

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### JUNE

27th Stage 3 Excursion

#### JULY

1st Wider than Gwydir  
Adam Marshall  
Last Day of Term 2

18th Staff return to school  
Parent/Teacher  
Interviews

28th Celebrating 100 days of  
Kindergarten

29th Athletics Carnival

#### AUGUST

4th Olympic day

11th "Legends of League"  
at Gunnedah



## Spelling Bee Champions

Congratulations to our 2016 Spelling Bee Champions.  
The spelling bee is a wonderful program which reinforces  
learning in the classroom. Well done to our students.

### Our North West Representatives

The first half of the year has  
resulted in some fantastic  
outcomes on the sports field.  
Congratulations are extended  
to Charlie Horn for Rugby  
Union and Will Mayne for Cross  
Country.  
We applaud your efforts and  
wish you more success through  
the rest of the year.



### Walk Like an Egyptian

Congratulations 6 P  
on your outstanding  
performance at last  
week's assembly. It  
was very entertaining.

### Community Notices

- \* School Holiday Activities

### Notes to be returned

- \* Absentee Letters
- \* Parent Teacher Interviews

### Quote of the Week

**Integrity is doing the right  
thing, even when no one is  
watching.**

**C.S Lewis**

# Principal's Report

## **Excursion**

The last week of Term 2 has come around and what a week it will be! Our Stage 3 students departed this morning for a four day adventure in Sydney. They were incredibly excited about the experiences that await and will no doubt enjoy what will become life-long memories. We shall be updating the school Facebook page each day so you will be able to keep up with the happenings in Sydney!

## **Spelling Bee**

Congratulations to each and every student who participated in our annual Spelling Bee. The skill of spelling out loud and in front of an audience is certainly one that most of us find quite challenging. The students who participated in their grade finals showed incredible courage and deserve to be congratulated. Well done!

## **Report Cards**

Last Friday, students took home their Semester 1 Report Card. The teachers have gone to great lengths to ensure that each student received a very personal report – outlining their strengths and areas in which they can continue to develop. For those parents who have requested a Parent / Teacher Interview, confirmation slips were included with the report. In the instance you have forgotten to request an interview, please contact our lovely office staff who have a master copy of each teacher's schedule and can therefore slot you in to an available space. Please remember that these interviews will be conducted on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of July.

## **Return to School**

With the school term concluding this Friday, it is important to remind our school community that staff will return to school on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of July. Students will commence on Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> of July.

## **Assistant Principal position**

I would like to extend my congratulations to Mrs Angela Durkin who has recently been appointed permanently as the Assistant Principal at WPS by the Merit Selection Process. Mrs Durkin's position will commence on the first day of Term 3. I would also like to thank Miss Tanya Withers and Mrs Margaret Haug who have relieved in this position over the last twelve months.

## **Wider than Gwydir**

This Friday, our guest speaker for Wider than Gwydir will be the Member for Northern Tablelands – Mr Adam Marshall. We are really looking forward to hearing from Mr Marshall who has followed a very unique career path.

I would like to wish our school community a wonderful and safe holiday period. I look forward to working with you all again in Semester 2 and can't wait to keep making huge strides in reaching our Strategic Directions together!

Have a wonderful holiday!

Kind regards,

Dan van Velthuisen

Principal (Relieving)

# Academic Achievements

Kindergarten	Kendra Rogers, Banjo Mitchell, Darcy Hawkins, Harrison Brooks, Max Tu and Brooklyn Kennedy
K/1 W	Whitney-Eve Sherman, Max Montgomery, Jakob Guyer, Ryli Ireland, Ashley Rees and Anna-May Sharp
1/2W	Tommy Walker, Angus Stewart, Sydnei Gunn, Kayla Digby, Jayden Kellet and Jordie O'Dell
3/4 S	Mia Montgomery, Ella Turner, William Walker, Duncan Cook, Lisha Guyer and Klarissa Ventura
3/4 C	Jorja Durkin, Harry Barwick, Christian Miller, Isabel Mererking and Frank Dufty
5D	Toby Bell, Georgia Curtis, Brooke Allison, Charli Rose, Elijah Lane and Lilee Sankey
6P	Will Mayne, Daemon Fohmsbee, Brayden Miller, Billy Riley-Connell and Hope Sankey
Principal's PBL	Maddy Bell, Taeya Rose, Travis Clarke and Sam Hall Beau Solomon and Lilly Brice



Congratulations and well done to our award recipients.

Our assemblies are held on alternate Friday's and provide us with a platform on which we can recognise the many achievements of our students. We appreciate parents and friends joining us to show their support. Assemblies commence at 12.45pm unless otherwise advertised. Each assembly features a performance by one of our classes.



# Notices

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN**  
**Warialda Town Hall 8:30am - 3.30pm**  
**5yrs - 12yrs**

**\$10 per day per child or \$20 per family per day**

Parents will need to complete an enrolment form for all children attending and sign each child in and out on a daily basis. Children will need to bring a hat, morning tea, lunch and plenty of drinking water.

Bookings for School Holiday Fun are essential as there are limited spaces available. Call Steffi Duff at Bingara Preschool on (02)67241105 for all bookings and enquiries

**Week 1**  
 Monday - 4th July  
 Tuesday - 5th July  
 Wednesday - 6th July  
 Thursday - 7th July  
 Friday - 8th July

**Week 2**  
 Monday - 11th July  
 Tuesday - 12th July  
 Wednesday - 13th July  
 Thursday - 14th July  
 Friday - 15th July

**GWYDIR**  
 SHIRE COUNCIL

## Uniform Price List

Gold Polo Shirt	\$14.00
Long Sleeve Gold Polo	\$17.00
Girls Black Skorts	\$10.00
Boys Grey Shorts	\$14.00
Boys long grey pants	\$19.00
Black Sports shorts	\$12.00
Black long sports pants	\$22.00
Gold and Black Jerseys	\$40.00
Gold and Black Jackets	\$65.00
Hats	\$10.00

## NEW ENGLAND CONSERVATORIUM OF MUSIC



### 2016 Junior Orchestra Workshop

Wed 29 & Thurs 30 June 2016

The New England Conservatorium of Music (NECOM) annual Junior Orchestra Workshop gives young musicians an inspiring two days of invaluable performance experience playing in a large orchestra under the leadership of specialist conductor Anne Phelan and NECTOM tutors.

The Workshop is open to students in Years 3-9 who can read music and have at least 12 months experience playing one of the following instruments:

- Violin, viola, cello, double bass, harp
- Flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, saxophone
- Trumpet, trombone, French horn, tuba
- Orchestral percussion (pianists may apply)

**Dates and Times:** Wed 29 8.45am-3.30pm  
 Thurs 30 June 9am-3pm

**Free concert:** Thurs 30 June, 2.30pm

**Venue:** CB Newling Building (Old Teachers College)  
 Cnr Mossman and Faulkner Streets, Armidale

**Dress:** Casual (no uniforms)

**Lunch:** Bring lunch both days Morning tea provided

**Fee:** \$90 Early Bird Discount OR \$99 Standard Fee  
 OR \$120 Late Fee  
 Bursaries available on application

**For Information & enrolment forms:**

New England Conservatorium

Web: <http://www.necom.une.edu.au>

Tel: 02 6788 2135 Email: [admin@necom.org.au](mailto:admin@necom.org.au)

*music makes volumes*



## Library News....

Please return all library books to school prior to the holidays for stocktake.

We have held a very successful book fair during term two. The commission from the fair has resulted in new books for our library. Our new books look great but to remain in this condition they require covering. If you have a few hours spare and would like to assist with this please contact Mrs Cush or the school office.

## Staying Informed...

At WPS we strive to keep you informed. Stay up to date with Facebook, our School Newsletters, Webpage, Skoolbag app.