



## COMING EVENT

### March

- Wed 15 P & C AGM Meeting  
7pm
- Fri 17 Boys Minirosos soccer  
Stage 2/3  
Year 7 2018 EOI due  
Catholic Scripture  
starts
- Mon 20 Riverina Boys Cricket  
Trials  
PSSA Hockey Trials
- Tue 21 Harmony Day
- Wed 22 Primary Soccer Clinic  
New Families BBQ
- Thu 23 Infants Soccer Clinic  
School Photos
- Mon 27 Boys & Girls Soccer  
Trials

### April

- Mon 3 Canberra Excursion-  
Stage 3
- Thu 6 Easter Hat Parade
- Fri 7 Cross Country
- Tues ANZAC Day
- Wed 26 Athletics Carnival



125 Years of South  
Wagga Public  
School  
Celebrations

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April  
10am-2pm  
All welcome

Throughout this Bulletin the term parent means parent, guardian and care provider.

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## BULLETIN 6

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## *A Word or Two From the Principal*

### Tell Them From Me Student Surveys– Years 4-6

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 16 March and 7 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school Wednesday 15 March. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.

### Parent Payments

Parents should have received a letter detailing the changes to our parent payments attached to this Bulletin. Please read carefully. Our school is transitioning to a new finance system and online payments cannot be accepted during 5-21 May and cheque/cash payments between 17-22 May.

Ms Whyte, Principal



*Achievement and How2Learn  
Awards Week 6, 2017*

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**REMINDERS****Student Information Note (Blue)**

If not returned as yet, please return to school office as soon as possible. Thanking you.

**Class Requirement Fees for 2017**

Note and money now due.

**Boys Soccer Gala Day – Friday 17****March.**

Cost \$3.00. Notes and money due.

**School Photo Day**

Thursday 23 March

**Canteen Roster****Week 8 Term 1**

Mon 13: Tracey  
Tues 14: Tracey  
Wed 15: Tracey  
Thur 16: Tracey  
Fri 17: Brandi & Jenny



*Canteen helpers required for Fridays please contact Tracey in the canteen.*

**Mathletics** : K-6 Mathematics computer program for Kinder to year 6 students. This program will be accessed weekly by the students at school. The program tracks mastery of concepts and can be customised to support individual learning difference. Once the students have been given their individual passwords they will also be able to access the program at home.

# Achievement Awards

- KC:** Sam Mortimer—Great perseverance when logging into the computers  
**KG:** Mana Werahiko—Working hard on letter formation  
**1C:** Blair Walsh—Always being ready to read  
**1J:** Asher McNellie—Engaging in learning  
**2B:** Aum Joshi—Improved neatness in handwriting  
 Willow Pietsch—Accepting challenges in the engine room  
**2H:** Lachlan Hillier—Effort in maths  
 Mia Willis—Writing great compound sentences  
**3/4A:** Caitlain Simpson—Always doing her best  
 Campbell Kelam—Always being enthusiastic about his learning  
**3/4C:** Quintesaa Sankar—Enthusiasm towards reading and sharing what she has learnt  
 Blaine Middleton—Effort & enthusiasm in creative writing  
**3/4L:** Marlee Richards—Being a great classroom helper  
 Zac McMillan—Enthusiasm in art  
**3/4P:** James Springett—Reading  
 Devangi Joshi—Excellent application in class  
**5/6B:** Cohen Benson—Amazing attitude  
 Fletcher Wilson—Always doing his best  
**5/6C:** Eric Gardner—Working hard in class  
 Boston McLeod—An excellent work ethic  
**5/6S:** Chelsea Clarke—Great class contributions  
 Jaida Clancy—Outstanding bookwork & improved use of
- Library:** Lucy Tonkin 1C  
**Special Awards:** Resandhu Hathurusinghe KC, Patrick Winson KH



# How 2 Learn Awards

- KC:** Abhay Singh—Taking great responsibility for his learning  
**KG:** Ayet Ahmad—Being resourceful during learning  
**1C:** Rudra Vaghela—Managing his distractions  
**1J:** Owen Davidson—Using remembering strategies  
**2B:** Molly Stockton—Making links in her learning  
**2H:** Coco Martens—Making great connections during learning  
**3/4A:** Louis Douglas—Distilling-learning from his mistakes in maths  
**3/4C:** Sinsup Sutton—Managing his distractions and becoming absorbed in his learning  
**3/4L:** Beni Ali—Always managing distractions to stay focussed  
**3/4P:** Lilli Herman—Responsible class citizen  
**5/6B:** Tadhg Sweeney—Positive attitude  
**5/6C:** Lillyanah Jackson—Persevering with her writing  
**5/6S:** Jessie Butler—Great remembering skills—Writing response in correct structure
- Library:** Tom Makeham 3/4A

**CLASS REQUIREMENT FEES FOR 2017**

Please see listed below your child's Class Requirement Fee for 2017. This fee may include items such as school reading magazine, *Mathletics* online program (available to students at school and home), personal dictionary, student handwriting and mathematics work books and other classroom resources.

Kindergarten	\$15.00	Years 3 and 4	\$30.00
Year 1	\$30.00	Years 5 and 6	\$50.00
Year 2	\$30.00		

Thank you for supporting your child's learning.  
Tanya Whyte

## Student Information Sheet

A student information sheet (Blue form) has been sent home.

**This needs to be completed and returned to the school office as soon as possible.**

Each year schools are required to update their student information database and as schools must file these updated sheets, it is necessary to have a new form each year, even if details are unchanged from the previous year.

**This form contains information of vital importance in emergency situations or when students become ill while at school.**

**The emergency contact information is vital especially if a student is predisposed to situations such as asthma attacks, or allergic reactions and also if our computers are down.**

## **Medical Forms for Special Medical Assistance**

Medical Conditions which require special attention or the administering of medication should be filled in on forms obtained from the school office. Please advise any change in medical conditions.

***Medication cannot be administered by school staff unless the appropriate documentation has been supplied.***

Department of Education Student Welfare Guidelines do not permit medication of any type being brought to school by students and left in their bags or under their desks. All medicines, even non-prescription medication, must be taken to the school office with the forms filled in from parents. All medication is locked in a secure place by administration staff.

***All updated Asthma Plans or medical plans to the office please.***

## **MOVING INTO YEAR 7 IN A NSW GOVERNMENT SCHOOL IN 2018**

Parents of student currently in Year 6 have been provided with an Information Guide and Expression of Interest Form.

This guide gives you information about the different types of government secondary schools to help you decide which school you would like your child to attend. Included is an Expression of Interest form that you will need to complete with your preference(s) for placement of your child in Year 7 at a government school. Please return this Expression of Interest by Friday, 17 March 2017. Please return your completed form to our school Office.

## **Year 7 2018 Information Evening**

An information Evening for students intending to enrol at Wagga Wagga High School for Year 7 in 2018 and their parents will take place on Wednesday March 15, 2017.

The evening will take place in Currie Hall (off Macleay St) from 6:00pm to 6:45pm.

Students and parents will receive information in relation to the curriculum, cultural and sporting opportunities and wellbeing programs.

Information in relation to the Triple E class (for academically Gifted and Talented students) will take place following this information session, beginning at approximately 7.00pm.

For more information about this evening, please contact Ms Tania Maddison (Deputy Principal—Curriculum) at Wagga Wagga High School during school hours.

## **125 Years of South Wagga Public School Celebrations Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April**



### **Students**

All students will be invited to sing as a K-6 choir and our school band will be performing at the official opening of the 125 years of SWPS celebration. This performance will take place at 12 noon and students are asked to be at school by 11:50am to be organised for the performance. There will be an expression of interest going home with each student next week to indicate availability and participation.

### **Parents**

We will be supplying morning tea to the school community on the day and therefore we are asking for donations of cakes, biscuits and slices. These can be delivered to school on the Friday before the celebration or the morning of the celebration.

Thank you in advance. *Trudy Annetts*

## **Stage 2 Level Movement Reward Day**

Next Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> March, all Stage 2 students who have moved from Level 5 to 6 will attend the level movement reward day. We will be having a picnic in the Botanic Gardens followed by play time. We will be walking to and from the gardens, departing at 10:30am and returning by 1:10pm. Students are to bring their own recess and drinks. Permission notes have been out and are due back to classroom teachers by Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> March.



## **Catholic Religious Instructions**

Catholic religious instructions starts Friday 17th March.

## **South Wagga Public School App!**

Our app is available on both Apple and Android platforms and is ready for you to download **free of charge** from the Apple App store and Google Play store. For security purposes we have password protected the app:

Username: community

Password: southwaggaps



# P & C News

## Annual General Meeting 7:00pm Wednesday 15 March

Nominations for the executive positions are now being accepted from any current financial member interested in holding a position. Written nominations must be received prior to the AGM however if there are no nominations for a particular position prior to the start of AGM, nominations will be called from the floor. Nomination forms are available from the school office or on school app.

## 125 Anniversary Polo Shirts

**Any further orders for the 125 shirts must be in by end of school day next Tuesday 14th March.**



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\*Cannot be combined with other offers or discounts. Floor stock only. Styles and colours may vary from store to store. No rain checks. Please choose carefully, exchanges and returns only with receipt. Includes wearing 5% discount. Excludes gift cards. Offer ends midnight (AEST) 13/10/16. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount.

## NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely. The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students in Kindergarten to Year 9.

### Rules

1. The Challenge opens on 6 March 2017. You must complete your online Student Reading Record by 25 August 2017 (11:59 pm) to complete the Challenge.
2. You must read a certain number of books to complete the Challenge:

Challenge	Number of books you must read	Minimum number of PRC books	Maximum number of Personal Choice books	PRC booklists you can read from
K-2	30	25	5	K-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-9
3-4	20	15	5	3-4, 5-6, 7-9
5-6	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9
7-9	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9

A link to the Premier's Reading Challenge website can be found in the [Student Portal](#) under the **Learning** section. Students are also able to add a link to the PRC in the **My Link List** section to make the PRC easier to find. The URL to use is <http://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc>.

Public school students can also log in directly to the [PRC website](#) using their Department of Education (DoE) username and password. These are the same details a student would use to access the [Student Portal](#) and the computer network at school. If you are unaware of your username and/or password, please contact your class teacher and ask for your Student Portal username and/or password.

Certificates will be then provided to students that complete the Challenge. Further details including book lists and information about the Challenge is available on the PRC website.

Ms Whyte

## New Families BBQ- RSVP

The \_\_\_\_\_ (name) Family wishes to attend the BBQ on Wednesday 22 March from 5:30pm-7:00pm.

There will be \_\_\_\_\_ adults and \_\_\_\_\_ children attending.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return to the school office by Friday 17 March.**

