



WEE WAA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Tuesday, 29th June, 2010

Wee Waa Public School - Where Great Things Happen!

Holidays

This Friday is the last day of term two. We hope to have a pleasant day celebrating the success of our students with a You Can Do It reward day and Musica Viva concert.

The holidays commence on Saturday, 3rd July and staff return on Monday, 19th July. The school development day will be presented by Ms. Nicole Humphries and staff will be analysing student writing and learning how to use the NAPLAN writing marking scale.

Students return to school on Tuesday, 20th July. We hope to see all of our students next term rested and ready for semester two. We especially look forward to having our transition programme recommence. We and the Year 5 buddies will welcome 2011 Kindergarten students on Monday, 26th July.

Happy Birthday

Hamish Wright, Ellen Young, William Jackson,
N'Kayla Gaydon, Kirsten Lowder, Kyle Trindall,
Nicholas Treverrow, Kayla Palmer-Dick,
Tyson Cooper

Athletics Carnival Dates

The school put in its application for Friday of week 2 term 3 for the Athletics Carnival to Narrabri Shire for the use of Cook Oval. However the oval had already been booked by another school. The school has now applied to Narrabri Shire to book Cook Oval for Friday of week 1 term 3 - 23rd July. The District Carnival has been confirmed for Friday, 13th August.

Personal Learning Plan Meetings and Reports.

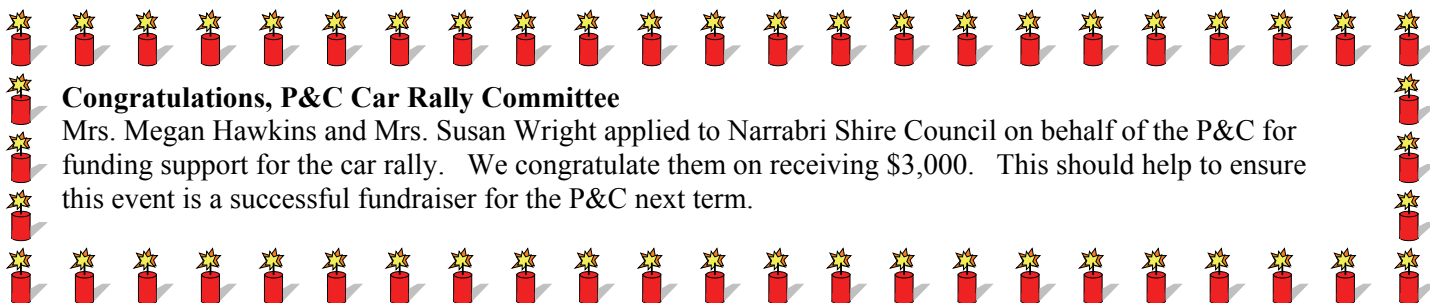
Due to a shortage of casual teachers and other commitments to teacher professional learning courses this term it has not been possible to coordinate personal learning plan meetings. Early next term parents will be asked to complete the personal plan meeting slips setting a time and a day when they can discuss goals for their child with their child's teacher.

Year 3 and Year 5 reports had a front cover which was set centrally by the Department of Education and Training. The school uses the DET pro forma for reporting and could not alter the incorrect cover page. The page referred to NAPLAN results which will not be issued until semester two. Mrs. Brown has contacted the DET and requested information about how to reset the front covers so that Years 1 to 6 semester one reports are the same.

Working Mathematically Workshop

On Sunday, 25th July Mr. Brian Tickle, former North Coast Maths Consultant will be presenting an intensive Working Mathematically workshop for staff. This will be followed up on the Monday with class workshops on numeracy with Kindergarten, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 5.

Numeracy is a priority area for the school this year. One of the 2010 School Targets is to improve students Numeracy results. Analysis of school data identified Number and Working Mathematically were the two areas to focus on.



Congratulations, P&C Car Rally Committee

Mrs. Megan Hawkins and Mrs. Susan Wright applied to Narrabri Shire Council on behalf of the P&C for funding support for the car rally. We congratulate them on receiving \$3,000. This should help to ensure this event is a successful fundraiser for the P&C next term.

Class	Name	Award.	Class	Name	Award.
2R	Thomas Johnson Joseph Gordon Noah Paulston	Showing persistence in mathematics. Reading harder books in class. Demonstrating a better attitude to learning.	5D	Dean Plann Jordan Ferguson Maddison Galagher	A great contribution to our class narrative. Writing a good recount. Asking questions during maths discussions.
			6T	Jamie-Lee Hooke Rodney Dixon Thomas Maples	A steady effort in maths. Following instructions. Being a great school leader.

P & C News

** The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday, 20th July - 6.00 p.m. at Seplin Estate. Please note that the meeting is the first Tuesday of Term 2, as the second Wednesday will be in the school holidays.

Father's Day Car Rally - Sunday September 5th

A sub-committee meeting was held today to gather ideas for our major fundraiser for 2010. We are currently planning the "Scavenger Hunt/Car Rally" side of the event, which we hope will commence at about 10.00am on the BIG day, plus an afternoon of Father's Day Fun at Seplin Estate, with food stalls, jumping castle, music, family games, face painting and much more! We really want this day to be a spectacular success and would love the whole community to enjoy the celebrations.

If you are interested in helping out, whether by selling raffle tickets, advertising the event, or being involved in some other way please let me know.

Megan Hawkins

Dates for the Diary

2nd July	Last Day of Term 2 Musica Viva Concert YCDI award activity
19th July	School Development Day - NAPLAN Writing for staff.
20th July	Students return for Term 3
23rd July	Athletics Carnival
26th July	2011 Kindergarten Transition programme commences
13th August	District Athletics Carnival - Cook Oval
5th September	Fathers Day Stall and Festivities

Playgroup and Transition Dates for Term 3, 2010

Playgroup - 9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.
Transition - 11.15 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.

Monday, 26th July	Monday, 30th Aug
Monday, 2nd Aug.	Monday, 6th Sept.
Monday, 9th Aug.	Monday, 13th Sept.
Monday, 16th Aug.	Monday, 20th Sept.
Monday, 23rd Aug.	

Accelerated Literacy and Digital Elders Workshops

Today Ms. Daskey, Mr. Toomey and Ms Colleen Combo are presenting the Digital Elders project outline to other schools in the New England region at Bingara. The project coordinators visited the school last week and were very impressed with the work of the staff and students in Year 5 and requested that this presentation be delivered so that other schools can see how the project has been integrated into Key Learning Areas, particularly literacy and art.

Tomorrow those members of staff who did Accelerated Literacy training over the Easter holidays will be doing lessons and receiving feedback from Ms. Nicole Humphries. This is an opportunity for staff members to continue to develop their literacy teaching practices.

Community News.

Wee Waa Holiday Tennis Clinic - second week of the school holidays (12th July to and including Wednesday, 14th July). 9.00 a.m. to 12 noon - \$70.00; 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. - \$90 for the three days. Fun, game based learning environment. Group lessons using multiple coaches. Instruction all on tennis strokes, scoring, court craft and match play. To nominate your child/children or further information, please contact Shane Murphy (0405151935).