



KINDERGARTEN AND PRESCHOOL

ENROLMENTS ARE NOW BEING TAKEN FOR 2017

If you have friends, family, neighbours that have children ready for Preschool and Kindergarten Vacancies are filling quickly, so remind friends and family who intend on enrolling at WPS, so they don't miss out.

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

Entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 in 2018

Applications for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2018 will be open to parents of students in Year 5 from 11 October to 14 November 2016.

Copies of an application information booklet are available at the school office now. Parents with internet access are requested to apply online. Online applications will be available from 11 October to 14 November 2016. Parents without internet access can apply at a public library.

The application information booklet will also be available on the High Performing Students Unit's website at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement.

All students wanting to go to a selective high school for Year 7 in 2018 will have to take the Selective High School Placement Test on the morning of Thursday 9 March 2017 at a local school.

Parents are asked to email the High Performing Students Unit: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au or telephone: 1300 880 367 if they have enquiries not covered in the application information booklet.

A personalised note was given to all Year 5 students, please check your child's school bag.

Outdoor Digital Media Festival 2016

- Callaghan College Jesmond Campus
- Thursday 17 November
- Tickets available at Waratah Public School
- Cost \$5 per ticket
- OR \$10 Family (immediate family)
- We encourage you to purchase your tickets at our school as all ticket sale proceeds go to our school.

School Banking

There will be **NO** school banking on Tuesday 8 November.

Kinder 2017 Orientation

Kinder Classroom Visits:

All sessions 9.30 am—10.30 am

Term 4 Week 5—Wednesday 9 November

DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 4	
Friday 4 November	Assembly 2.15 pm—Item from 3/4K
Monday 7 November	P&C Meeting
Monday 7 November To Friday 18 November	School swimming scheme starts
Wednesday 30 November	Preschool 2017 Meet and Greet for parents and children 9.30 am
Tuesday 6 December	Preschool Christmas Concert 12.30 pm—Possums
Thursday 8 December	Preschool Christmas Concert 12.30 pm—Kangaroos
Friday 9 December	Twilight Picnic
Monday 12 December	Presentation Day
Tuesday 13 December	Year 6 Farewell
Tuesday 13 December	Party Day Preschool Possums
Tuesday 13 December	LAST DAY FOR CANTEEN LUNCHES
Wednesday 14 December	Party Day
Thursday 15 December	Party Day Preschool Kangaroos
Friday 16 December	Last day Term 4

Year 4 High School Taster Day

Twenty-three intrepid Year 4 students set off on Wednesday 19 October to explore Callaghan College at the Waratah Technology Campus. We were divided into groups with other local public schools and lead around the school by some fantastic Year 9 leaders, including some of our former students. Among other things, students investigated making goo in the Science lab, learnt some German, tried out a great Physical Education Lesson, made 3D maps in Geography and cooked (and ate) Rocky Road in Food Technology. Everyone agreed it was a thoroughly interesting day, and gave us a very good sense of what our local public high school has to offer. Thanks to the high school for inviting us down!

**Year 4 heading off to
high school**

Cohen washing up

Making goo

Logan stirring the chocolate

Waratah Jukestra

Attendees at the 2nd Annual Newkulele Festival were lucky enough to see some of our brave and talented Waratah Public School students on the youth stage performing as part of the Waratah Jukestra. Enormous congratulations to all participants, who have worked so hard to prepare and practise. Talented ukulele teacher Jane Jelbart leads lessons in our multipurpose room every Wednesday afternoon. More information is available at www.thesumoftheparts.com.au/waratah-jukestra/.

Pictured:
Jane Jelbart (teacher)
Raymond, Harrison, Abbey,
Isabella, Hamish and Luke

P&C News

The next and final P&C meeting for 2016 is **Monday 7 November**. All welcome!!

The Uniform Shop

There are only 6 weeks left until the end of term!!!
The last day for the uniform shop will be on Monday December 12 and will not reopen until the first day of school 2017. Layby uniforms now for next year and pay them off until the end of the year.

As the weather is heating up it's a must for our children to be wearing their school hat to protect them from the sun. New hats can be bought from the Uniform Shop for \$14.

Fundraising

Save the Date

Yes it's on again - The Christmas Twilight Picnic and Hamper Raffle – **Friday evening 9 December**. It's a great evening for everyone in our school community to come together for a relaxing informal evening, bring a picnic and sing along to Christmas carols sung by our wonderful children. There's hamper raffles, stalls, Santa and more so watch this space for more information in the coming weeks.

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Cheers Richelle & the P&C Team

"Open your hearts and homes for children in need"

Every child has a right to a safe, happy and permanent home.

Settlement Services International (SSI) Multicultural Foster Care provides support for children and young people from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds who as a result of child protection concerns can't live with their families, whether this is for just a short time or longer term.

No one denies it is a challenge, but being a foster carer is a commitment that can bring many rewards and you will be supported all the way by SSI.

If you are interested in becoming a foster carer with SSI, contact us by:

- Calling (02) 8713 9200 and asking to speak with the Operations Manager of SSI Multicultural Foster Care Ghassan Noujaim
- Visiting our website www.ssi.org.au/foster-care and completing an online enquiry form
- Sending an email to fostercare@ssi.org.au
- Or contact Jessica Varlet by phone on 0423 652 547.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thursday	3 November	J Sparks
Friday	4 November	K Boyle K Roddom
Monday	7 November	J Kennett N Manahan
Tuesday	8 November	V Buchanan J Sparks
Wednesday	9 November	J Rowat J Kennett

CHRISTMAS ROAST 2016

The Canteens last special lunch for the year is 'Christmas Roast' on **Tuesday 6 December**.

Lunch will consist of roast chicken, roast potato, peas and gravy, juice, water, lollies and a surprise!!

Cost \$7.00

If you would like to order please send in order form and money to canteen **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 25 November**. **(NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN)**

NO OTHER HOT FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THIS DAY

NAME _____ CLASS _____

PLEASE TICK YOUR CHOICES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> POTATO | <input type="checkbox"/> CHICKEN | |
| <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 |

PREMIERING SHORT FILMS

17 CEP schools on

The **BIG OUTDOOR SCREEN.**

Starts at 7:40pm – 8:45pm

Written, acted and edited by students K-12.

Bring a chair, sit on the grass and indulge in the many offerings that will be available and support our local community of schools.

Callaghan College Jesmond Campus
Janet St, Jesmond
Thursday 17th November
4:30pm – 9pm



**Outdoor
Digital
Media
Festival
2016**

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
ANY OF THESE SCHOOLS

GlendorePS HamiltonNorthPS HeatonPS IslingtonPS JesmondPS
MarylandPS MayfieldEastPS MinmiPS PlattsburgPS
ShortlandPS TighesHillPS WallsendPS WaratahPS WaratahWestPS
CCJesmondCampus CCWallsendCampus CCWaratahCampus

PRE SHOW ENTERTAINMENT
5:30pm – 7:30pm

FOOD COFFEE/TEA COLD DRINKS SWEET TEMPTATIONS
SAUSAGE SIZZLE FAIRY FLOSS CUPCAKES JARSTALL
SHOWBAGS GLOW STICKS FACE PAINTING
CORN CAKES POPCORN ICE CREAMS BROWNIES
HENNA TATTOOS WHACK A RAT + much more



SPECIAL GUEST PERFORMANCE
by The Marching Koalas at 7pm

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Outdoor Digital Media Festival

The P&C is supporting our school's entry into this year's film festival at Callaghan College, Waratah. As a fundraising opportunity we are holding a stall of homemade treats.

"Sweet Temptation" homemade treats.

If anyone would like to volunteer their help please contact Richelle on 0419210273.

It's a great night out for the family, with 18 other Callaghan Group schools participating. We strongly encourage you to **purchase your tickets at the school office** as all ticket sale proceeds go to our school.