



TOTAL
225



TOTAL
253

Join these families and keep Waratah Public School at your fingertips -Download the **FREE** 'Skoolbag App' today. Instructions available at the office.

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

2015 Wrap Up

What a year 2015 has been for Waratah Public School. So many wonderful events, programs and initiatives have occurred throughout the year which has added to our positive community profile. We have such a great school with brilliant teachers, wonderful students and an amazingly supportive parent/community group. Thank you to the support staff members who keep our school running; GA John, the School Learning Support Officers and Office Staff. It has been such an honour to lead the great Waratah Public School, and I can't wait for next year, from great to greater!!!! I hope you all have a happy and safe Christmas break and I look forward to working with you all next year.

All the Best

We would like to wish Mr Swain and Miss Hale all the best in their new chapters in their career path. These two high quality practitioners who at the same time are such supportive and kind people will be missed dearly at Waratah Public School.

Change of Lunch and Recess

We have had an overwhelming response to move lunch to the earlier break time of 11.00 am and still go for 50 minutes, and recess would be close to 1.00 pm for 20 minutes. Research, surveys and discussions within the school has given evidence to suggest that this would be a positive move. Staff, P&C and the students are all in agreement of this proposal. If you have any concerns, please make an appointment with Mrs Bowen.

DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 4

| | |
|--|---|
| Wednesday 9 December | Year 6 Farewell 6.00 pm |
| Thursday 10 December | Presentation Day 9.30 am |
| Friday 4 December | Twilight Picnic |
| Friday 11 December | No whole school assembly |
| Monday 14 December | Early Stage 1/Stage 1 party day Stage 2 party day Stage 3 party day |
| Wednesday 16 December | Last day of Term 4 for students Year 6 Clap Out 2.15 pm |
| Thursday 17 December Friday 18 December | Staff Professional Learning Days |
| Wednesday January 27 | Staff Development Day |
| Thursday 28 January | Students Resume Years 1—6 |
| Monday 1 February | Kindergarten starts |
| Monday 1 February | Preschool Possums start |
| Wednesday 3 February | Preschool Kangaroos start |
| Friday 12 February 2016 | Swimming Carnival—Children turning 8 in 2016 to Year 6 \$8—Permission notes to come home 28 January 2016 |

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
- 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.

P&C News

Christmas Twilight Picnic

What a wonderful relaxed evening we had watching our beautiful children sing! Congratulations to all the winners in our Christmas Hamper raffle & the Year 6 Fundraising raffle.

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 am—9.15 am

Friday: 2.30 pm—3.15 pm

Uniform Shop Opening Times 2016

The Uniform Shop’s last day is Monday 14 December 2015 and will reopen again first day back 2016.

Thursday 28 January at 8.30 am—9.30 am

Friday 29 January at 2.00 pm—3.15 pm.

These selected times reflect volunteer availability and parents seeing their children off on their first days of school.

Cheers Richelle & the P&C Team

CANTEEN ROSTER

| | | |
|----------|-------------|------------|
| Thursday | 10 December | J Sparks |
| Friday | 11 December | D Williams |

Canteen News

The last day for canteen this year is **Friday 11 December 2015.**

Donna and the canteen committee would like to thank everyone for their continued support during 2015.

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all in 2016.

Breakfast Club—Finishes this Friday 11/12/15

There will be no breakfast club next week.



On behalf of the P&C, we wish to thank everyone who helped us in our operations and fundraising activities for 2015, and wish everyone a festive Christmas season and Happy New Year!!

⌘_____

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)

SUPPORTERS OF OUR YEAR 6

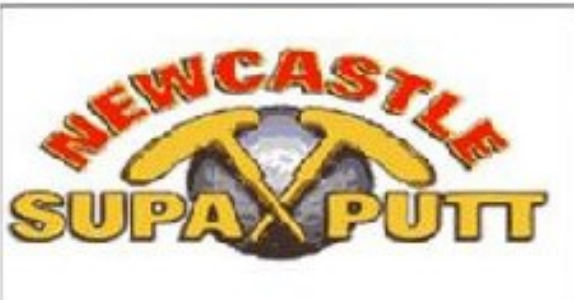
FUNDRAISING RAFFLE



Mayfield



Warners Bay



Charlestown



HUNTER VALLEY



a world of discovery



PULSE
CLIMBING

Adamstown

SPRINGLOADED

TRITON
COPY CENTRE

Cardiff

dick smith

Jesmond

DO MORE **SAVE MORE**



Woolworths
the fresh food people

Warabrook



Morpeth



coles

Waratah Village

Bakers Delight
We're for real.
Waratah Village



Steven Forward
Photography



Charlestown



Georgetown
Fruit Barn



Waratah Village