



## ANZAC Observance 2017



THE SPIRIT  
LIVES  
2014 - 2018

We will be holding a formal ANZAC commemorative ceremony in our Hall this Friday April 28 at 2.00 pm. Each student will be making and placing a single flower on our memorial. Parents and community representative are encouraged to attend the service which will be run by our school leaders and include official guests, wreath laying, readings and a special ANZAC song prepared by the students.

### NO Whole School Assembly—Friday 28 April

#### Welcome Back

It is always such a pleasure seeing our students return from holidays healthy, happy and keen to return. We look forward to another exciting and happy term of learning.

#### Kindergarten Enrolments 2018

Our books are now open for our 2018 Kindergarten enrolments. Please contact the lovely ladies in the school office to secure your child's placement in Kindergarten for 2018.

#### Learning at the Wetlands

The staff enjoyed the peaceful environment at the Wetlands on Monday as they participated in a variety of professional learning and development activities aimed at making our great school even greater.

#### Save the Date:

Waratah Public School will be celebrating **NAIDOC Day** on Thursday 29 June 2017. Please mark in your diaries as its sure to be a great day.

Amy Deer

Naidoc Coordinator



#### Stage 3 Camp

Places have been filled for the Stage 3 camp. It is now closed.

### DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 1 + 2 2017

Friday 28 April	NO WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Friday 28 April	Anzac Ceremony 2.00 pm
Thursday 4 May Wednesday 31 May	Athletics Carnival Back up date
Tuesday 9, Wednesday 10, Thursday 11 May	NAPLAN
Wednesday 10 May	Mothers Day stall K—6 and Preschool
Thursday 11 May	Mothers Day Stall Preschool, second gifts and Laybys

#### Stewart House Donation Drive 2017

Your donation supports the children from public schools who attend Stewart House each year. Please return your donation in the envelope that has come home today with the bulletin by Wednesday 17 May. By donating you will go in the draw to win a \$4000 holiday to a destination of your choice.

Thank you in advance

## Athletics Carnival

Our athletics carnival will be held on Thursday 4 May (Wednesday 31 May backup date).

**Permission notes must be returned no later than Friday 28 April.** All teachers will be at the athletics carnival. Children K—2 will participate in activities including running races, egg and spoon races, relays and the parachute. Children 8 years and older will participate in shot put, long jump, ages races, relays and various ball games. Children 8 years and older will also have the opportunity to run in the 800m and 200m races.

We will require parent helpers throughout the day and would greatly appreciate your help. You are not required to put your name down, please just offer your assistance on the day e.g. if your child is participating in long jump you could assist by offering to rake the sand or measure jumps, while your child is at shot put you can help by returning the shot put to the next person waiting for their turn etc.

If you are taking your child/children home from the carnival you must see their class teacher and sign each student out on a class roll.

Student reminders:

- Students 8 years and above leave school at 9.00 am
- Students K—2 (who are not 8 years old this year) leave school at 9:30 am
- Broad brim school hat and sunscreen
- Wear sports house coloured t-shirt/ clothes—Platt (red) Matthews (blue) Turton (yellow) Parkes (green)
- Bring lunch, recess and plenty to drink (canteen facilities will be available- pies, sausages rolls, drinks and a variety of sweet treats will be available)
- A towel to sit on in case the ground is wet

We're looking forward to another fantastic athletics carnival at Waratah Public School.

Mrs Batcheldor and Mrs Folpp

## CANTEEN ROSTER

Thursday	27 April	K Weston
Friday	28 April	J Kennett M Keegan
Monday	1 May	M Sneddon
Tuesday	2 May	V Buchanan S Rimmelzwaan
Wednesday	3 May	J Beveridge

## Hunter Sports High School - Year 7 2018

Hunter Sports High School will offer 13 sports in 2018. Dates, times and venues for the upcoming Talented Sports Program trials are now set.

If your Year 6 child is interested in applying for a position at Hunter Sports High School in 2018, the information is now available on their website: [www.huntersports.com.au](http://www.huntersports.com.au)

Enquiries please phone Director of Sport, James Pascoe on 4943 5755.

Applications close on 28 April 2017.

Limited information available at WPS Office.

## The application process for Year 5 Opportunity Class placement in 2018 is about to begin.

An expression of interest note was sent home with each Year 4 child last term.

**This opportunity class is not at Waratah Public School.**

Important dates are as follows:

**Wednesday 26 April 2017:** Online applications open:

Parents will be able to access the online application at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

**Friday 12 May 2017:** Online applications close

**Wednesday 26 July 2017:** Opportunity Class Placement Test.

For more information, see the office.

## Mother's Day Raffle Prize &



## Stall Donations

The P&C Fundraising Team are seeking suitable **Mother's Day raffle prizes or people to help source prize donations** as well as

**Mother's Day Stall gift donations**

Please leave your contact details in the P&C box or contact Rebecca S - 0431 722067 or Richelle - 0419210273.

Many Thanks!

**Stall Dates: Term 2 WK 3 – Wednesday 10 May (K-6 & preschool) & Thursday 11 May (preschool, second gifts & laybys).**

**Volunteers** – we always need help with the Mother's Day preparations especially with sourcing raffle prizes, ticketing, stall setup & pack up, selling and wrapping gifts on either day or both. Any help would be greatly appreciated! Please leave your contact details in the P&C box or contact Rebecca - 0431 722067 or Richelle - 0419210273.



**Waratah Public School  
Athletics Carnival  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

Lambton Road (PO Box 306)  
Waratah 2298  
Phone 49682221, 49601836,  
49681467  
Fax: 49681986

Dear Parent / Guardian

The school Athletics Carnival has been organised for WPS students. Information is as follows:

Venue:	Federal Park Wallsend
Date(s):	Thursday 4 May 2017 /Backup date Wednesday 31 May 2017
Classes involved:	Kindergarten - Year 2 (Year 2 students turning 8 in 2017 attend the Senior timetable at the carnival ie. 9.00 am till 2.45 pm)
Cost of carnival is:	<b>\$4.00 per student or Maximum \$10.00 per Family</b> Payable to: School Office by: Friday 28 April 2017 <b>CASH PAYMENT ONLY PLEASE / NO REFUNDS</b>
Carnival commences at:	approximately 10.00 am
Buses return to school by:	approximately 12.30 pm
Travel will be by:	Bus
	<i>Children <u>must</u> bring water, <u>hat and sunscreen</u>, lunch &amp; recess. Students must wear suitable footwear for running, sport uniform or house colours.</i>
Additional information:	<u>A canteen will be operating on the day. Limited menu items available for purchase will be outlined in a note sent home prior to event.</u>  <i>If you wish to take your child home with you, you <u>must sign</u> them out on <u>the class roll</u>. If your child will leave with another parent you must <u>supply a note</u> indicating this arrangement.</i>  Backup date has been rescheduled to allow for possibility of bad weather.

**PLEASE NOTE: If your child does not return their permission slip and payment we will assume they are not attending the carnival and that they will be attending school on the day.**

Melissa Folpp  
Teacher in Charge

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 faculty or the use of some prescribed part of the body.

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**Waratah Public School  
K – 2 Athletics Carnival**

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the Athletics Carnival at Federal Park Wallsend on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May /Backup date Wednesday 31 May 2017.

I understand transport is by bus. I enclose \$4.00 per student / \$ 10 .00 family payment

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

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

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Buses return to school by:	approximately 2.30 pm
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3 - 6 Athletics Carnival**

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Wednesday 31 May 2017.

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

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

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