



WELLERS HILL STATE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Community Members

Welcome to Term 2 at Wellers Hill State School. This week we are doing a cut down Information Flyer instead of a Newsletter. The regular Newsletter will be sent home next week.

I hope that everyone enjoyed a relaxing and peaceful Easter Vacation with family and friends.

I am looking forward to catching up with students and parents over the next few weeks.

Kind regards

John

ANZAC Ceremony at WHSS

WHSS will commemorate the 100th ANZAC Day at a service at school on **Thursday 23rd April**, commencing at 10:00am. All parents and community members are invited to join with the students in this very special school event. Following the Service veterans and their families are invited to join school staff and student leaders in morning tea.

ANZAC DAY March

Traditionally Mr Webster and the School Captains and Vice-Captains march with the Veterans and other community groups prior to the ANZAC DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Last year Mr Webster invited anyone who wanted to march to join with the Captains, and the response was overwhelming.

Therefore, Mr Webster would like to extend the invitation once again to the school community to join the Captains on the corner of Weller Road and Effingham Street at 6:00am on Saturday 25 April, 2015. Children marching must wear school uniform, specifically their blue school uniform shirt and not their sports house shirt. At the completion of the march in Ekibin Park, the students will be required to return to their parents. The Service in Ekibin Park commences at 6:45am and concludes at approximately 7:25am.

Parents are also invited to join the students in the march if they wish.

To Parents of Year 5 and Year 6 Students,

The WHSS ANZAC Ceremony will be held at the school this Thursday, 23 April, commencing at 10:00am.

We are extremely proud of the ceremony, for as well as providing a positive educational message for the students, it also provides a focal point for the community to link with our school during this important period of time each year.

Each year we are honoured to welcome in excess of fifty returned service men and women along with their direct and extended families, to our ceremony. Many of the visitors traveling significant distance to attend, however all with strong links to the Wellers Hill / Tarragindi community.

Following the ceremony we ask our guests to stay for morning tea, as this provides an opportunity for us to value the contribution they have made to the values and structure of current Australian life.

Each year we ask the parents of our two senior year levels to support this morning tea. We request, if possible, for each family in Year 5 and Year 6 to provide a plate of food to share with our guests. Anything is acceptable, from biscuits, slice, cake, and sandwiches. The food does not have to be home baked and families may choose just to send a packet of biscuits. However, if possible, sandwiches are always a favourite for our senior guests. Contributions are also accepted from other families who wish to donate.

Japan Tour 2015

The Japan Tour was a huge success with everyone return safe and sound, however with significantly reduced levels of energy. I will be sharing some photos of the Tour in the Newsletter next week.



NAPLAN

NAPLAN will be held across the Nation on 12, 13, and 14 May 2015. It is important that every child in Year 3 and Year 5 attends school on the NAPLAN testing days. It would be appreciated if these dates could be noted in the family diary.

FROM THE P&C PRESIDENT

Welcome back to Term 2. I trust all the students, staff and parents had a blessed Easter and a relaxing holiday. School is back for yet another busy term.

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 \$9. The average price is \$5. It will be held on Wednesday 6th May from 8am to 2.30pm. Classroom visits from 9am (The stall will also be open on Thursday 7th May from 8.15am to 8.45am) in the Alcove behind the Tuckshop. Volunteers are needed to wrap and help serve at the stall are needed. Please contact: **Deanne McDonald**: mobile 0422 632 951 or email sdlcmcdonald@optusnet.com.au

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

Working Bee Co-ordinator needed

Over the past few years the P & C has organised one working bee each term to focus on areas around the school that need improving. **We need a person who would be willing to co-ordinate the 'Working Bees' for 2015.** This person would identify small jobs that could be done by parents (assisted by their children eg. weeding, putting in seating), list equipment needed, find a suitable date and on the day organise the volunteers. Most working bees are on Saturdays or the occasional Sunday so it doesn't clash with the many sporting events and activities our kids are involved in. Think about taking on this important role – if you are interested please email me ASAP.

May P & C meeting

The P & C meeting for May will be held at 6.30pm (note the earlier starting time) on Wednesday May 27 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