



WELLERS HILL STATE SCHOOL

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WHAT'S ON AT WELLERS

August 8 – Whole School Parade

Principal: Ms Gayle Coleman

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Last week we were very fortunate to have Dr Yong Zhao talk to our staff and parents about the implications of globalization and technology on education. Some of Dr Zhao's key messages are highlighted in the programs on offer at Wellers Hill State School. He highlighted the importance of creativity and entrepreneurial talents as being important skills in the future. Wellers Hill State School is leading the way with in this field with a very strong music, instrumental, arts and bilingual program.

Athletics Carnivals

At school, we were fortunate to have fine weather for our three days of Athletics. Many thanks to all staff, Nathan Munro, and all the parent helpers who made the days a great success. Congratulations to all of the students for their participation and to those students who have been selected to attend the District Athletics next Monday and Tuesday.

Year 1 Bilingual Program Information Evening

Just a reminder that next Thursday 14 August from 6.30 we will be holding our Year 1 Bilingual Program Information Evening in the music room. Please see the note going home today to all Prep families. This information session is for all Prep parents/carers regardless of whether you have expressed an interest in participating in the program in 2015 or not. There will also be babysitting available in the library to enable as many parents as possible to attend.

Niigata Commercial High School Visit

Next Monday 11 August, we host a visit from Niigata Commercial High School for cultural and language exchange. The visiting students will work with Year 6 or 7 buddy students for the morning only.

Benesse Brisbane Natural Experience Tour

Thank you to those families who have volunteered to have students from our Benesse Brisbane Natural Experience Tour. We still require four home stay families for this group. The Benesse Group arrive on Monday 18 August and depart on Sunday 24 August. The Benesse Brisbane Natural Experience Tour is a lovely small group of eight students aged from ten to twelve years with a particular interest in environmental studies. If you have any children in Years 5 to 7, they would benefit greatly from the cultural exchange. The Benesse Brisbane Natural Experience Group have two full day excursions to the Bunyaville Environmental Centre and to the Currumbin Community Farm and depart on Sunday morning. Please return the slip at the end of the newsletter if you are able to host a student.

Ekka Holiday

Just a reminder that next Wednesday 13 August is a show holiday in Brisbane. There will be a newsletter on Thursday of next week. Please enjoy being with your family on the Ekka holiday whatever you choose to do.

Parent Teacher Interviews

At the end of this term and early next term teachers will be offering parents the opportunity to participate in a Parent Teacher interview. Parents are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to discuss your child's academic, social and behavioural growth since receiving the Semester 1 report card.

Medication

With the onset of 'flu season' a reminder to parents about medication.

A written parental request accompanied by a letter of authorization from the doctor must be received by the class teacher for the administration of medication. This is an Education Queensland requirement. The medication container should be the original one issued by a pharmacist indicating specific times at which the medication is to be administered, as well as the exact quantity. At no time are teachers allowed to administer non-prescribed medication (eg Analgesics). Asthma sprays are to be named in some permanent manner. Department regulations allow to keep sprays in their possession.



Regards Gayle

WELLERS HILL STATE SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION Sub-Committees

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FROM THE P&C PRESIDENT

It may seem like you have read this information before and you would be correct. This has been in the newsletter for the past couple of weeks and also emailed out via parent rep network. At the risk of 'sounding like a cracked record' **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS NOW!** When I asked for people to help with the movie night, spellathon and cookbook I was pleased that a number of parents offered assistance.

The P & C urgently needs volunteers to help run the P & C (secretary for 2015 and assistant treasurer) and for 'Harmonies on the Hill' fete to proceed next year.

If we don't get volunteers for the overall fete committee in the next month we may not be able to go ahead. The fete needs time in planning. Please read the information below and consider if you could assist. Maybe you could help out with a friend. Our P & C motto is 'It's all about the kids'.

I have had 2 volunteers to form part of the Harmonies committee – 1 for marketing and 1 for sponsorship. We still need to fill the other 3 roles. Someone may have mentioned helping with rides but I can't remember who that was so if you can email me that would be great.

Harmonies on the Hill fete committee for 2015 needed NOW!

We are looking for volunteers to assist with organisation of the fete. This is one of the largest fundraising events on the P&C calendar & really boosts the community spirit within the school.

Whilst some records were lost in the fire last year, prior fete conveners have much of the information required to assist with organisation of the fete. Members of past fete committee are happy to provide guidance to the new fete committee and provide any information and files they may need. Someone could also attend any initial meetings organised, which are usually monthly to begin with, and to assist in the formation of the fete committee.

The following 5 roles are required to ensure the event runs smoothly and volunteers aren't run off their feet:

- (1) Food Stall Convener & Equipment Co-Ordinator - manages the conveners of the food stalls and equipment requirements;
- (2) Entertainment/Rides Stall Convener - manages the conveners of the entertainment stalls and organises the rides operators;
- (3) Marketing Co-Ordinator - informs the school community of the progress of preparations for the event via the Parent Rep Network and School Newsletter. The Marketing Co-Ordinator is also responsible for advertising of the fete to the local community via signs and banners as well as relevant websites and written publications;
- (4) Sponsorship Co-Ordinator - contacts businesses for sponsorship of the fete& co-ordinates the Bring-In Days where items are requested from the school community;
- (5) Secretary/Treasurer - organises the agenda for meetings and follows up on action items. The Secretary/Treasurer is also responsible for payment/reimbursements of costs and treasury functions on the day of the event.

If you're interested in volunteering for one of these 5 roles, please contact me at ASAP

Executive members needed

Rob Beaumont the P & C secretary will be leaving at the end of this year when his daughter graduates. We need someone to take over this role next year. It would be ideal for there to be a transition period for the remainder of the 2014. The role includes maintaining attendance records, taking minutes, dealing with correspondence and organising P & C documentation.

Mark Molesworth is the P & C treasurer and to assist him the P & C would like an assistant treasurer. This role would suit a person with some finance background who could help a couple of hours a week. If you are interested in either of these roles please email me ASAP.

Regards

Narelle Cooley narelle@cooleyfamily.com.au

SUPPORTING POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

Rule Reminder:

Dealing With Anger (Being Respectful)

It's okay to feel angry. It's how you deal with your anger that counts:

- ☺ Take three deep breaths.
- ☺ Count slowly to ten (If you are still angry count to ten again....)
- ☺ Say clearly how you feel and why.

GOOD NEWS STORY

Congratulations Chloe

Congratulations to Chloe T from 3G who has won the Awesome Showbag competition! As the winner of this competition, Chloe was able to bring her entire class to the Ekka on Sunday 3 August before it opened. Chloe and her classmates were able to test all showbags that are for sale and take one showbag home before anyone else does.

Congratulations on a great effort Chloe!



DATE CLAIMERS and DUE DATES FOR PAYMENTS

Date	Event	Due Date	Amount
12 August	ICAS Maths Test		
18&19 August	Year 4 Abbey Museum	13 August	\$20
1,2&3 September	CSIRO – Whole School	22 August	\$4
3&4 September	Pirate Show – Prep	29 August	\$8
4 September	Star Lab – Year One	29 August	\$7.50
12 September	Grandparents & Special Friends Day 9-11am		
15 & 16 September	Reverse Garbage Workshop – Year Three	12 September	\$9

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.

CAPTAINS' CORNER



Alice Herley and Connor Helmore
Year 7 School Captains

Wow! Its already week 4. There was fabulous participation in the sports carnival. Congratulations to the people who got into districts. Have a great week.
Alice and Connor.



William Ellerton and Charlotte Cooper
Year 6 School Captains

Congratulations to everyone for your magnificent performances in the Athletics Carnival! Congratulations to Platypus for winning the senior carnival and Kangaroo for winning the Junior one. But, most importantly, I hope you all had a splendid time completing in your races and events and supporting your team. Have a great week everyone.

MUSIC NEWS

TALENT SHOWCASE!

Auditions have begun this week. Performers need to come to the music room at the *nominated audition time*. If singing with a backing cd, it should not contain the vocal line. A backing track without the vocal line (a karaoke version) is required. We want to showcase your talent, not the pop stars!!

A reminder to students and parents that auditions should be a complete and polished performance of the *item the students would like to showcase*. **Half prepared items will not be accepted.**

All talents are encouraged!

Strings and Band Camp:

Freeway Schools Coalition Workshop - Year 6 and 7 students – is on this Monday.

A reminder to save the dates for the **Senior Music Camp:**

Yr 7 Strings and Band students – Mon, Tues Fri (15th, 16th, 19th Sept)

Yr 6 Strings and Band students–Wed, Thurs, Fri (17th, 18th, 19th Sept)

Students will also need to be available that evening for a final performance.

Happy Music Making,

Gillian Kristensen

SPORT NEWS

Upcoming Sporting Dates

Term Three

District Athletics

> Monday 11th August (wk 5)> Tuesday 12th August (wk 5)

4-7 Athletics Carnival Results

Congratulations to all students in Years Four to Seven for their efforts over Wednesday and Thursday last week. It was a hot couple of days and there was some fantastic performances, great house spirit and good sportsmanship all round. The full list of age champions are below and of course, the winning house.

9 Years Girls

1st Holly C 1st2nd Holly M3rd Lucy B

10 Years Girls

1st Megan B2nd Ella W3rd Emma C-W

11 Years Girls

1st Shellbee W2nd Emily K3rd Abby D

12 Years Girls

1st Lara G2nd Georgie H3rd Jazz S

13 Years Girls

1st Nhu P2nd Kiera P3rd -

9 Years Boys

1st Oliver S2nd Elijah G3rd Lucas K

10 Years Boys

1st Ben F2nd Frank V3rd Darcy H

11 Years Boys

1st Jonathon K2nd Dylan M3rd Michael B

12 Years Boys

1st Ethan T / Jesse M2nd -3rd Jordi V

13 Years Boys

1st Ali O-E2nd Michael M3rd Ethan F

House Champion – PLATYPUS!

RECORDS!!

9Yrs Girls

800m – Amelia F 3.26

HJ – Holly C equalled 1.05m

LJ – Willow G 3.1m

9Yrs Boys

LJ – Oliver S 3.38m

10Yrs Boys

HJ – Ben F 1.24m

LJ – Ben F 3.73m

11Yrs Girls

800m – Shellbee W 3.04

HJ – Shellbee W 1.27m

SP – Emily K 7.75m

11Yrs Boys

HJ – Nathan T equalled 1.23m

12Yrs Girls

100m – Lara G 14.15

HJ – Lara G equalled 1.23m

LJ – Lara G 3.9m

12Yrs Boys

SP – Ethan T 9.44m

13Yrs Boys

800m – Ali O-E 3.10

Junior Sports Day

Well done to all P-3 students who participated in the Junior Sports Day last Friday. It was a great success with thanks owing to the student helpers from 6HL, teachers, teacher aides and all of the parents and families who came along to support.

House Champion – KANGAROO!

Interschool Sports – Semester Two

Semester Two Interschool Sports commence in week five – Friday 15th August. Trials will begin this week at morning and afternoon breaks. Parents, please be aware that the costs involved with interschool sport range between \$60-\$70 per season, to cover the costs of buses, first aid supplies, field hire and a small contribution towards sports equipment. Trial information will be shared in class.

SCHOOL BANKING

Congratulations to our “School Banker of the Week”:-

Pearl J 1HD



Keep remembering to bring in your banking every Thursday. You are all doing a wonderful job of saving regularly. Please remind your friends too, especially those who haven't banked for a while, to bring in their school banking on Thursday. Whether it be a little or a lot that you deposit, just by saving you could be our school banker of the week.

Banking day is Thursday.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS



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

LOST AND FOUND ITEMS

The following items have been handed into the office, if you think they might belong to you please call into the office to collect:

- A pair of red & clear plastic reading glasses that were left in SACCS.
- A Black ICE watch.
- A Spiderwick Chronicles novel : The Seeing Stone.

TUCKSHOP

Don't forget to recycle your Krazy Lemon containers at the tuckshop!!

For the rest of this term we will **NOT be open for afternoon tuckshop on Mondays and Tuesdays**. We will continue to open for afternoon sales of ice blocks and snacks Wednesday through to Friday. Morning tuckshop for hot food and lunch orders remains the same – Monday to Friday.

DAY	9am to 11.30am	1pm to 2pm
Thursday 7 Aug	Linda C	HELP NEEDED
Friday 8 August	Tracey N Carolyn S	Jane M
Monday 11 Aug	Louise C	CLOSED
Tuesday 12 Aug	HELP NEEDED	CLOSED
Wednesday 13 Aug	CLOSED – EKKA HOLIDAY	CLOSED
Thursday 14 Aug	Scott M	Danielle W
Friday 15 August	Michelle N HELP NEEDED	Julia G

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 SAACS.

SACCS

September Vacation Care -Our September Vacation Care Program is already in the planning stages. We have some new and exciting ideas to explore, however we are always open to any suggestions from children and their families. If you have recently visited a new location or done something new as a family that might be suitable as a Vacation Care activity or destination, please share it with us. We have your children best interests in mind and we appreciate your help in designing an exciting program that keeps them engaged and having fun.

SACCS garden - Our garden project is making a good progress. Children recently performed soil testing to determine the nutrition and supplements needed for the vegetables and herbs they have planted. We need approximately 15 concrete garden stepping stones to make the garden safer and more pleasant. If you have any spare pavers lying in the back corner, it is a great mini-project for a team of little gardeners to participate in and we would love to put them to good use.

MUSIC SUPPORT GROUP

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We are very excited to offer FREE Delivery of the Entertainment Book until the 15th of August 2014. It is now even easier for your members/friends/supporters to get their hands on an Entertainment Book by getting it shipped directly to their door.



Books are only \$65 and \$13 goes towards our fundraising!

BUY YOUR NEW BOOK NOW »

Receive over **\$20,000** in valuable offers! Here are just a few of the many popular businesses in this year's Entertainment™ Book:

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UNIFORM SHOP

Wednesday 1:30 to 3.30 p.m.
Friday 8.00 to 10.00 a.m.
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WHSS Cookbook

We are looking for your input to produce a WHSS Cookbook!
So get your recipe books out & let us know your favourites
email to wellerscookbook@gmail.com
(or there will be a box in the office)

The sections of the book will be:



1. Nibbles
2. Soups
3. Mains
4. Cakes, Biscuits, Slices, Deserts
5. Christmas
6. Lunch Box
7. Miscellaneous



All ideas/recipes/art will need to be received no later than Friday 19th September.
These will be really great Christmas gift for that hard to buy for person.
There will be a limited number printed so if you think you would be interested in purchasing one please let us know (also via email above), prices will be available very shortly.

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



COMMUNITY NEWS



2014 Logical Thinking Challenge

We are pleased to invite your students from Year 3 to Year 7 to participate in the inaugural Logical Thinking Challenge [LTC].

The LTC provides student with the opportunity to develop and test effective logical thinking and problem solving skills. The stimulating test has been designed by **The University of Melbourne [Assessment Research Centre]** and will be available **free of charge** for all Australian students.

Better performing students will be offered free entry into North Shore's 2014 Creative Problem Solving Competition which further challenges your students' abilities with more questions designed by the University of Melbourne.

The LTC will be available online from **Saturday 16th August through to Sunday 24th August 2014**. To enter, students need to register on the LTC website, accessible via the QR code on the poster in the school office, or via the web at <http://ltc.north-shore.com.au>

GET YOUR KIDS INTO AUSTRALIA'S FAVOURITE SPORT

COME AND TRY DAY

AND MEET THE BRISBANE HEAT

Sunday 10th August, 11am - 3pm
Allan Border Field, Albion.

A day of:

- Cricket Clinics
- Brisbane Heat signing session
- Interactive games
- Awesome prizes to be won
- **FREE** giveaways

Cricket Clinics:

m2 Ages 5 - 8 **PLAY CRICKET** Ages 8 - 12

For more info visit playcricket.com.au

Brisbane HEAT | **LINC ENERGY** PRINCIPAL PARTNER | **Delta** MAJOR PARTNER | **T20** BRISBANE

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO HOST A VISITING STUDENT/S FROM THE
BENNESE BRISBANE NATURAL EXPERIENCE TOUR**

Our family would be interested in hosting a Japanese student/s from the above tour from the 18th of August to the 24th of August 2014.

Number of students able to accommodate: _____ .

Family Name: _____ .

Contact Number : _____ .
