**LORIN NICHOLSON**

Last week our Middle and Senior School students and the staff were lucky enough to share an afternoon with Lorin Nicholson. Lorin was declared legally blind at the age of four, however he was determined not to let his disability exclude him from living a full and meaningful life. With unrelenting grit and determination he successfully completed mainstream schooling and then went on to receive a college diploma with high distinctions. He was also an accomplished cyclist, swimmer and springboard diver in his youth. As an accomplished guitarist and public speaker, Lorin has presented more than 2000 inspiring seminars, conferences, workshops, concerts and keynote addresses across Australia, New Zealand and America.

Lorin spoke with us about the value of believing in yourself and treating others with respect and kindness. He shared the following quote in the staff master class which is a good one for us all to abide by:

“Say what you mean and mean what you say, but don’t be mean in what you say.”

**SUPPORT GROUPS**

Over the next few weeks a number of special programs will begin across the school. These groups have been created to support the needs of our students in a more targeted way. In summary, these groups are:

- **Year 2 Literacy Tutor Program**: aimed at moving students along in their reading and literacy skills and to provide a bit of a kick start with the learning of the basic building blocks such as phonemic awareness, high frequency words, fluency etc.

- **Playground Support Program**: will provide a safe and productive space for those who are feeling a little less comfortable in the playground and will be a chance for selected students to work on some fantastic creative arts projects.

- **Enrichment Program**: will provide opportunities for students selected to develop their talents in particular subject areas such as drama, visual arts, writing, computers, science and technology and creative arts.

Classroom teachers will be nominating students to take part in the first five week programs and parents of those students involved will receive a note home advising them of their child’s participation.

Principal’s report continued..........................
HOW2Learn
Miss Nye, Mrs Elsley, Mrs Reynolds, Miss Pokoney and myself are spending today and tomorrow completing the middle phase of our HOW2Learn facilitators training. As you know, Wagga Wagga Public School has been a leading school within the Riverina in implementing the HOW2Learn strategy and we remain committed to developing the knowledge, skills and understandings of our staff to ensure that we continue to focus on building our students’ capacity to learn.

This is achieved by explicitly teaching dispositions and habits within the existing programs and practices at our school to develop a learning culture that enables everyone to:

- Be self-aware in their learning
- Use the language and dispositions of successful learners
- Share a belief that intelligence is learnable and expandable

HOW2Learn complements the NSW Quality Teaching Model and draws upon a respected body of research, including much of Guy Claxton’s work on Building Learning Power which identifies the higher order ways that enable students to be successful lifelong learners.

School Fees Graph

Have a great week.

Leanne Harvey
Principal
We made 3D glasses and wrote a procedure outlining the steps we followed. We also used the glasses to read 3D books about predators and insects.
ICAS Results

The Digital Technologies and Science ICAS results have been released and we wish to extend our congratulations to the following students.

Digital Technologies Credit Recipients
- Kipchumba (Year 5)
- Aneeqa (Year 6)

Digital Technologies Merit Recipients
- Ryley (Year 4)

Digital Technologies Participation Recipients
- Finn (Year 3)
- Oliver (Year 3)

Science Distinction Recipients
- Niam (Year 2)

Science Credit Recipients
- Finn (Year 3)
- Kipchumba (Year 5)

Science Participation Recipients
- Oliver (Year 3)
- Ryley (Year 4)
- Trang (Year 4)
- Elmidin (Year 5)
- Aneeqa (Year 6)

A special congratulations to Kipchumba who received the Principal's Award for Digital Technologies (placed in the top 14% of the Year 5 participants in Australia) and Niam who received the Principal's Award for Science (placed in the top 8% of the Year 2 participants in Australia).

Results and certificates will be presented tomorrow at assembly.

Skye Lipinski (ICAS Exam Co-ordinator)

Jeans for Genes Day

Thank you to everyone who wore their jeans and made a donation to support Jeans for Genes Day last Friday 7th August.

We had a wonderful day and the school looked fantastic in their denim.

We raised $403.10.

Well done WWPS!

Skye Lipinski

P&C News

BUNNINGS BBQ

Wagga Public are hosting the BBQ at Bunnings on Sunday, 23rd August from 9am to 4pm.

We would love some helpers if you’re around. Even for just a hour. Please call/text Jackie on 0428 618 077 if you can help.

If you can’t help, come along and buy a sausage and a drink!

Thank you
MIDDLE SCHOOL CAPA CONCERT

On Friday 4th September (Week 8) at 2:00pm, students in Year 2 and 3 will showcase what they have learnt during our MADD group lessons this term in a one hour CAPA concert.

Over the year, students have been rotating around classrooms on Thursday afternoons learning different areas of the performing arts as well as sustainability.

More details about the concert will come in the next week or two.

These are the MADD group programs.

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Thank you,
2/3 Teachers

NEWS FROM THE CANTEEN

THANK YOU – to our canteen staff for organising a Red Day this term. We raised $587.80. A big appreciative thanks to all the volunteers who helped on the day & to the parents who supported it. Well done!

RECESS on Wednesdays: bring your sandwich in from home and drop it into Kelly at the canteen in the morning before school and she will toast it for you at a cost of 50c. Not available at lunchtime.

NO LOLLIES: As of Monday, 10th August 2015, there will be no confectionery available from the WWPS canteen. These treats will be available at Red Days and Sports Carnivals only.

The School Canteens and Other School Food Services Policy was released in October 2006 and states: Confectionery is of minimal nutritional value. From 2009, no confectionery should be supplied through school food services.

VOLUNTEERS: Thank you to those people who have put their name down to help in the canteen, it is much appreciated. We still have a few Fridays to fill:

20th August, 28th August, 4th September, 11th September, 18th September.

If you can help out (on other days as well), please phone the office on 6921 3398 and they will put you through to the canteen.

Thank you to Kelly and Melinda for the great job they do in our canteen.

Thank you

Jackie Sellars
SEMESTER TWO SRC REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to the following students on becoming Wagga Wagga Public School’s new SRC representatives.

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SRC badges will be presented this Wednesday 12th August (senior school 2:00pm and middle school 2:45pm) and Friday 14th August (junior school 9:20am).

Skye Lipinski, Jess Pokoney and Sarah Clarke

**P&C Trivia Night**

Bring a plate of nibbles to share with your table

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**Trivia Night!**

Friday August 28th 7pm

Wagga Wagga Commercial Club
$10 a ticket
Tables of 10, limited spaces available
To book a table, call Andrew on 0418490031
**Community Announcements**

**Wagga Wagga Art Society**  
*Presents their*  
**Fabulous Fakes Exhibition**  
21st to 23rd August and 28th to 30th August 2015  
Open 10am to 4pm with gold coin donation  
**Gala opening**  
Friday 21st August at 6pm  
Tickets $10 includes art show entry, complimentary drink, canapés & supper  
At Wagga Wagga Art Society Studio, Small Street (off Faircut Street)  
Ph, Dairy Circus (secretary) on 0417/083830, for more details

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**Nutrition Snippet**

The simplest way
...to get organised for school lunches.

Over the course of your child’s school life, you will pack around 2,500 school lunches!

Follow our six-step method to make school lunches easy, healthy and eaten every day!

1. Always include a serve of fruit (cut up if your child is young)
2. Always include a serve of vegies (don’t forget legumes like baked beans count, too!)
3. Always include a drink of water
4. Always include a serve of wholegrains (bread, rice or pasta leftovers)
5. Always include a serve of reduced-fat dairy (cheese, yoghurt)
6. Always include a protein (egg, chicken, tuna).

See our website and facebook for more ideas!

For more information visit  
www.eatittobeatit.com.au  
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

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**St Vincent de Paul Society NSW**

**Are you a kind caring and compassionate?**

**DO YOU...**

Have spare time?  
Enjoy cooking?  
Have administration skills?  
Enjoy helping others?  
**YES...**

Why not volunteer?

**MICAH HOUSE NEEDS YOU.**

We are looking for volunteers to join our team at Micah House.

If this sounds like something you would enjoy doing, please contact Micah House or come along to our free BBQ and information session during September.

For further enquiries please call  
Phone: (02) 6921 7337 or  
Email micah.house@vinnies.org.au

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**Girls Only NAB AFL Auskick**

**WAGGA**

WHERE: Bolton Park, Wagga  
WHEN: Thursday’s 27th Aug, 3rd, 10th and 17th Sept  
TIME: 4.00pm to 5.00pm  
COST: $45.00  
INFO: Skill development program aimed at girls aged 5-12. Girls will receive their own pack with Fluco Pink footy.  
Register at aflauskick.com.au and enter postcode 2650 and select Girls Auskick centre Wagga.
Spell-A-Thon NEWS

We are all very excited at school that this week we will be holding our Class ‘Spell Off’s!’ Most classes have been holding practice ‘Spell Off’s’ in class time and I know students have been practicing their words in a variety of interesting ways at home.

The top students in each grade level will then advance to the WWPS ‘Spell Off’ Final, to be held on Monday 17th August. This is an exciting and nerve wracking experience for your children. As it is a new experience and the final will be held in front of your students respective schools, your children may feel a little nervous about competing in the final. Whilst we strongly encourage all students who make the final to have a go in competing in the final, no student will be forced to compete on the day, it will be their choice. Please discuss this with your child if they are a finalist and talk with your classroom teacher if you have any concerns.

There will be two finals held on Monday 17th August in the school hall, a Junior ‘Spell Off’ and a Senior ‘Spell Off’. The times for these finals are listed below. Parents and family are welcome to attend:

| Junior (Years 2,3,4) ‘Spell Off’ 9.30am |
| Senior (Years 5,6) ‘Spell Off’ 11.45am |

The top two students out of Years 3/4 and 5/6 will then advance to represent Wagga Wagga Public School at the Regional Premier’s Spelling Bee Final to be held at South Wagga Public School.

Thank you to families that have already started getting sponsors. Remember you have until the end of the term to collect money and return to school. We truly appreciate your time in helping make this a success. The positive response and excitement from our students has been overwhelming, they are really enjoying the process.

EXCITING NEWS REGARDING PRIZE INCENTIVES!

Due to some extraordinary donations, we now have had made available 5 additional $10 Gateway Book Shop Vouchers!

We have decided that ALL students that return sponsorship (regardless of the amount) will go in the draw to win one if these vouchers. Students that return over $30 will still go in the draw for the $30 gift vouchers. And remember students, the class that raises the most funds will earn themselves an EXTRA RECESS where I will be shouting your class PIZZA!

We look forward to everyone having a go and finding out who our ‘spelling whizzes’ are! Stay posted for photos in next week’s newsletter. Thank you for your support,

Mrs Erin Eldsey