



NORTH WAGGA PUBLIC SCHOOL



Building a Culture of Excellence

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**FLASH
SALE**

**All uniforms will be 10%
off their regular price on
the night of our
Welcome Back BBQ.
Call in at the uniform
room in the school foyer
between 5.30-6.30pm.**



Any student who attends
our Welcome Back BBQ
must be at the school
with **THEIR**
parent/caregiver. The
adult must remain at the
school with their child.

What's on at NWPS...

<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	14 th February	Welcome Back to School BBQ – 5.30-6.30pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	15 th February	Year 3-6 Assembly, 2.30pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday	16 th February	Year K-2 Assembly, 12.30pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	5 th March	Wagga PSSA Swimming Carnival
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	14 th March	Riverina PSSA Swimming Carnival
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	21 st March	Primary Students Athletics Carnival
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday	30 th March	Good Friday
<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	9 th April	School Cross Country

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Families, we had a very successful visit last week from the Premier's Implementation Unit as well as the Centre of Educational Statistics and Evaluation. Glen, Sam and Sarah met with our school executive and our school director to discuss all of the successful reforms we have put in place around Literacy and Numeracy, and how the work we are doing might be emulated at other schools across the state. The group then observed a lesson in Mrs Quilliam's room before having an after-school focus group with many of our teachers. It was a wonderful pat on the back for North Wagga PS. Well done, everyone.

It was great to see some new faces at P & C last week, many thanks to all who were able to make it. Don't forget we have our Welcome Back BBQ on tomorrow early evening. We have over 500 sausages to cook, and really thank our P & C who have been generous in paying for all the food for tomorrow night.

Our school canteen is calling for any new volunteers to assist. Please let the office know if you can be added to the roster. You don't have to lock yourself into any regular routine (unless you really want to!) even once or twice a term is very helpful. It was discussed at P & C to have a canteen "donation day" which would help to keep costs down for families. In years gone by the school has had a drive to try and see how families could assist with providing some basic items (like plastic teaspoons, kitchen towel, serviettes etc). If you're a family who just can't get to the canteen to help, a small donation such as this would be as equally valuable as your time. Please watch out in the newsletter today for more information round this.

Lastly, it's with great delight that I am able to confirm that we are about to be involved in considerable maintenance across the school that will take in extensive painting and carpeting. Plans are underway that the painting should actually start by the end of this week. It is anticipated that our maintenance schedule will take us all the way into June.

Now that's exciting! See you on Wednesday night.

Mandy Crocker
Principal

ASSEMBLY

Anyone who has been to an assembly over the past year will understand that our school hall is either shrinking, or we seem to be taking up more space in it! To make it more comfortable for everyone, this year we will be having a Year K-2 Assembly and a separate Year 3-6 Assembly.

Year 3-6 Assembly will be held every second Thursday afternoon at 2.30pm. **The first Year 3-6 Assembly will be this THURSDAY 15th.**

At this assembly, the newly elected Sporting House Captains and Vice Captains and Term 1 Class Councillors will receive their badges and the age champions from the swimming carnival will receive their trophies also.

Year K-2 Assembly will be held every second Friday afternoon, just before lunch, commencing at 12.30pm. **The first Year K-2 Assembly will be FRIDAY 16th.** Stage 1 students will receive their Term 1 Class Councillor badges.

An assembly roster will be in the newsletter next week.

All of the students below will be presented with either a badge or a trophy this Friday.

Congratulations to our Class Councillors for Term 1

Yellow - Chayse Black, Ruby Lawlor

Red - Henry Willaton, Ivy Chobdzynski

Navy - Travis Plum, Vanessa Leah

Blue - Wil Frauenfelder, Ellie Rake

Pink- Riley Montiadis, Isabelle Flight

Purple- Mason Mescia, Poppy Hulm

White- Jasper Ingold, Lottie Cattle

Orange- Carter Chobdzynski, Isabella De Camps

Black- Matthew Galloway, Kate Harris

Congratulations to our Swimming Age Champions

Junior Boy- Baylee Edwards

Junior Girl- Ava Chobdzynski

11 Year Boy- Matthew Galloway

11 Year Girl- Abbey Jolliffe

Senior Boy- Carter Chobdzynski

Senior Girl- Kate Harris

Winning House- Farrer

Standout Performers- Baylee Edwards - won all 6 of his races

- Carter Chobdzynski- won 5 races & a 2nd

- Abbey Jolliffe - won 5 out of 6 races

Thankyou once again to all the teachers, parents and students for supporting the day and making it a success! A special thanks also to the parent timekeepers who volunteered throughout the day. Students who meet the qualifying times for the PSSA District Swimming Carnival will have the opportunity to compete on Monday 5th March. Good luck!

NOTICE of MEETING: P & C AGM

The 2018 P & C AGM will be held on Wednesday 7th March at 6.30pm in the Staffroom. All P & C Officer positions will be declared vacant and we will call for nominations for the executive positions of President, Vice-President (x2), Secretary and Treasurer, as well as the Uniforms Officer, Promotions Officer and the canteen subcommittee. The March ordinary meeting will follow the AGM. The new officers will commence their new roles at the ordinary meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

P&C CLAIM THE DATE

Please set aside the 2nd of November as we will be having our Twilight Fete! Over the coming months we will be calling on helpers and all those with the amazing expertise that has always brought many people over to our side of the river to enjoy the fun of a NWPS fete! Please stay tuned, but for now, pop the date into your calendars!

CANTEEN DONATION

Can you help please?

To keep costs down in our canteen P & C is asking if families would assist with donating some of the daily items that the canteen uses. These are everyday items, some of which might actually already be in your pantry unopened!

We have assigned items to each class in the hope that you can help. All donations should be dropped to the office area. Many thanks in advance.

Class donation suggestions:

Lime:	Plastic spoons or 2 litre long life milk
Green:	Pineapple slices in natural juice or clear plastic cups
Red:	Foam cups or muffin/patty cases (see accompanying photo) →
Yellow:	Rice crackers or paper towel
Blue:	Brown paperbags or 2 litre long life milk
Navy:	Clear plastic cups or Rice crackers
Pink:	Serviettes or pineapple slices in natural juice
White:	Rice crackers or serviettes
Purple:	Small novelty items for meal deal item eg pencils, erasers, balls, bubbles, stickers.
Orange:	Foam Cups or serviettes or cling wrap
Black:	Muffin/patty cases (see accompanying photo) or alfoil



SPORTS VOUCHERS

Coles Sports for Schools is back to help Aussie kids stay fit and healthy! When you shop at Coles, you'll receive Sports for Schools vouchers that your local school can exchange for sports gear.

The more vouchers you collect, the more sports gear they'll receive.
Start collecting today because the race is on!

Our collection box is on the steps near Mrs Crocker's office
...see how many you can fill it up with!



FARRER and STURT SPORTING HOUSES

Currently there is quite a mismatch in the number of students in each of our sport's houses. As with most schools, assigning students to sport's houses is based on the method of their last name. Surnames with A-L go to Farrar, M-Z go to Sturt. We have 164 students in Farrer and 106 students in Sturt, which is creating some inequity. To ensure greater fairness, from now on (and at the start of each year), we will run a calculation that determines a loading for points. For the remainder of carnivals this year, Sturt points will be multiplied by 1.54 which will mean both houses will be pitched point for point, and the house that wins will be that which achieved the best results, rather than potentially had more competitors. This loading will have no bearing on individual age champions or sports person of the year. Mrs Crocker

SCHOOL ABSENCES

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

SIGN IN/OUT PROCEDURE

If you are running late to school or you need to pick your child up early please see the office and sign your child in or out. This is done electronically in the school office. One slip per child is to be filled out and handed to their class teacher. Late arrivals need to be signed in by a parent/guardian. Families are encouraged to NOT make any appointments for students through the day that can occur after school instead.

NUT ALLERGY AWARENESS

As we have had several students who have been diagnosed with an allergy to nuts, we are asking parents not to send any food products containing nuts to school (this includes peanut butter sandwiches). It is important to understand that even trace amounts of food can cause a severe anaphylactic reaction so we are asking everyone to be aware of how serious this allergy can be.

CLASS NAMES – SIMPLY A COLOUR!

Yes, our class names are a bit of a departure from old practices at the school, but they are very deliberate given our new administration systems in the office where we will now be using the same set of class names each year. To make it easier on families we painted classroom doors last year, and in turn we will all get used to the change. For your reference the classes are as follows:

Class	Staff
Lime	Mrs Standley
Green	Mrs Librando/Mrs Grieve
Yellow	Ms Moore
Red	Mrs Richardson/Mrs Wood

Class	Staff
Blue	Mrs Quilliam
Pink	Mrs Phillips/Mrs Walker
White	Miss Saddler
Navy	Mrs Havrlant/Mrs Cattle

Class	Staff
Purple	Mrs Hilton
Black	Mr Motton
Orange	Mrs Diaz

PARENT SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

The general **Parent School Contribution** is a voluntary contribution to the school and is set at **\$48.00** per child for the whole year. We would greatly appreciate if this could be forwarded to the school office during Term 1, if possible, to assist with planning of the school budget. Thank you in advance of a positive response to this request.

SUBJECT CONTRIBUTIONS

Each year we request payment for **"Subject Contributions"**. This is a specific request for books used in individual classes and a photocopy levy. The contribution is **\$30** for each child. It would be greatly appreciated if this payment could be received by the end of Term 1. Thank you in advance.

UNIFORM NEWS

Uniform orders together with payment can be handed in to the school office and once a week (usually on a Thursday) the uniform co-ordinator will fill the orders and send them home with your child.

Please note that only cash/cheque can be accepted for school uniforms or P&C activities as this is run by the P&C, not the school.

Cheques are to made out to NWPS P&C. Uniform orders may be sent in with your child or delivered personally by yourself.

A reminder regarding FLASH SALE WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 2018 during the P&C BBQ- 10% off!

CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday 14th February - Maree Beresford

Friday 16th February – Muhiba Dahir, Meredith West, Leanne Mather

Monday 19th February – Jo Jolliffe



New volunteers welcome!
Please let the office know
if you can help on
69213533.

NOTES TO BE RETURNED

NGARA WUMARA RESEARCH PROJECT

Notes were sent out yesterday with information about this to students in Classes: **Blue, Navy, Pink and White**, if you did not get one collect one from the front office. Parents of children in these classes are asked to complete their online consent for student participation in the program **no later than Thursday 15th February**. Online consent can be given by navigating to the following web page: http://acu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_a33QNGaEW2W87Ep

If you prefer, participation consent for your child can be given by signing the note which was sent home yesterday and returning it to your child's teacher **no later than Thursday 15th February**.

FAMILY DETAILS & MEDICAL FORMS

These forms were sent home two weeks go and all families should have received one yellow family details form per family and a blue medical form for each child. It is essential that we receive these completed forms back AS SOON AS POSSIBLE so that we can update our records.

COMMUNITY NEWS

URANQUINTY NETBALL CLUB - registrations for the 2018 netball season to be held at the Rules Club on Friday 16th February 4.30pm-8.30pm, Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th from 10am-1pm. Enquiries to Laraine Hill 69261316

CENTRECARE SOUTH WEST NSW - upcoming parent/education courses/s. Course information <https://www.centacaresnsw.org.au/events/>

WAGGA'S MONSTER GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY 24 FEBRUARY
8AM - 3PM

WAGGA WAGGA BAPTIST CHURCH
154 TARCUTTA STREET
WAGGA WAGGA

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OR VISIT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE!

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ALSO TO ENJOY ON THE DAY...
PLANTS, BARISTA COFFEE + CAKE STALL, BBQ, CAR WASH

ARE WE FRIENDS YET?
LIKE US ON FACEBOOK TO KEEP UP TO DATE WITH NEWS AND GET SNEAK PREVIEWS OF WHAT WILL BE THERE ON THE DAY!
[facebook.com/waggasmonstergaragesale](https://www.facebook.com/waggasmonstergaragesale)



Wagga Wagga Takes 2 2018
Proceeds going towards The Wagga Wagga Rescue Squad VISA

Zoe Martin and Nathan Lamont

"The BBQ"
DISSEMINATED

Limited tickets available
\$25 per person
(includes small popcorn and drink)

Forum Six Cinemas, 77 Trail
St Wagga

Thursday 22nd February 2018
6.30pm for a 7pm start

Tickets can be purchased via Zoe's facebook page or by calling

