



WELLERS HILL STATE SCHOOL

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WHAT'S ON AT WELLERS

Prep – Yr 2 Parade on Friday

Student Free Day – Monday October 20th

Music Night – Wednesday November 5th

Public Holiday – Friday November 14th

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Wednesday 15 October, 2014

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Many thanks to Pip Katsanevas and her army of helpers for a great evening on Saturday for our Movie Night. It was a lovely evening to be outside with family and friends. Many thanks also to our gold sponsors, Place, and to Mitchell Smith and Nick Bekker for their support on the night.

There are many extracurricular activities and excursions on this term. Parents are reminded to check the date claimers in each parent newsletter to keep up-to-date with events in the school. Also we have some outstanding payments for interschool sports and other events. Please make payments at your earliest convenience.

Another great way to stay updated on school events is through the QSchools App. The QSchools app is available for free download through iTunes, Google Play and the Window's store.

Apps to support learning

The Department of Education and Training has also developed a range of free apps for use and download by parents. Check out the following apps to support speaking and learning sight words.



SPEAK (Speaking Promotes Education And Knowledge) provides lots of fun, free activities, ideas and information for parents, carers and educators to support and nurture language development in children from 0-6 years of age.

<http://deta.qld.gov.au/about/app/speak.html>



Give your child a flying start in literacy by helping them practise their sight words when they are 'out and about'. This app is aimed at Prep to Grade 2 students to help them master the first 100 sight words.

<http://deta.qld.gov.au/about/app/out-and-about.html>

Swimming Club

Last Friday night, the Wellers Hill Swimming Club held their first club night. This is every Friday evening and all children and families are invited to come along and enjoy a social evening mingling with other parents. It's a great way for our children to keep fit too!

Japanese Lessons

A reminder that our LOTE teacher, Megan Madden, is conducting Japanese classes after school on Tuesdays for all students and parents going to Japan next year. Please come along and have some fun!

Finally, a reminder that next Monday 20 October is a student free day. All the best to our students performing at Music Fest this weekend.

G. Coleman

Regards Gayle

ICAS TEST AWARDEES:



Spellathon

It's on! All students will have been tested by the end of the week and we are sure they will do very well.

Remember there will be a pizza party for the class with the highest percentage of returned spell-a-thon sponsorship forms. All children who return their spell-a-thon form will go into the draw for a Toyworld voucher. There will also be Toyworld vouchers for the highest fundraiser in each year level.

Sponsorship forms and money to be returned by Monday, 27th October.
Thank you in advance for your support in this important fundraising activity.

Bernadette Sawers is co-ordinating the spellathon - any questions please contact bernandy@optusnet.com.au

SUPPORTING POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

Rule Of The Week:

Be Respectful:

When waiting for the bus or parents to collect you:

- Follow teachers' instructions
- Keep your belongings nearby and in an orderly fashion
- Wait your turn and be polite
- Respect other travellers

Resilience through Problem Solving.

Children with good social and problem-solving skills are more equipped for life. In fact intelligence alone is not enough and it is these skills that lead people to be successful in life.

Children who have learnt these skills are comfortable in new situations. They are friendly to others and join in activities. They cooperate and compromise. They trust others and others develop trust in them. They handle conflicts well and respect differences of others. They apologize when they are wrong, but will assert themselves when they believe they are right. They are clear in their thinking and non-threatened nor threatening. They are liked.

For children with poor resilience and/ or at risk of depression, often these skills are lacking.

When children are young they depend on parents to help them solve problems, but as they grow they will need to learn skills to handle the problems they face. Seligman in his book 'The Optimistic Child' provides 5 steps your child needs to follow, in order to solve problems effectively.

1. Slowing Down – STOP before acting impulsively, then start thinking.
How we handle a problem depends on what we are thinking. Replace hot thoughts with cool thoughts. Hot thoughts often lead to loss of control. Cool thoughts result in solutions that are non-threatening.
How we think affects how we feel and what we do.
2. Stand in another's shoes – understand what the other person was thinking or why they acted the way they did. This is easy to do by meeting with the person, looking at their face, and asking non-threatening questions to get answers (use of technology won't achieve true understanding). Stay calm.
3. Set Goals – If you have a problem how would you like things to end
eg. You have a fight with your friend, is your goal to restore friendship or have a stand-off.
As your child sets a goal, they should list as many ways as possible to reach it.
4. Choose a Path – which is the best solution. Look at the pros (any good outcomes that might happen) and the cons (any bad consequences)
eg. speaking nicely to someone versus yelling at them.
5. How did it go? Did it work – if not then don't give up.
Pick another solution and give that a go!.

Notice that all these steps are about you, the parent, training your child in the art of problem solving. It is not about you finding their solutions nor is it about you rescuing them. Our aim as parents is to have well adjusted, social, and happy children who are equipped to handle life in all its forms.

Adapted from Seligman, M – The Optimistic Child

From Anne Chapman Guidance Officer

FROM THE P&C PRESIDENT

Movie by Moonlight

A fun night was enjoyed by many members of the school community on Saturday night at 'Movie by Moonlight'. It was a fantastic success!!! The weather was perfect for a night under the stars. Nearly 600 people paid for entry not including all the under 5's and Grandparents who also attended. On behalf of the P & C I would like to say a big THANK YOU to Pip Katsanevas for everything she did to make this night happen. It was Pip who originally suggested having a movie night and her enthusiasm and dedication that made it such a success.

Everyone I spoke to said they had a wonderful night and their children really enjoyed it. Movie by Moonlight was a positive, community event. The Greek food was particularly tasty! Not only did the school community have a great night but money was raised to benefit our children.

To all of the helpers and the volunteers thanks for your hard work.

I have listed the volunteers who assisted on the night (apologies if I miss anyone)

Drink Stall – Deanne, Simone, Fiona

Chip stall – Chelsea, Suzie & Leanne

Face Painting – Karen & Benita

Coin Toss – Brett

Glow Products – Lisa & Lisa

Ticket Booth- Linda

Popcorn – Libbie

Rides – Chris Hennessey – big thanks for donating the rides, they were bundles of fun

Security – Fem, Richard & JJ

Raffles – Lauren

Ice-blocks – Maria and thanks to the Year 7 students who sold ice-blocks during the movie

Set up and Pack up – John, Michael & Robert

Greek Food Stall – Lucy, Kathy, Alex, Michaela & Sandra

Special thank-you to Pip's husband Michael, her sister Seva Hardy (who assisted with overall planning), Seva's husband Robert (electrician for the night), Pip's brothers and all their Greek friends who don't have kids at WHSS but still came to help! It really was a family affair! Well done!

Wellers Hill State School would like to thank the following businesses for their support and generous contribution towards our 'Movie by Moonlight'

Gold Sponsor:

Nick Bekker & Mitchell Smith from Place Real Estate Annerley who were also MCs for the evening

Silver Sponsor:

- John Firrell from Sovereign Homes Tarragindi

- Mal Watts – Leaf Coffee @ Wellers Hill

Bronze Sponsors:

- Pip & Michael Katsanevas from Lumen8 Architectural Lighting @ Fortitude Valley

- Adam Magill from Lawler Magill Lawyers

- Kat Mons from Cashkat Bookkeeping

- Arna from Greenstone Acupuncture, Wellers Hill

- John Barrett from John Barrett Carpentry.

Special thanks also to:

- IGA Greenslopes for their donations
- The Hennessey family - from Marshalls Amusement Hire for the children's entertainment
- McDonalds Annerley for their Red Van

Raffle Prizes donated by:

- O'Reillys Rainforest Retreat
- QLD Homes And Holidays For Couples Magazines
- The Glen Hotel
- Olive Eco Hair
- Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary
- McDonalds Annerley
- Stephen Dibb Jewellery
- Azafran Restaurant
- Red Lotus
- Aromas Carindale
- No More Knots
- Events Cinema Garden City
- Lone Pine Laser Force Woolloongabba
- Greek On Cav
- Zorbis Carindale
- AMF Bowling
- Australia Zoo

Thanks again to Councillor Steve Griffiths (Moorooka ward) for assisting with the Lord Mayor's Suburban Initiative Grant that covered the cost of hiring the movie and screen.

I have included some photos of the night.

Regards

Narelle Cooley narelle@cooleyfamily.com.au





DATE CLAIMERS and DUE DATES FOR PAYMENTS

Date	Event	Due Date	Amount
	Music Photos	Wed 15 Oct	\$15
22 October	Sport Photos		
29,30 & 31 Oct	Craigslea Senses Unit – Year 1	Fri 24 Oct	\$17
6 Nov	Artslink – Crazy Science Year 2	Fri 30 Oct	\$6
21 Nov	Twelfth Night Theatre	Fri 14 Nov	\$20
Dec 4	Christmas Show – Prep	Fri 28 Nov	\$8
Nov-Dec	Life Education	Fri 7 Nov	\$10
Dec 9	Year Six Graduation Night		
Dec 10	Year Seven Graduation Night		
Dec 11	Wet and Wild – Year 6&7	Fri 28 Nov	\$30

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.

LOST & FOUND ITEMS

The following items were left behind after the movie night if you think they may belong to you please call up to the office to collect:

Navy & Sky Blue childrens Crocs.
Black leather look jacket with hood.

Found in the library a leather wallet with the name Belinda on it.

CAPTAINS' CORNER



Alice Herley and Connor Helmore
Year 7 School Captains

Welcome back to week 2 of the last term of school. I hope everyone had a great first week back at school. The Big Band from Mansfield SHS played on Tuesday, they were fantastic. A big congratulations to the students who got awarded ICAS certificates. Have a fantastic week everyone.

Alice & Connor.



William Ellerton and Charlotte Cooper
Year 6 School Captains

ART ROOM NEWS

Our focus for Term 4 will be on the element of texture with artworks created in conjunction with classroom topics. We have completed introductory activities based on textural concepts and are now beginning our first artworks for the term.

We were very honoured today to have a visit from artist Jemima Wyman, who currently has an exhibition at GoMA titled "Pattern Bandits". The exhibition will run until November 2. Ms Wyman came in and spoke with a Year 2 class. She explained her art and showed us some of her work.

Year 4 students have been working on their artworks for the G20 piece with artist Symone Male. Symone collated all of their work to produce one beautiful artwork and this has now been completed! Please see the image below. The artwork will be officially displayed and will eventually be presented to the school. Images of the artwork will also be displayed during G20 around Brisbane. Further information will follow as it becomes available.

I will be attending QCAA (Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority) on Tuesday 15 to help with developing a range of online professional development resources for teachers. I will also be at QCAA on Thursday 23 and Friday 24 to assist in development of advice, guidelines and resources that will aid in preparing for the implementation of the Australian Curriculum: The Arts.

Thank you for your continued support this semester and I look forward to creating more interesting and exciting Art opportunities with our students.

Regards,
Carolyn Peisker



http://www.qagoma.qld.gov.au/kids/exhibitions/current/jemima_wyman_pattern_bandits



Jemima Wyman



MUSIC NEWS

Music Fest 2014

Entry Costs

\$10.00 Adults (single day entry only)

\$5.00 Concession (single day entry only)

\$20.00 Family single day entry (2 Adults 2 Children)

\$35.00 Family Pass Unlimited Entry (2 Adults 2 Children)

\$20.00 Adult Unlimited Entry Pass

Music Fest Information for Strings

Date: Saturday the 18th of October

Venue: Ferny Grove State School Hall

The Intermediate Strings Performance Time (Grade 4 and 5 strings) = Arrive 12:15pm for a 1:15pm performance

Senior Strings Performance Time (Grade 6 and 7 strings) = Arrive 3:38pm for a 4:38 pm performance

Students are to get their own transport to and from the performance.

Music Fest Information for Choirs

Junior Choir – Saturday 1st November: arrive 9.15: Iona College Performing Arts Centre 85 North Road Wynnum West

Vocal Group – Sunday 2nd November: arrive 12.25pm: Iona College Performing Arts Centre, 85 North Road Wynnum West

Senior Choir - Sunday 2nd November: arrive 2.00pm Iona College Performing Arts Centre, 85 North Road Wynnum West

Music Fest Information for Band

Senior Band - Monday 27th October : Calamvale Community College

Junior Band – Friday 31st October : Iona College

Music Night!

Save the Date for Music Night: Wednesday November 5th, 6.30pm

GOOD NEWS STORY

My Japanese Homestay Experience – by Lauren T 5L

My family recently hosted a Japanese homestay student, and I loved the experience. I want to share some of what happened with you and encourage you to consider sharing your home next time the chance comes up.

Firstly, its a great learning experience for both the Australian and Japanese children, and a fun challenge of communication! My students (I hosted two) were both very fun and loved learning about Australian culture – especially our unique animals!

Secondly, host students get to join in some special activities at school, like making canvases about the adventures you have together during the week and enjoying some yummy Australian food, like lamingtons and meat pies. It is great to make lasting friendships. My friend Kanae had her birthday while she was staying with us here in Australia!

Lastly, it's a good way to help out in the school community. The homestay students couldn't come without a place to stay!! If they couldn't come, we would both miss out on a really great opportunity.

That is why I think it's a great idea to host a Japanese homestay student next time around if you have the chance. It is interesting, fun, easy and a good way to help out. It's something your family will really enjoy.

Sayonara! さよなら

SPORT NEWS

Interschool Sports

Students are reminded to wear their student uniform to school and change into any jerseys at EATING TIME at morning tea. Students should be prepared before departing with all sporting equipment required, hat and water bottle. If you are taking any belongings to sport on the bus with you, pack them in a small bag, not a backpack. NO HAT NO BUS!!

Games this week played between 1-2:30pm:

Teeball/Softball – All teams except teeball teams 2&3 at Yeronga Park. Team 2&3 at school!

AFL – Mt Gravatt AFL, Klumpp and Logan Rds, Upper Mt Gravatt.
 Touch Football – Whites Hill Reserve, Boundary Road, Whites Hill.

REC SPORTS

TEACHER/GROUP	22/08	29/08	5/9	12/9	19/9
Mrs Edwards (1)	School	Park	School	School	Silat
Ms Ilett (2)	Silat	School	Park	School	School
Mrs Lutterall (3)	School	Silat	School	Park	School
Mrs Muller (4)	School	School	Silat	School	Park
Miss Smith (5)	Park	School	School	Silat	School
TEACHER/GROUP	10/10	17/10	24/10	31/10	7/11
Mrs Edwards (1)	Pool	Park	School	School	Pool
Ms Ilett (2)	Silat	Pool	Park	School	School
Mrs Lutterall (3)	School	Pool	Pool	Park	School
Mrs Muller (4)	School	School	Pool	Pool	Park
Miss Smith (5)	Park	School	School	Pool	Pool

PE Swimming Classes

With the commencement of swimming lessons there has been a number of items left behind after classes in the change rooms. Please make sure all items are clearly named to make it easier to return these belongings to the correct person.

Term Four Sports Dates

Prep Swimming Fun Day – Monday 24th November – 9-11am
 Year 1-3 Swimming Carnival – Tuesday 25th November – 9am-1pm
 Year 4-7 Swimming Carnival – Thursday 27th November – 9am-3pm
 Sports Awards – Friday 5th December 2-3pm

WELLERS HILL STATE SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION Sub-Committees

President: Narelle Cooley (narelle@cooleyfamily.com.au)
 Secretary: Rob Beaumont 3161 7909
 Email: wellershillpandc@gmail.com

SCHOOL BANKING

Congratulations to our gold certificate bankers for this week who have made 30 deposits through school banking.

***Tinkie K 2W, Billy F, Chelsea F, Angus F 4JW, Noah C-W 5L,
 Stanley C-W 2MK***

There are two new prizes to claim with your 10 silver tokens. The projector cup and the sea streamers are now available to order in term 4. The whaleshark pencilcase and the penguin keyring are no longer in stock and cannot be ordered as reward items.

IMPORTANT SCHOOL BANKING NEWS!

Please take the time to read the new national competition that the school banking program has released as detailed below. There are excellent prizes to give away and I know that we have a lot of good writers in the school that could easily enter this competition and maybe walk away with one of these awesome prizes. **Is this person you?**

IS YOUR CHILD A SMART SCHOOL SAVER?

We measured the 'Savings IQ' of the nation and found Australians who learn about money at school grow up to become smarter savers.

To find the next generation of savers, we're launching a national competition.

Have your child tell us in 50 words or less what they are saving for, and how they plan to save their money to achieve it and they could win:

- An iPad for themselves and one for their school (six regional winners)
- \$1,000 for their savings (one national winner)

Enter now at commbank.com.au/smartschoolsavers

Things to know before you Com: conditions apply. See commbank.com.au for more details. Offer by 30/10/16. Limit of one entry per person. Offer is a trademark of Australia's largest bank, the C.M.B. and most of Australia.

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TUCKSHOP

This term we will be open for afternoon over-the-counter sales every day. Frozen juice cups are back in the afternoons – 80 cents.

DAY	9am to 11.30am	1pm to 2pm
Thursday 16 Oct	Vanessa C	Gina G
Friday 17 Oct	Michelle N Denise Susan R	Julia G
Monday 20 Oct	CLOSED	PUPIL FREE
Tuesday 21 Oct	Kelli M	Kerry C
Wednesday 22 Oct	Rebecca U	Bec P
Thursday 23 Oct	Julie B	HELP NEEDED
Friday 24 Oct	Pauline T Kimberley L	Stacey S

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.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS



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

SACCS

Dear Families,

2015 Enrolments - SACCS is currently in process of finalising the enrolment for children who are attending SACCS in 2014 and will be attending SACCS in 2015.

Student Free Day – 20 October is a Student Free Day. SACCS will be open for service from 7am until 6pm. Please contact us if you wish care for your children on the day.

Christmas Closing Dates: SACCS will be closed from 6pm on Tuesday, 23 December 2014 until the 7am on Wednesday, 07 January 2015.

SACCS IT network – The size and direction of SACCS has changed over the past few years, and as a result our IT capacity no longer meets the demands of our business. We require a full re-design of our IT network and are seeking to enter a commercial arrangement with an individual or business that can help us with this. Please contact SACCS directly with any referrals – phone 3897-6344.

MUSIC SUPPORT GROUP

MUSIC AWARDS NIGHT – WEDNESDAY 5 NOVEMBER - HPSHS

The WHSS Music Awards Night for 2014 will be held at Holland Park State High School on Wednesday 5 November 2014 at 6.30 pm. This is the second of two music nights for students in the music program for 2014 and a wonderful opportunity to see and hear how much students have improved over the year. Awards will be presented to those students who have excelled in the music program and are off to high school next year.

The MSG (Music Support Group) is looking for volunteers to help with the following jobs:

- Moving of instruments and stands to and from WHSS and Holland Park on Wednesday (05/11) 11 am - 1 pm and Thursday (06/11) morning before school;
- Setting up of the hall (05/11) from 12:30 - 2:30;
- Assisting in operating the front of house (selling tickets, water, etc.);
- Helping usher children to the correct rehearsal areas;
- Assisting backstage.

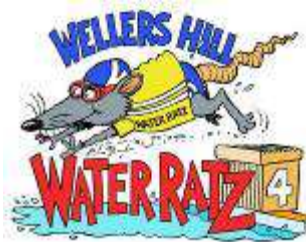
All parent volunteers are still able to watch their children perform so please consider lending a hand to ensure the night runs smoothly. Volunteers please email MSG - wellershillmusic@gmail.com

DONATIONS - Donations for our Xmas raffle to be drawn on the night would also be appreciated. Xmas hamper items in particular are sort. These can be left at the school office.

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

SWIMMING CLUB



* After a successful 2nd sign on last week, most LTS lessons & squads are now full. For any availabilities, please email admin@wellersratz.com

* Please note that all lessons will still be running on the pupil free day next Monday Oct 20th.

* All children must be supervised prior to & after swimming lessons in the pool area- it is not the coaches responsibility to be supervising children when not in the pool.

* Nominations for club nights can be done through our website or on the night.

Adult Fitness Swimming

Available at the school pool with the program set by the head coach, Peter Carswell.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

8-9am

\$10 per session or buy a book of 10 from the coach

Adult Lap Swimming

Monday – Friday

5.30am – 7am

\$5 per session or buy a book of 10 from the coach

Do you have questions about childhood asthma & allergy?

Ask the experts!



Presenters

Dr Scott Burgess

Paediatric Respiratory and Sleep Specialist
Mater Children's Hospital

Dr Kim Robertson

Paediatric Allergist and Immunologist
The Wesley Hospital

Lois Quick

Respiratory Clinical Nurse Consultant
Metro South Community Health

Join us

Date:

Wednesday 12th November

Time: 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Venue:

Kevin Aspinall Centre
St Bernard's Primary School
1823 Logan Road
Upper Mount Gravatt

Free registration

Includes sample bag and
light refreshments

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