

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

31st ICAS Science Test

JUNE

6th Class Spelling Bee Tests
Rugby League @ Glen Innes

7th P & C Meeting
Netball @ Moree Public

10th KL Assembly
Footy Colours Day

13th Long Weekend

14th ICAS Writing

15th ICAS Spelling

16th 2017 Kinder Information Meeting

17th North West Cross Country
2017 Kinder Orientation

20th Spelling Bee Finals

24th 6P Assembly

27th Stage 3 Excursion

Community Notices

- * Murray Hartin
- * Teddy Bear's Picnic
- * Landcare
- * Wrist Bands

Notes to be returned

- * Stage 3 Excursion
- * General Consent
- * Absentee Letters
- * P & C Pie Drive



North West Rugby Jersey for Charlie



Congratulations to Charlie for his selection to play at State in the North West Rugby Union side and to Ellie, Will and Ally who have gained selection to compete in the North West Cross Country at Coolah.

Principal's Report

The end of last week brought some needed rain and the forecast looks as though there may be more on the horizon. Let's hope so! The cooler weather has also arrived and our students look fantastic in their warm school jumpers. Our lovely office staff are always able to assist should you require more items of uniform. The longer sleeve shirts that are now available have been a popular addition to the range and look very smart!

Last Monday, Charlie Horn and Will Mayne travelled to Tamworth to participate in the North West Rugby Union trials. Both boys performed extremely well and reported that they learned a great deal. At the conclusion of the trial, Will narrowly missed selection whilst Charlie was chosen as a lock to take part in the State Championships in Mudgee later in the year. Congratulations to both boys for a tremendous effort.

Both Year 3/4 classes enjoyed a special visit from Moree Secondary College students on Tuesday as part of the Babbler Road Show. The students learned about a protected species and watched a most impressive performance. Thank you to the staff and students from MSC for visiting our school and teaching our students about a variety of environmental issues. Our boys and girls were completely inspired.

On Wednesday, our staff and students enjoyed the 2016 Book Fair. The theme for this year was 'Monsters' and everyone really embraced this concept. The effort made by students (and staff) was simply incredible and certainly made the day an even greater success. Thank you to all of our amazing families who supported this occasion. Also, an enormous thanks to Mrs Laura Cush who put such enthusiasm into making this event a hit!

Our third strategic direction is ***creating positive and inclusive culture with strong community partnerships***. A wonderful partnership that WPS has is with Warialda High School and it was further strengthened with the commencement of the 2016 work experience program last Thursday. We were joined by three enthusiastic students who assisted in the infants classrooms. We look forward to these students joining us on an ongoing basis over coming weeks.

A special thankyou to Mrs Sharyn McNamara and Miss Sara Baumann who will this week complete their practice teaching periods at Warialda Public School. Both ladies have been a wonderful addition to our staff and we wish them the very best with their future studies, placements and a career as teachers.

A very exciting initiative that we are working towards is a STEM day here at WPS on Friday the 16th of September. For those of you curious about the acronym STEM, it stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics and it's an area of learning that we need to focus on to adequately prepare our students for their years and life beyond school. We have now secured the services of an I.T 'guru' – Nerida McCredie PhD who will visit WPS to teach our students about computer coding! The University of New England are also working closely with us to ensure the day is as engaging and hands-on as possible. We can't wait!!

In the last newsletter, I reported on the most recent Wider than Gwydir presentation by Rabbit Hop Films owner, Sascha Estens. One of her latest short films was featured on the front page of the Moree Champion last week as it has received such acclaim and attention! You can view this short film about a Moree farming family – The Crowe's at: <https://vimeo.com/167352591>

Have a terrific week and stay warm!

Kind regards,

Dan van Velthuisen

Principal (Relieving)

P.S Please support our P and C Pie Drive.

Award Winners

KL	Winter Larvay, Holly Whalan, Imogen Biddle, Harrison Brooks, Charlotte Dawson, Jackson Charter
K/1W	Kingston Hall, Whitney Sherman, Charlie Wood, Kruze Solomon, Ashley Rees, Kailie Dyer-Cleal
1/2W	Lachlan McIntosh, Thomas Bussell, Maggie Reardon, Ellie Michel, Lilly Brice, Samuel Hall,
3/4C	William Reardon, Daniel Butler, Nicholas Moodie, Rocco Hall, Amelia Hall, Karina Jung
3/4S	Wesley La Fontaine, Charlie Hall, Clancy Bowman, Wraith Rowan, Tomas Kelleher, Taeya Rose
5D	Andrew Walker, Grace Parker, Lochlan Lane, Angus Digby, Isabella McIntosh, Logan Biddle
6P	Brayden Miller, Isaac Armstrong, Lacey Smith, Nathan Tooley, Lucy Lockyer
PBL	Charlie Hall, Tanaya Temple
PRINCIPAL'S	Phebe Stevenson, Jesse Irwin, Mason Nieddu, Imogen Hall

Around the Classrooms

Our school was lucky enough to have a visit from Moree Secondary College to discuss the Brave Babbler. The students received a gift pack which included a book produced solely by the students of MSC. An outstanding achievement.

Kindergarten are pictured here during a maths lesson.



Photo Gallery



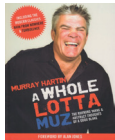
Book Fair.....another MONSTEROUS success

On Wednesday our school held its annual Book Fair with the theme Monsters. Students were invited to dress as their favourite monster and enjoy the large array of books on display. The book purchases were amazing with over \$2300 in sales. From this we receive a commission of thirty percent to purchase books for our school. Congratulations to everyone for your involvement and support. The best dressed winners were Harrison Brooks, Ava Brown, Jorja Durkin, Jack Kent, Jack Digby, Bella and Lachie McIntosh and Holly Duff.

General Notices

WARIALDA GOLF & BOWLING CLUB

Special Event



Murray Hartin

Poet, Author and Entertainer

If you haven't heard the yarns "Turbulence", "The Hog Whisperer" or the haunting "Rain from Nowhere" you probably haven't heard of Murray Hartin.

But the bloke from Moree has been part of the festival/bush poetry/entertainment scene "for a long time", including 13 years with his mad mates in The Naked Poets, and remains a favourite with audiences across Australia.

His rapid-fire, rhyming recitals, which can cover anything from the perils of yoga to visiting the dentist to his lovely ANZAC tribute, *The Slouch Hat*, create vivid and often hilarious mental images that will stay with you forever.

Saturday 4th June

\$20 a ticket – on sale now!

Show commences at 7.30pm

Tickets on sale at the Warialda Golf and Bowling club

Phone: 67 291192



Coming Events....

3 Day Biofertiliser Course



This workshop will cover:

- Biofertiliser brewing
- Soluble Lime Sulphur production
- Chromatography soil analysis
- Bokashi Compost making
- On-farm microbial re-production
- Efficient Sulphate utilisation
- Soluble Phosphorus production
- Pumpkin Biofertiliser
- Em production and much more....

When: 7th, 8th, 9th June 2016

Where: 'Mittiamo' Bingara

Cost: \$100 members, \$200 non-members

Morning Tea and Lunch Provided

Course normally costs \$1200pp

Only 15 positions available

Book online at <https://www.trybooking.com/LHGZ>

For more information please contact Brianna at 0267 242 052 or nsa@gwydir.nsw.gov.au



Curious about Organic Farming Practices? Whether you're looking to become a Certified Grower or are just interested in more healthy and sustainable farming practices in general, then this is the Workshop for you!

Topics at the workshop will include:

- The Organic Industry and Steps to Certification,
- Organic Pest and Weed Management,
- Organic Livestock Production management and marketing,
- Markets available (both local and export) and the increasing demand for Organic Meat

When?

Wednesday 22nd June 2016

Where?

The Living Classroom, Bingara

Time

10.00am – 3.30pm approx.

Cost

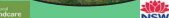
Free for NSLA Members, \$200 Non-Members

Catering

Organic Morning tea and Lunch provided

RSVP to

Shelley - 6724 2002 or ceo@gwydir.nsw.gov.au



Mythbusting Organics

Expressions of Interest sought...

Would you be interested in taking part in the formation of a group to research/help care for our Native animals? We are seeking expressions of interest from any member of the community who would like to learn more about the Gwydir Shire's threatened or vulnerable species – initially the Koala and Brush Turkey but with the possibility down the track of including any other species which members may be interested in working with.

Initial meeting will be Monday 20th June, 4pm, at the Imperial Hotel, Bingara—Come along!



Brothers and childcare workers Courtney and Jarrad Dober are trying to raise \$80,000.

Why, because they want to be able to manufacture and distribute a potentially life-saving medical ID wristband to every child in Australia with Asthma, Allergies or Anaphylaxis at NO COST to parents and carer's.



Yep they want to give them away for FREE! But first they need your help.

The identification bands help to raise awareness of a child's condition, and most importantly aid carers, friends, teachers, coaches, paramedics and the public to act quickly and use the most appropriate course of first aid should an incident ever occur.

A recent study indicated that Australian children experiencing food anaphylaxis were wrongly treated for asthma first, and that adrenaline was administered in only 10% of cases. That same study found that late or absent use of adrenaline was a huge risk factor for death.

For any teacher, being on playground duty and trying to identify the difference between a puffed out child and an asthmatic child, is extremely difficult. Early identification leads to appropriate monitoring or treatment, that's exactly what the "See & Save" wristbands do.

Take a look at the video the brothers have created, and if you feel as surprised (and educated) by the alarming statistics as we did, please donate to the cause.

Head over to <https://pozible.com/project/seeandsave> to watch the campaign video.

**T E D D Y
B E A R
P I C N I C**

Tharawonga Family Fun day

North Star Hall

Tuesday 31st May

9.30am until 11am

BYO morning tea, no nuts please
Also
don't forget to bring your carry size teddy
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P & C PIE DRIVE

Please find the order form attached to the back of this newsletter.

Order forms and money must be returned to school by Friday 10th June 2016.

Your order will be ready to collect on Thursday 23rd June at the staffroom from 2pm to 3:30pm. All money raised goes direct to supporting school programs.

Next P & C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 7th June 2016.

WARIALDA PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C PIE DRIVE

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NAME:.....

PHONE NO:.....

PLEASE TICK: ☐ I will collect my order

☐ My order will be picked up by

☐ My order is to go home on the school bus

Item	Quantity	Price	Total
Family Pies			
Steak & Kidney		\$12.00	
Chunky Steak		\$12.00	
Chicken & Vegetable		\$12.00	
Lamb Shank		\$12.00	
Plain Steak		\$12.00	
Bacon & Cheese		\$12.00	
Potato		\$12.00	
Quiche		\$12.00	
Apple Pie (Large)		\$12.00	
Lunch Pies (2 per Box)			
Steak & Kidney		\$8.50	
Chunky Steak		\$8.50	
Chicken & Vegetable		\$8.50	
Lamb Shank		\$8.50	
Plain Steak		\$8.50	
Bacon & Cheese		\$8.50	
Potato		\$8.50	
Quiche		\$8.50	
Apple Pie (Small)		\$8.50	
Sausage Rolls			
-Small per Dozen		\$11.00	
-Large 4 per box		\$11.00	
Lamingtons per ½ dozen		\$10.00	
Jam Drops- 12 per box		\$10.00	
Patty Cakes- 6 per box		\$10.00	
Order Total \$			

Please enclose correct money or cheque made payable to Warialda Public School P&C

All pies and baked goods are from Balo Square Bakery in Moree

