WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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WALLINGTON STRAWBERRY FAIR

Principal: Leigh McLaren School Council Pres: Robert Dungen

DIARY DATES 4					
Fri 4th May	Hot Chocolate Day & Casual Dress				
Thurs 10th May	Parent Club Meeting - 9am in the Hall				
Thurs 10th May	Mother's Day Stall				
Fri 11th May	Mother's Day Stall				
Thurs 17th May	Hot Lunch!				
Fri 25th May	Uniform Sale				
Sun 27th May	Parent's Club Sunday Funday Mystery Tour				
Mon 11th June	Queens Birthday				
Wed 13th June	Disco 6 - 8pm in the Hall				
Thurs 14th June	Pupil Free Day				
Mon 18th till Wed 20th June	Maldon Camp - Grades 5-6				
Thurs 21st June	Hot Lunch!				
Fri 22nd June	Uniform Sale				
Thurs 28th June	Parents end of term Social Dinner. Barwon Heads Hotel - 7pm				
Fri 29th June	Term 2 Concludes				
Mon 16th July	Term 3 Commences				
Fri 21st Sept	Term 3 Concludes				
Mon 8th Oct	Term 4 Commences				
Fri 21st Dec	Term 4 Concludes				

PRINCIPAL NEWS

NAPLAN

Next week the students in grades 3 and 5 will be undertaking the NAPLAN. The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7, and 9. All students in these year levels are expected to participate in tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. All government and non-government education authorities have contributed to the development of NAPLAN materials.

Why students are required to participate in the NAPLAN test?

NAPLAN is the measure through which governments, education authorities, schools, teachers and parents can determine whether or not young Australians are meeting important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy. The tests provide parents and schools with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests.

They also provide schools, states and territories with information about how education programs are working and which areas need to be prioritised for improvement. NAPLAN tests are one aspect of the school's assessment and reporting process, and do not replace the extensive, ongoing assessments made by teachers about each student's performance.

What is tested and how

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. The content of each test is informed by the *National Statements of Learning for English* and mathematics which underpin state and territory learning frameworks. Questions are multiple-choice or require a short written response. The Writing task requires students to write a persuasive text.

How do we prepare our Students?

To support students with the NAPLAN they are given practice tests so that they are familiar with the format and timing. Each year the tests are differ however it is the format and the timing that remains constant. Next week student will be further practice.

Leigh McLaren Principal

HOT CHOCOLATE DAY AND CASUAL CLOTHES DAY

FRIDAY, 4TH MAY
Students - morning recess
Parents - 2.30 in the hall

REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR OWN CUP



AND A GOLD COIN DONATION



Proceeds to Geelong Hospital Appeal Children's
Ward Redevelopment

SCHOOL NEWS

	Last Weeks SUPER STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS
P1K King	AVA T For a great effort in maths and reading this week.
2L Lennon	CHOLE D For doing her best all week and having a great Bunyip Camp!
34J Jones	LIESEL G For meeting the reading challenge this week. Well Done! CAITLIN H For meeting the reading challenge this week. Great Job!
34V Vaught	KYLE M For showing the terrific confidence to perform in front of the class and at assembly.
56D Duckett	KATELYN B For having a fantastic week of Numeracy. Always working hard and producing great work. Well done Katelyn.
56M Marino	JACOB J For volunteering to assist around the school. Thank you Jacob! ELLA C For showing kindness and concern towards others. Thank you Ella!



HOT CHOCOLATE DAY - Tomorrow, Friday 4th May

Hot Chocolate Day will raise funds for the Geelong Hospital Children's Ward redevelopment. It is a \$7.8 million community funded project in partnership with the Cotton On Foundation. Works this year include the refurbishment of the final overnight

rooms with ensuites, new parents' room, reception space and specialist oncology treatment room in the ward. The community-funded redevelopment is expected to be completed by early 2013. It is hoped that this community fundraiser will raise over \$20,000 with support from cafes, schools, workplaces. Thankyou for supporting Hot Chocolate Day at our school. Remember any donation is very much appreciated.

Parent Club News

Family fun day mystery tour - Sunday, 27th May.

Keep this day free for a fun day out. Meet at the school at 11 am and arrive at a mystery destination after completing the clues to get there. BYO picnic lunch.

Parent helpers - please!

If you can help with Parent Club activities fresh fruit Friday, Friday afternoon coffee, uniform sales please add your name to the sheet on the window of Mr. McLaren's office. Your help will be very much appreciated. Thank you!



Mum's Group Exercise Class

For anyone looking for a fun and friendly way to get fit, we have just started a 45 minute group training session with a qualified personal trainer on Wednesdays at 9.30am. Where: Wallington Reserve - Cricket Oval just up the road from school! Cost: \$15 per session

levels and kids welcome. For more information - Michelle Hughes (Poppy, P1K and Declan, 34V mum) ph, 0409 290 875





Library

Next week in the library is grades prep - 2. Please remember your book returns and your library bag. Lisa Hunter and Jill Murray

2012 Enrolments

Any siblings or families you know you haven't enrolled for 2012 can you please do so as soon as possible.

Thank you Lynne.



Our winners Lleyton Woolley and Hannah Dunstan

Cross Country

Congratulations to all the students who represented Wallington at the Peninsula district cross country on Tuesday. All students ran well and all completed the course within the qualifying times.

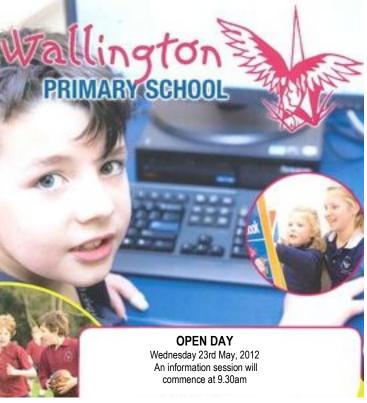
A special congratulations to Hannah Dunstan (11Yr Girls) and Lleyton Woolley (11yrs Boys) who won their races and are the Peninsula Sports Association Champions.

The students below all finished in the top ten of their age group and within the qualifying times and therefore will compete at the Divisional Cross Country Championships at Eastern Gardens on Tuesday 29th May.

The competitors and I would also like to thank our wonderful parents who again volunteered their time to act as marshals around the course. Without your support these events would not take place and our students would miss a great opportunity. We'd also like to thank Mr Vaught for riding the course with each group: he certainly covered guite a few Kilometres on the day!

Congratulations and well done to all runners and good luck to the following – Girls 9/10 Boys 9/10					
2 nd	Bianca Lock	9:06	2 nd	Rohan Lock	7:53
5 th	Caitlin Harris	10:09	9 th	Ross Symonds	8:56
Girls 11			Boys 11		
1st	Hannah Dunstan	14:25	1st	Lleyton Woolley	12:28
2 nd	Lucy McEvoy	14:59	4th	Joe Frigo	13:22
			7 th	Charlie McEvoy	14:10
			8 th	Ben Townson	14:33
Girls 12/13		Boys 12/13			
3 rd	Emily Benson	12:45	2 nd	Seamus Spanner12:51	
8 th	Jasmine Willey	16:08	4 th	Jacob Jennings	14:22





COMMUNITY NOTICES



WANTED

x1 foam child car booster seat. Please phone Renee Renshaw, Luka's (34V) Mum on 0417 011 912

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