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### PRINCIPAL NEWS

This is the final full newsletter for the year. I would like to thank everyone for the work that they have put into Wallington Primary School this year. I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing everyone back in 2016 safe and sound.

To the families that are finishing at Wallington I would like to wish them all the best for the future. The work of the ‘School Council’ and the ‘Parents and Friends’ have provided great support to the school. Parents are always encouraged to get involved and are always welcome.

To the staff of Wallington Primary School, I owe a big vote of thanks not only for their hard work, but to the dedication and enthusiasm that they have for the students and the school at Wallington.

To the students at Wallington Primary School – thank you. The students make the school what it is and their achievements this year have been outstanding. Congratulations!

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**No Assembly**

Due to the Bush Dance workshops tomorrow there will be no assembly. However at the end of the day the whole school will gather on the basketball court to present the birthday awards to students who have birthday between now and the end of the year. This is important as there is no time on the last Friday to do this.

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**Retirement**

It is with mixed feelings that I announce that Mrs Henry will be retiring. Mrs Henry has worked at Wallington for over 15 years as our Library assistant. She has cared for and maintained our library to such a high standard over all those years. On behalf of the Wallington Primary School community we say thank you and wish her all the best for the future.

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**Thank You**

Next week is Ida Mooney’s final week. Ida has done a great job working with the Grade 6 students she has been working with. Along with the entire school community, I would like to wish Ida all the best for the future and thank you for all that you have done for Wallington.

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**Staffing for 2016**

Interviewing for the Grade 1 teacher is continuing. I will let people know the outcome as soon as we know.

- Prep - Emily Duckett
- Prep/ 1 – not appointed yet
- Grade 1/2 not yet appointed
- Grade 2 – Jason Vaught
- Grade 3 – Emily Farley
- Grade 4 – Jill Murray
- Grade 5 – Bernie King
- Grade 6 – Lisa Lennon
- Indonesian Bev Davis (not yet confirmed)
- Judy McMillan – The Arts/ Asian Studies
- Integration Aides – Julie Laird/ Sally Peter
- Business Manager – Cho Lay Thomas
- Special Education (one day per fortnight) - James Field

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**Reports**

Reports will go home early next week. With the report will be your child’s class allocation and the Parent Payment schedule for 2016. The school council has increased the Essential items payment to $175.00 for next year and have kept all other voluntary payments at the current level.

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**Christmas Picnic / Bush Dance**

**Don’t Forget The Picnic tomorrow night**

The school picnic will be held in the school oval from 5:30pm onwards. **BYO picnic and rug** or enjoy the Sausage Sizzle put on by the Parents and Friends. Santa will arrive at 6pm approximately.

The Bush dance will commence at 6:30pm until 8:00pm.

Please leave a book wrapped and labelled for your child with a value up to $10.00 at the office. The Parents and Friends would like to extend the invitation to the 2016 grade Preps and their parents, in an opportunity for them to get to know the current families attending Wallington PS.

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**Last Day Arrangements**

Final assembly will begin exactly at 1:00 pm next week as we have many awards to present. Students will be dismissed at 1:30pm.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Parents are asked to ensure that their child/children are picked up on time on the last day. Teachers will be involved in the setting up of the school for 2016.

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**Lost Property**

We have a few items of lost property at the office, including Tupperware containers etc. Any unclaimed items at the end of the term will be donated to charity or thrown out (for health reasons). Tables will be set up in the passage way with the lost property on it. Please feel free to come in and have a look at any time before Friday next week.

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**Updating Records**

Current family records will be sent home with the eldest child in your family. Please check all details and amend/update as necessary and return before the end of the year.

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**Parent Statements**

Reminder that if you have not yet finalised your parent payment, please do so now. Parents who wish to make alternative payment plans need to contact me as soon as possible.
**SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Last Week’s SUPER STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS**

2V Vaught
- **MONICA B**
  For being a helpful, thoughtful and reliable classroom leader.
  For showing great care and concern for the school environment and its creatures.

3S Stevens
- **MATISSE H**
  For your hard work this week during all lessons. Well done and keep up the great work Cooper!

4J Farley
- **EVE M**
  For always contributing to discussions. Thank you Eve!
  For always applying herself in everything she does. Well done Poppy!

5D King
- **DYLAN K**
  For showing great improvement in all areas of his reading this year. Fantastic Dylan!

6R Rogers
- **ANGLUS M**
  For assisting Miss Rogers with preparation for a special event.

**Hockey Bellarine is running**

**Hookin2hockey (Hin2H) in T1, 2016**

- **Dates** – Saturday 13th February - Saturday 19th of March 2016
- **Time** – 9am to 10am
- **Who for** – Primary school children
- **Cost** – Free
- **Where** – Saint Ignatius College, off Gillies Rd, Drysdale

**What to wear** – runners, long socks & mouthguard

**WOW!** – The first 48 BRAND NEW primary school aged children to register for Hin2H 2016 will receive a FREE stick, shin guards and ball.

**To register** – Email hockeybellarinejuniors@gmail.com or call Ali on 0478 011 841

**LOST**

We are so keen to hear from anyone who has any information on our dog “JETT”.

He went missing from our property on Rhinds Road, Wallington on Saturday 6th December between 7pm and 11pm. He is super friendly and may have been spooked. Please check fences, sheds or any potentially good hiding spots. He is microchipped and has a red collar with tag.

Please contact Kerri on 0410 508 922 with any information.

**CHRISTMAS RECIPE!**

**Fruity Christmas Tree Pops**

Makes 12

Check out the recipe for these healthy Christmas Tree Fruit Pops from the Australian Healthy Food Guide. A great snack for the kids during the summer holidays!


**PARENTS & FRIENDS**

**11th December Family Picnic & Bushdance**

A sausage sizzle only will be served from 5.30-6pm via Gold Coin Donation.

Families are also welcome to BYO picnic and drinks and sit on the oval.

Santa will be making an appearance at 6pm, please leave a book wrapped and labelled with your child’s name to a maximum value of $10 at the office by the 10th December. Remember to dress “country”.

**17th December – Special Lunch**

Forms have gone home with the children who did not order the Christmas lunch with an option to order a cup of ice cream only for $1. Forms and payments must be returned by strictly no later than Tuesday 15th December to the white drawer opposite the office.

To go on the distribution list for parents and friends minutes and correspondence please email breeeschammer@bigpond.com. You can also keep up to date with the latest Parents and Friends news and activities by joining our active Facebook group. Search for “Wallington PS Parents and Friends”