Principal's Report—Week 4

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Tonight we will be having our beginning of the year Parent Information Night at the school at the following times:

6.00 – Junior School – Kindergarten and Year 1 in the Kindergarten rooms and 1H room
6.40 – Middle School – Years 2 and 3 in the Library
7.10 – Senior School – Years 4, 5 and 6 in Mrs Elsley’s room.

We encourage you to come along as it is a terrific opportunity for parents to meet your child’s teacher for the year and to hear about the opportunities being provided for their learning and education.

Please note that this is not a time for individual interviews. If you wish to speak one on one to your child’s teacher please contact the school on 69213398 to arrange a convenient time to meet.

WORKING BEE

Last Saturday we held our first working bee for the year. A productive morning was held with a number of parents assisting our school’s General Assistant Matthew Brassil to complete a number of important jobs around the school.

The Primary sandpit and play equipment were topped up with sand and softfall, the trench was prepared for the vegetable garden and the Simmons Street entrance gardens were further prepped for replanting in Autumn.

Thank you to Bruce and Wendy Harper, Neil Wright, Justin Porganyi, Adele Nye, Emily Dunn, Erin and Ben Elsley and Lee Murrell for giving up your time to help. (If I have omitted anyone I apologise, but please know that your efforts were appreciated.)

Special thanks go to Coates Hire who donated the use of a mini digger for the weekend. This is a very generous contribution and assisted greatly in reducing the manual labour needed for digging.

Our next working bee will be held on Saturday 7th March from 7am to 2pm.

On this day we will be filling the new garden beds, continuing with the vegetable gardens and Simmons Street gardens, adding softfall to the Infants equipment and mulching our native gardens.

Please mark your calendars and come along to help out. Many hands really do make light work.

continued.....
CLOTHING POOL

**BIG THANKS go to Jackie Sellars** who spent a large part of her Monday at school sorting out the lost property and second hand clothing. Jackie has made a huge difference to this area, with clothing now being sorted into tubs according to size and making it a much easier to navigate area.

There will be a clothing stall later in the term, but if you wish to pick up any second hand uniform items you can call in to the office during opening hours.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Last Friday we held another successful swimming carnival with lots of student participation, parent support and perfect weather for a day at the pool. Thank you to Miss Birthisel and Mr Holloway for organising this event and congratulations to Araluen - our winning house for 2015.

RED DAY

Next Thursday our canteen will be holding its Term 1 Red Day with a KFC lunch deal. Orders for this day must be in to the canteen by this Friday 20th February.

Red Days are held once a term and allow the canteen to sell less healthy food and drink options. These days take a lot of organisation by Elise and Melinda and are a fundraising activity, providing a much needed boost to the canteens profits each term. For next week’s event, please note that KFC have provided the meal deal at a competitive price and the canteen has added a fundraising margin on top of this.

We appreciate the support that our families give on these days but there is no obligation for any family to participate and the choice remains solely with you as parents.

Have a great week.

Leanne Harvey
Relieving Principal

**Clean Up Australia Day Friday 27th February**

It is that time of year again when Wagga Public School rolls up its sleeves and helps to clean up the local area.

Kinder and Yr. 1 will concentrate on the school grounds. Yr. 2/3 will go for a walk around the streets surrounding the school to pick up rubbish and Yr. 4/5/6 will head towards the lagoon. Please see your child’s teacher for specific times if you would like to come and help out.

Please send in a pair of gloves for your child to wear and a plastic bag to collect rubbish in.

Regards

Adele Nye
2/3H Newsbits

I can’t wait to practice my dives and tumble turns.
Joel

I had so much fun. I moved a harder group and loved freestyle!
Isabelle

I loved swimming, I can’t wait to do the butterfly, frog and penguin swim!
Sujie

2/3H Diving into 2015

I’m looking forward to learning how to swim faster and be safer around the water.
Isaac
Enthusiastic students at the Swimming Carnival last Friday.

Merit Award winners this week.

School Happenings

P&C News

WORKING BEE

Thank you to those dedicated parents that made it to the 1st working bee of the year last Saturday. It is always heartening to see a mix of old and new faces and be reminded that a few hours of effort can bring such satisfying rewards.

Matt Brassil, a parent and staff member of the school, continues to give much more to the school than his employed hours affords so the P&C looks forward to supporting him where we can with the landscaping and his preparation of the raised garden beds for the advanced trees that the P&C has committed to procuring.

We were greatly assisted on the weekend by the use of a digger from Coates Hire, on Pearson Street. Anyone looking at doing some landscaping around the yard would benefit from giving them a call. They’ll save you hours of back breaking labour (and you’ll have more free time to help at the next working bee!)

A particular thank you to Ms Nye and Ms Dunn; we know all teachers take an interest in the school beyond the classroom and it was particularly inspiring to see you out with your shovels.

Whilst we are talking of teachers and weekends, one thing that was observed on Saturday was the amount of teachers spending some of their weekend preparing for our children’s week. There can be no doubting that we have a great school. I’ll let you draw your own conclusions as to what it says about their romantic lives that they were at school on Valentine’s Day.

Lee Murrell
P&C President

SAVE THE DATE P&C
SOCIAL NIGHT, FRIDAY 13 MARCH 2015 5.30PM-7.30PM.
SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2015

What a wonderful day was had by all at our Swimming Carnival last Friday. Gold glory participants enjoyed our new Ball Race and it was great to see lots of students participate in the timed events.

At the end of the day Araluen triumphed over Attunga and Mirrabooka to take out the Swimming Championships with an amazing 414 points. Mirrabooka finished the day on 303 points and Attunga on 297.

Age champions for 2015 are:

Jnr boys: Will McCready
Jnr girls: Sophie Gooden

11 yrs boys: Thomas Hughes
11 yrs girls: Trinity Cox

Snr boys: Nathan Bloor
Snr girls: Imogen O’Mahoney

Once again we will have a great team of swimmers competing at the District Carnival on Friday 27th February. Congratulations to the following students who will be representing WWPS; Eliza Walsh, Zoe Masters, Sophie Gooden, Seisha Passlow, Poppy Masters, Trinity Cox, Anna Walsh, Tahli Turner, Gemma Holden, Makayla Bourne, Thomas Hughes, Will McCready, Jack Street, Lachlan Cox, Macca Edwards, Elijah Cox, Caleb Walker, Morgan Power, Ethan Hart, Zac Walker, Hamish Hart, Luke Naumann, Blake Walker, Nathan Bloor, Tom Naumann, Finn Melhstaubler and Harrison Hastie.

Tarryn Birthsel

Community Announcements

PLAY RUGBY

www.waggajuniors.rugby.net.com.au

Under 7s, 9s, 11s, 13s & 15s

Friday Night Rugby
Weekly 10 round comp – ALL GAMES IN WAGGA – no travel
Registered players placed in teams to ensure an even spread across ages and ability. Most teams based around school groups.
All matches played at Conolly Rugby Complex every week.
Starts Friday 8 May.

SIRU Fortnightly Sunday Gala Days
Sundays from May to August – Starts 3 May in Cootamundra.
All ages are encouraged to participate.

Training: All players welcome to attend.
Every Wednesday throughout the season.
Conolly Rugby Complex, from 4pm.

For more information contact: President: Tim Sites 0437 295 387 Vice Pres (Sunday): Tom Murphy 0418 414 973 Vice Pres (Friday): Mat Young 0407 255 106

KU Kingfisher Preschool

High quality, preschool education for children aged from 3 to 5 years old

We offer:
- A safe and stimulating environment
- Qualified, experienced teachers and staff
- Play-based learning programs
- Full transition to school program
- “Exceeding” rating in the recent National Quality Standards

For more information on enrolling your child, visit www.ku.com.au or contact us at:

KU Kingfisher Preschool
Cnr Mt Austin & Balgow Avenue,
Wagga Wagga NSW 2650
T: 02 6925 1650
F: 02 6925 1650
E: ku.kingfisher@ku.com.au

NORTH WAGGA JUNIOR AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL CLUB INC.

We are currently registering players for the 2015 Season
All returning & new football players can self register online
& details can be found on our website

Registration/Information Day
for football & netball all ages Sunday, 22/2/15, 2pm-4pm @ Palm & Pawn, North Wagga
All our football coaches are current or former players.
Come and meet the coaches and committee in a relaxed location at the Palm & Pawn.

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME! Ask Kids to U/15’s

As a club we pride ourselves on our family atmosphere and community spirit!

For further details please contact:
Garry Grouch, President - 0428 263 534
Brendan Nilson, Vice President - 0439 829 805

Email: northwaggedunionsinfo@gmail.com
Website: www.njafc.com
Facebook: North Wagga Junior Saints

Wagga Brothers Juniors Registration Day 2015

Welcoming all new & old players to our registration day for 2015.
Come down, have a kick of the footy & grab a free snap.
All the coaches will be there so you'll get to chat with them before the first training run.

When :: Sun February 22nd, 11am-2pm
Where :: Parramore Park
Who :: Ages 6-15 for boys
League Tag girls 10s, 13s & 16s
### Canteen

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Monday</th>
<th>Tuesday</th>
<th>Wednesday</th>
<th>Thursday</th>
<th>Friday</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>16/2</td>
<td>17/2</td>
<td>18/2</td>
<td>19/2</td>
<td>20/2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Denise O’Reilly</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23/2</td>
<td>24/2</td>
<td>25/2</td>
<td>26/2</td>
<td>27/2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Rachel Dacey</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2/3</td>
<td>3/3</td>
<td>4/3</td>
<td>5/3</td>
<td>6/3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Jade Olsen</td>
<td>Tim Nulty</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9/3</td>
<td>10/3</td>
<td>11/3</td>
<td>12/3</td>
<td>13/3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Jacqui Hastie</td>
<td>Natasha Nulty</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16/3</td>
<td>17/3</td>
<td>18/3</td>
<td>19/3</td>
<td>20/3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23/3</td>
<td>24/3</td>
<td>25/3</td>
<td>26/3</td>
<td>27/3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Rachel Dacey</td>
<td>Tim Nulty</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30/3</td>
<td>31/3</td>
<td>1/4</td>
<td>2/4</td>
<td>3/4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>Melinda</td>
<td>Ellise</td>
<td>GOOD FRIDAY</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Jade Olsen</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>