



The River News

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Issue 6 - Term 2 – Week 2

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Important Dates – TERM 2

Week 2

Thursday 4 th May	Pin Assembly
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Week 3

Monday 8 th May	Leader Assembly P&C Meeting
Tuesday 9 th May - Thursday 11 th May	NAPLAN – Years 3 and 5
Thursday 11 th May	Mothers' Day Stall

Week 4

Monday 15 th May	Winter Uniform Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea
Tuesday 16 th May until Friday 19 th May	Book Fair

He's arrived!

Just in case you haven't heard the news. Mrs Telford had a baby boy, Malikye on the first Sunday of the school holidays - a few weeks earlier than expected. Mum and bub doing well.

Staffing Update

Mrs Belinda Hitchcock will be joining the WRPS teaching staff each Tuesday. Mrs Langan will be replacing Mrs Murphy in the library office whilst she is on extended leave.

Cross Country

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Cross Country Carnival yesterday. The weather was perfect and allowed us to get through all the events quickly. The Zone team will be announced later this week. The Zone carnival will be held on May 25th.

Anzac Day

Thank you to the students (and their families) who were able to attend the dawn and commemorative services held at the RSL in the school holidays. The staff were enormously proud of you. Our school Anzac Service was held at school last Thursday and Mr Burke spoke to the assembly. The students and staff were very appreciative of his time. Our school leaders did an exceptional job, delivering the service in a respectful and mature manner, and thank you also to our combined choir who sang beautifully. Thank you to those families who were able to contribute flowers for the service.

Zone Touch Football

Bridey, Emma, Alexi, Marcus and Koby H. trialled for the Sutherland/Engadine Touch football teams last week. Congratulations to Alexi who has been selected.

Dance Update

Congratulations to our Junior Dance group who has been successful in their audition for the Ultimo Public Schools Dance Festival. Students will be performing their routine 'Summer Holiday' at The Seymour Centre in June.

NAPLAN

A reminder that NAPLAN assessments will be held next week. It is important that students arrive at school on time and have had a good night's sleep.

Annual Report

The 2016 Annual Report has been completed and is available on the school website.

Winter Uniform

Students are to begin wearing winter uniform from Monday 15th May. As it is already beginning to get cold in the mornings please ensure you have purchased jumpers for your children and that they are labelled with the child's name clearly visible.

Mothers' Day

The Mothers' Day Stall will be held on Thursday 11th May after the completion of NAPLAN assessments. All mums, grandmas, nans and aunts are invited to the SRC's Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea in the library on Monday 15th May from 2.30pm. The SRC has asked dads to provide a plate of food for the afternoon tea. This event is a White Ribbon event supporting the end of violence against women.

Peer Support

Our Stage 3 students completed their training as Peer Support Leaders at the end of last term. All students will participate in the program 'Promoting Harmony'. This program focuses on building positive relationships and being tolerant of others' differences. Lessons commenced today and will continue until the end of term.

Professional Learning

Staff undertook professional learning on Monday 24th April and Saturday 29th April. The focus of the two days was planning for the 75th anniversary celebrations of the school and finalising the History and Geography scope and sequence. Staff also began reviewing the school's current mathematics scope and sequence.

Scholastic Book Fair

Our annual book fair will be held from Tuesday 16th May to Friday 19th May. This is a wonderful opportunity to purchase books for your child's personal home library. Books and stationery items range from \$1 to \$20.

Late Arrivals/ Early Departures

Please ensure you stop off at the office to collect late arrival and early departure slips. Late arrival slips are needed for any arrival after the morning bell. Please note that 'late' as a reason will be marked as 'unjustified' in the roll.

School Banking

Our school banking day is Tuesday and bank books are collected from classrooms.

Uniform Shop News

Winter is coming.... The cooler weather is already upon us so get ready for winter in Woronora with our Uniform Shop Sale on Monday 8th May, 9.00 - 9.30am (usual shop hours) and 3.00 - 3.30pm.

Tracksuit pants - \$20.00

Waterproof winter jacket - \$38.00

School jumpers and jackets from \$24.00

Beanies - \$10.00

Second hand girl's winter tunics and pants, boys and girls long sleeved shirts and skivvies, jumpers and jackets between \$3.00 and \$5.00.

All profits from the sale go directly to WRPS P&C. Cash/Cheque only. Donations of good quality items are always greatly appreciated.

P&C

The next meeting of the WRPS P&C is next Monday, 8th May from 7pm in the school library. All welcome.

Karen Simula

Principal

Sports Reports

On Friday 28th April the Senior Wonnie girls played Jannali Public School. We won 13-6. Isabella had some great attempts at shooting and she got some in. Iyla was always there when needed and Shazmin played extremely well for her first game. We have to say that this was a really fun game of netball and we really enjoyed it! The girl of the game goes to Tahmea for always being there and for great defence. Great game girls!

On Friday 28th the Junior Wonnie girls played Jannali. We won 11-2. Jessie did some fantastic passes and Matilda was always there. Jessica defended brilliantly. Ava was great at snatching the ball off the other team. Alexi did some great shooting and Ava shot a good goal. The girl of the game goes to Paige for her wonderful shooting. Good game girls!

On 28th April the Senior Soccer Team played Caringbah South. We won 2-1. Ethan scored the first goal. Koby saved some goals. The man of the match goes to Jasper for scoring the winning goal!

ANZAC Service at School



Bunnings Wollongong

Thursday 11th May 2017 6pm – 8pm
 FREE face painting, Kids DIY, baking personalised Mother's Day Cookies and much more!
 Every mother that attends the family night receives a special present.
 Fairy floss, light refreshments supplied.
 Lucky door prizes and loads more!
 To book please contact the store on 42207700

ANZAC Day Service at Woronora RSL



KEEPING YOUR KIDS ACTIVE THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

MULTI SPORTS CAMP

SUPER SPORTS CAMPS

A RANGE OF TEAM SPORTS FOR YOUR KIDS

- NFL Tournament
- Soccer World Cup
- Oz Tag & Touch Footy
- Basketball Shoot Off
- Twenty 20 Cricket Cup
- AFL Competition
- Daily Awards and Prizes



CATERING FOR ALL ABILITIES

We'll help kids of all abilities achieve their goals



EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

10% early bird rate applies to bookings made by June 19th



PROFESSIONAL COACHES

Experienced, qualified and well resourced coaches on hand



NURTURING ENVIRONMENT

Kids receive advice and support to increase their self confidence

Dates: 10th - 12th July (Book for 1, 2 or 3 days)

LOCATION	DROP OFF & PICK UP	TIME	AGE GROUPS	PRICE
Caringbah High School	Gymnasium on School Grounds	8:30am - 3:00pm (Program begins 9:00am)	6 - 13 Years	\$59 Each Day

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School Banking 2017 is off to a flying start.



This year's School Banking adventure is well underway, as the new-look Dollarmites lead the journey up towards the amazing Savings Hover Park. Students are demonstrating a remarkable saving behaviour.

New reward items

There are two new reward items to keep students saving in Term 2: the 3D Chalk Set and Tablet Case. Your child can redeem one of these, while stocks last, after making 10 School Banking deposits.

Modern ways to teach money skills with the CommBank Youth app

Through the School Banking program, CommBank has been offering engaging ways for Australian children to learn the value of saving and smart money management since 1931. In 2017, the introduction of the CommBank Youth app, an innovative digital banking tool, will help enhance the School Banking program.

With the CommBank Youth app, your child can:

- Check the balance of their Youthsaver account.
- View School Banking deposits in their transaction history.
- Track the number of Dollarmites tokens they collect.
- Set up savings goals and monitor their progress.
- Create a list of chores they can do to earn pocket money.

Explore more about the CommBank Youth app, and how to get your child started, by visiting commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Learning the value of digital money

Did you know that approximately one in five parents are trying to teach their children about cashless transactions and digital money management? CommBank research shows parents are alternating between cash and online bank transfers when giving their children pocket money, and actively demonstrating 'tap and go', online banking, mobile applications and how ATMs work. For more information and tips on financial education for kids, visit The Beanstalk on commbank.com.au/beanstalk



3D Chalk Set

Tablet Case



Things you should know: The Commonwealth Bank School Banking Study is an online survey of 1,049 parents across Australia undertaken by ACA Research in December 2016. This article is intended to provide general information of an educational nature only. It does not have regard to the financial situation or needs of any reader and must not be relied upon as financial product advice. Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124.



CANTEEN NEWS

Monday – 2 people 9.30 am – 12 noon	Friday – 3 people 9.30 am – 12 noon
	28/04/2017 - CLOSED
01/05/2017 – Alison Rowe & Danielle Eizenberg	05/05/2017 Paulette Williams & Samantha Epton
08/05/2017 – Kristianne Wennberg & Danielle Eizenberg	12/05/2017 – Samantha Epton & Carol Allen
15/05/2017 – Alison Rowe	19/05/2017
22/05/2017 Louise Walker	26/05/2017 – Ellie Noakes, Rebecca Howland and Justine Campbell
29/05/2017 Natalie Kresevic & Karen Gock	02/06/2017
05/06/2017	09/06/2017 – Toni Maxwell & Carol Allen
	16/06/2017 Nicole Croker & Katrina Archer
19/06/2017 Karen Gock	23/06/2017- Paula Noakes & Paulette Williams
26/06/2017 – Louise Walker	30/06/2017 – Elthea Young, Nicole Croker, Katrina Archer

WELCOME BACK TO T2

Have you volunteered in the school canteen? The canteen needs new faces; we need you!

We love our current volunteers and couldn't serve your children without their help, but we need some new volunteers to join in and lend a hand. Volunteering in the canteen is a great way to meet other parents and carers and isn't difficult. Your children will love seeing you behind the canteen counter. One or two shifts a term is a super easy way to lend a hand in our Woronora River school community. If you can volunteer your time in Term 2 on some of the free dates in yellow above, please TEXT 0417 693 502 or let the office know. As a thank you for volunteering, in Term 2 we'd like to give you \$10 credit in the canteen if you lend a hand. Give it a go!



HEALTHY SCHOOL CANTEENS

A short update on our implantation of the Healthy School Canteen Strategy. We've had our menu reviewed by a Healthy Kids Association Officer and are in pretty good shape, mainly due to the wonderful work done by Paulette over the last two years. Some of our menu items will be modified and some replaced, but for the most part things will stay the same, which means we've been doing a great job already of offering our kids great healthy options. We'll be saying goodbye to Focus Water and Icy Twists this term when stocks run out, but will be saying hello to homemade frozen yoghurt pops.

B and A News Term 2 Week 2

Policies

As part of our regular Policy Review cycle, a number of policies have been reviewed. The following policies were updated:

A-4 Delivery and Collection of Children

B Child Safe Environment

C Staffing

A full policy review schedule and all current policies are available to view in hard copy at B&A or electronically on our Google Drive using the following link:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B_NSx44yYc_gxcW04YXBGSE01WVlk?usp=sharing

All policy updates will be effective from 22nd May 2017.

Before School Care places increased

We are pleased to advise that we have increased the number of places in Before School Care from 15 to 24. Places are currently available each morning.

After School Care Casual Bookings

Please be aware that we have limited availability for casual bookings on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Should you require care on one of these days, please enquire as soon as possible, so that we can advise availability.

Activities

We are settling back into routine, with the children enjoying a variety of activities inside and outside.

This week we are exploring Tangrams, and next week the children will have an opportunity to make Mother's Day crafts.

Your input is important to assist us in planning appropriate activities for the children. If you have a particular activity that you would like us to explore, please feel free to add it to the suggestion box or "Comment Tree" or the children can write suggestions on the Children's Ideas board.

Week 2 (commencing Monday 1st May)

Planned Activities for this week

Tangrams

Afternoon Tea

Monday Fruit with Custard and Yogurt

Tuesday Pasta Napolitana

Wednesday Sandwiches

Thursday Fried Rice

Friday Veggie Sticks with Crackers and Dip s

Week 3 (commencing Monday 8th May)

Planned Activities for this week

Mother's Day Crafts

Afternoon Tea

Monday Sandwiches

Tuesday Wraps

Wednesday Sausages

Thursday Fruit with Custard and Yogurt

Friday Bread Cups





Kids Helpline (KHL) is Australia's only free, private and confidential 24/7 phone and online counselling service for young people aged 5 to 25.

Many thousands of children and young people contact us every year. They know they can contact us about anything - when they're feeling unsafe, are being abused, or feel like hurting themselves or others.

KHL Insights outlines what we've learnt through our work at KHL - the issues children and young people face, our advocacy work on their behalf and how we work with new technologies to evolve our service.

We recognise the important part schools play in the wellbeing of children and young people and share these insights with you.

This includes information about Kids Helpline @ School (KAS), an early intervention and prevention classroom program available to primary schools across Australia. KAS is:

- FREE, interactive and educational
- Run by tertiary qualified Kids Helpline Counsellors
- Offers 20 topics covering wellbeing and digital safety
- Tailored to suit your class and learning needs
- Corresponds with parts of the education curriculum

In 2016, 14,822 primary school students took part in the program that includes topics like bullying, resilience and staying safe online. Teachers say student peer relationships and their awareness of topics discussed, notably improved after a KAS session.

If you know a young person who needs help, KHL is here 24/7 on 1800 55 1800 or www.kidshelpline.com.au

To find more about Kids Helpline, please visit us at www.kidshelpline.com.au or call us at 07 3389 1588.

Yours sincerely



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