FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Community Members

What a busy two weeks we have had so far. The highlight for me was the ANZAC Day Commemorative Service held at the school last Thursday and the Tarragindi ANZAC Service held on Saturday morning. I would like to note my pride in our School Captains Darcy Helmore and Elsie O’Brien and our Vice-Captains Benno Cairncross and Finn Magill on their respectful and professional manner when they represented the school at both official functions. I have included my speech in this newsletter as it reflects some of the media discussion since ANZAC Day.

The District Cross Country was also held this week. Congratulations to all of the students who participated and to the students who progressed through to the next level. Ms Sloan has provided specific information in her PE Report located in this newsletter.

Junior Learning Wing
The following information was sent home to classes moving into the new Junior Learning Wing. I thought it important to also share it with all parents.

It is anticipated that the JLW will be ready for us to move into around the week starting 1 June 2015. This is extremely exciting as the hand over is much earlier than anticipated. The construction has gone extremely well and the builders have done a very professional job.

City views from the top floor make the block the most desirable real estate in the school, however we will all get extremely fit walking up and down the stairs. The top floor is significantly higher than other buildings in the school, as the building was designed not to follow the slope of the land, which would have resulted in the building being split-level. The building does have a lift which will be available for use by parents with prams, the elderly, and disabled students and adults. Students will not be permitted to travel in the lift with their parents. In the first week however, we will be giving all students who reside in the building a ride in the lift.
One of the major benefits of the JLW is that there is a toilet on the top floor. All students in the building will be able to use the toilet, which will make it more convenient for both students and parents.

Unfortunately moving into the new building will necessitate some double shifting of rooms. This is the plan for shifting:

1. On the week of hand over, teachers will start packing their rooms into boxes. Any parental assistance in relation to this would be appreciated, please see your child’s teacher.
2. On the Thursday of the hand over week, two removalists will be employed to shift the heavier furniture such as teacher desks, from the demountable classrooms to the new buildings.
3. On the Saturday of the hand over week we will invite families from the classes who are shifting to come for a short time or a long time and assist in moving the contents of their child’s classroom into the JLW. The school will operate a continuous BBQ on that day, so parents and students can eat and enjoy a cold soft drink at any stage throughout the day. The two removalists will also be employed to assist on this day.
4. Final shifting into the classrooms will occur on the Monday.

Classes moving into the JLW are 1D (Mrs Dunne), 1H (Ms Tanaka), 1K (Ms Keighron), 1S (Mrs Zgrajewski), and 2 / 3 BL (Mrs Barrett & Mrs Lincoln). 1T (Mrs Hawkins) and 2T (Mr Hashimoto) will be moving into Ms Keighron and Mrs Zgrajewski rooms in Block 10. Mrs Peisker will be moving into the new Art Room, which is the only specialist built Art Room in a Queensland State primary school, and Mrs Webster will be moving into the new STL&N room. Any parental assistance to help with the shift of these two rooms on the Saturday will also be appreciated. It is anticipated that movers will move the heavier furniture into the building on Thursday 4th June, and that we will be seeking Working Bee assistance from parents on Saturday 6th of June. These dates should be able to be confirmed within a fortnight.

Have a great week.
Kind regards
John

Principal’s ANZAC Day Commemorative Speech

2015 is the 100th anniversary of the landing of Australian and New Zealand troops on a small strip of beach in Turkey that was to become known as ANZAC Cove.

Over the next few days we are going to hear about the bravery of the men who landed on the beach that morning. We will watch the ANZAC Day Parade on Saturday, and many of us will remember family members who are no longer with us. As a Nation, ANZAC Day is one of the most significant days in our National calendar.

I will leave it to others to talk about the centenary of the ANZAC. I would like to talk today about something completely different.

As Principal, I struggle over the use of two words when writing or talking to students or parents about the ANZAC Ceremony held at school today. These two words are Commemorate and Celebrate.

To be respectful to those who did not return I generally use the word commemorate. The men and women who died overseas or at home while protecting Australian values should be remembered with the deepest respect, regardless of whether their passing occurred 100 years ago or just last year when over a 12 month period nine members of the Australian Defence Force were killed in Afghanistan.
It is important to commemorate the dead, and to remember their sacrifice, as their sacrifice provides us with a way of life which is the envy of most countries across the world.

However, I frequently think I should also be using the word celebrate. Not to celebrate war, not to celebrate the death of those who did not return, and certainly not to celebrate winning or losing.

I think the word celebrate should be used when we refer to the returned servicemen and women, as well as their families, who sit before us today. We should be celebrating that they returned from conflict after serving their country here or overseas. We should continue to celebrate the contribution that these men and women, as well as their families, have made to the fabric of Australian life since their return; we celebrate the children, grandchildren, and even great grandchildren they have given us, and we should also celebrate that they have honoured us by attending this ANZAC Ceremony at Wellers Hill State School.

I think it is important that we use both words, commemorate and celebrate. During this ceremony we will use the word commemorate, as we are being respectful and honouring the past. However we will use the word celebrate during morning tea with our honoured guests, as I hope we share stories; laugh, smile and enjoy each other’s company, and generally enjoy spending time together.

For some, each year, it gets harder to attend this ceremony due to age and health issues. However I hope that when you are here with the students, staff and parents of Wellers Hill State School, you know you are truly appreciated, respected, and honoured.

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 sdlicmcdonald@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
FROM THE DEPUTY

Winter Clothing
Brrr, Winter is here! I don’t think it will come as news to anyone that winter has well and truly arrived in South-East Queensland. The trouble is, of course, that we experience winter most acutely in the mornings. As the temperature steadily rises students peel off the outer layers, and while most place them in their school bag and enjoy the winter sunshine; unfortunately, children - being children – do not always see the need to look after their items of clothing. The result is that these items find their way to the growing lost property bin, located in the hall.
This being the case, please remember to mark your child’s property clearly with a marking pen. A new jumper, hat or pants can so easily be reunited with its rightful owner as long as you have marked the tag which can be found in most school uniforms.
We will return as many of the named items as possible during term but there are still many unnamed items to be collected. Please take the time to come and see if any of these items belong to your children. If the clothing is clearly named there is a good chance it will be returned – unnamed NO chance.

Tackling Cyber Bullying
Children today are proficient in technologies such as mobile phones, email and the internet, however they don’t always have the confidence or the knowledge to deal with cyber bullying. The Queensland Government has a cyber safety pamphlet to help parents keep their children safe from online bullies.
Cybersafety – Links for families is a practical guide for parents, providing information and a list of resources and services to support safe online behaviour.
The pamphlet is also available to be downloaded from the Department of Education and Training website.
To download a copy of the pamphlet visit www.deta.qld.gov.au/docs/cybersafety.pdf

Absenteeism
As part of the Department of Education and Training’s (DET) focus on improving outcomes, attendance at school is a focus. It sometimes appears a simple thing to keep a child at home to visit relatives, go on an outing or take a holiday in school time, but for every day a child misses, they are also missing a chunk of the learning for that week. When a child misses even one minor concept, they begin to fall behind in their understanding of the big picture. This may not seem important, especially when the child is only in Prep or even Year 1, but I would have to emphatically disagree – it is in these vital foundation years that the beginnings of all curriculum and life understandings are formed. That’s why they are termed ‘foundation years’. What we notice too, is that children quickly understand that they are behind others and then anxiety can begin to set in. The child may feel nervous or anxious, which often manifests in tummy aches or headaches and not wanting to come to school. Parents understandably, believe their child isn’t well, keep them at home and so the whole cycle continues. I’ve added in my column today a table that shows just how much time a child loses by missing days at school and what this means over their school life.
I’ve also added another table which highlights minutes missed by arriving at school late.

It is tricky to get everyone organised and out the door on time, but I would urge everyone to try to get here by that 8:40 bell as class instruction begins at 8:50 each day. Those vital 10 minutes between the two bells is for getting ready for the day – sharpening pencils, changing home readers, getting books sorted for the first lesson and finding out what is in store for the day. Children who come after this time are missing that vital preparation for the day ahead.

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Ask us about help in getting your child to school every day.

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SPORTS NEWS

Mt Gravatt District Cross Country Carnival 2015
On Monday the 27th of April, Wellers Hill State School had 19 athletes compete at the District Championships, held at the Sunnybank Sports Centre. It was dry sunny day, with a little wind – perfect conditions for Cross Country. Overall, Wellers Hill had a successful day, with three students making it into the top 10 in their race and gaining a position on the Mt Gravatt District team to compete at the Regional Championships, being held at John Paul College on the 19th of May.

Successful athletes included; Lucy B, 8th 10 years Girls, Emerson R-U, 4th 10 years Boys, and Frank V, 4th 11 years Boys.

CAPTAINS’ CORNER

Congratulations to those who participated in the District Cross Country competition on Monday.

We had another amazing Anzac Day Ceremony with the Choirs, Senior Band and Camerata Strings performing on the day. Well done everyone.

Darcy Helmore and Elsie O’Brien
Year 6 School Captains

MUSIC NEWS

Important Dates for All Music Students!

Music Night
Monday the 18th of May at 6.30pm
All students involved in the music program are expected to attend.

Saint Paul’s Fete
Saturday the 23rd of May at 11am
Senior Band, Camerata Strings and Vocal Group have been invited to perform.

Choirs
Choral Fanfare
Monday the 25th of May (during school hours)
All choirs are expected to attend.

Band
Junior Band Forms for camp are due to the office by Friday the 1st of May.
No extensions will be granted, so forms must be in by this date to be eligible to attend.

Strings
Grade 2 Strings
All Grade 2 string students now have their lessons on Mondays. Last term some students were on Thursday but everyone is now on Mondays.

Camerata Strings
Rehearsal will now be at Lunch 2 on Thursday not before school, please enjoy a sleep in on Thursday mornings!

Grade 4 Strings Camp
All Grade 4's will receive information soon about the Grade 4 Strings Day Camp. The dates are 9th – 12th of June. Please put this in your calendar!

Happy Music Making!
Mrs Kristensen, Mrs Price, Mr Bell
NEWS FROM THE ART ROOM

This term each year level will be creating and responding to artworks, with an emphasis on shape. Year 1 will look at regular and irregular shapes (bimorphic and geometric), Year 2 symmetrical and asymmetrical shape, Year 3 shape and form (2D and 3D) and Year 4 all of the above, plus positive and negative shape or space.

Wellers Hill State School will be hosting the next meeting of the Primary Arts Network. PAN works to improve arts education for students by supporting teachers with professional development. Last year Ms Smith’s class helped with some filming and photography in support of Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA). The suite of four videos produced supports the implementation of The Australian Curriculum: Visual Arts by providing examples of visual arts practices in a classroom environment.

The new art room is coming along beautifully and will be a huge asset to the school. It will be very exciting to make the move in the near future. Can’t wait!

On a final note, thank you to everyone who has been sending in supplies of all sorts to the art room – they are most gratefully received and will be very useful in making art with the students. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Kind Regards,
Carolyn Peisker
Art Teacher.

LIBRARY NEWS

Hi Everyone,

We are having a Book Fair May 19th-26th May is National Family Reading month and the theme is "Kings, Queens and Castles"- what fun!!

On Wednesday 20th May, we are going to have a whole school dress-up day and the children can come to school in costume.

Then, there is going to be an afternoon event for the family to view and buy books- Mums and Dads can come in costume too! This will be held in the hall from 3.30pm - 5.30pm.

The Library Annex will then be open on the following days for books to be purchased.

Mornings 7.45 - 8.45 am
Friday 22nd May
Monday 25th May
Tuesday 26th May

Afternoons 3.00 -4.30pm
Thursday 21st May
Friday 22nd May
Monday 25th May

SO - start thinking about your costume and looking forward to a fun and fabulous Book Fair!!

Bernadette Hoffman
Teacher in the Library
Kidsmatter provides schools and families with a range of information to help them support children’s mental health and wellbeing.

To assist in supporting children’s mental health and wellbeing, each month a Kidsmatter topic will be included in the school newsletter. The practical information, tips and strategies provided may be beneficial in supporting children in the home environment. This will also be supported through school staff implementing support strategies in the school environment, as needed.

This month the focus topic will be: **Friendship Skills**

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### Friendship skills: Suggestions for families

**Parents and carers are children’s first and most important teachers when it comes to relationships**

The ways you relate to your children and the guidance you provide helps develop children’s social skills. You can help children develop and maintain friendships by modelling effective social skills, providing opportunities for children to practise interacting with others, and offering support when they go through difficulties. Taking the role of a coach helps children learn the skills they need for themselves.
Children who have a wide range of interests are more likely to have something in common with others and so find it easier to make friends and get along.

The following suggestions may be helpful

**Make time to play too**

Parents and carers can improve their children’s social skills by playing with them regularly. Letting children choose and lead the play allows you to be playful with them and encourages them to practise skills for cooperation and negotiation. Making time for play helps strengthen your relationship with them as well as their skills. Avoid criticising and make it fun!

**Allow your child to try all sorts of different activities**

Children who have a wide range of interests are more likely to have something in common with others and so find it easier to make friends and get along.

**Invite children for play dates**

Having friends over to visit helps children to establish friendships and practise their social skills. It also provides an opportunity for you to provide on-the-spot coaching for children as they develop their friendship skills. Providing positive guidance and helping to structure activities (without taking over) can be very important when establishing new friendships.

**Child says:**

“*There’s this girl in my class who is really mean to everyone in class, and so we are all mean right back to her.*”

“*Maybe she thinks we don’t like her and so she’s being mean to us?*”

“*Well, I like her when she’s not being mean.*”

“*Maybe I could invite her over to play after school?*”

**Talk with children about what is happening for them with their friends**

Find a relaxed time, like the drive home from school or after dinner, to talk about what is happening in your children’s friendship group. By doing this, you let them know that you are interested in their wellbeing, and this can also be an opportunity to share some of your experiences and help them solve any problems they might have.

**Encourage positive, relevant strategies**

Parents and carers can talk about, and encourage, friendly and cooperative strategies that can help their child to develop friendships. For example, encouraging children to negotiate or compromise when trying to solve conflicts with peers is a strategy that is more positively received than aggression or verbal threats.

**Take a problem-solving approach**

Parents and carers don’t need to have the answers to all of their children’s problems. You can support your children to think through a problem for themselves by talking with them and asking some useful questions. For example:

**Parent/carer asks:**

“Why do you think she is being so mean?”

“That could be one reason. Do you like her?”

“So how could you show her that you do like her, and that there’s no need for her to be mean?”

Affirms: “That sounds like a great idea to me.”

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This resource is part of a range of KidsMatter Primary information sheets for families and school staff. View them all online at [www.kidsmatter.edu.au](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au)
SPORTS SUPPORT GROUP

**Disco:** dates for your calendar are as follows - Thursday 28 May, 27 August & Halloween theme on 29 October.

All disco’s are run by the Sport Support Group as a way of raising funds to maintain and improve the sports ovals and purchasing sport equipment. A flyer will be sent home with your child soon.

- 5pm - 5.50 Prep and Year 1
- 6pm - 7pm Years 2 & 3
- 7.10 - 8.30 Years 4, 5 & 6

If you are a plumber or landscape designer and would be willing to assist the Sport Support Group, please contact Julia on 0432 500 358. We are creating a care plan for the top oval and would like to have your input!

Are you a keen runner, a slow jogger, or just enjoy a stroll on a Saturday morning? Consider coming along to the Stones Corner Park Run at 7am each Saturday and taking part in the free 5km timed run. Many families and teachers have been taking part and it would be wonderful to see more people from the Wellers Hill community. Find out more at [http://www.parkrun.com.au/stonescorner/](http://www.parkrun.com.au/stonescorner/)

SACCS

**Vacation Care** – We are reporting of another successful Vacation Care Program. All children attending enjoyed both excursions: Underwater World and Seventeen Miles Rock Park. The scooters riding and the BBQ made the day an extra special. Children enjoyed the Indigenous Totem Hunt day, The Ocean Life visit, the Desert and Sand Day, the Bird House day. There was so much to see, experiment and learn. As per our philosophy all our activities aim to provide rich, engaging and stimulating environments and to deliver outcomes that support children education to become socially, environmentally and sustainably responsible citizens of this land and of the world. If you have any comments for this Vacation Care or any suggestions for the upcoming June/July Vacation Care – we would love to hear them.

**Achievements** – At SACCS we enjoy hearing of children’s success outside of SACCS. A lot of our children are very busy with extra enrichment activities such as sport, music, drama, dancing, chess etc. It would be great if you advise us of such success – we would love to acknowledge and celebrate it at SACCS.
1. MUSIC NIGHT: Monday, 18th May 2015

Helpers Needed - Please consider helping out at the WHSS music night coming up soon (Monday 18th May). We need assistance for jobs such as: front of house, backstage, set up (at Holland Park High from 1pm on the day), ushering, tuning, loading the truck on the day and unloading the truck the following morning. Please email us at wellershillmusic@gmail.com if you can assist.

** Reminder **  All students are expected to perform on the night and must be in full performance uniform (see details below).

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2. MUSIC NIGHT RAFFLE

** Donations Needed** MSG fundraisers will run raffles at our music night and donations for prizes are appreciated. Ideas include: children's gifts, non-perishables such as chocolate, wine, vouchers - please drop your donations off at the WHSS office.

Raffle tickets will be available for purchase on the night (Monday 18th May). One of the prizes is an Entertainment Book that can be used until end of June 2016.

3. OUTSTANDING LEVY PAYMENTS - There are a significant number of unpaid music levies (particularly Junior Choir students). If you have not paid your child's music levy, or are unsure if you have paid - please email Melissa at: spscontact@yahoo.com.au

4. ANZAC DAY CEREMONY - a big congratulations to all involved - our music performers did a fantastic job! Also a special thanks to Ceri McCoy who gave up his free time to rehearse and then be our sound man on the day 😊

5. HARMONIES ON THE HILL / FETE - Please consider volunteering at our school fete (Harmonies) in August. MSG needs volunteers to assist the music students in the hall for 2 hour stints either morning or afternoon. Please email us at wellershillmusic@gmail.com if you can assist.

6. MUSIC SUPPORT GROUP (MSG) - Our next meeting is Tuesday 5th May at 7pm in the WHSS Staff Room - All welcome!
TUCKSHOP

State of Origin Meal Deal
It’s back!! This year we will have Meal Deals on SOO Game 1 (27 May) and Game 2 (17 June)

Meal Deal 1 - Meat Lovers Pizza, Twisties, Tropical LOL and an iced cupcake.
Meal Deal 2 – Pie, sauce, Honey Soy chips, Tropical LOL and an iced cupcake.

Both deals are $8 each. You can order one or both by tearing off the payment section below and
returning to the tuckshop before the cut off date. Both orders will also appear on Flexischools after
the Easter holidays. Don’t miss out – orders WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED after the cut off dates.

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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.

STATE OF ORIGIN MEAL DEAL 1 – MAY 27 (Cut off for order Friday May 22) Cost: $8.00
(Meat Lovers Pizza, Twisties, Tropical LOL and an iced cupcake.)

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(Please place tear-off section and payment in an envelope and return to the tuckshop before Friday May 22)

STATE OF ORIGIN MEAL DEAL 2 – JUNE 17 (Cut off for order Friday June 12) Cost: $8.00
Meal Deal 2 – Pie, sauce, Honey Soy chips, Tropical LOL and an iced cupcake

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COMMUNITY NEWS

ANNERLEY & DISTRICTS BLUE LIGHT - SUPERSIZED DISCO
***Saturday 2nd May 2015***
***4pm – 9.30pm***

AGES: **7yrs. – 14yrs**
TIME: 4pm-9.30pm
COST: $10.00
PLACE: Our Lady’s College, 616 Ipswich Rd, Annerley

- Live Rock Band & DJ
- Free Amusement Rides, Jumping Castle, Tattoos
- Lucky Door Prizes
- Sausage sizzle, drinks and sweets available for purchase

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.

HOLLAND PARK STATE HIGH SCHOOL

🌟 See our highly effective smaller school culture
🌟 Hear about our outstanding OP achievement and vocational opportunities
🌟 Visit classrooms to see Triple E (Excellence, Enrichment, Extension) in action

**Our Open Morning Tours for May are:-**
- Tuesday 5 May 2015 at 9.15am followed by morning tea with the Principal
- Friday 22 May 2015 at 9.15am followed by morning tea with the Principal

[www.hollparkshs.eq.edu.au](http://www.hollparkshs.eq.edu.au)
Telephone: 3347 0111


GOOD NEWS STORIES
9 Wellers Hill students competed at Sunnybank Little Athletics during the summer season. At the Presentation Awards on Saturday 18th April all were recognised for their achievements.

Meghan Bekker 2nd, Shae Godfrey 3rd & Saorisa Ireland 4th in U11 girls
Oliver Scully - 1st place U10 boys
Caleb Godfrey - 2nd place U9 boys
Sean Scully 1st & Issac Bell 3rd in U8 boys
Daniel Godfrey 2nd U6 boys, Zoe Bell 1st U6 girls

LOST PROPERTY
The below items have been found:

- Orange Watch
- Red leather ladies wallet
- 2 x Frozen character purses
- Key ring – black boot
- Key ring – pink bow
- Called brand purse
- Blue satin headband
- Ladies prescription glasses – black/blue frames
- Prescription glasses – red frames
- Small silver loop earring with stones

IFORM 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

EMERGENCY CONTACTS
Please ensure the school has up-to-date information regarding emergency contacts so that you can be contacted promptly if required.
Planning is in progress for our school fete "Harmonies on the Hill" to be held on

Sunday 2nd August, 2015

This is the biggest fundraising event on the school calendar and we need your help. In 2012, an army of dedicated volunteers raised nearly $70,000 that directly benefited all of our children.

Sponsorship of donations and goods is key to the success of the fete. If you would like to sponsor in any way (big or small, it all helps) please contact Rosie Payne.

A BIG Thank you to Stephen Dibb from Stephen Dibb jewellery who is donating an item of jewellery to the fete.

Contact your Harmonies Committee

Please contact us should you wish to sponsor, convene a stall, offer assistance to the committee or for any general enquires.

Fem Castles (Stalls)  femkeboer@icloud.com
Rosie Payne (Sponsorship)  rosemary.stead@gmail.com
Brigitte Braddock (Marketing)  brigitte.braddock@hotmail.com
Chris Hennessy (Rides)  chris-hennessy@hotmail.com

“Your fete is in our hands”

Wanted! Stall conveners

A fete is only a great fete because there are great stall conveners. Most of our 2012 stall conveners have volunteered to convene stalls again. Thanks heaps! However, personal commitments change & some conveners no longer have children at the school.

All classes will be assigned a stall, so now is the time to have your say and volunteer for the stall of your choice!

We still need conveners for the following stalls:

- Artwork and craft
- BBQ
- Café
- Raffles
- Jams and Pickles
- Trash and Treasure
- Hot Chips
- Plants
- Bar

Please, please, please…. contact the Harmonies stalls co-ordinator, Femke Castles, at femkeboer@icloud.com if you're able to convene a stall.
Mothers Day Stall

Come along to buy Mum and Grandma a special present for Mothers Day. There are lots of fantastic gifts to choose from and something for everyone. Gifts range in price from $1 to $9 with the average price being $5. Details are as follows:

Date       Wednesday 6th May
Time       8am to 2.30pm
           Classroom visits from 9am
           (The stall will also be open on Thursday 7th May from 8.15am to 8.45am)
Place      Alcove behind the Tuckshop

Prep, 1, 2 and 3 students are encouraged to wait until their classroom visits due to the high number of senior students attending the stall before school.

Year 4, 5, and 6 students are encouraged to go to the stall before school and during playtime, although limited time has been allocated for year level visits around second break.

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!
The new 2015/2016 Entertainment Books are here at Wellers Hill State School!

For those of you who have never purchased an Entertainment™ Book, or didn’t know about the new Entertainment™ Digital Membership, here is a little information about what they are and why the school is selling them. Each Entertainment Book has hundreds of 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for restaurants, cafés, attractions, hotels, shopping, groceries, travel and contain over 2,000 offers that you can use whenever you like until 1st June 2016. For example:

- Enjoy a night out at Mecca Bah and save up to $45
- Let the kids blow off some steam at AMF bowling and get one game for free
- Shop at David Jones and save 10% off gift cards

The Entertainment Memberships are also a great fundraiser for our school, as Wellers Hill State School Music Support Group receive 20% of the price of every Entertainment Membership sold! Order online now: www.entbook.com.au/220u173

This year there are two formats to choose from: the traditional Entertainment™ Book or the NEW Entertainment™ Digital Membership, which puts the value of the Book into your iPhone or Android smartphone (on up to 2 devices)! Have a look at the new 2015/2016 edition here: http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/flickbook

The NEW Entertainment™ Digital Membership has many dynamic features including:

- Downloadable to your smartphone allowing you to have access to all offers, all the time!
- Auto updated with new offers, when new business join the Entertainment program throughout the year
- Search function that allows you to search all offers by either: Businesses’ Name, Suburb, or Cuisine
- Value received icon shows how many offers you’ve used and how much you’ve saved!
- Features “near me” technology giving you instant directions to restaurants, access to their website and menu, and the ability to call and make a booking, all at the touch of a finger.

For more information call: Jutta Lituri on 0479 109 669