



WEE WAA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Tuesday, 14th September, 2010

Wee Waa Public School - Where Great Things Happen!

Narrabri Shire Dance Spectacular

Congratulations to everyone involved in a wonderful evening last Thursday at the Crossing Theatre. Particular thanks to the students who entertained us so well and to their teachers for all the work they put in teaching the children the dances, organising and preparing costumes, coordinating transport and making sure that the students and audience had an enjoyable evening out. Mrs. Baird, Mr. Ross, Mrs. Martin and Ms. Combo put in a great deal of work and effort to ensure the success of the evening. The school has received a number of compliments about our students' dancing ability and their behaviour during rehearsals and the performance.

Thank you also to the parents and family members who ensured that there was an enthusiastic audience for the performance, and for those parents who were able to transport their students home after the event.

Thank you to Ms. Robyn Faber, Mayor, Narrabri Shire and Narrabri Rotary Club for their commitment to making this event a reality and to Ms. Mareka Miguel for her devising choreography which suited the capacity of the students so well.

The success of the evening will hopefully lead to it being the first of many Dance Spectaculars in the years to come.

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Programme Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) results will be released to parents this week. An Information Afternoon will be held in the Extension Room between 2.00 p.m. and 3.00 p.m. this Thursday. If you would like clarification about how to interpret your child's report or have any other questions about the NAPLAN data, please come along. If you have specific matters you wish to discuss about your child's report, please contact the child's teacher or Mrs. Lean for a private interview.

CWA International Day

Nearly 40 students from the Primary Choir performed for this event last Friday. They sang Mull of Kintyre, and Colour My World to an audience of 50 CWA members and guests. After the performance the students were given refreshments and a bookmark. The organisers requested that the choir return next year. Mrs. Fawcett and Mrs. Baird were very pleased with the students' performance and behaviour on the day.

Please note - There will be no Boys Brigade this Friday at the Anglican Church

Hats

Thank you to all the parents who are supporting the school to ensure students wear hats while playing. Students are able to wear any broad brimmed hat as part of the uniform if a green hat is unavailable. For students to be able to borrow sports equipment and play in the open, it is a requirement that they wear a broad brimmed hat. Those students who do not wear a hat are expected to remain under the shade shelter.

Billy Cart Derby

We hope the children have an enjoyable and educational experience racing their billy carts against other schools at Warialda today. Once again, thank you to the sponsors, handymen, Mrs. Treverrow and the parents who transported the students for ensuring our students could participate in this activity.

Surveys

Please return any completed surveys regarding *Opportunities beyond the classroom at Wee Waa Public School* this week. Thank you once again to all parents who have completed and returned the survey.

Stewart House

The Stewart House fundraiser is on this Thursday. Please remember to give your child a gold coin if they are going to participate in the out of uniform day and some money to spend on cakes, etc. as part of the fundraiser. The cakes are a rare event at the school and will be available on Thursday because it is for a good cause.

Class	Name	Award.	Class	Name	Award.
KM	Caitlyn Gallagher)	<i>Her great support in the Dance</i>	3B	Katie Hooke	<i>Making a greater effort to contribute in class</i>
	Breanna Scaysbrook)	<i>Spectacular</i>		Noah Platt	<i>Demonstrating an excellent understanding of grammar in Accelerated Literacy</i>
	Dennis Wilson	<i>Trying hard to order numbers</i>		Joshua Apps	<i>Consistently trying hard</i>
1B	Tarisha Scaysbrook)	<i>Her great support in the Dance</i>	4T	Kiara Gibbs	<i>Participation in COGS lessons</i>
	Cassie Hicks)	<i>Spectacular</i>		Libbee Anderson	<i>Great results in maths test</i>
	Tyanna Gayden	<i>Excellent attitude at all times</i>		Olivia Gligorevic	<i>Beautifully presented homework</i>
2R	Alanah Tompkins	<i>Fantastic effort at the Dance</i>	5D	Patrick Small	<i>Great research skills on the Corroboree Frog</i>
	Ashleigh Ross	<i>Spectacular</i>		Tyrell Toomey	<i>Great participation during class</i>
	Lachlan Wright	<i>Effort at the Dance Spectacular</i>	6T	Kyle Ballangarry	<i>Excellent book work today</i>
	Emily Haynes	<i>Using good thinking strategies in maths</i>		Connor Cathcart	<i>Working well</i>
	Harry Slee	<i>Making a bigger effort to correct her own writing</i>		Shannon Passmore	<i>An excellent work attitude</i>
		<i>Getting organised quicker in the morning</i>		Allister Lowder	<i>A more mature work ethic today</i>

Lunches

Class teachers supervise their students during eating time every day. Teachers have expressed serious concerns about the types of food some children are bringing to school and have requested that positive suggestions about appropriate lunches about be included in the newsletter .

Research consistently shows that a healthy breakfast and lunch improve children educational outcomes. An inappropriate diet makes it very hard for a child to get a good education as concentration is severely affected by poor food selection of or skipping meals.

Is your child eating a good breakfast? Some suggestions include *high fibre cereals, porridge, muesli, wholemeal toast, toasted cheese and tomato sandwich, an egg, yoghurt and fruit, baked beans on toast, fruit juice, milk.*

Good lunch selections include *wholemeal sandwiches with a range of fillings including salads, ham and tomato, cheese and lettuce, curried egg, Vegemite and cheese, honey, creamed cheese, cucumber and cottage cheese, tuna or other fish. Other suggestions are fruit salad, container of salad, yoghurt, celery and carrot sticks with cheese, a little container of dried fruit, a bottle of water or fruit juice, piece of fruit.*

The Canteen at Wee Waa Public School has a wide range of healthy food available at all times. Some students do not make wise choices so it may be better if parents pre-ordered their children's food rather than leaving the choice up to children. Children can be easily influenced by peer pressure and advertising into making poor food choices. *Some children also spend their lunch money on the way to school on fizzy drinks, Coca-Cola and other high sugar and salt low nutrition food products.*

Nits

The price of being nit free is eternal vigilance. An outbreak can occur at any time and spread very quickly. It only needs one student to infest a whole class - so please check all your children's hair every week. Have the shampoo, nit removing conditioner, metal fine tooth comb permanently on hand so you can treat your child's hair immediately at any sign of live lice or nits.

Notes regarding nits and lice were sent home with the students in two classes on Friday.

Happy Birthday

Douglas Anderson, Michael Davidson,
Angus Galagher, Allister Lowder, Noah
Platt, Zoe Conomos, Drew Pearse

Your last chance EVER to order educational software from the Community Software Plan! All titles \$10!
 Don't miss your last chance EVER to order from the EdAlive Community Software Plan. Last week leaflets for the Last EVER CSP were distributed to the school community. **The closing date for orders is Friday, 17th September.** Please return your orders to the front office so that we can send them off. Please note that educational software is eligible for the 50% Education Tax Refund so at tax time you will be able to claim back half of the cost of these titles. Our school will receive FREE EdAlive software for participating in the CSP.

**** Late orders must be lodged directly with EdAlive and will incur extra postage and handling charges.**

Dates for the Diary

14th September	Billy Cart Derby - Warialda
15th September	Premier's Spelling Bee, Glen Innes
16th September	NAPLAN Information session 2.00 - 3.00 p.m. Extension Room
16th September	Stewart House fundraising activities
17th September	Commonwealth Bank talks about saving money
17th September	School Evaluation Committee meeting
17th September	Return Community Software Plan orders
24th September	Last Day Term 3
13th October	P&C Meeting

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, 20th Sept.

P & C News

The next meeting of the P&C will be held on Wednesday, 13th October, 5.30 p.m. at Seplin Estate. Please make a note in your diary.

On Tuesday next week the Canteen will be having a special Spring Sensation lunch menu. A separate note is being sent home with the newsletter. If you are intending to order lunch for Tuesday, please complete and return the note to the canteen by Monday, 20th September.

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS PROMOTION

The Canteen is collecting the vouchers that you get from Coles for the free sports gear. We are hoping you can help. You just ask for your vouchers when you do your shopping at Coles and then hand them in at the canteen. There will be a box in the Canteen for all the vouchers.

There is some great sport equipment - so let's get collecting!!

Wee Waa Public School P & C Association Parent Contribution and Membership

Name:

Child/ren Name & Class:

I wish to pay:

c \$60 for one student

c \$80 for two students

c \$100 for three or more students

c \$2 for P & C Membership (Email Address:

Plus Other donation \$

TOTAL \$

Payment: c Cash