Tuesday, 10th February, 2015

From the Principal’s Desk

Dear Parents,

Here at North Wagga Public School we have got off to a great start to the year with students settling in well to their classes.

It has been wonderful to see our students start the year in fresh uniforms including the correct school broad brimmed hat. A reminder that students are not allowed to wear baseball caps as they are not sun safe.

Attached to the newsletter you will find a letter outlining information about the School Subject Contribution and General School Contribution fees. As requested, it would be greatly appreciated if these fees could be paid before the end of term. There is also an information sheet attached so we can update student details. This is extremely important as it asks for up to date information such as emergency contact details and medical requirements.

Last night, the P&C met and had a very productive meeting. The next meeting of the P&C will include the AGM and will be held 9th March at 6.30pm. At this meeting, all positions are declared vacant. I encourage new and existing parents to attend this meeting to find out more about the great work our P&C does in supporting the school and your child’s education. We hope to see you there.

This week, parents are invited to attend our parent information sessions which will be held this evening and Thursday evening, depending on your child’s class. If for some reason you are unable to attend, please contact your child’s teacher for an appointment at another time.

Our first school assembly will be held this Thursday, 12th February where Class Councillors, House Captains and SRC Councillors will be presented with their badges and also swim champions will be presented with their medals. Assemblies are held each fortnight on a Thursday afternoon in the hall and parents and relatives are invited to attend.

Brad Griffith
Principal

Please return the yellow Family Information sheet as soon as possible. This will enable us to make sure that all of our medical, publishing, addresses and phone number information etc. is current.

Thank you
PARENT INFORMATION EVENINGS
Parents are invited to attend our parent information sessions which will be held tonight and Thursday, 12th February from 6.30pm onwards. The times for each class are as follows:-

Tuesday, 10th February
6.30-7.00pm: 1/2V, 1/2S, KW, KQ
7.00-7.30pm: 1/2M

Thursday, 12th February
6.30-7.00pm: 3L, 4/5P, 5/6M
7.00-7.30pm: 5/6W

Please note: Due to Mrs Standley appointed as Assistant Principal and class teacher for 3/4 the parent information evening has been postponed until further notice. Mrs Standley will be commencing her position in Week 5 ie. Monday 23rd February.

ASSEMBLY
The first assembly for the year will be held on Thursday, 12th February at 2.30pm in the school hall. Newly elected Sporting House Captains, Term 1 Class Councillors and Student Representative Councillors will be presented with their badges at this assembly. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Congratulations to all of the students listed below for being elected to their new roles. Receiving badges will be:

**Sporting House Captains**
- **Farrer**
  - Boy Captain – Anthony Field
  - Girl Captain – Jade Beresford
  - Boy Vice Captain – Zak Hopkins
  - Girl Vice Captain – Annalise Jolliffe
- **Sturt**
  - Boy Captain – Joshua Steele
  - Girl Captain – Pearl Maurer
  - Boy Vice Captain – Thomas Miegel
  - Girl Vice Captain – Ciara Wilson

**Term 1 Class Councillors**
- **KW**
  - Harris Eyles, Sunnie Reynolds
  - Myer Mescia, Harrison Fisher
- **1/2V**
  - Keira Wortz, Nathanial Lowing
  - 1/2S
  - Poppy King-Starr, Reese Plum
  - 3L
  - Lucinda Kemp, Crawford Wadley
  - 4/5P
  - Harold Strachan, Melinda-Jo Ryan
  - 5/6M
  - Emmy McMahon, Carter Chobdzynski

**Student Representative Council**
- **1/2M**
  - Claire Feary, Mason Mescia
  - 1/2S
  - Roslyn Hanlon, Harry Austin
  - 3L
  - Melanie Philpott, Grady Barber
  - 4/5P
  - Ella Bayl, Lachlan Moore
  - 5/6M
  - Joe Seddon, Ashleigh O'Reilly

**PLEASE NOTE:** Also, at the assembly the Swimming Champions 2015 will be presented with their medals.

Future assemblies will be:
- Thursday, February 26th - 1/2M
- Thursday, 12th March - 4/5P
- Thursday, 26th March – 1/2S

**NUT ALLERGY AWARENESS**
As we have several students who have been diagnosed with an allergy to nuts, we are asking parents not to send any food products containing nuts to school (this includes peanut butter sandwiches). It is important to understand that even trace amounts of food can cause a severe reaction so we are asking everyone to just be aware of how serious this allergy can be.

**HUME SCHOOL BANKING**
Banking day is Thursday and a representative from Hume collects the wallets and returns them to the school ready for the following week. If you would like your child to become a Clancy Koala Junior Saver, simply collect an enrolment form from the school office.

**CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE**
Catholic scripture will commence on Thursday 19th February. A form will be sent out today and one section is for updating our lists for the different scripture options. We offer non-denominational or catholic scripture or children may be exempt from scripture classes. Please simply indicate your preference on the form.
SURVEY RE: END OF YEAR PRESENTATION NIGHT

We are considering the possibility of making some changes to our annual end of year Awards Presentation Night, and we would welcome your input.

On the school website you will find a brief survey which you can use to share your views with us. Simply go to the school website, click on the “Our School” tab and select “School Survey” on the bottom left. You will then be able to select the survey relating to the Awards Presentation Ceremony. The survey will be open for 2 weeks and will close on 25th February. Thank you in advance for your input.

SCHOOL HATS

Don’t forget school hats are available for sale at the school office prior to 9.15am for $5.00.

GENERAL SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION

(OR AS SOME PEOPLE REFER TO IT AS “School Fees”)

The General School Contribution is a voluntary contribution to the school. This year it has increased to $45 per child for the whole year as it has been the same for several years. We would greatly appreciate if this could be forwarded to the school office during Term 1 if possible to assist with planning of the school budget. Thank you in advance of a positive response to this request.

SUBJECT CONTRIBUTIONS

Each year we request payment for “Subject Contribution”. This is a specific request for books used in individual classes eg Targeting Handwriting", Spelling Conventions plus photocopy levy. The contributions is $20 for students from Kindergarten to Year 2 and $28 for students in Year 3 – 6.

NOTES, ETC TO BE RETURNED

General School Contribution - $45.00 per student
Subject Contributions – refer attached flyer
Yellow Family Information sheets as soon as possible
Yellow Medical Information Sheet (one per student) as soon as possible

CANTEEN NEWS

Thank you to everyone who has offered to help in the canteen this term. Unfortunately we have a few days where extra help is needed so if you are able to assist on the following days please phone Jane Chobdzynski on 0409 926 836.

Monday, 23rd February  Friday, 13th March  Monday, 30th March

Any new parents to the school are most welcome – please don’t be concerned about not knowing what to do as you will be placed on the roster with an experienced person. This is also a great way to meet other parents and your children would love to see you here. Profits from the canteen go towards resources and activities for the students so all help is greatly appreciated.

A new pink canteen price list has gone out today with the newsletter, please make sure you are using it as there has been minor changes to the prices.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday, 11th February  Carolyn Armstrong, Sharni Moore
Friday, 13th February  Roz Perritt, Katrina Shaw, Carol Mulley
Monday, 16th February  Jenny Chobdzynski, Sam Leah

COMMUNITY NEWS

IT’S ON AGAIN! WAGGA’S MONSTER GARAGE SALE

Saturday 28th February 2015 – 7.00am to 3.00pm at 154 Tarcutta St, Wagga. Thousands of items all at bargain prices! Books, clothes, furniture, BBQ, coffee shop, bric-a-brac, valuables, cakes, plants, toys, shoes, silent auction, car wash, camping & sports gear and so much more. Phone 0409 607 657 for more details.

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