Principal’s Message

Dear Parents,

This week many parents have taken the opportunity to meet their child’s teacher, and to find out what sorts of things their child will be doing in class this year. Thank you to all those parents who were able to attend these meetings, and don’t forget, if you do wish a meeting with a teacher, please make an appointment through our office.

On Monday, we will be holding our annual swimming carnival at Unanderra. Only competitors will be attending the carnival and this year we have almost 90 students participating. As always, parents are most welcome to attend, and I know that a number of you have offered to help as officials. Thank you very much for your support and we wish all competitors good swimming.

On Tuesday, Year 6 students who have expressed an interest will undergo their Peacekeeper training. Peacekeepers are senior students who play a crucial role in our playground. Identified by their fluoro vests, they are a “go-to” for students needing assistance from things as ordinary as a tied shoelace through to refereeing in various games. It is an important part of our student leadership program, as it allows students to take on a very responsible role within our school.

Sadly it appears that my pleas for parents to observe the road rules in Church Street have fallen on deaf ears, particularly in the mornings. There are still a number of parents who have left their cars to deliver children to the playground, inconveniencing all our other parents who have to wait for the few places available. I will be contacting the rangers again, as this situation is extremely dangerous.

Finally, have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards,

Harold Cosier

Principal
Stage 3 Camp Medical Forms
Year 5 Camp Medical Forms are due Monday, 16th February.
Year 6 Online Medical Forms were due on Wednesday 11th February. If you haven’t completed these yet please do so ASAP. Please use the following url to direct you to the appropriate website dsr.nsw.gov.au/schoolcampmedicalform

To complete the form, you will need the:
- school booking number: 0439195
- camp venue: Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation
- start date of the camp: 4/03/2015

WPS Swimming Carnival. Monday 16.2.15
The WPS 2015 Swimming Carnival is on next Monday at Western Suburbs Pool from 12-3. Parents and Carers are welcome and all students attending are permitted to wear Sports House colours to support their team. A program of events is attached. Good luck to all of our competitors and we look forward to seeing lots of parents cheering on our talented swimmers.

Bike Safety Information
If you are planning on allowing your child ride their bike to school, please read the following information.
Students travelling to and from school, as well as those at school need to feel and be safe.

- Children must correctly wear a Standards Australia approved bicycle helmet at all times when in control of a bicycle.
- All RTA road rules concerning bicycles are to be followed. This includes the pedestrian’s right of way on footpaths. The bell should be used as a warning when approaching pedestrians.
- Bicycles ridden to school must be in good, safe working order.

The green note “Permission for Photos/Videos, Permission to walk, Permission for PG Movies” must be returned to the office by Thursday 19th February.
EFTPOS Terminal

The school will no longer have an EFTPOS terminal in the front office. Parents wishing to pay by credit card / debit card will have to do so online through our school website. It is costly having both the EFTPOS terminal and online payment fees to pay and we have a majority of parents paying online.

Please remember all payments for school excursions etc (not P&C) can be paid online through the schools website www.wollongong-p.schools.nsw.edu.au and “make a payment” tab on the toolbar. You must send the permission note into the front office with the receipt number on it.

FROM THE OFFICE

All payment envelopes are to be posted in the letterbox slot (placed on the front counter) in the front office.

NOT TO BE TAKEN TO CLASS TEACHER

PLEASE NOTE NO CHANGE WILL BE GIVEN, PLEASE HAVE THE CORRECT MONEY!

All permission notes must be accompanied with payment and included in envelopes (which need to be sealed, so no coins can fall out). If paying for multiple children and/or multiple activities, they can be placed in the one envelope clearly marked with all names of children & permission notes inside. To make it easier for parents who wish to pay by cheque (made out to Wollongong Public School) – all activities and children can be paid for on the one cheque.

Please note that P & C / Canteen activities still need to be placed in separate envelopes and cheques made out to P & C for fundraising activities etc.

LIBRARY BAGS

The school has Library bags for sale to the students at a cost of $3.30 each. The bags are made of calico with the name of our school printed on the front and are available to purchase from the school office.

Life cycle of Head lice

HEAD LICE

There have been several reported head lice across the school please your child’s hair and treat if needed; you also need to wash all hats, clothing and all bed linen to kill the eggs.
Canteen News

We are happy to let you know that following your requests and thanks to the help of staff, the Canteen Menu can now be viewed on the school’s web page! You can find it by just clicking the header tab that says ‘P&C and Canteen’.

Did you know: you can drop in orders for Recess too. It is the best way to make sure your child gets exactly what they want (sometimes we sell out of hot foods like wedges and scrolls very quickly!) It also means they won’t spend half their playtime waiting in line because people picking up Recess orders go to the front of the line!

If you want a cooler, healthier Recess snack for your child, try our Mini Veg & Dip Cups for 50c - no messy containers or preparations for you and dipping crunchy carrots and cucumber sticks in hommus makes vegetables more fun!

Wollongong Public School

Swimming Carnival – 2015

Program of Events

Timed Finals

Boys Open 100m Freestyle
Girls Open 100m Freestyle

Breaststroke

JNR Boys 50m Breaststroke
JNR Girls 50m Breaststroke
11yr Boys 50m Breaststroke
11yr Girls 50m Breaststroke
12yr Boys 50m Breaststroke
12yr Girls 50m Breaststroke

Backstroke

JNR Boys 50m Backstroke
JNR Girls 50m Backstroke
11yr Boys 50m Backstroke
12yr Boys 50m Backstroke
12yr Girls 50m Backstroke

Freestyle (50m)

8yr Boys Freestyle
8yr Girls Freestyle
9yr Boys Freestyle
9yr Girls Freestyle
10yr Boys Freestyle
10yr Girls Freestyle
11yr Boys Freestyle
11yr Girls Freestyle
12yr Boys Freestyle
12yr Girls Freestyle

Butterfly

JNR Boys 50m Butterfly
JNR Girls 50m Butterfly
11yr Boys Butterfly
11yr Girls Butterfly
12yr Boys Butterfly
12yr Girls Butterfly

Relays (if time permits)

JNR Boys 4 x 50m Relay
JNR Girls 4 x 50m Relay
SNR Boys 4 x 50m Relay
SNR Girls 4 x 50m Relay