



WIRREANDA WHISPER

GROWING IN HARMONY

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Principal's Message

Congratulations Ashlie! Ashlie has been chosen in the 2016 Hunter Region PSSA Girls Cricket Team. This is an outstanding achievement - one of just 12 girls selected from the whole region to play at the State Championships in November. Good Luck Ashlie!



Kindergarten Enrolment 2017

I am now finalising our enrolments for Kinder 2017. If you, or your friends, have children who will be starting school in 2017, please contact the school as a matter of urgency. Our enrolment numbers determine our staffing allocations and classroom spaces.

Tell Them from Me Survey

Please take 15 minutes to participate in the Partners in Learning parent survey on student engagement. This valuable feedback will help our school make improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online and is completely confidential. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary; however, your responses are very much appreciated.

The link is:

<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/wirreanda>

Thank you to all parents, volunteers and families for your ongoing support of our school this term. Have a safe and happy holiday; we hope to see some of you at the Greater Raymond Terrace Fun run on Sunday.

Kind Regards, Philippa and staff

Deputy Principal's Message

Books for Babies

Ms Young has presented 2 'Books for Babies' over the last 2 weeks. The Aurisch family; Charlie, Mackenzie and Ollie accepted for their new brother Isaac and William and Adryane Montgomery received a book for their new brother Frederick. Congratulations to both families.

Cup of the Week

It was great to see 5R receive the Cup of the Week in Week 9. It is a wonderful example for all students in the school to see our senior students upholding the school's high expectations for behaviour and our You Can Do It values.

4C were awarded the Cup of the Week at this week's assembly. 4C were recognised for their organisational skills and persistent efforts by Miss Fisser. Well done 4C.

Maths Roadshow

There has been an outstanding response to the World of Maths Roadshow which is being held in Week 1 of Term 4.

No more places are available for this incursion.

Life Education

The Life Education note went home last week. The final payment for this program is the **14th October 2016**. (The end of Week 1, Term 4)

The topics chosen for this program are:



Education
Public Schools

- Kindergarten – My Body Matters
- Year 1 – Ready, Steady, Go!
- Year 2 – Growing Good Friends
- Years 3 and 4 – Harold's Diary
- Years 5 and 6 – Think Twice

Harold Merchandise will be on sale 2nd half of lunch each day while the Life Ed van is at Wirreanda.

Tattoo	\$0.50
Harold Sticky Note Pad	\$1.50
Harold 3D Keyring	\$3.00
Harold Activity Bag	\$3.00
Stationery Set	\$3.00
Harold Hand balls	\$3.00
Harold Soft Toy	\$8.00
Large Harold Soft Toy	\$15.00

Swim School

All places for the Swim School in Term 4 are now filled. Thank you to families for your prompt action in regards to this important program. Mr Erickson, Swim School coordinator, will be sending more information home early in Term 4.

You Can Do It

The Term 4 focus for YCDI is confidence. There will be examples in each newsletter celebrating confident students and school community members.

CONFIDENCE: not being afraid to make mistakes or to try something new.

We are looking forward to seeing lots of examples of confidence next term.

Regards

Sue Wilson

Deputy Principal

Merit Awards

Congratulations to all of our Merit Award winners

Bronze

Hunter Solley, Taylah Daniels, Alexis Funnell, Naomi Horan, Ollie Aurisch, Ruby Archer, Caitlyn Ashpole, Zoe Lyon, Lucy Magnee, Georgia Scott-Glassock, Jay Morton, Kobi Robertson, Lola Bovill, Sienna Watson, Travis Thompson, Tyrone Higgins, Makayla Thompson, Alexis Cannings, Grace Higgins, McKenzi Mostyn, Charlotte Pratten-Holden, Prudence Upton, Ryan Haworth, Luke Janssen, Adam Burley, Sophie Cieplechowicz, Olivia Franks, Hannah White,

Jordan Cousin, Brandon Dennett, Elijah Jensen, Rhianna Brkich, Lily Foster, Sophie Szarkun, Edward Dolstra, Harley McGregor-May, Nicholas Morgan, Sebastian Mowle, Hunter Henwood, Emily Howland, Rebekah Middleton-Chandler, Taleea Redriff, Lilliannah Westrup, Mikayla De Lacy Peek, Kiara Geddes, Isabella Hannah, Jack Mostyn, Nickolas Patten, Diann Joe

Silver

Seth Mitchell, Amalee Peisto, Lachlan Webster, Clara Bryce, Tamika Lane Mackay, Shianna Linton, Breanna Roberts, Tareisha Ross, Isabelle Wootten, Leonardo Hering, Jack Knighton, Clayton Leayr, Cristian McGregor-May, Ashton Morrissey, Angus Mozsi, Aizak Willis-Monk, Amali Binns, Nicolas Breed

Gold

Nicholas Funnell, Jack Webb, Sean Stapleton, Caleb Humphrey

SRC Report

Exciting news! WPS has elected their Student Representative Council (SRC) members for 2016.

Congratulations to the following students from Years 2-6.

1/2A – Curtis Mowbray and Mitchell Rowan

2T - Cooper McKenna and Bronte Bohan

2E – Patrick Harrison and Capri Muddle

2/3E – Layla Hannah and Paige Jones

2/3B – Lyam Harris and Katie Yowanowski

3G – Mitchell Hawes and Isabelle Brkich

3S – Kai Hendry and Taylor Guile

4B – Noah Thomas and Jessica Hall

4F – Ryan Hepworth and Maddison Cunningham

4C – Cameron Jones and Ella Clayden

5JG – Tyler Mackersey and Ashlie Stapleton

5R – Zac Ruhl and Andie Archer

5L – Ryan Trappel and Madelaine Beninga

6P – William Moffat and Elizabeth O'Donnell

6H – Holly Boatwain and Keilana Hibbert

Our role as SRC members is to be enthusiastic and make school a great place. Miss Hubbard mentioned that the SRC are the 'student voice' of our school because they bring issues to the attention of teachers so we can continue to make improvements to our already awesome school! SRC members are elected by their classmates and display the 5 YCDI values on a daily basis. They are excellent school citizens and role models.

So far we have had 2 SRC meetings with Miss Hubbard, where we worked together to create a script that we can use when we lead our class meetings. Some outcomes of the last meetings have been:

- Mr Davis has fixed the monkey bars and patched up the holes near the soccer goals
- We discussed NUF NUF day and other school fundraisers
- We are thinking about an improvement plan for the old hall

The next SRC meeting is in Term 4. They are held Wednesday's, in odd weeks between 12:00-1:00 pm.

Lizzy (6P) Lani (6H) Will (6P) Holly.B (6H)
(SRC Media Team)



Canteen News

Canteen Roster:

Week 10

Thur 22nd J Donohue
Fri 23rd L Matthews, S Patten, L Mildren

Week 1

Mon 10th K Bennett
Tue 11th J Donohue, K Bennett
Wed 12th K Hill
Thurs 13th J Donohue
Fri 14th L Matthews, R Gibson-Smith, L Ferguson

Week 2

Mon 17th K Bennett, E Grice
Tues 18th J Donohue
Wed 19th K Hill
Thur 20th J Donohue, L Janssen
Fri 21st L Matthews, R Gibson-Smith

As we are running down stock in the canteen for the holidays would parents please put a 2nd choice

on your lunch order bags? I hope you all have a happy and safe holiday and I look forward to seeing you all next term.

Term 4 Lunch Special

Chicken Finger Salad Box \$3.00

4 chicken goujons, a side salad and 200ml juice box (choice of apple, orange or apple/blackcurrant) with a small gift.

Everyone who orders the lunch special will go into a draw to win a lunch box filled with yummy and healthy treats. There is one for each year K - 6, so be in it to win it!!

We will be having an afternoon tea in Week 3 where you can come and check out the upgraded Canteen, have a chat with myself or some of our volunteers find out about the Healthy Kids @ School Strategy. Invitations will be sent out with the next Whisper.

2 volunteers are needed for this Friday 23rd if you can help at all please let me know ASAP.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have helped out this term, I greatly appreciate your help and the children love having a family member or friend behind the counter. If anyone would like to volunteer we have vacancies on the roster for next term, please fill in the note at the end of today's Whisper and return it to me in the Canteen.

Sharon Grant

World Festival of Magic

The 2016 Newcastle World Festival of Magic is a FREE live theatre Production for the Special Needs and disadvantaged Kids of Newcastle and its surrounding area.

Internationally acclaimed Australian magician Michael Boyd and Jeton The Gentleman Juggler will perform.

This show has been generously supported by the Newcastle & District Business Community.

The school has a limited number of tickets available for this show. If you would like to attend please see the office for tickets.

When: Thursday 10th November 6.00pm

Where: Wests City, Cnr King and Union Streets, Newcastle West.

Uniform Shop New Trading Hours

Starting from Term 4 the Uniform Shop will now be opening as follows:

Monday 8:50am – 9:45am

Wednesday 8:50am – 9:45am

Friday 8:50am – 9:45am and 2:15pm – 3:30pm

Defence News



Invites You to



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with the animals at Oakvale Farm & Fauna World!
Bring the family for a great fun filled day out






Come and meet our baby animals, reptiles & more
Interactive Animal Shows from 11am

Sunday Sept 25th 2016.

OPEN DAILY 10AM-5PM
(except Anzac Day & Christmas Day)

3 Oakvale Drive, Salt Ash NSW 2318
E: admin@oakvalefarm.com.au
www.oakvalefarm.com.au

Our wildlife park is set out over 20 acres of level fields with gravel paths throughout enabling ease of access for prams and walking aids, allowing people to stroll around the grounds amongst our many varied domestic farm, native Australian and exotic animals with lots of opportunities to hand feed the free roaming kangaroos and baby animals.

Adults: \$10.00 each	Pensioners/Seniors: \$9.00 each	Children (3-16yrs): \$6.00 each	Children (0-2yrs): FOC
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Beef burger (includes: homemade beef patty, lettuce, tomato, beetroot and BBQ sauce), small portion of hot chips and a can of soft drink	Or Chicken burger (includes: chicken schnitzel, lettuce and mayo), small portion of hot chips and a can of soft drink	\$4.95 per meal
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Facilities and Dining Areas: Oakvale Farm's dining areas include a fully enclosed tearoom and scattered picnic tables around the grounds for our guests to use.

Please find attached our **information guide** and **map** for your convenience.

RSVP to laurie.coleman@dsnsq.org.au by 18/09/2016
ABN 68 090 485 608 www.dsnsq.org.au 1800 037 674



Invites You to



THE GREEN HOUSE
eatery bar events
Huntingdale Pl, Medowie

**Tuesday Sept 6th, Oct 4th
& Nov 1st 2016.**

Carers Café 10am-12pm
Come and meet other carers, enjoy refreshments, exchange experiences and share information



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For Bookings Ph: 02 4965 0533

HOLIDAY TECH CLASSES FOR KIDS- In MEDOWIE

September 24/9 - 9/10
Pre K to Yr 8

CHOOSE YOUR CLASS or GROUP -

- How to Code
- Designing and Writing eBooks
- Tinkering- STEM Learning & Design
- Google APPs, DOCS and DRIVE
- Animation
- Augmented Reality

NSW DET TEACHER
WWC ID- 0115870E
Email or phone Sue for registration, costs & timeslots
elearnerwebsite@gmail.com
0400219060 : 49818423

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- Fun game based activities
- All equipment provided

T20 BLAST
for 7-12 year olds

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- Everyone gets a bat, bowl & field
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MILO in2 CRICKET

T20 BLAST

Come n Try cricket. Start HERE!

Find out where you can play here: playcricket.com.au

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Walk, Run or Push
From 9.00am at Vi Barnett Field, Raymond Terrace

2km | 4km | 8km

Register online today at www.raymondterracefunrun.com.au

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Port Stephens Library - September School Holiday Program

Activity	Date	Time	Venue	Cost	Age
The Waste Wrappers Show with Ship o Fools Juggling acts, musical instruments and songs	27 September	10.30-11.00am 1.00-1.30pm	Raymond Terrace Tomaree Library	Free	All ages
Street Art & DJ Workshop with Kidream and Tunz Spray painting and DJ scratching lesson	28 September	2.00-4.00pm	Raymond Terrace	Free	8-25
Spooky Scratch Board Craft Come along and create some spooky pictures using scratch boards	30 September	2.30-4.00pm	Raymond Terrace	\$5	7+
Movie screening - Pig In The City Wear your pj's and bring a pillow/blanket A gold coin donation would be appreciated to cover popcorn	29 September	4.00-5.30pm	Tomaree	Free	2+
Spooky Crafts Crispy hairy heads and other spooky stuff	30 September	10.30-11.30am	Tomaree	\$5	7-12
Spooky Storytime Join us for some spooky stories and craft	4 October	10.30-11.15am	Tomaree	\$1.40	2+
JD's World of Magic Show Be amazed by Joe's magic show	5 October	10.30-11.15am 2.30-3.15pm	Tomaree Raymond Terrace	\$10	2+
Haunted House - Find your way blind! Just a little scary Join us on a spooky adventure with games, stories and more!	6 October	6.00pm-7.15pm	Raymond Terrace	\$5	+7

Places are limited for all activities and programs so booking is essential.
Contact Raymond Terrace Library on 4980 0111 or Tomaree Library on 4982 0670.



HUNTER WETLANDS CENTRE SEP/OCT SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM AT THE HUNTER WETLANDS CENTRE

Kids - Become a Citizen Scientist

For 7 to 10 years 10.00am - 12.30pm
For 11 to 14 years 10.00am - 12.30pm

Wednesday 28th September Cost: \$20 per child - Bookings Essential

Come and join us for bird spotting and feather collecting to get to know our wetland birds. Find out how Dr Kate Brandis is creating a feather map to help save our unique wetlands.



Bush Skills

For 8 to 12 years 9.30am - 12.30pm

Tuesday 4th October Cost: \$20 per child - Bookings Essential

Make (and eat) a damper, build a bush shelter, enjoy a guided walk and learn basic survival skills. Get up close and personal with some of our resident reptiles.



"Dinosaur" Ducks

For 4 to 8 years 10.00am - 12.30pm

Tuesday 4th October Cost: \$20 per child - Bookings Essential

Meet our resident endangered Freckled Ducks. Make a bird caller and see if they call back. Includes a reptile encounter, craft and duck tales.



For all the above activities - Bookings Essential Ph: 4951 6466

Sand Art Fun

Drop in between 10.00am - 12 noon

Tuesday 27th September Cost: \$5 per child (plus \$2 entry)

Use coloured sand to create an amazing picture you can take home.



Wetlands Explorer

For 4 to 12 years

Available any time during the school holidays Cost: Free

Collect your map and follow the trail. Answer the questions and become a Wetlands Explorer. Go in the draw for a weekly prize.



Bring the family to the Hunter Wetlands Centre

A fun, environmentally friendly learning experience!
Open 9am to 4pm

Entry \$2 per primary-school age child (special school holiday rate). Under 3 free. \$5 general entry.

Activities

- Watch the Magpie Geese Feeding at 10.30 am.
- Try Dipnetting from the jetty.
- Playtime at Discovery Playground.
- Check out the creatures in the tanks in the Visitor Centre.
- Reptile Encounter - Children can learn about reptile behaviour and care. They can handle some of the reptiles from the tanks in the Visitor Centre. Check at front desk for times.
- Cafe - meals, snacks, ice creams, drinks.
- Shop - affordable gifts for children & adults.

Order/Book/Book Holiday Program Sep-Oct 2014

COUNT AND SAVE FOR A CHANCE TO WIN \$100!*



Open a Kids Club account at Defence Bank Williamstown between 25 July and 10 October to receive one entry into our Guess the Beans Jelly Bean Competition, with the winner to receive a \$100 deposit into their Kids Club account!*



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* An eligible entry comprises opening a Kids Club account at Defence Bank Williamstown between 25 July 2016 and 10 October 2016. An eligible entry is defined as the combination of a Kids Club account being opened and the entrant completing the competition form with full name, member number, contact phone number and number of jelly beans. Each entrant has obtained the permission of their parent / guardian (i.e. a signatory to the account) prior to entering. Full terms and conditions available in branch at Defence Bank Williamstown.
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Come try Sailing!



at the
Grahamstown Sailing
& Aquatic Club
Grahamstown Road, Medowie

27, 28 & 29 September 2016
(Tuesday to Thursday)

*Cost: \$45/sailor

*\$65 per family (maximum 3 persons, \$10pp extra)

Fee includes: use of personal floatation device, course handbook, sailing with experienced sailors, practical sailing and racing activities, Certificate on completion.

Kiosk open: Light snacks, drinks, ice creams available

Time: 10am - approx. 3pm each day.

Venue: Fielding Madden Park
Grahamstown Rd. Medowie

To book, please contact:

Richard Byrne 4981 7509, sailwithrichard@gmail.com or
Frank Bardsley Ph/fax 4982 3053

Who can learn? Anyone, age 12 yrs & above.
(If you have younger children wishing to participate please contact us.)

People with a disability are welcome!

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*\$25 for past participants or \$45 per family

FOR SALE

Newcastle High School girls uniforms size 10 (shirts and jumpers)

Please see Sharon Grant in the Canteen if interested.

Term 3 WIRREANDA PUBLIC SCHOOL 2016

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10	19 September K-6 Assembly Kinder Interviews	20 September	21 September	22 September Kinder Interviews Nuf Nuf Day	23 September Sports Presentation Assembly 2:20pm

Term 4 WIRREANDA PUBLIC SCHOOL 2016

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	10 October K-6 Assembly	11 October	12 October World Maths Day	13 October	14 October K-2 Assembly 2:30pm – Host SRC Reps Life Education \$ due
2	17 October K-6 Assembly	18 October Life Education	19 October	20 October	21 October 3-6 Assembly 2:50pm – Host 3G
3	24 October K-6 Assembly Life Education Swim School	25 October P&C Meeting	26 October Kinder Orientation visit 1 Parent Info Session for Yr 6 leadership 2017	27 October Kinder Orientation visit 1	28 October K-2 Assembly 2:30pm – Host KG Day for Daniel
4	31 October K-6 Assembly Swim School	1 November	2 November	3 November	4 November 3-6 Assembly 2:50pm – Host Year 3's from 2/3B & 2/3E
5	7 November K-6 Assembly Student Leaders interviews	8 November	9 November Kinder Orientation Visit 2	10 November Kinder Orientation Visit 2	11 November Remembrance Day K-2 Assembly 2:30pm – Host KW QUEST Leadership day
6	14 November K-6 Assembly	15 November	16 November	17 November EOI for 2017 School Captains IHS 7E transition	18 November 3-6 Assembly 2:50pm – Host 3S
7	21 November K-6 Assembly Captains Speeches & voting for School Captains 2017	22 November P&C Meeting	23 November	24 November	25 November K-2 Assembly 2:30pm – Host SRC Reps Yr 6 Farewell \$ due
8	28 November K-6 Assembly	29 November	30 November Prefect Elect afternoon tea	1 December Scripture Christmas Assembly Yr 7 IHS transition	2 December 3-6 Assembly 2:50pm – Host 4F Gold Day \$ due Medowie Carols
9	5 December K-6 Assembly	6 December Kinder Culminating Day	7 December	8 December	9 December School Presentation Reports go home K-2 Assembly 2:30pm – Host TBA

Casual Work Available – Employment Guaranteed

Where: Wirreanda Public School Canteen

When: Monday – Friday

Hours: Flexible

Experience: Not necessary. Everything you need to know will be learnt within a short space of time. Salary “A La Carte” lunch (healthy sandwich), plenty of tea or coffee and best of all, friendship and a good chat.

Bonus: Your child or children will be happy to see you in their favourite place – school! You also get to meet new people and make good friends within the school community.

Applications close: NEVER!

Please complete the form below and send it back to the canteen as soon as possible. We will contact you to confirm your roster.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Sharon Grant
Canteen Coordinator

Canteen Casual Work

Name: **Telephone**

Please nominate: (day which you prefer to work and how often)

☐ Monday

☐ Weekly

☐ Tuesday

☐ Fortnightly

☐ Wednesday

☐ Monthly

☐ Thursday

Other _____

☐ Friday

If possible I would like to work with _____