



# WALLINGTON Primary School

## NEWSLETTER

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FAIR

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### DIARY DATES

Mon 16th Nov - 26th Nov	Swimming Program P-3
Thu 26th Nov	Strawberry Fair Meeting 7 pm
Fri 27th Nov	Queenscliff Music Festival Yr 3-6
Mon 30th Nov	Pupil free day
Wed 2nd Dec	School Council Dinner Meeting
Thu 3rd Dec	Helpers Morning Tea
Wed 9th Dec	P & F Meeting @ Hello Birdie 9.15 am
Fri 11th Dec	Whole School Workshop - Billy Tea Bush Band Families End of Year Christmas Picnic Sausage Sizzle & Bush Dance 5.30 - 8.00 pm
Tue 15th Dec	Yr 6 Graduation
Wed 16th Dec	Party Day
Thu 17th Dec	Christmas Hot Lunch 
Fri 18th Dec	Last Day of Term Dismissal 1.30 pm

### 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 Thursday 3rd 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 have not received your invitation please consider this your personal invitation. It is to be held at **11:00 am in the Hall**. To assist with catering, please RSVP to the office or via the school email: [wallington.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:wallington.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) by **2th December**.



#### SRI The Special Religious Instruction program

Both Mrs Barry and Mrs Dungan have indicated to me that they will be finishing the SRI program on 4<sup>th</sup> December and will not be returning in 2016. Both ladies have been associated with the school, in this role, for many years. On behalf of the Wallington School Community I would like to thank them both for their many years of service to the school.

The Department of Education and Training have instructed all schools that the SRI program in 2016 can only be conducted either before or



after school or during lunchtime break for a maximum of 30 minutes.

In light of this and with the knowledge that we will be without our two instructors next year SRI will not be offered at Wallington Primary School. However if I get enough interest and commitment to run the program I will endeavour to source instructors to run a program.

#### Class Structure for 2016

I am pleased to announce the class structure for 2016. This structure takes into account the needs of the children on a social and academic level. The staff have considered the structure very carefully. The structure reflects the needs of the school for next year only. We base the structure also on the current number that we have enrolled at the school, and may need to change if the number of students changes. Each year the structure will change depending on the needs of the students and the school.

The class structure for 2016 will be:

Prep

Prep/1

Grade 1/2

Grade 2

Grade 3

Grade 4

Grade 5

Grade 6

Teachers will be assigned to classes within the next couple of weeks.

#### Strawberry Fair 2016 Lucky Bags

These have been sent home today. Please drop bags into the labelled box at the front office. Thank you.



#### Qkr! is now at Wallington Primary School



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WALLPS

The new Qkr! app is now live for families of students at Wallington Primary. Qkr! by MasterCard can be downloaded for free from Apple's app store for iPhones (iPads should download the iPhone app) or from Google Play for Android phones and tablets. After downloading the app and registering, simply scan the QR code on the left using the Qkr! Code scanner or type **WALLPS** after tapping the magnifying glass in the top right of the home screen of Qkr!, and then the app will always recognise you as part of Wallington Primary in future to make payments even easier. You can pay your current excursions right now using Qkr! Booklists and other payments will also be available soon for you to make payments using Qkr!. To make payments immediately why not download it today and take a look at our school on Qkr!

All feedback to the school office is very welcome.

*See flyer or the school web for details.*



## SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS

### Last Week's SUPER STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

<b>PREP Duckett</b>	<b>SOFIA H</b> For good focus in the pool and showing terrific organisation and independence during the swimming program. Well done! <b>NYLAH R</b> For her positive attitude in the pool and great organisation and independence during the swimming program. Well done!
<b>1M McLaren</b>	<b>BELLA M</b> For settling in so well to Wallington Primary School. <b>NOAH S</b> For wonderful work during the swimming program. Keep up the good work Noah!
<b>2V Vaught</b>	<b>JAKE M</b> For his effort with attempting to make his writing more interesting and complex. <b>SORALIA A-C</b> For being confident and a good helpful buddy at swimming lessons.
<b>3S Stevens</b>	<b>STELLA W</b> For your dedication towards all of your learning. Well done Stella and keep up the hard work!
<b>4J Farley</b>	<b>GENEVIEVE K</b> For being a great chicken monitor and caring for the chickens. Thank you for your help! <b>INDI B</b> For always using exceptional manners this year! Keep it up Indi!
<b>5D King</b>	<b>GEMMA M</b> For a great transition to her new school. For becoming involved in all activities and being a happy, friendly new member of our class. Well done Gemma!
<b>6R Rogers</b>	<b>GRADE 6R</b> For being wonderful representatives of Wallington Primary School at the Geelong Blue Light Disco. It was great to hear you all being congratulated by members of the community for your excellent manners and great behaviour.

## PARENTS & FRIENDS

### 11<sup>th</sup> December – Family Picnic and Bush Dance

Payment and forms are due back by **1<sup>st</sup> December**. 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 10<sup>th</sup> December. *(You are welcome to leave books for older and younger siblings who will be in attendance on the night also).*

**Payment for the Bush Dance is available through the Qkr app – please see information distributed last week or on the school web.**

### 17<sup>th</sup> December – Special Lunch

Details have gone home for the whole school sit down **hot Christmas lunch on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December**.

Forms are due back to the drawer opposite the office by no later than **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**.

**Please note that payment is NOT available through the Qkr app for this event as the catering is out-sourced.**

### Next Meeting

The next Parents and Friends meeting is on:

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 9.15am at Hello Birdie Cafe in Grubb Road.**

We warmly invite all parents to come along for a relaxed coffee and chat about the remaining years activities. Please bring along a small wrapped novelty gift to a maximum value of \$5 to be lucky dipped for attendees at our final meeting of the year.

To go on the distribution list for parents and friends minutes and correspondence please email [breescham-mer@bigpond.com](mailto:breescham-mer@bigpond.com)

You can also keep up to date with the latest Parents and Friends news and activities by joining our Facebook group. Search for "Wallington PS Parents and Friends"

# THIS SATURDAY

Saturday 28th November  
Saturday 5th Dec  
9AM until SOLD OUT



# CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

**WHERE:** OCEAN GROVE PARK  
CNR PRESIDENTS AVE & DRAPER ST

**SIZES:** 5 FOOT- 8 FOOT

**COST:** \$55 EACH

**DELIVERY:** \$10 - \$15



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# THIS SATURDAY

Thank you for supporting Ocean Grove Scout Group Email enquiries to: [o.g.scouts@gmail.com](mailto:o.g.scouts@gmail.com)

*End of Year Christmas Family*

# BUSH DANCE

**WALLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL FAMILIES**

**FRIDAY 11th DECEMBER**

Sausage Sizzle from 5.30 - 6.00pm (gold coin donation)  
or BYO picnic tea on the oval

Special Visit from Santa 6.00pm

Dancing from 6.30 - 8.00pm

**LIVE MUSIC BY THE BILLY TEA BUSHBAND**

**DRESS: Country**

