FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Community Members

Welcome back to Term 4. This year has been so busy and it does not seem to be getting any quieter as we head into Term 4.

We are so privileged to work at Wellers Hill. We have an absolutely wonderful school with great staff, students and parents. While the year has been busy, it is not onerous.

There are lots of things currently happening, however the main item on the agenda is the Bunkasai Festival occurring at school on Sunday from 10:00am until 4:00pm. Mrs Hart and her team of workers have been preparing a magnificent festival that I am sure everyone will enjoy. Please come along and enjoy the day.

The P and C Meeting has been moved this month as well. The October meeting will be held on Wednesday evening, 19 October commencing at 07:00pm. All parents and interested community members are invited to come along and join the meeting.

I would like to congratulate the Year 1 and Year 3 Japanese Bilingual students who were asked to perform for the Channel 10 Weather Report last night. They were very professional and had a great time. Thank you to the parents for bringing the children back at 5:00pm for the performance.
Parents need to know that **Monday 17 October is a Student Free Day**. All staff will be working at the school on Monday. We will be doing professional development until lunch, followed by a guest speaker for the afternoon. Student Free days are extremely valuable for schools as they allow time for staff to work together in a concentrated manner for an extended period of time.

I am also currently in the process of shortlisting and interviewing for an additional Deputy Principal for 2017. The focus for the third Deputy Principal will be the Japanese Bilingual Programme. The successful applicant will have a deep knowledge of the curriculum as well as the ability to read and write using the three Japanese character forms and have native language level ability.

Have a great week and I hope to see you at Bunkasai.
Kind regards
John

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**FROM THE P&C PRESIDENT**

**Art Show Thanks**
The Celebration of Art held last term was a great success. The weekend began with a cocktail party and auction on Saturday night 10 September followed on Sunday 11 September with the unveiling of the ‘Connect’ sculpture, art workshops, music performances, food and drink stalls. A huge thank you to all the committee members, volunteers and artists who worked hard over the last 9 months.

Thank you to the Committee Members: Carolyn Peisker, Gabrielle Demisch, Rebecca Sebastian, Jacqueline Lamond, Megan Duffy, Michael Page, Anthony Mack, Brett Smith, Simone Gardiner, Sarah Bocquee, Tania Carlos, Laura Day, Janelle Steadman.

Also thanks to the more than 50 volunteers who helped out in all areas leading up to and over the whole weekend of the Celebration of Art. Without willing volunteers events like this could not happen.
Final two P & C meeting for 2016
Please note the dates and times for the final two P & C meeting for 2016 - Wednesday 19 October and Wednesday 23 November both starting at 7pm. As a number of Year 6 parents will be leaving at the end of the year it would be good to see some new faces and have more volunteers in 2017.

World Teachers' Day Friday 28th October – Special morning tea for staff
World Teachers’ Day acknowledges the efforts of teachers in an increasingly complex, multicultural and technological society. It is a day where students, parents and community members can demonstrate their appreciation for the contributions that teachers have made to their community. The teachers at Weller’s Hill State School share their knowledge, give our children special care and attention and inspire them to learn. Not only during the school day but many hours are spent marking homework, preparing lessons, going on camps and excursions.

On **Friday 28th October** please say a special thanks to your class teacher – we do appreciate the time and effort they give to educating our children! The P & C are hosting a special morning tea. Please bring a small plate of food and deliver it to the staffroom on Friday morning.

Any P & C related questions or issues please contact me on 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.
SPORT NEWS
Term 4 – Week 2

**Sport Dates**
Term Four
Sports Awards > Friday 2\(^{nd}\) December (Tentative)
Swimming Carnivals > TBC
Interschool Sport > Every Friday for 5 weeks from 7\(^{th}\) October (Week 1)

**Mt Gravatt District Sport Trials**
District Trials have nearly concluded for this year. We have had a number of students selected to trial and more selected to trial for upcoming sports. Students will be informed if they are to be nominated to trial for districts. Any student nominated to trial will be given the required paperwork to return so that they are eligible to trial. Each school is restricted to the number of students that can trial for each sport so unfortunately not all students can trial for districts.

**Met East Boys Cricket**
Congratulations to Matthew L on making the Mt Gravatt District Cricket team and then going on to be selected to the Met East Regional team. We wish Matthew all the best at the upcoming state cricket championship.

**Met East Triathlon & Aquathlon Trials**
If you are interested in trialling for the Met East Triathlon Team (swim/bike/run) and are turning 13 in 2017 (born in 2004) please see Mr Grennan for more information.
If you are interested in trialling for the Met East Aquathlon Team (swim/run/swim) and are 11 or 12 in 2017 (born 2006 or 2005) please see Mr Grennan for more information.

**Interschool Sport in 2016**
The Summer Interschool Sport season has begun and is well under way. This semester we are competing in the following sports:
- Boys Touch – Whites Hill Reserve
- Girls AFL – Mt Gravatt AFL Club, Cnr Klumpp & Logan Rds
- Boys AFL – Yandina Park, Wecker Rd
- Girls Volleyball – Citipointe Christian College, Wecker Rd

Students must take their own water bottle, hat and sunscreen to games.

**Recreational Activities**
Students who are not participating in interschool sport will be doing recreational activities here at school this term. Students do not stay with the same teacher through all of the activities, but always meet with them at 12:30pm each week. They will be directed to who will take them to their activity each week by their normal rec teacher.

As one of the Rec sports for this term is swimming, students need to check if there group is swimming on a Friday. Parent supervision is also required for swimming.

**Swimming in Term Four**
PE lessons have moved back into the pool this term so here are a few reminders of how swimming lessons work and what you need to be prepared. Students must have swimmers, sun shirt, cap, towel and a bag to put it all in. Goggles are recommended as well as they will prevent sore eyes and help you swim in a straight line. All of this gear must be named and it is advisable to wear sunscreen on the day of your lesson. Lessons for all years will start in week one except for Preps who will start in week two.

For parents: find out what day and time your child’s swimming lesson is on to see if you can help out on the day and most importantly remind them to pack their swimmers for that day. For prep classes it would be ideal to have four parents in the water and a couple out of the pool. I prefer with years 1-3 that there are a minimum of three parents at a lesson with at least two being in the water to assist. With the upper school one-two parents on the pool deck is sufficient. I understand that parents are extremely busy but even if you make it to one lesson in a term I am sure your child will appreciate that you went to watch them swim and it will help share the load around the rest of the parent group.
It is important that students make an effort to be swimming at every lesson as it is a short and busy term and new skills are learnt every week. Remember to bring your swimmers and even if you aren’t feeling 100% to at least try to get in the pool and swim because you will feel much better for giving it a go. Students are reminded that three “no swims” without a valid reason may result in an RT visit.

**BUNKASAI**

After many months of planning Bunkasai is finally here!

Come along and enjoy traditional Japanese food, goods, festival games and entertainment. We hope to see you, your family and friends on Sunday from 10am!

**ART ROOM NEWS**

Welcome back!

I would like to sincerely thank everyone involved in the highly successful 2016 Art Show. The Art Committee was hardworking and dedicated (a LOT of work goes on behind the scenes!) and I would also like to thank the community for supporting the event.

Our committee leader, Erica Mack, did a wonderful job and worked tirelessly, as did all the committee members. Organisation of this event starts a year in advance!

The lasting legacy of this year’s Art Show will be the sculpture that has been installed in the JLW garden, and I hope that in the future students and parents will gain enjoyment from viewing this piece. Another benefit for the school will be the professional hanging system installed in the hall. Both projects were funded by the P & C and monies raised from this year’s Art Show.

Term 3 saw the students create some wonderful masterpieces while learning more about the element of colour. This term the focus will be on texture and associated concepts of design. Once again please accept my heartfelt thanks for your support and continued involvement in the Arts.

Kind Regards,
Carolyn Peisker
**MUSIC NEWS**

**Musicfest**

**Choir/Strings/Band Competitions**
The Wellers Hill State School Choirs, Strings and Band Ensembles will be competing in the Musicfest Competition this year between the 22\textsuperscript{nd} and 29\textsuperscript{th} of October.

Please ensure your child has the note specific to their ensemble outlining the details including date, time and venue. These can be collected from the ensemble director or from the office.

**Talent Showcase** will be held on Monday the 31\textsuperscript{st} of October for students who successfully auditioned. Please ensure your child has collected the new note outlining the new date and details of the rehearsal. These can be collected from the office.

**Music Awards Night** will be held on Monday the 14\textsuperscript{th} of November for ALL MUSIC STUDENTS. Please save this date.

**MusicFest – Band Performances**

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Students are to wear full performance uniform including the school hair ribbon (girls) and long black socks. Due to traffic, please ensure you allow plenty of time to get to the venue. Parking is located below or behind the PAC building. We wish all our musicians the very best for their performances.

**Recruitment**
The 2017 Band recruitment process is well underway with students being physically tested in year 3 for instrument suitability. Offers of placement will be released shortly.

**Essential Elements Interactive**
The Essential Elements Interactive App is a fantastic resource for our music students. It allows students to play along with a recording as well as being able to record their own performances for feedback. All Year 4 students should now have access to the Essential Elements Interactive App on the school iPads using their student email address. Please contact Mrs Rosewarne if there are any problems with your app and logging on.

Happy Music Making,
Mrs Kristensen, Mrs Price and Mrs Rosewarne
SCIENCE FAIR

Science Fair News

Only Two Weeks to go!

There is still time to enter the Science Fair. Some investigations only take a few weeks to complete and write up so it is still possible for everyone to enter the Wellers Hill SS Science Fair. Take lots of photos of your budding scientist at work on their project for their display.

The Science Fair will be held on Wednesday the 2nd November in week 5 of Term 4. The students will bring in their work on Tuesday the 1st November, judging will take place on Wednesday 2nd and the fair will be open for viewing on Thursday 3rd.

If you have a scientific background and would love to volunteer to help judge the investigations on Wednesday 2nd November please contact either Louise Hart. (lhart10@eq.edu.au) or Suzette Edwards (sedwa17@eq.edu.au)

Thanks,
Suzette Edwards

GOOD NEWS STORY

I had the privilege of attending Show Camp this year.

Show Camp, is a great learning experience for Year Sixes interested in developing newswriting, media and social skills. To attend the Show Camp, students had to complete a series of tests online and then be selected to take part. Each year 20 students are chosen to attend the camp, and this year there were five ‘city kids’ and fifteen ‘country kids’.

At Show Camp I explored the Ekka looking for stories as well as had great fun with my new friends. I wrote several stories, my favourite being the one about the Ekka Learning Trail, as I got to hang out with friends and eat lollies for my research. I would definitely recommend the Ekka Show Camp to anybody who is interested in writing and making new friends, as well as have fun at the Ekka. We didn’t just do newswriting though. We also participated in junior judging, as well as leading goats around the main arena, the day the bull escaped a mere 50 metres away. I thoroughly recommend it to anyone in Year 5 for 2017.

Maeve Conlon
Re-enrolment 2017

Our Reenrolment process for 2017 is currently in full force. The closing date for the Reenrolment is at 9am, 17 October 2016.

Please note: SACCS will endeavour to accommodate all existing clients and siblings, however our licence numbers are limited and requests for additional days and placements will be subject to availability and you will be offered a place in accordance with our priority of access requirements.

Pupil Free Day - Monday, 17 October 2016

SACCS will be operational on Monday, 17th October 2016 – Pupil Free Day. The centre will provide service from 7am until 6pm. The booking is currently open. Please book as soon as possible if you require care for this day to secure a spot.

Sustainability – we are looking to add up to our dolls’ collection and also for a big doll’s house. If you have some of these items at home and your children have already outgrown them SACCS is will be happy to provide a home for them.

TUCKSHOP

Welcome back for the last term of the year. We have had a price rise for most menu items so please be aware if you are paying with cash that things have changed.

We would like to have one more “meal deal” before the end of the year. “State of Origin” and “Foods of the World” were very popular so if you have any suggestions for our last special for the year please let us know.

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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.
ART SHOW COMMITTEE
Wellers Hill State School Celebration of Art 2016 Committee, Volunteers and Artists. Thank you.

The Celebration of Art was a success. A great big thank you!! to all my committee members, volunteers and artists who worked so hard over the last 9 months in all areas to bring about a fantastic art fun filled weekend.

Thank you to the Committee Members: Carolyn Peisker, Gabrielle Demisch, Rebecca Sebastian, Jacqueline Lamond, Megan Duffy, Michael Page, Anthony Mack, Brett Smith, Simone Gardiner, Sarah Bocquee, Tania Carlos, Laura Day, Janelle Steadman.

The 50 plus Volunteers who helped out in all areas leading up to and over the whole weekend. And the artists who put faith in me to showcase and sell their artwork.

Thank you all so much.
Erica Mack
Celebration of Art Committee Chairperson.

Wellers Hill State School Celebration of Art Sponsorship Thank you.

The Celebration of Art was a success. A great big thank you!! to all our sponsors who worked with us in all areas to help make a fantastic art fun filled weekend.

Thank you to:
Place Real Estate Annerley
Urban BodyWorx Tarragindi
Griffith Aquatic Nathan
Selective Hearing Tarragindi
Aussie Mooroocka
Framing Fabulous Tarragindi
Sarah Hickey Artist
Megan Schliebs Artist
Graham Cox Artist
Tania Carlos
Brookes Blooms
The Pink Salon
Sugomi Bistro
Synergy Massage
Candle Warmers Australia
Karine Fitness and Wellbeing
Apiaries 8
Hall Payne
Cate Kennedy & Carla Zapel
Gaylene Francis – Japanese Curry
Mr Barista.
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

Swim Gear for Term 4
Lycra swim caps - $5.50
100% Waterproof Drawstring Swim bags - $9

Interschool Sport for Term 4
Rugby / Soccer Long Socks - $8
Rugby Shorts - $20
Netball Visors - $8
Drawstring Bag - $5

YEAR 5 STUDENTS
Get ready for your senior year at WHSS! Purchase your NAVY SENIOR Bucket Hat ready for your first
day next year! $15

PARENTS - STUDENTS CAN ATTEND THE UNIFORM SHOP SECOND BREAK ON WEDNESDAY
TO PURCHASE ITEMS. PLEASE BRING CASH FOR ITEMS UNDER $10 !!!

SCHOOL BANKING
Welcome back to Term 4 for school banking.

Rewards Update:
The new rewards for Term 4 are the wriggly
glow worm and the bush fly fan (pictured
below).

The jump and skip rope, backtrack eraser pen and wildlife writer set are no longer available.
Thank you for your ongoing support of the school banking program at Wellers Hill. If you ever have any
questions or queries regarding the school banking program, please feel free to drop in and see the
banking ladies in the staff room on Thursday morning.

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

TERM 4 TENNIS HOT SHOTS - ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN!
ENROL ONLINE at www.tennisforkids.com.au (spaces are limited so get in fast)

Additional places for Red Ball (Prep-Grade 1) and Orange Ball (Grade 2-Grade 4) have been made available. New classes have also opened on a Wednesday afternoon! Should you have any questions or would like to enrol in private coaching please call Tennis For Kids on 0408 187 741.

ANY NEW CHILDREN, ENROLLING IN TERM 4 WILL RECEIVE A FREE JUNIOR TENNIS RACQUET!

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots is being delivered at your child’s school next term!
To view session times and pricing go to www.tennisforkids.com.au and select “Lesson Times”

Guided by our qualified coaches, children will progress from introductory sessions that focus on hand-eye coordination, body control, and balance through to technical stroke production and tactical point play.

The primary school years are a critical period for children to develop coordination skills and in our opinion no other sport can deliver the same level of total skill development as tennis. Tennis teaches hand-eye coordination, total motor control, ball tracking and striking skills, all the while building balance, foot speed, strength, fitness, agility and flexibility.

Tennis for Kids delivers coaching programs using the ANZ Hot Shots Framework to help kids have fun and success sooner. ANZ Hot Shots is a Tennis Australia program that utilises tailored equipment, including smaller courts, racquets and low-compression tennis balls. This program ensures children are introduced to tennis in an environment that is suited to their age and skill level, helping children succeed and have fun sooner.

Tennis for Kids believes in teaching children through play. Therefore, as well as teaching strokes and technique each lesson will be full of “modified tennis” games - “up dog”, “down dog”, “splat rallies”, “tennis cricket”, “tennis baseball”, “pass the chook”, “skittles”, “fruit salad”, “crocodile”, “shoot the duck”, “around the world”, “galaxy” and many other strange sounding games! These games help teach basic coordination, footwork, technical tennis skills, teamwork and fair play .......as well as making the learning experience fun!

Enrol and Pay in one easy step online at www.tennisforkids.com.au
POSITIONS ARE LIMITED AND ENROLMENTS ARE ACCEPTED ON A “FIRST IN BEST DRESSED” BASIS

School Chess Program for Wellers Hill School 2016

Lessons cater for all ages and abilities

Coaching details for Wellers Hill State School

Coaching days & time: Tuesdays 7.45—8.45am

Venue: Library

Cost per term: $88.00 per student for term 4

Start Date: Term 4— Tuesday 4th October— 6th December

To register and pay for your child/ren please go to our secure web site www.gardinerchess.com.au and click on the ‘parents’ icon. You then need to create a new account and follow the instructions. If you already have an account, please log in using your username and password. Once your dashboard comes up, click on student coaching, new enrolment, then select the new term, add to cart and checkout.

Please list any medical, custodial or other factors of which we need to be aware when you are completing your child’s enrolment. Once you have enrolled and paid for your child/ren please send them along to the next scheduled lesson. Under no circumstances will our coaches be able to accept payment.

For families with three or more children attending and those starting part way through the term please contact our office directly to enrol on 07 5522 7221. This also applies to families who are unable to enrol via our web site.

This chess program is designed to be ongoing from term to term. Payment for each subsequent term will be required at the beginning of each new term.

Unless there are extended absences, where special allowance may be made by written request, we will require the full fee to be paid. The fee is based on a full class of students, and no allowance can be made for occasional absences.

Please note: If your child has not been registered and fees paid, online or over the phone on 07 5522 7221, after 2 weeks of starting the program, he or she will be unable to attend further classes.

The Value of Chess in Education

Children need to be exposed to a myriad of opportunities in their young lives, whether these be artistic, sporting or literary pursuits, to enable them to discover what excites them and what can contribute to their life skills in an enjoyable way.

Chess can provide one of those opportunities. We have found that girls and boys from all backgrounds, rich or poor, sporting or otherwise, including those with learning or physical disabilities, choose to make chess one of their passions.

From the extensive research conducted all around the world, it has been found that chess helps children to ‘think smarter’.

In a nutshell, this is why children like to learn chess:

♦ They realise it helps them to think smarter.
♦ In most cases, after only a short time, they will be able to beat their parents at chess.
♦ They will be able to compete in a school team in the inter-schools chess competitions. Most kids find this to be an awesome experience
♦ The most important . . . because it’s fun!

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