



The River News

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Issue 15 - Term 4 – Week 8

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Important Dates - TERM 4

Week 9

Monday 30 November	Leader Assembly 2.30pm
Wednesday 2 December	Water Safety Talks
Thursday 3 December	Yr 6 High School Orientation Day
Friday 4 December	Carols at School

Week 10

Monday 7 December	Excellence Assembly
Wednesday 9 December	Thank You Morning Tea
Thursday 10 December	Kindergarten Graduation
Friday 11 December	Presentation Day The Jannali High School

Week 11

Monday 14 December	Picnic Day
Tuesday 15 December	Talent Quest Year 6 Farewell
Wednesday 16 December	Students' Last Day Clap Out

Tennis Court Hire Discount Voucher For WRPS families



Valid to 1st Feb 2016

Pay for the 1st hour and receive the 2nd hour free.
Print and redeem this voucher @ The Boatshed
Subject to court availability

Presentation Day

Presentation Day will be held at The Jannali High School on Friday 11th December from 11am. Please join the students and staff celebrating the academic, sporting and cultural achievements of the students.

Christmas Carols

The students have been busily practising a range of Christmas carols for this year's Carols at School. The Carols will be held in the bottom playground on Friday 4th December. Dinner will be served from 5.30pm with singing commencing at 6.15pm. Please note the canteen will be closed during the performances. Please return all raffle books, including unsold, to school by **Tuesday 1st December**. The raffle will be drawn at the school Christmas Carols on Friday 4th December.

Annual School Evaluation

An important part of WRPS's commitment to continually improving teaching and learning practice and all aspects of school life is the completion of an annual school evaluation. This involves conducting surveys for students, parents and staff on overall school satisfaction. For this reason, we are asking parents to participate in a survey which will only take a few minutes to complete. Copies of the survey will be sent home with your eldest child later this week. We appreciate your time and assistance in this important planning process.

Thank you Morning Tea

The staff would like to invite all parents, grandparents and community members who have assisted our school in any way this year to our Thank You Morning Tea. It will be held on Wednesday 10th December in the school library from 10.15am.

Tree Update

Much work has been carried out around the school grounds removing and pruning trees in high traffic areas to ensure the safety of students. The school continues to engage the services of professionals to monitor the health of trees within the school grounds.

School Starting Dates 2016

The school office opens on Wednesday 27th January 2016. Students in Years 1 to 6 return to school on Thursday 28th January. There will be staggered visits for our Kindergarten children to complete their Best Start Assessments on Thursday 28th and Friday 29th January. Kindergarten students will then start school together on Monday 1st February at 9.30am and finish at 3.00pm. From the Tuesday, Kinder students will start at normal school time but continue to finish 15mins before the end of the regular school day for approximately two weeks. A separate letter with the specific date and time children are to attend for their Best Start Assessment will be sent 2016 Kindergarten families.

Unpaid Invoices

We are currently in the process of finalising all accounts for 2015. It is essential that this is completed by the end of November in preparation for the end of financial year for Department of Education schools. This school is responsible for all outstanding school accounts and bills for the year due to suppliers and providers for sport, band, dance, excursions and other school programs. These unpaid accounts can impact on the school's ability to implement programs in 2016. If you have any problems, difficulties or questions regarding outstanding fees/invoices please contact the school to confidentially discuss the matter.

White Ribbon Day

Thank you to our wonderful school community for supporting the White Ribbon Australia cause yesterday. It was a powerful awareness-raising event for our students. Students formed the White Ribbon symbol in the bottom playground and discussed in classes the impact that domestic violence can have on families.

Miss Savas will be representing Woronora River PS at Menai High's White Ribbon assembly tomorrow.

Excellence Assembly

The next Excellence Assembly will be held on Monday 7th December from 2.15pm in the school hall.

Swimming

The last swimming lesson was held today and students have shown much improvement in their skills over the course of the program. Today's lesson was based around what to do in a water emergency. Teachers have been very impressed with student behaviour during the lessons.

Tennis

Tennis will resume next week for those students who participate. Students are reminded to wear joggers on Wednesday.

Playground Upgrades

Over the coming weeks, the damage in the top playground from the falling tree will be finalised and new bubblers will be installed outside Room 9.

Water Safety Talks

Students are participating in Water Safety Talks in the coming weeks to re-visit the very important messages about safety around pools, the river and at beaches over the summer holiday period.

Head Lice

Summer is here and head lice have arrived along with the hot weather!

Please check your child's hair for lice/nits tonight using the methods recommended in information from NSW Health

(<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/publichealth/environment/headlice/treatment.asp>).

If you find any eggs or lice please commence treatment as recommended.

Further information on head lice is available on the NSW Health website (details above) or through the Department's website at <http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentssupport/studenthealth/conditions/headlice/index.php>.

Awards

Congratulations ... Achievement Awards

K/1H	Daniel, Ciara and Harley
3B	Sienna and Bo
4/5C	Owen
6W	Charlotte, Ruby, Tilly, Bailey, Caleb and Dylan

Canteen news

Volunteers this fortnight

	Monday	Friday
27 th November		Paulette Williams Elizabeth Lee
30 th November & 4 th December	Nicole Crocker Elethea Young	Paulette Williams Jan Riccobono
7 December	Toni Maxwell Rebecca Howland	CLOSED

We had a fantastic turnout for the cupcake day on Tuesday. Many thanks to all the parents who baked and especially to the mums who came to help sell the cakes.

As the canteen has only a few more open days for the year, we are running down our supplies of stock and therefore your first choice may not be available. We have sold out of spaghetti bolognese and are low on focus water and milk drinks. If we don't have what you have ordered we will offer an alternative.

Many thanks to all the lovely volunteers who have helped run the canteen over the year. Your support is most appreciated.

Merry Christmas and I hope you all have a wonderful summer break.



Improve your child's handwriting!
Intensive School Holidays Handwriting Program!

We address the underlying factors that are affecting your child's handwriting in a fun and engaging way. This program aims at developing foundation skills necessary for successful handwriting, in addition to providing key strategies for handwriting fluency, letter formation, placement, size and spacing.

<p>Where? When? Date: 5 days in January 2016 (1 ½ hrs per day) Location: 56 Billa Road Bangor Cost: \$300 Rebates & funding if child is eligible RSVP: Friday, week 10, December 11th</p>	<p>For more information contact: Family Connections Sydney Phone: 9543 6902 Email: info@familyconnectionssydney.com.au Website: www.familyconnectionssydney.com.au</p>
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B and A News

2016 Enrolments

We are now taking enrolments for Before and After School Care in 2016. Enrolment forms are available on Google drive with the following link:

https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B_NSx44yYcgxbzB1bzBVNkROZkE&usp=sharing

Each child will require a separate enrolment form to be completed to ensure all information held at the Centre is up to date in accordance with regulations.

Each child is also asked to sign a WRPS B&A MOBILE PHONE, COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC DEVICE AGREEMENT, in accordance with our Mobile Phone and Other Electronic Device Policy. This form is available on Google Drive using the above link.

Current session bookings will be guaranteed until Friday 11th December.

Program and Activities

With the warmer weather we have enjoyed spending a lot of our time playing outside.



For the last few weeks of term we will be focussing on Christmas craft and cooking.

Menu and Activities

Week 9 (commencing Monday 30 th November)					
Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Afternoon Tea	Veggie Sticks with Crackers and Dip	Bread Cups	Sandwiches	Pasta Napolitana	Fruit with Custard and Yoghurt
Planned Activity	Monday Funday: Game Day	Crafty Kids: Christmas Craft	Crafty Kids: Christmas Craft	Kids in the Kitchen: Gingerbread Men	Free Play Friday

Week 10 (commencing Monday 7th December)

THE BRIDGE RESTAURANT & BAR PROUDLY PRESENTS

ELVIS

*An Intimate...
Night with Elvis*


**Starring
David Cazalet**

*Internationally
Acclaimed*

**\$75
DINNER
& SHOW**

*"A Must See
Rock n Roll
Show"*

The Bridge Restaurant & Bar
 Wednesday 2 December - 6.30pm
 Booking - (02) 9545 6557
 Unit 1/2 Princes Circuit Woronora
 Bookings are essential, will sell out quickly. **No BYO.**





Wicking Garden Workshop

Do you want to learn what a wicking garden is and how to build and maintain one? Would you enjoy the many benefits of Community gardening?

Come along to our free workshop
Thursday 3rd December 2015 10:30am
Menai Community Centre

RSVP by Wednesday 2nd December 2015 on
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