



# WIRREANDA WHISPER

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## Principal's Message

Congratulations to the Year 5 students who stood for prefect positions last week. The students each prepared a speech and delivered it with great confidence to staff and students.

The prefect team will be announced at Presentation Day. I look forward to the prefects and their families joining in the afternoon tea today.

Well done to our Name the Crane winners. We visited the RAAF base yesterday for the unveiling of the name. Congratulations to all and special thanks to the RAAF for hosting us.



Next week is our parent volunteer morning tea. I hope our valuable volunteers can make it. All volunteers should have received an invitation however, if you didn't get yours, a copy is in the Whisper.



Congratulations to all our sports award recipients. Last Friday Ms Fort hosted a celebration of sporting achievement. Well done to all! The photos are on our Facebook page.

There will be one more Whisper produced this year.

*Regards,*

*Philippa Young, Principal*

## Deputy Principal's Message

### Cup of the Week

The Cup of the Week still has 2 weeks to be awarded for 2017. Last week 2E were given the Cup for outstanding Getting Along skills.

This week the Cup went down to Kindergarten, to KS, for wonderful assembly manners, lining up quietly and for being ready to learn. Congratulations to both classes.

### Books for Babies

Last week Miss Young presented two books for babies at assembly; Domonic Taylor-Thurgar and Clayton Leayr have a new baby brother named Hayden and Levi and Calvin Ross have a new little sister, Lillian. Congratulations to both families. We hope that both babies have already begun a journey into a life and love of reading.

### Crane Unveiling

On Tuesday students who were major prize winners from the Name the Crane competition,

accompanied by parents, Miss Young, Mrs Wilson and Mrs Schieb, travelled to the RAAF Base to see the unveiling of the crane, Birrawal.

The students Scarlett Lewis, Aidan Castling, Lola Cutajar and Kaydence Wilson, took part in the occasion and after photos with the crane were treated to a sausage sizzle lunch at the base. We all then enjoyed a brief tour of the base before returning to school.

Thank you to Mrs Clare Lewis for transporting the school captains and other students to the base.

### Irrawang High School Orientation

Students who are attending Irrawang High School in 2018 will attend their Orientation Day on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

The bus will leave school at **9am** to arrive at the high school by 9:15am.

Students will need to meet Mrs Leleu in the NOLA at 8:50am to have their names marked off and board the bus.

### Lost Property

Parents and carers, the lost property box is overflowing, particularly with school jumpers. If your child/children have misplaced their jumpers please remind them to come and look for it outside the library. Some of the jumpers are named but unfortunately they are names of students no longer at the school – if you have purchased jumpers from students who have left, please call into school and check the lost property box.

All of the remaining lost property will be washed and donated to charity before the end of term.

### Woolworths Performance

On Friday 8th December, the Primary Dance Group, accompanied by Mrs Darcy, will perform at Woolworths Medowie.

The dancers will perform a number of items between 12:15pm and 12:45pm.

Mr Craig Woods has kindly provided free bus transport to and from Woolworths for the day.

Kind regards,

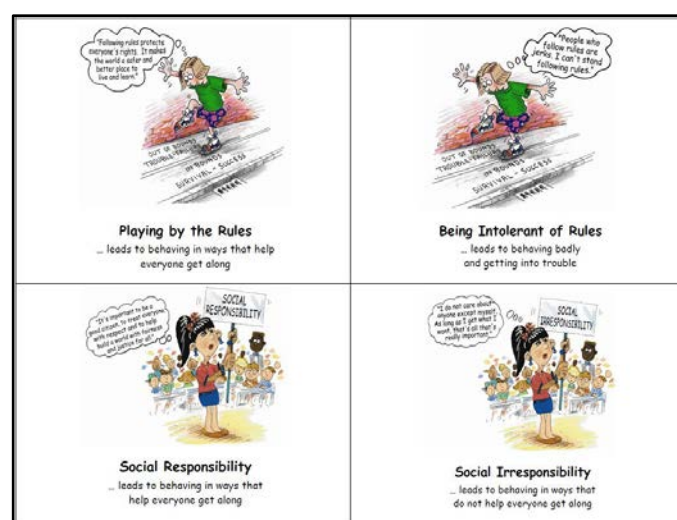
Susan Wilson

Deputy Principal

## ARE YOU MOVING?

Please let the office know as soon as possible if you are moving or changing schools next year as we currently have to project our anticipated numbers for 2018. Our student numbers determine our staffing allocations and planning. Thank you!

### You Can Do It



### Principal's Gold Award Winners

Congratulations to the following recipients of the Principal's Gold Award.

Rebecca Whittington, Jett Wheeler, Dominic Pirotta, Benjamin McKew, Anna Courtney, Anna McKew, Ella-Rose Spinks, William Jones, Isla Bailey, Luca Collard, Lawson Holliday, Levia Lee, Porschia Howarth, Cody Veitch, Lyla Magnee, Leah Moffatt, Connor Johnson, Juneau Haworth, Alexis Funnell, Jake Marsh, Samuel Woodard, William Taylor, Jasmine Elzinga, Jack Griffith, Grayden Wilson, Scarlett Lewis, Madison Foster, Aidan Castling, Tailor Teasdale, Charlotte Pratten-Holden, Braiden Wheeler, Chloe McNaught, Ngaia Thomas, Sienna Denholm, Ryan Hepworth, Jack Jones, Kealey Lennon, Amelia Woodard, Djuandet Kalischer, Maryia Millar, Nickolas Patten, Jessica Hall, Layne Westley, Lucas Morgan, Christabelle Berrick, Braydon Bennett, Fletcher Laughton, Crystal Taylor, Imogen Mehonoshen, Harper Allen, Oliver Fraser, Declan Northcott, Lillian Risby, Kobie Marriott, Charlotte Bradshaw-New, Isabelle Howell, Alice

Threadgate, Max Hoogland, Eboni Hollingworth, Katie Yowanowski, Taylor Guile, Alexis Cannings, Thomas Goad, Keaundre Ryan, Grace Higgins, Jake Stanyer, Libby Gentle, Charles Matthews, Ashlee Slapp, Joop van de Wijgaart, Annabeth Scott-Glasscock, Keira Williamson, Tahlia Wright-Bean, Jack Mostyn, Eddie Dolstra, Caiden McManus, Nathan Morrissey, Shaylah Wither, Jeremy Black, Riley Williams, Isabella Hannah, Olivia Walkom, Dewald Karsten, Jack Kennedy, Cameron Jones, Jazmine Croft, Alex Ashton, Addyson Healy, Aizak Willis-Monk, Ashton Morrissey, Noah McKimm, Matthew Goad, Sean Stapleton, Owen Johnston, Crystal Yard, Ella Grice, Ruby van de Wijgaart, Degan Mitchell, Cooper Ashton, Kaia Kelly, Lincoln Prout, Caleb Hurn, Sofie Yowanowski, Emily Eastley, Dylan Blue, Abbie Mackey, Michael Kilday, Angela Kelly, Layla Archard, Caitlyn Wright, Flynn Gilbert, Tyler Bassett, Jarryd Stein, Ruby Tolhurst, Capri Muddle, Mitchell Rowan, India Hicks, Kayden Turner, Paris Borg, Grace Warren, Mia Jongerden, Nicholas Funnell, Grace White, Caitlin Smith-Gow, Jessie Lago, Mitchell Morley, Porsha Burgess, Madison-Anne Marsh, Tanner Kelly, Xavier Lopez, Azrah-Mai Reid, Garbiel Lee, Charlotte Murphy, Rhys Harris, Dylan Bailey, Bianca Gardiner

## Sporting Schools Australia

Wirreanda is very fortunate to be involved with Sporting Schools Australia and this year it has once again been extremely successful. Trained coaches from Sporting Schools have delivered a Rugby Union program for Stage 3, an AFL program for Stage 2 and a Basketball program for Stage 1. Sporting Schools will return again in 2018 to continue to enhance and foster healthy and lifelong skills for our students.

Mrs Rowe

## Canteen News

From **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December** please put a **2<sup>nd</sup> choice on all lunch orders** as we start to run stock levels down towards the end of year.

We are still getting a lot of late lunch orders. Please remind your children to take their orders to the Canteen before school starts.

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December we will draw the winner of our Term 4 Meal Deal. You may still order until then and go into the draw.

"Despicable Meal Deal" \$4.00 4 x chicken goujons, side salad and bottle of water.

We are taking names for our 2018 roster, if you can spare a few hours or a day please let me know. The children love seeing a family member or friend behind the counter, and your help is greatly appreciated by our school community.

## Canteen Roster:

### Week 8

Thur 30<sup>th</sup> K Ashton, J Donohue, L Cutajar

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> K Ashton, H McKew

### Week 9

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> K Bennett

Tues 5<sup>th</sup> K Bennett **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> A Bradshaw **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Thur 7<sup>th</sup> K Ashton, J Donohue, L Cutajar, S Garry

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> K Ashton, M Roach, H McKew

### Week 10

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> K Bennett, E Grice

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> K Bennett, C Boyes

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> A Bradshaw **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Thur 14<sup>th</sup> K Ashton, J Donohue, L Cutajar, S Garry

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> K Ashton, S Patten **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are working on a new menu for next year and would welcome any suggestions. We are a 'Healthy Kids' canteen and our menu items fit within the guidelines for the new 'Healthy Canteen Strategy' (a copy of which is available at the canteen if you would like to look at it). Please let us know your ideas.

I would like to give a big thankyou to the volunteers who have helped us this year. We could not have provided recess items and lunches to the children without you. Best wishes to everyone for a Merry Christmas and we look forward to seeing you next year.

**Thank you**

**Sharon Grant**

**Canteen Coordinator**



## Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will not be opened on the afternoon of Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

At the start of 2018 the Uniform Shop will open every morning for the first 2 weeks from 9.50am to 10.50am. They will also be opened on the Staff Development Day on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

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### Port Stephens Clinical Psychology Services Laura Francke—Clinical Psychologist

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## SANTA Photos at Little Pantry Co. Café Medowie

Near Coles at Medowie

Pets welcome

### December 2, 3 and 9



**\$15.00 for a 6" x 8" photo**

**\$25.00 for 2 photos & digital copy**

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## CHRISTMAS FAMILY NIGHT

**FREE**



**Thursday 7th December 6pm – 8pm**

**Bring the family along for a great night of fun**

- Santa's little helper workshops
- Gift wrapping service
- Meet Santa in-store
- Light refreshments will be provided

Plus more great activities in store including:

- Jumping Castle
  - Amusement Ride
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  - Competitions & Giveaways
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The day runs from 10 am to 2 pm and involves fishing techniques, bag and size limits, and fish handling for best release techniques.

**COST is \$40 PER CHILD**, and includes:

- rod and reel combination
- shirt
- hat
- tackle box
- show bag—all to take home!

**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL.**  
Maximum 25 participants.

### Locations and Dates

Soldiers Point Jetty, Soldiers Point

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2018

To book: e-mail [emma.mitchell@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:emma.mitchell@dpi.nsw.gov.au) or ring Emma Mitchell, 0438817906  
Web details: <http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries/recreational/info/workshop>

NSW DPI fishing workshops are run with the assistance of the Fishcare Volunteers and are supported by funds from the Recreational Fishing Trusts

## Pet Sitting Service

Going away for Christmas or the New Year?

Going for a few days, a week or more?

I can feed and look after any domestic pets, cats, dogs, horses, birds etc

If they need to be walked or just played with in their own yard, I can do that to!

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## December OOSH Care

18<sup>th</sup> December until 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2017

Monday 18/12/2017 until Tuesday 19/12/2017

Pupil Free Day Care will be available at our Medowie Before and After School Care service on Monday and Tuesday. If you would like more information or to book in please contact the administration office on 49880308 or email: [childcare@portstephens.nsw.gov.au](mailto:childcare@portstephens.nsw.gov.au)

### Vacation Care

Located only at the Raymond Terrace Vacation Care Centre

Wednesday 20/12/2017	Thursday 21/12/2017
3D Christmas Bubles Candy Cane Reindeer Letter to Santa Wooden Snowman Paper Christmas Tree Cooking: Strawberry Santa's	Candle Holder Eggy Elves Elf Puppets Paddle Pop Pals Christmas Cards Snapping Crackers Christmas Movie Day and popcorn Parent Notes:
Friday 22/12/2017 Scrapbooking Cards Pom Pom Santa Reindeer Hands Skating Snowmen Carrots Reindeers Cooking: Festive Rocky Road	If weather is hot we may participate in water play so please send towel and change of clothes (plastic bag for wet items) each day.

Need to do some last minute shopping?



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Keep the kids busy and send them to Vacation Care for cooking, craft and social fun.



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### Summer Fun at Medowie & Raymond Terrace Vacation Care 3<sup>rd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> - Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> Week 1	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> Week 2	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> Week 3	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> - Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> Week 4
<b>Contact us:</b> 49880308 or email: <a href="mailto:childcare@portstephens.nsw.gov.au">childcare@portstephens.nsw.gov.au</a> <b>Week 1</b> Operating ONLY at the <b>Raymond Terrace</b> Vacation Care Centre <b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup></b> Amphibian Fun Peg Alligator Snake Chains Plate Frog Floating Tube Crazy Crazy Amphibian Colours Craft Workshop: Happy Friends <b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup></b> Fireworks Chubby Cops Pop Up Kirigami Flowers Paper Flying Disc Fireworks Ring <b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup></b> Beetle Mania Pet Rock Bugs Spider Web Flutterby's Scavenger Hunt Butterfly Topper Puffy Bugs Crawling Caterpillars Inclusion: Bug Beautiful Bugs	<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup></b> Jurassic Park Dinosaur Jars Dino Hangers Lava Rocks Volcano Eruptions Dinosaur Bob Pterodactyl Puppets <b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup></b> Excursion: The Kavan Party Food Lunch Live Performance Play in Laubton Park Dress up in a spooky costume <b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup></b> African Safari 3D Lizard Panda Prints Safari Binoculars Jungle Slime Spiral Python Tiger Foam Print <b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup></b> Summer Fun Balloon Yoyo I'm Your Fan Ice Boats Egg Carton Bee Sparkling Jellyfish Workshop: Wet Wild <b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup></b> Dress Up Day Herringbone Art Ballerina's Glitter Foam Monsters Ninja Turtles Superhero's Cooking: Chocolate Spiders Wear your favourite costume	<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup></b> Around the World A Sombreno Art Wattle Art Rain Sticks English Soldiers Parol Cherry Blossom Fans Special Lunch: Fried Rice Fruit Juice & Spring Rolls <b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup></b> Super Science A Colour Symphony Skittle Mania Bleeding Crepe Paper Sweet Colours Time is Colour Bubble Painting Catapult <b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup></b> Marsupial Madness Hedgehogs Animal Friends Kitty Bookmarks Puffy Faces Newspaper Koalas Dot Painting <b>Inclusion: Koala Fun</b> <b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup></b> Ahoy There Matey Treasure Maps Pirate Faces Message in a Bottle Origami Boats Hooked Pirate Puppets Pirate Flags <b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup></b> Sail Away Foam Octopuses Sea Critter Fish Puppets Float Boats Jellyfish in a bottle Craft Workshop: Sand Bands	<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup></b> Under the Sea Tropical Shell Fish Seahorse Hangers Jellyfish Sun Catchers Bottle Cap Fish <b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> Back to School Bookmarks Chalk Creations Pool Noodle Pencil <b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup></b> Just a Nose Crazy Cupcakes Face Painting Pin the Nose on the Clown Games Workshop: Silly Clowns <b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup></b> Excursion: Maitland Gool Excursion "Paint Your Place" Tour and workshop Picnic and Play in Maitland Park Maitland Gool

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# Term 4 Wirreanda Public School 2017

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>8</b>	27 November	28 November	29 November Prefect Elect Afternoon Tea	30 November Scripture Assembly 10.30am	1 December St 3 Movie Day
<b>9</b>	4 December	5 December	6 December Volunteer Morning Tea 11.00am	7 December High School Orientation	8 December Presentation Day Semester 2 Reports Home
<b>10</b>	11 December Year 6 Farewell Kinder Graduation Ceremony & Picnic	12 December Christmas Assembly Class Parties Playground Sounds 1.30-3.00pm	13 December Principals Gold Award Day	14 December	15 December Last day school 2017
<b>11</b>	18 December No teaching staff on site - Admin staff only	19 December No teaching staff on site - Admin staff only	20 December School Holidays	21 December	22 December