join in with their kids, to give some extra motivation and supervision over the running course. Training will begin at 7:45am outside the office. Students should wear a hat, have a water bottle, any asthmatic medications required, and wear a shirt other than their school shirt. If it is raining or following heavy rain overnight, training will not proceed due to safety.

SCHOOL BANKING

We have a wonderful group of school bankers here at Wellers Hill and they must all be congratulated for remembering to bring their banking in every Thursday. A little money saved every week soon adds up to be something big! Each time you save through the school banking program, you will earn a silver token and when you have earned 10 tokens, you can then use them to claim a reward item. Please remember that tokens cannot be pooled or shared between friends or siblings. Each child is responsible for their own tokens and their individual savings efforts are recorded in the school banking system.

A School Banking tip for the week
- Show your child their bank statement when it arrives to help them understand the benefits of saving their money. Explain to them what their account number is and how much interest they earned. Don’t forget to show them the total balance too!

GARDEN UPDATE

Plants continue to be provided by many generous families of Wellers. Thank you to the following parents for the beautiful plants that have come through this week. Gail Kirkman, Sue Newton, Leo Hill, Dana Hobbs, Gaby Hill and Marni Burkhardt who has managed to source a great selection of natives. We are also receiving donations from our extended community. Thank you to Ron & Trish Petersen, Noel and Glenice Kerswill, Gerard and Paul Lenarduzzi of True Value Wellers Hill Hardware and Josie & Leo of Josie & Leo’s Convenience Store.

If you have any spare Rhoeas, Agaves, Bromeliads, Wandering Iris, Eryngo or Succulents, please email me at suzie.savage@iinet.net.au. Pictured below are a range of succulents that would provide contrasting colour but any succulents would be greatly appreciated as long as they are not sharp or spiky. (No Aloe Vera)
EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Please ensure the school has up-to-date information regarding emergency contacts so that you can be contacted promptly.

TUCKSHOP

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If you are unable to do your tuckshop roster please contact us as soon as possible. If you would like to volunteer in the tuckshop, our phone number is 3249 1318 or you can call Carolyn (0409 053 742). You can also email whsstuckshop@gmail.com.

SACCS

Easter Vacation Care: Easter Vacation Care Program was released on Monday, 10 March 2014 and bookings commenced immediately. The Early Birds closing date will be at 6 PM on Friday, 21 March. Bookings from all school age children (up to 14 yours old) from Wellers Hill School and from the local communities are welcome.

Please note: booking for Vacation care does not depend on your children’s bookings in the other components of SACCS.

MUSIC SUPPORT GROUP

PERFORMANCE UNIFORMS

All students new to the music program will need to purchase a music performance uniform. These are available from the uniform shop. The uniform shop currently has some stock available. They are also taking orders for music performance. All orders need to be received by Friday 28 March 2014. Order forms have been handed out by music teachers to new music students and are also available at the uniform shop. Flexischools is available for online orders.

The Music Support Group has a limited number of second hand uniforms and will be holding a one day only sale on Friday 21 March 2014 from 8am to 9am outside the uniform shop. All items $5.00. CASH ONLY.
MUSIC FOLDERS

These are available from the uniform shop. They can also be purchased online through flexischools.

LEYV NOTICES

All students in band, strings or choir have now received a levy notice. Please ask your child for the notice if you have not received one. Payment can be made online through flexischools or by direct deposit to WHSS Music Support Group BSB 064-162 ACCT 1030-8176 with your child’s full name as reference. Payment is due Friday 21st March 2014.

MSG President – Position Vacant

The MSG is seeking a president for 2014 as last year’s president has resigned as her children have completed primary school. The MSG has numerous volunteers to co-ordinate MSG roles making the president’s role less time consuming. If you are interested please contact the MSG via email on wellershillmusic@gmail.com or attend our monthly meetings.

UNIFORM SHOP

Wednesday 1:30 to 3.30 p.m.
Friday 8.00 to 10.00 a.m.
Deb Love
Telephone 3249 1361
School uniformshopwhss@gmail.com

TENNIS COURTS

Night Tennis Court Hire is now available
Court Hire cost is:
$7 per hour – day hire
$15 per hour – night hire
New contact number for Tennis Courts: Ph 38927460

COMMUNITY NEWS

If there was any witnesses last Thursday morning in Chamberlain Street when a silver territory was hit by a red car, could you please contact Karen Williams on 0412 016 125 with the details.

TWILIGHT TOURS YEARS 7 & 8 2015

In response to popular demand, Holland Park State High School is holding two additional events for Year 7 and 8 parents.

TWILIGHT TOURS 5.30-6.30pm
Thursday 20 March
Tuesday 25 March

- Experience our personalised, welcoming boutique high school
- Learn about our approaches to Year 7 and 8 in 2015
- Hear about our outstanding academic results and opportunities for students

Please contact 3347 0111 or visit www.hollparkshs.eq.edu.au.
Orange Day Assembly:

We will be holding our annual “Orange Day” assembly on Friday 21st of March as part of the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. We will again take the pledge and students, teachers and parents are encouraged to wear something orange on the day to show their support. (Given the nature of the occasion, there will be no donation required and students must wear appropriate clothing and no hair dye etc)

**POSTER COMPETITION**

A poster competition is now open to all students in Prep to Year 7. We are looking for the most powerful and thought provoking poster to carry a message that bullying won’t be tolerated in the school. Poster entries need to be submitted to the Office by Wednesday the 19th of March. The winning Poster will be announced on assembly on Friday the 21st of March and displayed prominently in the school for the entire school year. All entries will be on display in various locations around the school.

Posters are to be submitted A3 or A4 size.

Please make sure you clearly mark your name and class on the back of your poster.

**RESOURCES FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN AFFECTED BY BULLYING**

Parents are strongly encouraged to read the Wellers Hill’s State School Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students and to browse the Bullying No Way Web Site which has been created by the government to support all school communities deal proactively with bullying and violence

If you wish to discuss any matter relating to bullying or violence within the school please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher in the first instance or the administration of the school.
Wellers Hill State School Parents and Citizens Association
Application for Membership
(One person per application)

Name: …………………………… New Member / Renewal (circle)

Address……………………………………………………………………………………
……………………………………………………………………………………………..

Phone: Home………………………………. Work ……………………………………..
Mobile: ……………………………………. Email ………………………………………
(P&C meeting notices & communications)

I am a parent of WHSS students(s) yes / no or I am over 18 years of age: yes

Student name(s): ….…………………………………… Year level …………
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Looking for opportunities to become involved at WHSS?
A great way to be further involved with your child and know what is happening at their school is to become involved in one of our support groups, lend a hand at our Tuckshop or Uniform Shop, or participate in working bees. There are plenty of opportunities for parents to be involved so please let us know what you are interested in:

Please pass on my details to become involved in:

☐ Amateur Swimming Club
☐ Music Support Group
☐ Sports Support Group
☐ SACCS subcommittee
☐ Tuckshop
☐ Uniform Shop

I agree to be bound by the constitution of the P&C and by all valid resolutions passed by the Association.

Signature……………………………….. Date …………………………….