



TOTAL

218



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247

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**DUE TO SCHOOL FINANCIAL ROLLOVER THERE WILL BE NO EFTPOS FACILITIES AVAILABLE UNTIL TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER. CASH PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED BUT NOT RECEIPTED UNTIL TUESDAY.**

**NORMAL FACILITIES WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER.**

## Congratulations

We are very proud to announce that the wonderful Mr Swain has been successful in gaining the Principal's position at New Lambton Heights Public School starting at the beginning of Term 1, 2016. We will certainly miss him and the strengths and values that he brings to our school. Good luck Mr Swain. We know that you are going to be an amazing Principal.

## Swim School

Thank you to Miss Palmer, Mrs Connor and Miss Hale for all the work they put into our students during swim school. Giving our students such wonderful experiences is only possible with a fantastic and dedicated staff.

## Volunteer Morning Tea

Volunteers in our school are so important and make such a difference to the lives of many of our students. The staff would like to thank our wonderful volunteers by inviting them for afternoon tea next Tuesday 1 December. Personal invitations have been given to the children of our volunteers to deliver by today. Please RSVP to the office by Friday this week. We look forward to seeing you and celebrating with you next Tuesday.

## 2016 OPAL CARDS - (BUS PASS)

If you have a child in **Year 2 this year** who has a bus pass and you would like them to have an Opal card next year (Year 3 2016), you will need to complete a new online application. Passes do not carry over from infants to primary. Any student who has changed address or will change address before the 2016 school year must also complete a new application.

- ① Apply at : [transportnsw.info/school-students](http://transportnsw.info/school-students)
- ② Print, sign & date the completed application. Bring to the school for endorsement.
- ③ The school sends the application to Transport NSW. Upon approval, the Opal card will be sent to the address provided on the application.

Remember, your child is eligible for a bus pass if:  
they are an infant student (K-2) **OR**  
they are in primary (3-6) and live outside the 1.6 km radius from the school **OR** 2.3 km or more by the most direct practicable walking route to the nearest school pedestrian gate.

## DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 4

Thursday 26 November	Sausage sizzle—Fundraiser Preschool to Year 6 For orders taken and paid for
Tuesday 1 December	Canteen Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 1 December	Volunteers afternoon tea 1.45 pm
Thursday 3 December	Preschool concert—Kangaroos 9.00 am
Tuesday 8 December	Preschool concert—Possums 9.00 am
Wednesday 9 December	Year 6 Farewell 6.00 pm
Thursday 10 December	Presentation Day
Friday 4 December	Twilight Picnic
Monday 14 December	Early Stage 1/Stage 1 party day Stage 2 party day Stage 3 party day

### Raffle Tickets—Year 6 fundraiser

Please return all raffle tickets to the office by Tuesday 1 December. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 4 December at the Twilight picnic/concert.

### Sausage sizzle

Lunch is on this Thursday 26 November for orders that were taken and paid for.

### Well done!

We at Toogee Taekwondo, at Georgetown would like to congratulate Tyson who competed in our Annual Inter-Dojang Tournament. Tyson again excelled in his chosen events. Tyson came away with 2 Trophies and 2 medals. With over 200 students competing Tyson came 3rd over all in our points system. At only 6 years old Tyson has shown such courage and determination over the past 12 months of training with us.

So congratulations Tyson. We look forward to training with you again next year. Thank you.



### CANTEEN ROSTER

Thursday	26 November	J Sparks
Friday	27 November	D Williams
Monday	30 November	K McElligott
Tuesday	1 December	K Ellis V Buchanan
Wednesday	2 December	K Mavridis K Carr

### Summer in The Uniform Shop

Gold polo shirts (with logo).....\$18  
Boys grey cargo shorts (4-16)....\$18  
Girls maroon skorts (4-16)....\$18  
Maroon Sports Shorts (4-16)....\$15  
Girls Tunics – from....\$38  
Broadbrim Hat (XS,S,M,L,XL)....\$14  
Senior Bucket Hat (S/M, L/XL)....\$14  
**Cash, cheque or lay-by only.**

**Monday: 8.30-9.15am**  
**Friday: 2.30-3.15pm**

### P&C News

On behalf of the P&C, we wish to congratulate Mr Swain in gaining the position of Principal at New Lambton Heights Public School. Best wishes, you will be greatly missed at WPS.

**P&C Christmas Dinner—Monday 7 December at the Stag & Hunter Mayfield—6.30 pm.** Members and volunteers are all welcome!

Please RSVP Richelle 0419 210 273.

### Fundraising

#### Christmas Hamper Raffle Prizes & Tickets.

As well as our Christmas Hampers, other great prizes up for grabs include \$50 Coles Myer Gift Card (The Sheldon Family), \$35 Pudding Log from the Pudding Lady, \$30 gift voucher from The Meat Shed Mayfield, and a \$25 gift voucher from Singo's Meats Broadmeadow.

Ticket books have come home with the bulletin so please check your child's bag. Return money and used ticket books to the P&C box in the front office. Also **please return any unused ticket books** as these can be used again for future raffles.

### Uniform Shop

The end of term is fast approaching with **only 3 weeks left of school!** The Uniform Shop's **last day is Monday 14 December** and will reopen again first day back 2016 – Thursday 28 January.

### School Banking

Any prize redemptions need to be in by next Tuesday 1 December. **Last banking day is Tuesday 8 December.**  
Cheers Richelle & the P&C Team

## VACATION CARE 4–12yrs

December 2015 / January 2016

Come & Join Us These School Holidays, We Will Have You Reaching New Heights

Participating In Programs Such As:

- ♦ obstacle courses
- ♦ art/craft
- ♦ gymnastic skills
- ♦ cooking
- ♦ magic
- ♦ trampolining
- ♦ science
- ♦ clay modelling
- ♦ athletics ... just to name a few

VACATION CARE IS AVAILABLE FROM

**THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER - MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JANUARY**

(closed Public Holidays)

**7.30AM-6PM, MEALS INCLUDED**



Helping families with the cost of childcare

The Hunter Sports Centre also runs gymnastics holiday programs and skills clinics each day. For further information visit our website [www.hsc.org.au](http://www.hsc.org.au)



**BOOKINGS FOR ALL PROGRAMS ESSENTIAL**

Contact the Centre  
PO Box 3187 • Glendale NSW  
Phone 4953 6366 Fax: 4953 6587  
[www.hsc.org.au](http://www.hsc.org.au)

# Christmas Hamper Raffle – donation suggestion list



Class	Items
Preschool	Crackers/ savoury biscuits, breadsticks, nut mixes, gingerbread, soft drinks/ poppers, cordial
Kinder	Sweet biscuits, shortbread, Christmas puddings, pudding packet mixes, cake & muffin mixes, icing mixes, pancake mixes
Year 1	Jams, marmalades, maple/ golden syrup, honey, minced tarts, UHT or packet custard, jelly packets,
Year 2	Pretzels, popcorn, chips, tinned/jarred fruit/ vegetables, dried fruits, pickled onions/ gherkins, olives
Year 3	Lollies, candies, toffees, candy canes, sweets, chocolates, liquorice, fudge, truffles
Year 4	Spreads, mustard, pickles, chutney, sauces – apple/mint/ cranberry, salad dressings, mayonnaise, gravy
Year 5	Christmas - wrapping, serviettes, bonbons, balloons, paper plates, cups, tea towels, decorations
Year 6	Tea, coffee, flavoured coffee sachets, juices, ice-block tubes, milk flavourings, UHT–milk/ cream,

## CHRISTMAS ROAST 2015

The Canteens last special lunch for the year is 'Christmas Roast' on **Tuesday 1 December**.

Lunch will consist of roast chicken, roast potato, peas and gravy, Christmas Tree cookie, juice, lollies and a gift.

**Cost \$7.00**

If you would like to order please send in order form and money to canteen **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 27 November. (NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN)**

**NO OTHER HOT FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THIS DAY**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE TICK YOUR CHOICES

- |                                      |                                       |                                           |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> POTATO      | <input type="checkbox"/> CHICKEN      | <input type="checkbox"/> CHRISTMAS COOKIE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PEAS        | <input type="checkbox"/> GRAVY        | <input type="checkbox"/> LOLLIES          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> APPLE JUICE | <input type="checkbox"/> ORANGE JUICE | <input type="checkbox"/> WATER            |

WARATAH PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C

# Twilight Christmas Concert

**Fri 4th December**

*At 5pm Bring the family, a picnic dinner, blanket  
or chair, and lots of Christmas festive cheer...*

*From 5pm Browse through  
the Christmas gift stalls  
for last minute stocking  
fillers for young and old...*

*At 5.30 Have a  
photo with Santa...*

*For the children... wear your fav  
Christmas gear, lucky dips, glow  
sticks, lollies, drinks & more*

*6.15pm Enjoy carols  
& music performed by  
our talented children*

*At 7.00pm Drawing  
winners for the  
Christmas Hamper  
Raffle & 4r6  
Fundraising Raffle*





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# Christmas Party

## Stage 3

**Monday 14 December 2015**



November 2015

Dear Parent/Caregiver

As part of our end of year activities, all Stage 3 students are invited to attend our Party Day at Red Alert Laser Tag at Warners Bay.

**When :** Monday 14 December 2015.

**What to bring :** A small bag to carry - recess and water bottle.  
**What to wear :** The students may wear party clothes.

Sensible enclosed shoes must be worn. **NO SANDALS OR THONGS.**

**Cost :** \$25.00 per student.

(This includes bus travel, 3 games of laser tag, pizza lunch including a beverage.)

The bus will depart Waratah Public School at 9.15 am arriving back at school before the 3.00 pm bell.

Whilst all students are invited to attend, participation in our Party Day is conditional, with the expectation that all students are respectful and well behaved in Term 4. We always put the well-being of our students first.

Many thanks,  
Stage 3 Teachers.

*Please detach and return permission note and money by Friday 4 December 2015.*

X -----  
*Please return slip and \$25.00 to the office **NO LATER THAN Friday 4 December 2015.***

### STAGE 3 CHRISTMAS PARTY – RED ALERT LASER TAG

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_  
to attend the Stage 3 Christmas Party at Red Alert Laser Tag on 14 December 2015. I  
understand transport is by bus and enclose \$25.00 payment. I understand that there will  
be no refunds if my child does not attend.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent / Caregiver)

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# Christmas Party

## Stage 2

**MONDAY 14 DECEMBER 2015**

Dear Parent/Caregiver

November 2015

Stage 2 Christmas Party is to be held on Monday 14 December. We are travelling by bus to Nobbys Beach leaving school at 9.05 am and returning by 3.00 pm.

We will begin the day with a fruit break and sunscreen application at the Foreshore Park then walk to Nobbys Beach for beach activities.  
Lunch break will be at Nobbys eating area. **Students are required to bring their own lunch.**  
No kiosk facility will be available.

**(THERE WILL BE NO SWIMMING AT THE BEACH BUT THEY WILL GET WET IN THE SHORE ACTIVITIES)**

*Please ensure your child has plenty of water, lunch and morning tea, sunscreen, swimmers, towel and hat. The children must wear their gold school polo and closed in shoes, they may wear board shorts instead of school shorts.*

The cost is \$5.00 to cover bus travel.

Please complete the following information and return to the Office with payment by Friday 12 December. There will be no refunds if your child does not attend.

Parents/caregivers are welcome to come along for the day but children must remain with teachers during all activities.

Many thanks,  
Shane Bransdon  
Stage 2 Coordinator  
  
Trish Bowen  
Principal

X -----  
*Please return slip and \$5.00 to the office **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 12 DECEMBER***

### STAGE 2 CHRISTMAS PARTY – NOBBYS BEACH

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ to  
attend the Stage 2 Christmas Party at Nobbys Beach on 14 December 2015.  
I understand that transport to and from Nobbys Beach will be by bus.  
I understand that there will be no refunds if my child does not attend.

Parent/Caregiver ..... Date .....



## Waratah Public School Year 6 Photo Booth

Year 6 students will have their photo taken wearing a graduation cap (mortar board) during Weeks 6, 7 & 8 on Wednesday or Friday. The photograph will be mounted on a commemorative backing and can be purchased for \$5.00.

If you would like to purchase your child's photo, please return the slip and cash to the office by Friday 26 November 2015.

### Year 6 Fundraising Committee

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*Return slip and cash to the office money box by Friday 26 November 2015*

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Year 6 Photo Booth

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_

to have their graduation photo taken in the photo booth at Waratah Public School.

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ copies @ \$5.00 each and enclose \$ \_\_\_\_\_ payment.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent / Caregiver)

## KINDERGARTEN AND PRESCHOOL

### ENROLMENTS ARE NOW BEING TAKEN FOR 2016

If you have friends, family, neighbours that have children ready for  
Preschool and Kindergarten

Please contact the school office for an application form

Children must turn 5 before 31 July the year they are attending  
Kindergarten

Children must turn 4 before 31 July the year they are attending  
Preschool

### STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO WARATAH PUBLIC SCHOOL - 2016

Please complete **ONLY** if your child / children **WILL NOT** be returning to WPS in 2016

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ Date Leaving \_\_\_\_\_

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ Date Leaving \_\_\_\_\_

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ Date Leaving \_\_\_\_\_

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ Date Leaving \_\_\_\_\_

Name of NEW school \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent / Caregiver)