



TOTAL
223



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250

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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

Presentation Day

Our school community are proudly invited to attend our 2015 whole school Presentation Day, in the school hall, next Thursday 10 December at 9.30 am. It will be a wonderful way to celebrate all that we have achieved together this year.

Classes 2016

Due to changes in staff and the school continuing to experience increasing popularity, with more and more new students wanting to join our wonderful school, we have been delayed in finalising classes for next year. At the moment we have 4 plans dependent upon whether we have 13 or 14 classes. We endeavour to finalise which teachers are on which grades followed by what rooms will be allocated to stages in the coming days, however all this could change on day one of next year depending on what new students enrol and what grades they are in. We thank you for your flexibility and understanding.

At this stage the following classroom teachers will be Mrs Christie, Miss McGregor and Miss Deer on Early Stage one (Kindergarten), Mr Metcalfe, Miss Casey, Mrs Batcheldor on Stage 1, Miss Palmer, Mr Lynch and Mr Swain's replacement on Stage 2, Mrs Macura, Mrs Folpp and Mr Bransdon on Stage 3.

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.

DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 4

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 9.30 am
Friday 4 December	Twilight Picnic
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
Friday 12 February 2016	Swimming Carnival—Children turning 8 in 2016 to Year 6 \$8—Permission notes to come home 28 January 2016

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.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thursday	3 December	J Sparks R Peterson
Friday	4 December	K Boyle
Monday	7 December	J Sparks
Tuesday	8 December	K Ellis V Buchanan K Baldwin
Wednesday	9 December	J Rowat
Thursday	10 December	J Sparks
Friday	11 December	D Williams

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

P&C News

Change of Venue: **P&C Christmas Dinner – Monday 7 December at the Wickham Park Hotel, Wickham - 6.30 pm.** Members and volunteers are all welcome! Please RSVP Richelle 0419210273.



Fundraising

2015 Christmas Hamper Raffle

Thank you WPS school community for your generous food donations!! This has enabled several large food hampers to be made for our Christmas Hamper Raffle.

Please return sold ticket books & money to the P&C box in the front office by Friday 4 December. Also please return any unused ticket books as these can be used again for future raffles.

Another prize has been added to our already great list – A beautiful handmade red Christmas quilt from The Metcalf Family. Other great prizes 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.

Christmas Twilight Picnic – Helpers Needed

If anyone can spare some time to help with setup, selling gifts, or packing up on Friday at the Twilight Picnic please contact Richelle 0419210273.

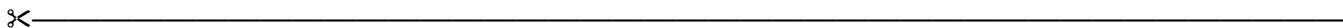
Uniform Shop

The end of term is fast approaching with **only 2 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. There is only 4 opportunities to obtain any layby's that have been made.

School Banking

Last banking day is Tuesday 8 December.

Cheers Richelle & the P&C Team



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 _____

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Name of NEW school _____

Signed _____ (Parent / Caregiver)

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 favourite 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

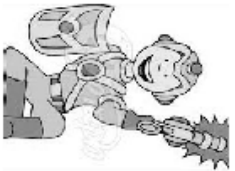


Waratah Public School

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)

Waratah Public School

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