

Term 1 Week 11

5th April



Wauchope High School Newsletter

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What is coming up for Term 2?

27th April Students Return

3rd May Immunisations

4th May 13s-15s RL Country Cup

4th May 15s Netball play Illawarra

5th May Rugby 7s

9th May NC Open Touch

10th –12th May NAPLAN



Wauchope School Leaders 2016

Parent-Teacher Evening and Twilight Tours

I would like to thank all of the parents/carers who helped make our combined Parent Teacher Evening and Twilight Tours such a great success.

I enjoyed welcoming a significant number of our community to Parent Teacher Evening as it is evidence of the close relationship that we have built in order to support your children. We value your interest and support as the research states time and again that the best outcomes are reached when school and home work together.

It was also my pleasure to welcome and meet Year 7 2017 and their parents/carers; both those who will be new to the school and those that came as experienced parents and did the tour again. Reactions were very positive, the drama performance, especially, received great feedback and kept our old hands entertained with something new and different.

The other side of education

Easter is always an exciting time of the year not only because of the extra time off but because it means that the Wauchope Show is close. It is a time of the year when you often hear "Are you going to the show?" It is always enjoyable to see students be involved and successful in other pursuits as witnessed by the smiling faces on the following pages. I would like to remind our community, that they are the faces of students who have earned that right through making satisfactory progress and excellent attendance.

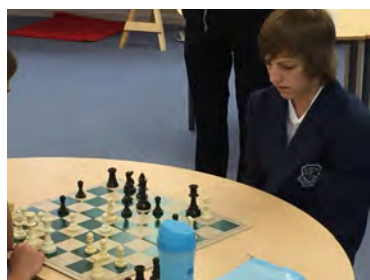
Wellbeing Strategy

This leads me to the fact that schools are taking a more holistic approach to student and staff wellbeing and as a result we are reviewing and trailing aspects of a new wellbeing strategy. We are working closely with Michael McQueen (<http://michaelmcqueen.net/>) and Bill Rogers (<http://www.billrogers.com.au/>) to bring together a set of approaches to enable us (students and staff) to respond future changes in education and society with a focus on maintaining wellbeing. This term we are trialling a strategy that increases conversations between students and staff based on our Positive Behaviours for Learning expectations. The trial comes up for its first evaluation next term and I am interested in working with a group of parents who can help me to review the strategy and rewrite it in a more approachable way. In light of the wellbeing review; we will be looking at communications to home, our rewards and school uniform policy as the year progresses; again a wonderful opportunity for you to become more involved in the school. The wellbeing of our students is a shared responsibility and I am very interested in your views and input. Students have informed the strategy to date but I would like to work with our community in a much stronger way. Call me to comment, relate issues or become involved more formally on 65851400.

Enjoy the school holidays and see you back 27th April.

Mrs Nicole Gough
Principal (Relieving)

Wauchope High School Chess Team win round one against St Columba Anglican School



Congratulations Darius, Jack, Andrew and Brandon.



Under 15's Girls Football win 13-0 against Kempsey High School

Rhianna scored 4 goals, Jayde 2, Holly 2, Breanna 2, Grace 1, Abby 1 and Charlotte 1. A great result from a well drilled team who relaxed into the game and looked out for each other.

Congratulations girls and coach Ms Jones.



Parent Teacher night and Twilight Tours a huge success



Open Hockey

On Monday 21st March students from Wauchope HS played in the Lower North Coast knockout and zone trials. The open girls had a 0-0 draw with Hastings Secondary College and had a 1-0 win against Melville High.

The open boys had a 1-0 wins over Camden Haven and Hastings Secondary College.

Zack, James and Brad were selected in the Lower North Coast Boys team. For the girls, Maddie, Jessie, Ellen, Eva, Georgia, Samantha and Kitiara made selection. Both teams will play in Grafton this Friday.





Getting the cattle ready for the show



Once again WHS was represented at the 106th annual Wauchope Agricultural Show by a fine group of young people who have done a wonderful job preparing and showing the school cattle. This year our group consisted of mostly new members with a handful of 'old hands' to show the newer members the ropes. Tamika, Abee and Gabrielle of Year 10 have a few years experience, but new to the competition ring were Rachael of Year 10 and a group of enthusiastic Year 8 students; Gilbert, Bridie, Ashleigh, Patrick, Jarod, Paige, Brooke and Maddie all made their debut for the school.

The school received awards for Champion Red Poll, Best in breed, Best Red Poll Heifers and runner up in that class. A very commendable third place for the Best Hastings Breed Animal against six other schools and various stud farms. Deserving of special mention was Paige who nearly won an award for parading in a field of 38 competitors!

Once again John Eggert and Arthur Trotter donated their Saturday, vehicles and expertise to the school team. We thank them again for their effort and time, their contribution has been invaluable.



Thank you Mr Eggert, Mr Palmer & Mr Pinkerton

The Great Support Unit Easter Egg Hunt



Let's read the instructions



But first
we must
make
some



Measure carefully



No, you can't lick the spoon!





Have you visited the canteen to checked out the blackboard menu?

There are lots of options available including Vegetarian and Gluten Free. Pre ordering is available to make sure you don't miss out. Come and visit us soon, let us know if you have something you would like us to stock for you.



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THEATRESPORTS WARS

TUESDAY APRIL 5th
7PM IN THE COLA
GOLD COIN DONATION

MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU...



WAUCHOPE SOCCER CLUB – 2016 Season starts soon and runs until September! We still have some vacancies in the following age groups – U6, U12, U13, U14, U18 (both mixed and females only teams). We are also looking for players for our newly created Over 35's competition. Our Club offers flexible payment arrangements for membership. Please register online at <http://www.myfootballclub.com.au/>.

For further information please **Bec 0409 401 926** or Chanine **0429861327**

NSW Schools Cup Netball



Wauchope High School competed in the NSW Schools Cup Netball for Years 7 and 8 boys and girls on Wednesday 23rd March. The boy's team made the final but was defeated by Camden Haven High and the girls team improved during the day.



Monique and Isabel were coaches for the day, while Jordan , Piper and Molly umpired.

A generous gift to the Music Department

Left handed music students are thankful for a very generous donation to the school's music department.

Vince and Deborah Wolters last week donated a left-handed Ibanez guitar to the school. The couple who both have long term health problems understand the principle of how giving to others is rewarding not only to the people who receive but the people who give.

The pair support public education and hope that Wauchope students gain enjoyment from the instrument for years to come.

Thank you Vince and Deborah for the kind gift.



Year 7 Cupcakes, everyone is pretty happy with the results.



The Leo Club



The Leo Club
Wauchope High
School presented
a cheque to the
Holiday Coast
Credit Union as
part of a charity
fundraiser for
Caleb Scott

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2016

LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2016 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Student background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 10-12 May 2016.

TUESDAY 10 MAY	WEDNESDAY 11 MAY	THURSDAY 12 MAY
Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) Writing	Reading	Numeracy

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

Friday 13 May – A 'catch-up' day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they:

- are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

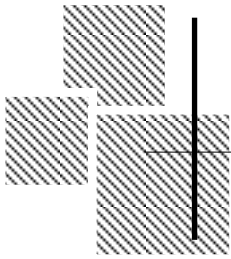
All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student's normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the school principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child's participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html.



WAUCHOPE HIGH SCHOOL



Permission Note – Year 9 Excursion, Term 3, 2016

Dear Parent or Guardian,

We would like to invite students of Year 9 to attend an excursion during Week 10 of Term 3. This year we will be attending Thunderbird Park on Tamborine Mountain in Queensland.

Travel is by coach: Departing Wauchope High School Monday 19th September at 8:00am
Returning to Wauchope High School on Friday 23rd September by 3:30pm

Activities will be varied and include canoeing, a survivor mud course, different free time sporting activities, a night trip to the cinema and two day trips; One to Dreamworld and White Water World and one to Warner Brothers' Movieworld. This excursion will be a great friendship building experience and create lasting memories.

The cost of the excursion is: \$380 per student, which can be paid in instalments. Every endeavour has been made to keep the cost of the excursion down.

1st payment of \$130 is due by the end of Term 1: 8th April 2016. (With signed permission notes)

2nd payment of \$130 is due by the end of Term 2: 1st July 2016.

The final payment of \$120 is due by Week 7 Term 3: 2nd August 2016.

Payments can be made using cash, cheque, EFTPOS or Direct Deposit.

It is hoped that all students can benefit and enjoy this great opportunity. Therefore, if financial assistance is required, please contact the school or Mr Halliday directly.

Emergency Contact: Mr Jason Halliday 0422328296

Please fill out the attached permission slips, including the medical certificate and movie permission, and return to the front office with the first payment of \$130 by the 8th April 2016

Yours sincerely,

Jason Halliday
Year 9 Advisor

Glen Sawle
Principal

Wauchope High School Year 9 Excursion, Term 3, 2016

What to bring:

- Money for **four** lunches and **two** dinners
- Money for souvenirs, shops, snacks etc.
- A sleeping bag and pillow
- Underwear and socks for every day + two extra sets
- Sleeping attire
- A jumper and pants (just in case)
- Comfortable casual clothing for five days
- Swimmers to wear canoeing and to Whitewater World
- A throwaway set of clothes and wet/old shoes for the mud course
- A torch
- Toiletry bag and 2 x towels (a beach towel and a bath towel)
- Medications and insect repellent
- Sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, water bottle
- **Banned Items.** Chewing gum, caffeine based drinks
- **NOTE.** The responsible use of technology which applies at school is the same during the excursion. That is that, students must use technology appropriately and that photos should not be taken of other students and staff without consent. Please note students bring their technology at their own risk.
- **Conduct/Behaviour.** Students who cannot follow the 3 school core values of Care and respect, Best effort and Safety may miss out on activities or have their parents phoned to collect them.

Please be aware that students must not be on a yellow or red card on the new Wellbeing policy at the time of the excursion to attend and that they must have an attendance of 85%.
Please also note that when maximum numbers are reached students will unfortunately miss out and that if minimum numbers are not reached the excursion will be cancelled and deposits to date refunded.

Permission Slip – Year 9 Excursion 2016, M rated film

Please detach and return to the front office with your medical form and permission note.

I **do/do not** give permission for to view M rated films during the Year 9 excursion on the coach trip and at the movie theatre.

Medical Information

Student Name:		
PARENT OR CAREGIVER CONTACT DETAILS		
Parent/Caregiver Name:		
Home phone:	Work:	Mobile:
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Doctor's telephone:	1.	2.
Medicare Number:		
EMERGENCY CONTACT FOR OVERNIGHT EXCURSIONS		
1 Name:		Phone:
2 Name:		Phone:
Allergies Does your child suffer from allergies: Triggers can be: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> Sun Dust Grass Insect bites Pollen Exercise Other </div> (Circle triggers that may apply) If other please specify:..... Does Student carry an Epi-pen? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency treatment required		
Asthma Does your child suffer from Asthma Triggers can be: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> Sun Dust Grass Pollen Exercise Other </div> (Circle triggers that may apply) If other Please specify:..... Emergency treatment required		

Special ***Dietary*** needs of my child of which you should be aware are
(please provide full details):

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Additional *Medication* information for my child of which you should be aware are:
(Please list all medication(s) to be administered during the excursion. Include name of medication, instructions for administration, time of administration, and any possible reactions)

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To the best of my knowledge the above information is correct.

Parent/caregiver Signature: Date:

Permission Slip – please fill in and return, with the above medical form, to the front office.

I give permission for to attend the Year 9 excursion to Thunderbird Park.

I also give permission for my child/ward to participate in water/swimming activities.

Please nominate ONE friend that your child/ward would like to be paired with

I have filled in the attached medical form and signed the movie permission slip.

Signed Date
Parent / Caregiver

Please print parent/caregiver name
