



Newsletter

3 December 2014
Term 4 Week 9

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CIVICS & CITIZENSHIP THEME – GROWING UP

Growing up means the changes that we face as the years go on. These changes can be intellectual, physical and emotional. We all grow up and get older each year. This is a good time to review our year, its successes and disappointments, and to set goals for the New Year ahead.

Dear Parents and Friends,

Nit Buster Day

You will have noticed that there has been an ongoing problem with nits in our school and many others in the area in recent months. A number of parents and staff have asked about how to check and what to look for.

There was a time when nit checks were a regular part of school routine but that was some time back and that knowledge has since passed.

We plan to have a nit buster day on Monday, 15 December. The same day as our reptile incursion. We plan to have a talk about hair health and do a class check in the morning. Parents are invited to attend and learn about nits and head checks.

If you do not wish your child to participate in the nit buster day please contact the office and alternative arrangements will be made.

Presentation Evening

Wednesday, 10 December

Our annual presentation evening will start at 7.00pm next Wednesday, 10 December at the C3 Church at Beresfield. Formalities will conclude about 8.00pm when we will enjoy supper and a visit from a very special visitor. We will provide tea, coffee, cordial and biscuits.

Party Day

Tuesday, 16 December

This is an out of uniform day. Party foods can be brought to the kitchen. We will follow our usual custom where each class brings a different category of food to share so there is variety. Do not send any food which requires cooking, only reheating. Please do not send any food containing nuts or traces of nuts as these can be life threatening for some

Kinder	Fruit and crackers	Watermelon, grapes, cherries etc. Jatz etc.
1-2	Munchies	Popcorn, chips, cheezels etc
2-3	Sweets	Cake, slices etc
4-5-6	Finger Food	Frankfurts, party pies, sandwiches etc. If you are sending hot food, please send only food that needs to be heated and not cooked.

Coming Events	
Term 4 Sport K-6—Gymnastics, 10 weeks	Fri, 10 Oct
Sausage Sizzle Day (every week)	Fri
Hot Lunch Day	Wed 10 Dec
Presentation Evening	Wed 10 Dec
Incursion—Australian Wildlife Displays	Fri 12 Dec
Christmas Pudding Pick up	Fri 12 Dec
Nit Buster Day	Mon 15 Dec
Party Day	Tues 16 Dec
Water Play	Wed 17 Dec
Last Day Students	Wed 17 Dec
Last Day Staff	Thurs 18 Dec
Commence T1 2015 Staff	Tues 27 Jan
Commence T1 2015 Students	Wed 28 Jan
Commence T1 2015 Kindergarten	Mon 2 Feb

students.

Water Play

We will be conducting our traditional water play event on Wednesday, 17 December. The following rules continue to apply:

- All participants must have a signed permission note (see attached).
- All participants must have closed-in shoes.
- All participants must have swimming goggles.
- All participants must use squirting devices. No cups or buckets are permitted.

If the weather is not officially over 25°C the water play will not occur and an alternate activity will be organised.

At any time students can choose to withdraw themselves from the activity and go to "Switzerland" neutral space in the lunch shed and COLA.

Due for Return this week	
Sausage Sizzle Order	Fri
Hot Lunch Orders (for next WEDNESDAY)	Fri

4-5-6 Presentation Night

I need your help to have the class ready for our stunning class item. This year, could each child be dressed in black shorts or cycle pants and a fluoro top (singlet or t-shirt). On stage, the class will not be wearing shoes or socks, but they will need footwear for the rest of the night. Please see me if you have any questions. Mrs A.

Australian Wildlife Displays

Australian Wildlife Displays will visit our school next Friday, 12 December to show us some really interesting animals. The cost is \$7.90 per student. A permission note is attached and should be completed and returned to the school mail box with full correct payment by this Friday, 5 December.

Buss Pass Applications

All students who qualify for subsidised bus travel, moving from Year 2 to Year 3 in 2015 are required to submit new bus pass applications. Please enquire at the office if you need a new application. Applications should be returned by next Friday, 12 December so they can be processed and submitted to the bus company in order to be ready for 2015.

P&C News

Hot Lunch

Next Tuesday, the school will be rehearsing at the church for presentation night, so next week, hot lunches will be on **Wednesday, instead of Tuesday**. Next week will be the last hot lunch for the year and will start again in term 2, 2015.

Plain Pies \$2.50, Quiche \$2.50, Sausage Roll \$2.00, Up & Go \$1.50, Poppers \$1.00

Local News

Congratulations to Nicole and Andrew Cromarty on the birth of their daughter Jade yesterday. The family was here today at assembly and we all had a chance to see the beautiful new girl.



Congratulations to Josie Wicks who has been elected Vice Captain of Wallsend High yesterday. This is three years in a row ex-students have been school leaders at Wallsend High.



Congratulations to Emily Wicks who has been chosen to represent Australia in the under 14 girls soccer team in Brazil next year.



If you have news to share, please contact the office so we can all celebrate achievements in our community.

Ice Cream Day

Wednesday

10 December

At lunchtime

2 scoops of icecream

in a cup

with sprinkles

\$2

Money raised will go towards the Year 6 gift to the school.



Weet-Bix Chocolate Balls

Ingredients

8 Weet-Bix, crushed
1 tin condensed milk
3 tablespoons cocoa powder
½ cup shredded coconut

Method

Combine all of the ingredients in a large bowl with a wooden spoon. Taking walnut sized pieces of the mixture in your hands, roll into balls, pressing firmly. Place onto a baking sheet and into the fridge for at least 1 hour to firm up.

Sausage Sizzle

Friday 5 December

**Narelle Robertson, Tracy Thomas,
Chantelle Newman**

Sizzle \$1.50 Poppers \$1.00 Up'n'Go \$1.50



Water Play Activities—Permission

I give permission for my child/ren _____ of class/es _____ to participate in water play activities at the school on Wednesday, 17 December 2014.

I understand students may use water pistols and must wear swimming goggles and enclosed shoes.

Signed: _____ Class: _____

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Activity Note

Event: Australian Wildlife Displays

Destination: Black Hill PS

Date: Wednesday, 12 December 2014

Dress: Sport Uniform

Cost: \$7.90 ea Payment: To the school mail box

Permission Note: To the school mail box

Supervision: Class teachers

Kindly complete the permission slip below and return it with full payment to the school mail box by Friday, 5 December. Please do not hesitate to contact the Principal if there are any concerns regarding payment for this activity.



Permission Note—Australian Wildlife Displays

I give permission for my child/children _____

of class/es _____ to attend the Australian Wildlife Display at Black Hill Public School on Friday, 12 December 2014.

I enclose \$7.90 per student as full payment for this activity.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Assembly Report 28 November 2014

Miss Gardoll's Awards

Merit	Reina Braith
English Award	Luella
Mathematics Award	Noah
Creative Arts Award	Chloe
Quality Work Award	Emma



Mr Braye's Awards

Merit	Tallulah Abby
English Award	Leah
Mathematics Award	Claudia
Creative Arts Award	Alexis
Quality Work Award	Cooper

Mrs Strickland's Awards

Merit	Makayla Jayden
English Award	Kaylah
Mathematics Award	Jacob
Creative Arts Award	Leytton
Quality Work Award	Olivia W.



Mrs Adamthwaite's Awards

Merit	Emily Eli
English Award	Kyle
Mathematics Award	William
Creative Arts Award	Darci
Quality Work Award	Abigail

Prefect's Report

Hope you have a good weekend

Prefect's Awards

Darci C.

House Cup

Darkinjan



Special Awards

Alexis, Leadership Team, Cooper W., Ben, Lara, Siannie, Montana, Dakota J., Imogen, Emily, Dakota R.