



WALLINGTON Primary School

NEWSLETTER



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FAIR

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CALENDAR EVENTS

Thu 24 th Nov	Gr 6 Blue Light Disco
	Strawberry Fair Meeting 7 pm
Fri 25 th Nov	Gr 3-6 Queenscliff Music Festival
	Assembly Presentation Gr 2
Fri 2nd Dec	Assembly Presentation Gr 3/4
Tues 6th Dec	School Council Meeting
Thu 8 th Dec	Special Christmas Lunch
Fri 9th Dec	Assembly Presentation Prep/1
Thu 15 th Dec	Gr 6 Graduation
	Parents & Friends Meeting 12 pm @ KYO Kyosk
Fri 16th Dec	Christmas Family Picnic 5 pm
Mon 19 th Dec	Gr 5/6 Adventure Park
	P-2 Party Day @ Barwon Heads
Tue 20th Dec	End of Term Dismissal 1.30 pm
2017	
Tue 31st Jan	Back to School Gr 1-6
Thu 2nd Feb	Preps Start School

PRINCIPAL NEWS

It has been a very busy time over the last couple of weeks with swimming, report writing, testing etc. Congratulations to all the students who participated in the swimming program - you were a real credit to the school. Thanks to Mr Vaught for his organisation of the programs and to the staff for their support and assistance.

Helpers Morning Tea

On Friday 2nd December we are holding our **Helpers Morning Tea**. This is our special way of saying thank you to all those fantastic people who have assisted the school in some way this year. As I have said on many occasions, Wallington Primary School functions as effectively as it does through the generosity of people giving up their time to assist the school. We are very grateful for this assistance. If for some reason you do not receive your invitation please consider this your personal invitation. It is to be held at 11:00am in the Hall. To assist with catering, please RSVP to the office by 30th November.



Car Park Safety

The school's Traffic Plan is in place for the safety of everyone. No student is allowed in the car park without adult supervision. At the end of the day parents are asked to park their vehicle and come into the school to collect their child. Please do not encourage students to go to the car without an adult with them.

Queenscliff Music Festival

Tomorrow the Grade 3 – 6 will be going to the Queenscliff Music Festival. As the weather is going to be favourable, the children will be having lunch at Queenscliff. This means that the children will not be leaving Queenscliff until 2:15pm approx.



Last Day of term 4

The students will be dismissed at **1:30pm on Tuesday 20th December**. We will finish with the assembly at **1:00pm** on the oval if the weather is favourable.



Updating Records

At this time of the year we update our school records for 2016. This includes any changes to parents/ emergency contacts' telephone contact or emails, student medical conditions, asthma plans, expired medication that needs to be refilled, parental permission for having photos of your child published in newspapers etc, ICT appropriate use. The forms will go out this week. It would be appreciated if they could be returned ASAP.



Pupil Free Day

On Monday 5th December we are having our final pupil free day for the year. **Students are not required at school on that day**

Strawberry Fair

Tonight is the second last meeting of the Strawberry fair for 2016. The final meeting will be on **Thursday 7th December**. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Mosquitoes

In Australia, mosquito bites can result in many viruses; some of these include **Murray Valley encephalitis virus**, **Ross River virus**, **Barmah Forest virus** and **dengue virus**. Periods of heavy rainfall or floods can lead to ideal breeding conditions for mosquitoes, even in non-tropical areas. Diseases that are spread by insects are known as 'vector-borne' diseases.

How to avoid mosquito bites

There are many simple things you can do to avoid getting bitten by mosquitoes, including:



- Wear long, loose-fitting clothes if mosquitoes are around.
- Cover up as much as possible.
- Use an effective mosquito repellent on all exposed skin.
- Prevent mosquito breeding around your own home.
- Prevent mosquitoes from getting inside by using fly screens on windows and doors.
- Use mosquito coils or insecticide candles in small, outdoor areas.

Choosing a mosquito repellent

Repellents come in lotions, gels, aerosols and pump sprays. Lotions and gels are easier to apply, though all repellents containing picaridin and DEET (N,N-Diethyl-m-toluamide or diethyltoluamide) are effective at repelling mosquitoes when used correctly.

Repellents containing picaridin or DEET are the most effective. These products are available in different strengths (known as 'concentrations') ranging from 3–100% DEET, or 10–20% picaridin. Higher concentrations provide protection for longer. Natural repellents (such as Citronella or Eucalyptus) provide very limited protection from mosquitoes. More information can be found at: betterhealth.vic.gov.au

Wallington Primary School Magazine 2016

Last chance to order your copy of the School Magazine before orders close on **Friday 2nd December**. The magazine **price is \$7**. Order forms have been sent home and are also available from our website.

Payments may be made via Qkr App as well as cash & Eftpos.



<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Last Week's SUPER STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS </div> </div>	
Prep D Duckett	GIANA A For a wonderful week of swimming lessons and showing a "You Can Do It" attitude.
PIN Norris	MACY E For doing a great job creating your 'colourful birds' from the dreamtime story 'How the Birds Got Their Colours'. Well done, Macy, keep up the great work.
1/2S Stevens	ALEX N For writing a great procedural text on "How to do Survival Backstroke". Keep up the great work!
2V Vaught	MEGT For making good choices and being nice, well behaved and trying your best at swimming. WYATT A For your effort in all activities this week including your concentration in Mathematics and behaviour at swimming.
3A O'Brien	TOBY M For working really hard in all learning areas. You always have a positive attitude and try your best in everything you do. You have been amazing, well done Toby!
4A Murray	COOPER B-R For showing good active reading behaviour in both his independent reading and buddy reading. Well done Cooper!
5A King	ZAC M For showing great improvement with his reading fluency by reading the punctuation as he reads. Well done, Zac
6A Lennon	JOEL E For using efficient strategies when solving problems involving fractions, thinking about the reasoning of your answers and articulating them with clear and precise language to show your understanding..

CAROLS

In The Park

O C E A N G R O V E

Supported by City of Greater Geelong

Come and sing your heart out with
 Geelong Symphony Orchestra
 Bring an unwrapped gift for a needy child

Sunday 11 Dec 7.30pm

oceangrovecarols.org

PARENTS & FRIENDS

REMINDERS

Special Christmas Lunch 8th December
 Order forms and payments are due by **TOMORROW Friday 25th November**. If you are paying by QKR, the **form must still be returned**. Sorry no late orders will be accepted.

Final P&F Meeting 2016
 Our final meeting for 2016 is on **Thursday 15th December 12pm at KYO kyosk** in Ocean Grove. Come along for a social lunch to finish off the year. Please bring along a wrapped \$5 novelty item for a Christmas Lucky Dip between attendees.
 For table booking please rsvp to breeschammer@bigpond.com

Wallington Christmas Family Jingle and Mingle
 Remember to leave a wrapped book at the office to a maximum value \$10 with your child's name on it by **15th December**. **SANTA** will hand out books at the picnic. A gift can also be left for siblings/other children who will be in attendance.

Christmas Giving Tree
 If you would like to leave a gift, please do so by **Friday 9th December**. These gifts will be taken to the Ocean Grove Carols service to go to *Cottage by the Sea*.

Poppy Appeal

A total of \$58.50 was raised from the Poppy Appeal. All proceeds have gone to the Drysdale RSL.

BookClub

There are 2 unclaimed books from the last issue of Bookclub. If you have ordered 'Playing Cupid' or 'Two Summers', please claim from the office as soon as possible.

Parent Payments 2017
 Payments for these can be made now through the office via cash, cheque or Eftpos or electronically via Qkr or BPay.
 Please return payment with voucher (page 5 of the Parent Contributions 2017 letter).

Parent Payments 2016
 If you have not yet finalised your payments for this year, please do so as soon as possible.

Student Requisites payments are now overdue.

Payments can be made at the office via cash, cheque, EFT or QKR app. BPay option is also available online using your parent statement.

LOST PROPERTY

PLEASE CHECK LOST PROPERTY. WE HAVE A COLLECTION OF PERSONAL ITEMS AS WELL AS UNIFORMS.

ANY UNCLAIMED ITEMS AT THE END OF TERM WILL DONATED TO CHARITY OR THROWN OUT.