 Dear Parents and Community Members

I would like to acknowledge and thank the students and parents who joined with me in marching on ANZAC Day. I believe that we are perpetuating school and community values with the WHSS tradition of acknowledging ANZAC Day.

This year or ANZAC Ceremony will be held tomorrow, 30 April commencing at 10:00am. Our Guest Speaker for 2014 is Keith Payne VC AOM. Keith will be accompanied by his wife Flo. It is a great honour to have Keith and Flo attend our ceremony, and we all look forward to meeting them.

Parking for elderly and disabled guests will be available on the Weller Road oval. Assistance with parking will be available at the gate.

Please come and join in this significant day for the WHSS community.

**Wellers Hill State School Independent Public School: School Council**

As parents would be aware, at the start of 2014, our school became one of over 80 Independent Public Schools in Queensland.

The Independent Public Schools initiative recognizes that the best decision-making, for the most part, occurs at a local level through direct response to local community needs and aspirations.

It is designed to reduce red tape, giving schools more opportunities to achieve the best possible outcomes for their students and local communities.

**As an IPS School we must establish a School Council**

All Independent Public Schools are required to establish a school council. School councils enable greater involvement of the school community and other stakeholders in setting the strategic direction of the school.

Wellers Hill State School has begun the process of setting up a school council which will become operational in Term 3, 2014.

**Step 1 is the adoption of a constitution.**

A draft constitution has been prepared and is now being put forward for approval. It has been adapted from the model constitution provided to all schools by Education Queensland. Download the School Council Draft
Constitution for Wellers Hill State School from the school web site, the link on this newsletter, and from the school Facebook link.

On Wednesday 28 May 2014, commencing at 6:30pm, a Special Meeting of the P & C Association will be held to vote by secret ballot on the adoption of Wellers Hill State School’s draft School Council Constitution. (Should a parent or citizen wish to vote on the constitution they must be a member of the Wellers Hill State School P&C Association Membership of the P&C is renewable each year at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). Both new members and members who wish to reapply for membership must complete and submit a new application for membership form at/for the AGM. Persons applying for membership at an AGM need not be present at the AGM to have their application considered.)

In the interim, the Principal and P&C President welcome feedback on the draft constitution from parents/carers. Please email the principal at jwebs5@eq.edu.au, please email the P & C President at narelle@cooleyfamily.com.au.

Once the constitution has been adopted, the Principal and P&C President will take their ‘official’ places on the school council and instigate the process of ‘electing’ staff and parent school council members. The school council may also then ‘appoint’ further members.

More information regarding these further steps will be published via the school webpage and in upcoming school newsletters.

The adoption of the Constitution is an administrative requirement for IPS schools, and there is little scope to modify the constitution.

Adoption of a Proposed School Council Model

The membership of a School Council can vary from 6 members to a total of 15 members. Education Queensland, as well as IPS schools with existing School Councils, indicate that 8 members is the most appropriate size. As principal, my proposal for the establishment of the WHSS School Council would be 8, in line with recommendations. The suggested make up of membership would be:

- **Official Members**
  - P & C President (or nominee)
  - Principal
- **Elected Members**
  - 2 parent representatives
  - 2 staff representatives
- **Appointed Members**
  - 1 parent representative
  - 1 Deputy Principal

The Official Members are common to every school with a School Council. The P & C President is representing the P & C Association on the School Council. Elected members are elected from the school parent community, and there is not a requirement that these members be members of the P & C Association, as they are representing all parents. Staff representatives may come from teaching and non-teaching staff, however in some schools both staff representatives come from the teaching staff ranks.

Appointed members are appointed after the formation of the School Council. The appointed parent representative may have special skills in a particular area of need; e.g. construction seeing we are building a new building or law, seeing the School Council once established, may be looking at ways to connect in a meaningful way with the wider community and so on.

I urge parents to explore the documents available on the web prior to the Special Meeting on 28 May 2014. The documents uploaded to the web will be:

- The WHSS School Council Draft Constitution
- EQ information booklet “School Councils Information Module”
- IPS School Councils Fact Sheet
Information will also be provided from these documents in each newsletter over the next few weeks.

FROM THE P&C PRESIDENT

Mother’s Day Stall
The Mother’s Day Stall is once again being co-ordinated by Deanne McDonald. Gifts ranging in price from $1 to $10. The average price is $6. It will be held next Wednesday 7th May from 8am to 3.10pm. Classroom visits from 9am (The stall will also be open on Thursday 8th May from 8am to 9am) in the SACCs Homework Rooms, upstairs from the Uniform Shop. Volunteers to help serve at the stall are wanted & very much appreciated. Please contact: Deanne McDonald: mobile 0422 632 951 or email sdlcmcdonald@optusnet.com.au

Many thanks to Deanne and her team of helpers including Helen Stuart and Fiona Pearce for this valuable service offered to the kids at WHSS. More details can be found later in the newsletter.

Term 2 working bee date – 25 May
Just a reminder that the Term 2 working bee will be held on 25 May from 9 – 11am. We would encourage parents with children in Years 2 & 7 to attend as the areas being worked on will be around these classrooms. Please put the date in your diary and come along to help out. More details to follow in the next few weeks.

May P & C meeting
The P & C meeting for May will be held at 6.30pm (note the earlier starting time) on May 28 due to the State of Origin match that is being televised the same night. We encourage people to attend and you will get home in time to watch the game! Don’t forget the State of Origin meal deal being offered by the tuckshop.

If you have questions or need more information about anything that the P & C is involved in please email me narelle@cooleyfamily.com.au

Regards Narelle

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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.

TEACHER AIDE POSITIONS

Teacher Aide positions
As a result of Wellers Hill State School’s successful application for the Queensland Government’s, “Great Results Grant” we are advertising for four (4) Teacher Aide positions to work 15 hours per week, 3 hours per day at the school. These positions are temporary and will cease at the end of
the 2014 academic year. Successful applicants will work primarily with students in Prep to Year Two however; work with students in the upper year levels may also be required. Work conditions will also include daily playground duty. Experience in the support-a-reader, writer and number programs is advantageous but not necessary, as training will be provided to the successful applicants.

Applicants are to submit a full resume, including previous work history to the school administration office, addressed to The Principal no later than Friday 9 May, 2014. Interviews will then be undertaken following a short listing process.

CAPTAINS’ CORNER

It was great to see so many Wellers Hill students and families attending the ANZAC Day march on Cracknell Road on Friday. This Wednesday, we have the school's ANZAC day ceremony. We hope everyone can attend this very important community event.

From Alice.

Alice Herley and Connor Helmore
Year 7 School Captains

Last Friday was ANZAC day. Thank you to everyone attended the service at Ekibin to remember all the soldiers who fought for the freedom of our country. I hope you found the marching parade fun and enjoyed the biscuits at the end of the service!

From William.

William Ellerton and Charlotte Cooper
Year 6 School Captains

Mothers Day Stall
Come along to buy Mum and Grandma a very special present for Mothers Day. There are lots of beautiful things to choose from and something for everyone with gifts ranging in price from $1 to $10. The average price is $6.
Date: Wednesday 7th May
Time: 8am to 3.10pm
Classroom visits from 9am
The stall will also be open on Thursday 8th May from 8am to 9am
Place: SACC Homework Rooms, upstairs from the Uniform Shop
Can you volunteer?
Volunteers to help serve at the stall are wanted & very much appreciated. Please contact Deanne McDonald on 0422 632 951 or email sdlcmcdonald@optusnet.com.au. Thank-you!
NATA’s ‘Young Scientists of the Year Awards’ competition for 2014 is now open!!

Entry is FREE and open to students across Australia aged between seven and 12 years of age who will be competing to win $3,000 for their school PLUS $500 for themselves or their group!

Information about the Awards and an entry form can be downloaded from the NATA website here and if you or your students are looking for inspiration, you can take a look at some of the fantastic entries from previous years here

If you would like to nominate another member of your school to receive email updates about the competition, please let me know.

Kind regards,
Diane Lyons
Marketing & Communications Coordinator
National Association of Testing Authorities, Australia (NATA)
Phone: (02) 9736 8255

SPORT NEWS
Wellers Hill Sports News
Term 2 - Week 2

Sports Dates for Semester One
Term Two
P-3 Cross Country > Friday 9th May (wk 3)
4-7 Athletics > Wednesday 18th June (wk 9)
> Thursday 19th June (wk 9)

District Team Selections
Congratulations to Aidan S on his selection in the district hockey team. Congratulations to Shellbee W (1st), Ben F (4th), Frank V (7th), Ali O (4th) and Tim F (3rd) on their selection in the district x-country team. Wellers Hill finished fourth overall!

Met East Team Selections
Congratulations to Lara G and Emily K on their selection in the Met East netball team. Congratulations to Leni C on her selection in the Met East Basketball team. All the best at the State Championships!
**Met East Golf Trials**
If you are turning 11-13 in 2014, play golf off an AGU or club handicap, you are eligible to trial for the Met East Golf team. Please see Mr Munro for more details.

**Games This Week**
Rugby League – Carina JRL – U12 1PM, U11 1:45pm, U10-1 1PM, U10-2 1:45PM
Netball – Wembley Park, Coorparoo
Soccer – TBC

**Rec Activities Program**
Rotations left for this term.

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). Parents who are able to assist, we require additional supervision for the walking to and from the park, gym and lawn bowls. Please advise your students teacher if you are able to supervise on any of the dates set above.

**P-3 Cross-Country Info – Friday 9th May**
The P-3 Cross-Country is on next Friday 9th May. The day runs from 9am until 11am. Students should wear their house shirt, sunscreen, hat, running shoes and bring their waterbottle and asthma puffer etc if required. Parents are welcome to come along and support. The times below are a guide only and may vary:
Approx. Times:
9:10  Prep SW
9:15  Prep SM
9:20  Prep S
9:25  Prep TM
9:30  Prep M
9:35  Year 1 Girls
9:45  Year 1 Boys
9:55  Year 2 Girls
10:05  Year 2 Boys
10:15  Year 3 Girls
10:30  Year 3 Boys
10:45  Presentation/Pack Up

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President: Narelle Cooley (narelle@cooleyfamily.com.au)
Secretary: Rob Beaumont 3161 7909
SCHOOL BANKING

Congratulations to all of our Bronze Certificate bankers for Term 1.

School Banking News
In term 2 there are two new exciting reward items available to students who save 10 silver tokens. The rewards available this term are:-

- Whale Shark pencil case NEW
- Penguin or shark plush toy keyring NEW
- Handball
- Scented pencils
- The wallet, knuckles game, headphones, Pat/Pru/Spen moneyboxes 2013 Reward Items

A new school banking competition has been announced! Students simply need to make three or more School Banking deposits in Term 2 and they will automatically be entered into the competition to win some fantastic prizes including:

Major student prize.

- Five nights’ accommodation at the Sea World Resort & Water Park on the Gold Coast;
- VIP Passes for two adults and three kids to Sea World, Warner Bros. Movie World and Wet’n’Wild Gold Coast;
- Dolphin Family Aqua Adventure; and
- A $3,000 travel gift card to get them there.

Runner up student prizes.

- 130 Toys”R”Us Gift Cards to the value of $250 each to spend on their favourite toys.

School Prize

- $1,000 cash for one school in each state/territory of Australia.

Banking day is every Thursday.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

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

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
STATE OF ORIGIN MEAL DEAL

Yes! It's back! We will have a State of Origin Meal Deal on Wednesday 28th May. It will consist of a meat pie, sauce, spoon, Tropical LOL, Red Rock Honey Soy Chips and an iced cupcake. You can place your order now on Flexischools or fill in the tear-off section in the newsletter and bring it with your payment to the tuckshop. You can also place it in an envelope and drop it in the payment box at the office. Cost is $7 and orders must be received by Friday 23 May.

HELP NEEDED

Unfortunately a few of our fantastic volunteers have taken up study or work positions over the break so we have a few days where we have no volunteers – Tuesday and Wednesday. If you can spare a few hours once a month (9-11.30) on a Tuesday or Wednesday place come and see us in the tuckshop or email Carolyn at whsstuckshop@gmail.com. Thanks.

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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.

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STATE OF ORIGIN MEAL DEAL (Wednesday 28 May) - $7

CHILD’S NAME ___________________________________________ CLASS ___________________

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(All orders to be received no later than Friday 23 May)
Dear Families,

**Active After School Program**: our activities this term (based on children’ interest and preferences) are as follows:

- **Badminton** - commencing on Wednesday, 30.04.2014. Delivered by QLD Badminton Association
- **Baseball** – commencing on Wednesday, 05 February. Delivered by SACCS

This is an Australian Government funded program run by the Australian Sport Commission to provide SACCS children with a free of charge fun and safe sports program and structured physical activities.

**Books donation**: children attending SACCS love reading. It is a SACCS tradition to read to children in the mornings before they depart to their classrooms. SACCS is happy to purchase many books however they are never in sufficient quantities to address the children ongoing interest.

If you have some preloved books that you are happy to share with SACCS children it would be much appreciated.

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**MUSIC SUPPORT GROUP**

**MSG PRESIDENT**

A great opportunity exists to be elected president of the Wellers Hill State School Music Support Group. As MSG president you will:

- chair monthly MSG meetings;
- lead the organization of music events;
- work closely with the music teachers and other MSG committee members;
- have the opportunity to use your own initiative to improve the music program.

As MSG President you don't need to worry about the day to day running of the MSG because all support roles are filled (treasurer, secretary, levy coordinator, uniform convenors, instrument convenors, fundraising convenor etc.). Please come to our next meeting or call Gaby Hill 0402 429 821 for more information.

**MSG MEETING 14 MAY 2014**

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 14 May at 7pm in the staffroom. All music parents welcome to attend. Topics to be discussed include Fantare and Music Night in June.

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**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 3892 7460**

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**TARRAGINDI WAR MEMORIAL KINDERGARTEN FETE**

Tarragindi Kindy Fete will be held on Sunday 25 May from 10am - 2pm. There will be rides for the kids, face painting, rock climbing wall, homemade cakes, jams and pickles and lots of raffle prizes up for grabs.

Come along and see our wonderful kindy, meet the teachers, enjoy a cup of coffee and have a great day.

[Tarragindi Kindy Fete Facebook]
***NOW ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH***

ANNERLEY & DISTRICTS BLUE LIGHT DANCE PARTY

Next Dance: Friday 2\textsuperscript{nd} May 2014
Friday 6\textsuperscript{th} June 2014

AGES: 7yrs. – 15yrs
TIME: 7pm-9.30pm
COST: $10.00
PLACE: Marymac Community Centre (616 Ipswich Rd, Annerley)

CONTACT: Senior Constable Lisa VOYSEY or Constable Rachel CUCKSON

Annerley Police Station Ph: 3892 8222

Supervised by Police & Community members
No smoking, no alcohol, no drugs, no objectionable behaviour.

Thank you for your continued support for Blue Light in your area.
Annerley Blue Light Branch.