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Principal's Message

Dear Families and Friends of Waratah West Public School,

The hottest ticket in town is to our

Consultation Disco!

WEDNESDAY 29th NOVEMBER

Students Ms McCabe is running a Disco under the COLA from **4:00-5:30pm** for students **whose family members are attending the collaboration session**. Afterwards, students and families are invited to join us for a Sausage Sizzle dinner. Please see Mrs Bunny at the office for FREE tickets. **Don't miss out - the tickets are dancing out the door!**



Families 4:00-5:30pm Waratah West PS Library
Waratah West PS staff value family and community collaboration and your feedback to inform our future directions and priorities in the 2018-2020 school planning process. Families are warmly invited to a collaboration session so we can discuss what you value and where you think the school could be improved. Please join us!

Indigenous Nippers

Ms Chapman and I had a fun time on Friday afternoon/evening with our indigenous students and families at Bar Beach. Shalandra, Robyn, Layla and Tyler were fast as lightning in the beach sprint and flag races. Trindal, Joseph, Thomas, Kaiden, Lateah did a great job entering and exiting the surf safely. Nippers is on again at Bar Beach this Friday 24/11, and the following Friday 1/12, from 4pm-6:30pm, including a BBQ dinner.

Swim School

Students continue to improve their swimming and water safety skills with weekly participation in our Swim School program. Lambton Pool instructors have invited us to participate in a combined Swimming Carnival and Party Day, on Tuesday 12th December. Only students who demonstrate exemplary behaviour will be invited to attend. Much appreciation goes to Mrs McCormack, who works tirelessly to organise Swim School, as well as all our other sport events.

CEP Digital Media Festival

The CEP Short Film Festival was a great success, with over 2,500 audience members. Our film, The Playground Mystery (written, created and performed by our talented Silver students, supported by Mrs Webb), was a big hit, and has helped further cement the Digital Media Festival as a highlight on participating schools' creative and performing arts calendar.

Thank you to all who attended and made the evening a success and such fun. An extra big thanks to Mrs Robertson, her Vegan Curry was the dish of the night and sold out very quickly, raising much-appreciated funds for our school programs. Thanks also to Mrs Chapman, Mr Anschau and students of the Friends Shed who manufactured the birdhouses that also sold well.

Congratulations to Miss Thompson

During 2017, Miss Thompson has been participating in a rigorous program of literacy professional learning comprising Language, Learning and Literacy (L3). Mentored by Ms McCabe, Miss Thompson attends fortnightly training sessions, completes action research and is regularly observed in the classroom by a Department of Education Literacy Trainer. Following a recent observation, the

trainer was glowing in her praise of Miss Thompson's teaching practice, telling me that Miss Thompson's implementation of quality literacy teaching is among the best she has ever seen in her long experience as a trainer. Waratah West students and staff benefit from having such a skilled and dedicated team member- well done!

Nicola Moroney, Principal

Kindergarten Transition Graduation

The Grand Day is fast approaching!

The Kindergarten Transition students have been working very hard for the past few months and they are ready for big school! We would like you to join us in celebrating this great achievement on **Wednesday, 13th December 2017 from 9:30 to 10.30am in Aqua classroom.**

Morning tea will be provided following the graduation.



Kinder Enrolment for 2018

For new Kinders starting at our wonderful school next year, please complete and sign your enrolment forms and give to Mrs Bunny at the school office. **Not got an enrolment form?** We have them at the school office. We also need to see copies of your child's birth certificate and Immunisation certificate.

The Grand Christmas Raffle

Check out the fabulous prizes for our Grand Christmas Raffle displayed in the window of the school office. Tickets are on sale now, please visit Mrs Bunny at the school office to purchase your tickets - **3 tickets for \$5 or \$2 each ticket.**



Friday Meal Deal – Hokkien Noodle Stir Fry with Vegetables and Chicken with Crunchy Wombok Salad on the Side

Our Asian inspired meal this week is long hokkien noodles stir fried with fresh garden vegetables and chicken. We're taking this meal to the next level with a



crispy wombok salad tossed in sesame dressing and scattered with crunchy noodles and pepitas. A beautiful platter of fresh fruit and edible flowers will be served after the meal. A tasty vegetarian option is available too. Please bring your own drink. The cost is \$2.00 per student.

CALENDAR - Term 4

Week 7

Friday, 24 th Nov	Assembly 1pm
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Week 8

Tuesday, 28 th Nov	Swimming
Wednesday, 29 th Nov	Kinder Orientation
	Community Consultation Disco!
Friday, 1 st Dec	Assembly 1pm

Week 9

Tuesday, 5 th Dec	Swimming
Wednesday, 6 th Dec	Kinder Orientation
Thursday, 7 th Dec	Year 6 Farewell
Friday, 8 th Dec	Assembly 1pm

Week 10

Monday, 11 th Dec	Presentation Day
Tuesday, 12 th Dec	Party Day
Wednesday, 13 th Dec	Kinder Graduation
Friday, 15 th Dec	Assembly 1pm

LAST DAY OF TERM 4



Assembly Awards – Learning & Responsibility

AQUA	Tyler Karlarnie	Addison
TANGERINE	Leyton Shannon Mohammad	Revan Soziar Leyton
SILVER	Jayden Thomas Lateah	Mikayla Gloria Charlotte
PURPLE	Ellie Annie Alliyah	Amelia Ali Alliyah

Assembly Awards - Super Star

AQUA	Darius Rueben	Hamish Shalandra
TANGERINE	Lusiana Robyn	Ava Layla
SILVER	Mikayla Jamie	Jack Harry
PURPLE	Jaid	Tu Maddison





Family, Fun and Fitness

Adamstown New Lambton Athletics Club

**Fun and Fitness,
Athletics is for EVERYONE regardless of your ability.**

Adamstown New Lambton Athletics Club holds weekly Friday night twilight competition from 5:15pm at Alder Park, Bridges Road, New Lambton, from September through to March. Girls and boys from 3 years of age, of any ability, are encouraged to register with us. Our emphasis for athletes is very much on personal improvement and participation, and for the parents – active involvement and encouragement. Registration fees start from \$120, up to \$100 of which may be claimed back as a rebate under the new Government Active Kids Scheme. If you are not sure about athletics or are new to the sport we can offer a FREE two week trial so why not come and give athletics a try.

For more details and information, visit our website
www.anlac.org.au/registration

Summer RUGBY Fun

The Waratahs Junior Rugby Union Club will be running **Rugby Fun** sessions for young boys and girls at Waratah Oval during the coming summer months

Girls and boys interested in trying rugby as a sport are invited to Waratah Oval on the second Friday of each month to experience the fun in learning rugby skills and meeting new friends. Sessions will be conducted by accredited trainers and parents are invited to attend. Refreshments available at the ground.

When: Second Friday of each summer month:
 • 13 October, 2017
 • 10 November, 2017
 • 8 December, 2017
 • 12 January, 2018
 • 9 February, 2018

Time: 6pm (for 30 – 45 minutes)

Where: Waratah Oval, Harris Street, Waratah

Ages: Under 7s upwards

FURTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE THROUGH:

EMAIL: thewaratahsjuniorrugbyunion@gmail.com

FACEBOOK: 'The Waratahs Junior Rugby – Newcastle'



Be Prepared... for new adventure!

At Lambton - Waratah Scout Group We do a whole lot more than tie knots!

If you know a boy or girl who likes, camping, canoeing, hiking, caving, cycling, cooking, making fires, swimming, photography, art, science, sports, craft, model construction, climbing, exploring, mapping, abseiling, rock climbing, sailing, singing, music, movies, exploring, playing games, having fun, going on adventures..... maybe they would like to give Scouting a go!

Meeting Nights
 Joeys 6 > 7 yrs Monday 6.15pm - 7.30pm
 Cubs 8 > 10 yrs Monday 6.15pm - 7.45pm
 Scouts 11 > 15 yrs Thursday 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Our hall is located at 8 Elder St. Lambton

Contact: Glenn MacFadyen (Skip)
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 Or just turn up at the hall on a meeting night anytime.
 We operate throughout School terms

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