



# WELLERS HILL STATE SCHOOL

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## WHAT'S ON AT WELLERS

**Whole school parade**

**First Day of Term 3 – Monday 14 July**

**Year 4-7 Athletics – 30 & 31 July**

**P-3 Sports Day 1 August**

*Principal: Mr John Webster*

*Deputy Principal: Mr Jack White*

*Deputy Principal: Mrs Louise Hart*

*Yr 7 School Captains : Connor Helmore, Alice Herley*

*Yr 7 Vice Captains: Ethan Tunstall, Maddison Scott*

*Yr 6 School Captains: William Ellerton, Charlotte Cooper*

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Wednesday 26 June, 2014.

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents and Community Members

Welcome to the final week of Term 2. As parents would be aware, I have accepted a position in the Darling Downs South West Queensland Region (DDSWQ) as the Acting Assistant Regional Director School Performance. Appointment to this role is for six months, with the contract concluding at Christmas. The Acting Principal during my absence is Mrs Gayle Coleman. Mrs Coleman is currently the substantive Principal at Hatton Vale State School. Mrs

Coleman will commence at Wellers Hill on Monday 14 July 2014.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish staff, students and, parents a successful, productive, and happy six months. There is a lot to be done at Wellers Hill over that time, with the construction of the new building, establishing a School Council, and organising classes for 2015, just to name a few. However, I believe everyone is ready for the challenges. I look forward to following the progress of each milestone, until my return in 2015.

Thank you to everyone for your support and kind words. Have a great holiday.

Warm regards  
John

### Tanabata Festival

The Tanabata Festival, held last Friday evening, was a huge success. I would like to congratulate and thank everyone involved in the organisation and preparation prior to the event. Special thanks however to Taku Hashimoto and Naoko Inuzuka for conceptualising the event and becoming the driving force that culminated in a huge success. I would also like to thank parents, from all classes across Year 1, for assisting in making the day successful. Teachers, teacher aides, and support staff from all across the school also played a major role in the success of the evening. To everyone, I offer heartfelt thanks.

どうもありがとうございました。  
七夕祭りは楽しかったです。



## Classroom Air-conditioning

Over the vacation period, the prep building closest to the construction site will have air-conditioning installed across all four classrooms. This is being done to support the teachers and students in their teaching and learning. The construction of the new building will be dusty and noisy, and I believe this will impact of classroom activities. The air-conditioning should make the classrooms more comfortable for all involved.

The Band Practice Room will also be air-conditioned next week. The room becomes extremely hot in summer during rehearsals. The teachers and students are looking forward to being able to play in comfort.

## SUPPORTING POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

**RULE REMINDER: Be Safe:** With the holidays upon us it is timely to remind children about the need to think and do “safety”. The simple rule to stress is: Ask yourself this question, “Is this safe?” and if the answer is, “No.” or “I’m not sure.” - then don’t do it. While we as adults are responsible for our children’s safety, ultimately, on many occasions it is the responsibility of the child to make that decision and we can help them to make good choices by talking to them and stressing that simple rule.

***From Anne Chapman (Guidance Officer)***

## CREATING HEALTHY CHILDREN

Watching our kids at lunch time tells us that kids like to be active. Physical activity is important for healthy growth and development. It also increases social skills and friendship skills, as well as can improve mental health and wellbeing. With all these disasters happening of late exercise will give children the stamina to cope.

The earlier we involve kids in physical activity the more likely it will become a part of everyday life.

We now know that :

- Children need at least 60 minutes to several hours of moderate to vigorous physical activity every day
- Spending more than two hours a day using electronic media (TV, computer, internet) is unhealthy and detrimental to a child’s wellbeing.

The type of activity undertaken is important.

- Moderate activity will be equal in intensity to a brisk walk, or a bike ride
- Vigorous activities will make kids ‘huff and puff’ eg. football, soccer, ballet, running, swimming laps.

But any activity that sees your child expend energy is good!

Getting your lethargic child into sport may take some effort. Here are some tips:

- Offer organized sport (team game) or some sporting activity you and they could do together (eg. play football in the park, biking, walking)
- Begin with moderate intensity activity – say 30 minutes per day and steadily increase time and vigour
- Make it fun for both of you – while you both get fit together
- Use firm love to turn off the electronic devices
- Moderate the amount of food eaten – putting on weight is mostly to do with An imbalance of calories and exercise ie. food intake being more than energy output
- Increase the amount of healthy nutritious foods

We all want our kids to be healthy and happy. Healthy and happy kids are more likely to live life to the fullest. Isn’t that what we want for all our children?

(Adapted from Active Kids are Healthy Kids – Aust Govt Dept of Health and Aging)

## FROM THE P&C PRESIDENT

### Many Thanks!

What a busy term it has been. We need to say a huge THANK YOU to all those involved in educating our children. The classroom teachers, specialist teachers, teacher aides, administration and support staff all work hard to ensure our children receive the best education possible. We often don't realise the many hours of their own time spent planning lessons, marking homework, writing report cards or attending events such as the school disco or music night. On behalf of the P & C I would like to express our sincere thanks to all the staff at WHSS and wish them a relaxing vacation.

### Volunteers needed

Early next term I will include job descriptions for 2 assistant roles on the P & C executive that need to be filled. Rob Beaumont (Secretary) will be leaving the school at the end of the year as his daughter graduates. So that we have someone in place to take over his role we would like an assistant secretary for the remainder of the year. In addition, as the school has grown so has the amount of work done by the Treasurer, Mark Molesworth. An assistant treasurer is an important role and if you have skills in this area and some time to give to the job we would love to hear from you. Full details of the roles will be in the first newsletter next term. If you think this is something you could do please email me [narelle@coolyfamily.com.au](mailto:narelle@coolyfamily.com.au)

### Harmonies on the Hill 2015 committee needed

Due to the fire last year the biennial 'Harmonies on the Hill' fete was postponed until 2015. The date is still being finalised but expected to be early in Term 3 (July). Planning needs to start now to have things organised in time. The P & C needs willing volunteers to form to overall planning committee – usually 5 or 6 people with specific roles eg. rides co-ordinator, co-ordinator of drinks. The current committee are stepping down but have hand-over information and would be available to pass on contacts and details that have worked well in the past. I will include a full list of the key people needed early next term but if you think you are able to be involved please email me ASAP.

### Year 6/7 Graduation committees

As there will be 2 graduations Year 6 and Year 7) in December the 2 groups of parents need to work together and planning should start soon. I propose an initial meeting to discuss what needs to be done by any interested parents during the first week of Term 3 (Wednesday 16 July or Thursday 17 July at 2pm). Details to follow and information will be sent out via the Parent Rep network. Any interested parents please contact me.

Wishing all of the school community a relaxing holiday and safe travels if you are going away.

Regards  
Narelle Cooley

## DATE CLAIMERS and DUE DATES FOR PAYMENTS

Date	Event	Due Date	Amount
26 June	Year 1 & 4 Dance Fever Showcase (Not 4 JH)		
27 June	Last day of Term 2		
<b>14 July</b>	<b>First day of Term 3</b>		
15 July	Year 2 Lone Pine Excursion	<b>Payment closed</b>	
25 July	Artslink Years 3, 4 & 5	<b>Payment closed</b>	
30 July	Yr 4-7 Athletics		
31 July	Yr 4-7 Athletics		
1 August	Prep – 3 Sport Day		

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

Welcome to another great week at WHSS. The term is almost at an end. I hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday. Everybody has worked so hard this term. Well done!



William Ellerton and Charlotte Cooper  
Year 6 School Captains

Have a great holiday everyone. Remember to keep training for Athletics Day next term.

## MUSIC NEWS

### Rehearsals:

Rehearsals are on this week for all ensembles

### Next Term Rehearsals:

All instrumental and Choral Rehearsals will begin Week 1

Junior Strings (Yr3's) will rehearse on Fridays at second break

### Talent Showcase:

Next term there will be a talent showcase!

All students are invited to audition. Any act: solo, duo, group, music, dance, drama, magic etc. are encouraged. If the act requires backing music, this must be supplied on CD or USB. A variety of acts and ages will be chosen from students who audition. So start thinking now about the talent you wish to showcase!

### Great Job this Semester Music Students!:

Mr Bell, Mrs Price and Mrs Kristensen are very proud of the effort all music students have made this Semester. Have a lovely break, and we look forward to another Semester of hard work, and great rewards!

Happy Music Making (over the break),

Gillian Kristensen  
Classroom Music/Choir Conductor

## EMERGENCY CONTACTS



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

## SPORT NEWS

### 4-7 Athletics Carnival

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July & Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July (week 3)

Timetable as set out below. Times are a guide only. Students to wear house shirt, hat, sunscreen and have water bottle with them on top oval. Parents are invited to watch over the two days and assist teachers with events if possible.

#### Day One Program

	9 years girls	9 years boys	10 years girls	10 years boys	11 years girls	11 years boys	12/13 years girls	12/13 years boys
9:00	800 heats	LJ	HJ	SP	<i>In Class</i>			
9:30	LJ	800 heats	SP	HJ				
10:00	HJ	SP	800 heats	LJ				
10:30	SP	HJ	LJ	800 heats	<i>Morning Tea</i>			
11:00	<i>Morning Tea</i>				HJ	SP	800 heats	LJ
11:40	<i>In Class</i>				SP	HJ	LJ	800 heats
12:10					800 heats	LJ	HJ	SP
12:40					LJ	800 heats	SP	HJ
1:10	<i>Second Break</i>							
2:00	800 final	800 final						
2:10			800 final	800 final				
2:20					800 final	800 final		
2:30							800 final	800 final
2:40	<i>Return to class – Points Tallying</i>							

#### Day Two Program

	9 years girls	9 years boys	10 years girls	10 years boys	11 years girls	11 years boys	12/13 years girls	12/13 years boys
9:00	200 heats	200 heats	Ball Games	Ball Games	SP1	SP2	LJ	LJ
9:30	Ball Games	Ball Games	200 heats	200 heats	LJ	LJ	SP1	SP2
10:00	SP1	SP2	LJ	LJ	200 heats	200 heats	Ball Games	Ball Games
10:30	LJ	LJ	SP1	SP2	Ball Games	Ball Games	200 heats	200 heats
11:00	<i>Morning Tea</i>							
11:40	200 finals	200 finals	200 finals	200 finals	200 finals	200 finals	200 finals	200 finals
12:10	100 heats	100 heats	100 heats	100 heats	100 heats	100 heats	100 heats	100 heats
12:40	100 final	100 final	100 final	100 final	100 final	100 final	100 final	100 final
1:10	<i>Play – Catch up for any events that have gone over time</i>							
2:00	Relay	Relay						
2:10			Relay	Relay				
2:20					Relay	Relay		
2:30							Relay	Relay
2:40	<i>Clean Up / Presentation</i>							

#### Junior Sports Day

The Junior Sports day is coming up soon! Students should wear their house shirt, hats, sunscreen and have a water bottle with them for the day. It promises to be a great day and family members are welcome to come up to the top oval to watch! The timetable for the day is below, and is an estimation of times only.

9:00 – 9:30 Opening/March Past/Welcome

9:30 – 10:10 – Year 2/3 Games, Prep Races

10:10 - 10:50 – Year 2/3 Games, Year 1 Races

10:50 - 11:40 – Lunch break  
 11:40 - 12:20 – Year 1/Prep Games, Year 2 Races  
 12:20 - 1:00 – Year 1/Prep Games, Year 3 Races  
 1:00 – 1:10 – Closing Ceremony

**GOOD NEWS STORIES**

Holly C. attended the Beaudesert invitational Gymnastics Competition on the weekend and joined four other clubs in competition. Holly won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in beam, floor and bars plus 4<sup>th</sup> in vault. As well as winning 1<sup>st</sup> Place overall in her division. Congratulations Holly well done.

Congratulations to Leni C. who has been selected for the Queensland Basketball Team which will be competing at the Nationals. Good Luck Leni.



**WELLERS HILL STATE SCHOOL  
 PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION  
 Sub-Committees**

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**TUCKSHOP**

**Reusable Tuckshop Bags**

We have new bags on order and they should be available when we return from the break. If you have a reusable tuckshop bag can you please check its condition and give it a wash if necessary. Thanks  
 Have a great winter break!

DAY	9am to 11.30am	1pm to 2pm
Thursday 26 June	Julie B Lisa C	Jana
Friday 27 June	Pauline T Kimberley L Leanne A	Stacey S
Monday 14 July	Louise C	HELP NEEDED
Tuesday 15 July	Kelli M	HELP NEEDED
Wednesday 16 July	HELP NEEDED	Bec P
Thursday 17 July	HELP NEEDED	Gina G
Friday 18 July	Michelle N Denise W	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 [whsstuckshop@gmail.com](mailto:whsstuckshop@gmail.com).

## SACCS

### New electronic Sign-in and Sign-out facility coming for SACCS

In term 3, SACCS is looking forward to introducing a new process for signing your child/ren in and out of our service. The new electronic system will replace the current paper based sign in/out sheets to make it a more streamlined process for both parents and staff.

The new system will involve parent logging in to any one of several touch screens that will be available using a unique PIN that you set up, and then selecting your child/ren as being signed in or out at that time.

### There are a number of benefits to this change:

- You will no longer need to queue for the sign-in/out folders, or thumb through several pages to find the right place to sign
- At the start and end of each day, staff will no longer need to physically sign every child in/out on their own page and then later manually transfer the record of attendances to the child care management system.
- If you forget to sign your child in/out or if they don't attend on any particular day, the digital kiosk will automatically remind you to confirm the absence the next time you log in.
- It will reduce the need for printing and storing large volumes of paper-based sign in/out sheets, assisting us in making a difference to the environment.
- The process is very simple and easy to follow, and SACCS staff will be available to assist the first few times you use it, and until you are comfortable.

## 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](mailto:uniformshopwhss@gmail.com)

### Navy Long Pants / Girls Tights - Now Available at the Uniform Shop

Boys/Girls navy micro-fleece long pants \$28 (ava sizes 4-10)

Girls dark navy tights (ava sizes 4-10yrs) \$12

## 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

### Yeronga State High School Enrolment Information Session

The next Y-Tour will be held on Thursday, 17 July from 9:00-10:30am

Come along to tour the school, chat with senior administration staff and students, have questions answered.

Morning Tea provided