Monday  Week  11  Term 1 2013

Wallsend South Public School serves a supportive parent community which clearly values high educational standards. It is a school which values positive student behaviours and attitudes.

WSPS Calendar

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<td>Mrs Smart to start leave GATS writing</td>
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<td>Junior Choir at 8.15 ANZAC Service at 10.00am School Disco</td>
<td>Year 5 go to Bathurst University PE program for Kindergarten</td>
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<td>Last Day of Term Winter Sport Trials</td>
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**Important Diary Dates: Photographs May 29 & 30, timetable early next term.**

Dear Parents
Welcome to the final week for Term 1. This Friday the Canteen is closed for normal business but will be open for Treat Day. I will be away from this afternoon so will take this opportunity to wish you all the best for the school break and look forward to seeing everyone safe on Wednesday May 1. Please be aware the first two days of Term 2 are pupil free.

Ian Hamilton

**Canteen**

**Tuesday**
Janelle Climas Donna Pearce

**Wednesday**
Jemma Greentree Phoebe Brooks

**Thursday**
Michelle Ritter Naomi Bellears Kylie Brittliffe Frances Lambkin Jo Hinchcliff

**Friday**

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<td>Louise Biles Rachael Metcalfe (Melynda Bailey)</td>
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**Congratulations to** Zeke Gentle and Jack Pandel who will be representing Newcastle to play in the State Champion Knockout in Coffs Harbour at the long weekend. Well done boys!
Assessment for Term 2 Reports
Please remember there may be formal assessment for your child in Weeks 4, 5, 6 of this term in preparation for Term 2 Reports. If you are planning to have your children away during this time, please discuss this with your child’s teacher.

Development Days Term 2
To start Term 2, the Department of Education has deemed two Staff Development Days. This is to allow time to further investigate the new English Syllabus to be implemented from the start of 2014. Therefore our program will be

Day 1
Focus on Reading
English Syllabus
Stage Planning

Day 2
Focus on Reading
English Syllabus
CPR training

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER!
Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2013 for their 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria, Japan, the U.S.A and Canada will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Call your local coordinator, Dianne Axam on: 0429 406 126 for more information.

Disco BBQ
Packet of Chips 50c
Drinks (Water or Popper) $1.50
Sausage on a roll $2.50
Meals Deal Voucher $4.00 (Roll, chips and a drink)
Parents can buy vouchers if they wish rather than give their children cash.

Disco
The school disco will be on this Wednesday evening. It is for WSPS students only. K-2 students are invited from 5.30-7.00pm and Yrs 3-6 from 7.00-8.30pm. Please do not send children earlier as there will be no supervision. We run the Discos back to back for those parents who have children from different grades so they may drop the older children off as they pick up the younger children. Please feel free to drop your children to the hall and come back at finishing time. Maybe enjoy a quiet dinner on your own or stay home and enjoy the serenity. Staff will supervise within the hall and BBQ and P & C will supervise toilet areas and outside. Excellent behaviour is expected and with little doubt will be delivered by the students of WSPS. At the conclusion of each disco please collect your children from the western side of the hall. Entry is via the pebblecrete side of the hall. We look forward to a great night. Entry is $3.00.

Entertainment Books
Thanks to all who have pre-paid for the new 2013/2014 Entertainment Book. There are a limited number of bonus vouchers still available which can be used now.
Books will be sent home with the eldest child on Wednesday 1st May (first day back at school) unless you have sent the form back indicating that you do not require a book this year.
Please see flyer/order form attached to today’s Tallong & call/sms me on 0418428042 if any queries.
Many thanks Christina Clarke

Stewart House
With this week’s Tallong is a Stewart House envelope. Stewart House has a proud record of providing short term respite care for over 1800 public school children in need of a break from their current circumstances each year. It has survived only because of the very generous support of NSW public school staff and school communities. As part of this year’s fundraising drive you have the chance to win a $4 000 FAMILY HOLIDAY. Simply write your details on the envelope provided along with a $2 donation.
Return it to the school by Stewart House Day, Friday 10th May to participate in the draw. The draw takes place on 24th May.

P&C News
Family Portraits
At last week’s P&C we arranged our upcoming fundraiser, being “Family Portraits.” Most of you should have received a note on Friday providing all details, with another copy attached to today’s Tallong. The photos will be taken over this upcoming Saturday and Sunday by Grin Photography. Packages are very reasonably priced, so why not organise as a gift for Mothers Day? Please complete the bottom section of the note and return to school with your payment ASAP (Wed at the latest) to confirm your appointment. Sessions will last for approx 30 mins.

School Disco
Don’t forget the Disco this Wednesday night. Thanks to all of our parent volunteers - I”m sure the kids will have a great night. Have a great holiday break and don’t forget our Trivia night in Term 2 - Friday 24 May. Tickets will go on sale Week 2. “Save the Date!”
Sally Conley