I hope everyone enjoyed an enjoyable holiday break despite the cold weather.

**STAFFING**

Congratulations to Rochelle Bennett and Sara Hamblin who as a result of last term’s Merit Selection process have accepted permanent teacher positions at Wagga Wagga Public School.

A third position has been filled by a Amanda O’Connell, a graduate teacher from Darlington Point. She will take up her appointment in 2016.

Congratulations to Mrs Dionie Hodges who was successful in gaining a permanent teaching position at Ashmont Public School. Mrs Meg Reynolds from South Wagga Public School will be teaching K/1H (now K/1R) and will be relieving as Assistant Principal on our Junior School for the remainder of the year. This has also allowed us to ‘keep’ Mr Holloway who remains on 2/3H for the year.

Welcome back to Mrs McKenzie and Mrs Navin who safely returned to us after a term of long service leave. There overseas travels have invigorated them both for a great term ahead.

Miss Pokoney 1 (Nada) has commenced her maternity leave and we all eagerly await the announcement of her new baby.

After the sad departure of Ellise Heycox from our canteen, Kelly Maher was successful in gaining the position of canteen supervisor for 3 days a week. Kelly will be working in the canteen on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

**WAGGA WAGGA COMMUNITY OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY**

Yesterday the staff from Wagga Wagga Public School combined with over 400 Public School teachers from Wagga Wagga at the inaugural event for the Wagga Wagga Community of Public Schools. Teachers met at Wagga High for a Staff Development Day with a difference. The keynote address, The Wisdom Lies Within, was presented by Kaye Blackburne. Kaye is a former school principal of 16 years and is now an expert in Emotional Intelligence. Our teachers also attended two workshops of their choice on a range of topics from curriculum to technology to trauma. The day was a great opportunity for our teachers to share the great things happening at Wagga Wagga Public, learn about new and better ways of teaching and to network with teachers from across the Public Schools of Wagga Wagga.

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**MERIT CERTIFICATES**

KG  Phoebe, Lachlan, Justin
KT  Luna, Tamika, Jude
K-1H  Beau, Angus, Nicholas
IN  Roman, Millicent, Jhett
1H  Jess, Hugh, Ruby

**Principal’s Report continued………..**

**WWPS WALK A THON**
Thank you to everyone involved in this year’s walkathon. It was another successful fundraising event for our school and again showed how well our school community come together to make things happen. Despite the less than sunny day our students enjoyed a pleasant stroll around the lake and some time to enjoy the parklands of Lake Albert.

**FLAG POLE**
Thank you to Sheree Walker for organising the relocation of our school flag pole during the holidays. The ‘stuck’ flag is now down and our flag pole is away from the tree in a more prominent position.

**EDUCATION WEEK**
Please find included in this newsletter information on our upcoming Education Week happenings. Education Week will be held in all NSW Public Schools in Week 3 (27th to 31st July) and will again be an opportunity the outstanding achievements of our staff and students.

Have a great week.

Leanne Harvey
Principal

**Year 3 & 4 Excursion**

**GREAT AUSSIE RESORT EXCURSION FOR YEARS 3 & 4**
Second instalment of $50 due this Friday 17th of July. Please send money into your child’s teacher.

**Book Week Parade & Education Week**

**Save the Date – Wednesday 29th July**

Book Week Parade 10.15am
Start planning your Book Week costume over the holidays

Education Week Expo 11.40am – 1.00pm
Parents and friends invited to both events.

**P&C News**

**WALK A THON**
If you have any outstanding Walk a Thon sponsorships, please send the money into your class teacher by this coming Friday.

Thank you.

Jackie Sellars
P&C
You are invited to
Wagga Wagga Public School’s Education Week celebrations
Wednesday 29th July 2015

Please join us at 10.15am
der the COLA for our annual
Book Week Parade.

The Book Fair will be open in the
library from 11.15 to 1pm for book purchases.

Creative and Practical Arts Expo

Stay on and enjoy recess with your child then join in the fun of the C.A.P.A Expo, 11.40am to 1pm.
Each teacher will have a dance, drama, music or art themed stall that you and your child can wander around and participate in the activities on offer.