



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

Spelling Bee Results

A huge congratulations to our four Spelling Bee finalists - Nicole, Harrison, Emma and Jayden - for their valiant efforts in the Regional Spelling Bee at Elmore Vale Public School last Thursday. Simply getting up on stage to spell in front of a large audience requires a level of bravery and resilience that must be commended. We are very proud of all of you!

Special mention must go to Emma, who successfully spelled her way to victory in her division of the Junior Regional Spelling Bee. This means she will now compete at the State Spelling Bee Final, to be held on Wednesday 9 November at the Eugene Goossens Hall, in the ABC Centre in Ultimo, Sydney. Congratulations Emma - this is certainly a remarkable achievement.

Katie Cherrington

Classroom Teacher

Library News

Do you have overdue library books, or a borrowed library bag at home?

Make sure you have a look and return them to the library before the end of term!

Thank you,



DATES TO REMEMBER TERMS 3 + 4

Friday 23 September	Last day of Term 3
Monday 10 October	Students resume Term 4
Wednesday 12, Thursday 13, Friday 14 October	Stage 3 Broken Bay Camp
Friday 14 October	Last day for payment CROSSFIT
Wednesday 26 October	Preschool Information session 12.30 pm
Monday 31 October	Last day for payment SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME
Monday 7 November To Friday 18 November	School swimming scheme starts
Friday 9 December	Twilight Picnic
Monday 12 December	Presentation Day
Tuesday 13 December	Year 6 Farewell
Wednesday 14 December	Party Day

Kinder 2017 Orientation

Kinder Classroom Visits:

All sessions 9.30 am—10.30 am

Term 4 Week 3

Wednesday 26 October

Term 4 Week 4

Wednesday 2 November

Term 4 Week 5

Wednesday 9 November

Parent Information Session—Week 3

Wednesday 26 October

This is a chance for parents to find out about starting Kindergarten at Waratah Public School in 2017. The session will be held whilst our 2017 Kinder students work with their buddy in the Kindergarten classrooms.

Buddy Playdate—Newsletter

Our inaugural 'Meet the Buddy Playdate' was held last Thursday and was a huge success. There were 41 of our 2017 Kindergarten students and their families present and everyone enjoyed the activities in the playground.

Thank you to the teachers involved in preparing the Year 4 & 5 students for their role as buddies. The time you invested in the students was evident in the way they interacted with parents and their young buddies. They were respectful and enthusiastic and received much positive feedback from families and the Kindergarten students.

Thanks also to our wonderful Year 6 students, who greeted families with a smile and helped with setting up and packing away activities. Parents commented on how "delightful" and helpful you all were! Well done!

Families were more than happy to watch their children interacting with their buddies and the smiles on all of the students' faces were lovely to see.

This is just some of the feedback from parents;

- "The more I see of Waratah PS (and the Preschool), the more impressed I become."
- "The captains on the school gate were a gem. They made it all very self-explanatory and easy."
- "Whatever training the school held for the buddies certainly worked in our case."
- "It reaffirmed that we are going to be part of a wonderful school community and have made a great choice in Waratah Public."
- "We were hesitant about sending our child to the school, but since she's been at preschool and we've seen how much she loves her teachers and friends, we were delighted to see this extended to the rest of the school."

Summer in The Uniform Shop

For Sale

- Broadbrim Hat (K-4) - \$14
- Bucket Hat (Yr5-6) - \$14
- Boys grey cargo shorts (4-16) - \$18
- Gold polo shirts with logo (2-16) - \$18
- Girls maroon skorts (4-16) - \$18
- Maroon Sports Shorts (4-16) - \$16
- Girls Tunics (4-8) \$38 (10+) - \$40

Cash, cheque or lay-by only

Monday: 8.30 am—9.15 am

Friday: 2.30 pm—3.15 pm

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday	22 September	J Sparks
Thursday	23 September	S Marschall
Monday	10 October	J Kennett N Manahan
Tuesday	11 October	V Buchanan J Sparks
Wednesday	12 October	J Rowat J Kennett



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to get kids in the kitchen.



Image: expophoto.com.au

Involving children in preparing meals is a great way to get them eating more fruit and veg. Kids are more likely to eat something they've helped create!

To inspire budding chefs, let your children help you shop for fruit and veg and then add the produce to meals. You can even plant some herbs or veg at home for go-to ingredients.

For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit



VACATION CARE

HunterSports Centre

COME & JOIN US THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS, WE WILL HAVE YOU REACHING NEW HEIGHTS PARTICIPATING IN PROGRAMS SUCH

AS:

- Gymnastics Trampoline Athletics
- Team Challenges
- Tabloids Art/Craft Bushwalking Drama
- Science

Vacation Care is available from Monday 26 September—Friday 7 October

Closed Friday 30 September due to major event and Monday 3 October due to Public Holiday

7.30 am—6.00 pm Meals included

The Hunter Sports Centre also runs
Gymnastics Holiday Programs & Skills Clinics
For further information visit our website

The Hunter Sports Centre has achieved a Meeting National Quality Standards rating under the National Quality Framework.



HunterSports Centre

BOOKINGS FOR ALL PROGRAMS ESSENTIAL

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Education

**WARATAH PUBLIC SCHOOL
CROSSFIT TERM 4**

Sports Program :	Crossfit TERM 4
Venue:	Waratah Public School
Date(s):	Beginning Friday 14 October 2016 for whole of Term 4
Classes involved:	Years 3 - 6
Cost of program is:	\$50.00 per Term Payable by Friday 14 October 2016 NO REFUNDS
The group will be supervised by:	Class Teachers
Additional Information:	This sports program will commence Friday 14 October and continue weekly until end of term.

Trish Bowen
Principal

Medical Disclaimer
Parents please note there is no personal injury insurance cover provided by the NSW Department of Education and Training for students in relation to school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school activity. Parents and caregivers are advised to assess the level and extent of their child's involvement in the sport program offered by the school, zone, area, and state school sport associations when deciding whether additional cover, above that provided by Medicare, is required.
The NSW Supplementary Sporting Injuries Benefits Scheme, funded by the NSW Government, covers any injury resulting in the permanent loss of a prescribed body part or the use of some prescribed part of the body.

**Waratah Public School
Crossfit TERM 4
Please return to the office NO LATER than Friday 14 October 2016**

I give permission for my child _____ of class _____ to participate in the Crossfit program.

☐ I have enclosed payment of \$50.00.
☐ Payment made online Receipt Number _____

I understand that no refunds will be issued if my child does not attend.

Signed: _____ Parent Name: _____
(Parent / Caregiver)

Date: _____

**WARATAH PUBLIC SCHOOL
SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME - MONDAY 7/11/16 - FRIDAY 18/11/16**

Dear Parent

September 2016

Arrangements have been made to include a learn-to-swim program in our school curriculum.

The Department of Education & Training Special Swimming Scheme is an intensive learn to swim program, which develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. The scheme is conducted over 10 days. Each daily lesson is 45 minutes.

Students who have not reached a satisfactory standard of water safety and survival skills, and are unable to swim 25 m confidently unaided in deep water, are eligible to participate in the School Swimming Scheme. The scheme focuses on weak swimmers in Years 2 to 6.

Instruction will take place at Lambton Pool. The scheme will continue daily for two weeks from MONDAY 7 NOVEMBER to FRIDAY 18 NOVEMBER. There will be no charge for instruction. Total cost for the 10 day scheme is \$80.00 per child which covers the cost of bus transport to and from the pool and entry into the pool. The bus will leave school each day at 1.45 pm and return at approximately 3.00pm. (Unfortunately the lesson does not finish until 2.45 pm so arrival back at school will depend on traffic conditions on the day.)

Each child should wear school uniform and bring a swimming costume, a towel, T-shirt or rash shirt, water resistant SPF30+ sun block, a hat and warm clothing on a cool day.

Students will be assessed during the School Swimming Scheme for all water safety skills without wearing goggles.

If your child is eligible for the Scheme, please complete and sign the form below and return to the office together with full payment of \$80.00 NO LATER THAN MONDAY 31 OCTOBER.

There will be NO REFUNDS if you child does not attend ALL sessions.

Yours sincerely

Emily Palmer
Co-ordinator

Trish Bowen
Principal

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SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME CONSENT FORM

Please return to office NO LATER THAN MONDAY 31 OCTOBER 2016

I hereby consent to the attendance of my child _____ of class _____ at the School Swimming Scheme classes to be held at Lambton Pool from Monday 7/11/16 to Friday 18/11/16. Travel will be by bus. Total cost for the 10 day program is \$80.00.

☐ I enclose payment of \$80.00.

☐ Payment made online Receipt Number _____

I understand there will be NO REFUNDS if my child does not attend ALL sessions.

In the event of injury or illness, I also authorise (on my behalf) the seeking of such medical assistance on my behalf that my child may require. Special needs of my child of which you should be aware (eg allergies, sensory impairment, etc): _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Parent/Guardian)

Privacy Notice
The personal information provided on this permission note, will be used by the Department of Education and Training for general administration and communication and other matters of welfare relating to your child at this event. While the provision of this information is voluntary, it is strongly recommended that all details are completed. Failure to do so, may impede the resolution of welfare issues should you not be able to be contacted. This information will be stored securely.
Please be aware that the media exposure at this event may result in your child's name, school details and/or photograph appearing in a Newspaper, on Television or on the School Sport Unit Website www.schoolsportunit.nsw.edu.au

IDENTIFYING FACILITY OFFICE OF THE SWIMMING SCHEME PERMISSION NOTE.DOC