



BILLBOARD

8 November 2018

Diary Dates

2018 - Term 4

November

Mon 12 – Mon 19	Life Education
Mon 12 – Fri 23	Year 2 Swimming Scheme
Tues 13	P&C Meeting 7pm All welcome
Wed 14	P&C Movie Night
Thurs 15	Kindy 2019 Transition to School No. 2
Thurs 22	Kindy 2019 Transition to School No. 3
Fri 30	Drama K-2 9.30am 3-6 2.00pm

December

Tues 6	P&C Meeting 7pm All welcome
Wed 5	Kindy Presentation 2.30pm Band Solo Night
Wed 12	Helpers Morning Tea
Thurs 13	Presentation Day Yrs 1-3 9.30am Yrs 4-6 11.40am
Mon 17	Yr 6 Graduation and Farewell
Wed 19	Last day term 4 for students

2019 - Term 1

January

Tues 29	Pupil Free Day
Wed 30	Years 1- 6 return Swimming Carnival

February

Mon 4	Kindy's Start
Tues 5	Text Book Sale

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

Bandanna Day

Was a great success and hosted by our SRC to support children with cancer and the charity CanTeen. Thank you to everyone who took part. The day was very well supported raising a total of \$1337. This money goes toward supporting young people and families who are coping with a family member's cancer or their own. Thank you to Mrs Smith and the SRC for organising this initiative.

World Teacher's Day

Thank you to the P & C for their lovely gifts, which were presented to teachers in assemblies. It is a great privilege to teach your children, but we certainly do appreciate the lovely gesture of recognising our teaching staff who not only support the classroom programs but so much more to make Wakehurst Public School such a successful and vibrant community.

Presentation Day Assemblies

On Thursday 13 December we will be holding our Presentation Day Assemblies in the school hall. Our assemblies will celebrate student achievements and we will also entertain the audience with musical and band performances. Remember to save the dates!

Years 1-3 – 9:30 am – Thursday 13 December

Years 4-6 – 11:40 am – Thursday 13 December

Kindergarten – 2:30 pm – Wednesday 5 December

Working Bee

Thank you to the parents and students who came along to the school and assist with our recent weekend Working Bee. The main focus for the day was building a new planter box near the hall. We look forward to planting and beautifying this area in the near future.

Kindergarten 2019

Today we were very excited to welcome our Kindergarten 2019 students for their first transition day. Students and parents were entertained by dances from the current Kindergarten classes as well as a uniform fashion parade led by some of our Year 5 students. The new Kindy students were then able to enjoy some time in the classroom while their parents learnt more about our school programs and the Best Start Program. There are two further transition days scheduled for Thursday 15 and 22 November at 9:30am. Below are some of the new students we will be welcoming to Wakehurst in 2019.



Positive Behaviour for Learning

This week we are focusing on reinforcing our Playground expectations which have been reproduced below for your reference.

	<h2>Playground</h2>	
<h3>Respect</h3>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Follow teacher instructions• Play fairly and take turns• Be kind, considerate and cooperative	
<h3>Responsibility</h3>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use playground spaces correctly• Wear your hat• Put your rubbish in the bin	
<h3>Personal Best</h3>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Include others• Be a good sport• Make good choices	

Kind regards

Caroline Desmond
Principal

It has certainly been a busy fortnight, with one of the highlights being our Year 6 Fete!

Year 6 Fete Success

Our Year 6 students (their families!) and teachers put on an amazing fete last week. There were so many activities and treats to choose from last week, students did not know where to start. Thank you to all of the students, families and teachers involved for their work with preparing for this great day. The students raised over \$3300 on the day, which is an amazing effort. All monies will be put towards their gift to the school, which will be revealed later in the term. Thank you Year 6!



PSSA Round Changes

We have some updated round changes for our PSSA competition to include the washed out round from earlier in the term. All details regarding playing venues can be found on our Skoolbag App and school website in the events section. We do require assistance in transporting the kits each week to our home and away venues. If you are able to assist us in any way, please let one of the PSSA coaches know. Students are reminded that they are expected to be at their weekly team trainings and if for any reason they are unable to attend, they need to let their coaches know.

2019 Swimming Carnival

Our 2019 Swimming Carnival is being held on the afternoon of Wednesday 30 January. As this is the first day back at school for our students all of our planning will need to be finalised this year. Entry forms for students who are turning 8 years and older in 2019 have been issued this week. They need to be returned to the box in the school office no later than December 7. Student permission notes and requests for parent helpers will also be coming out prior to the end of the school year. If you have any questions regarding this event, please see Ms Fox or your class teacher.

Trish Fox – Assistant Principal

Years K-2 News

Kindergarten had a wonderful day at the Taronga Zoo last Friday. Despite the heat, they were able to enjoy all that our amazing zoo offers! Thank you Mrs Jeffress for coordinating, Mrs Smith and Mrs Ducker and all parents who were able to help.



Year 2 is looking forward to Swimming Scheme beginning next week. Please check you know all the details about what to wear and pack. We look forward to hearing about every child's individual swim safety and development goals.



Jane Packman - Assistant Principal

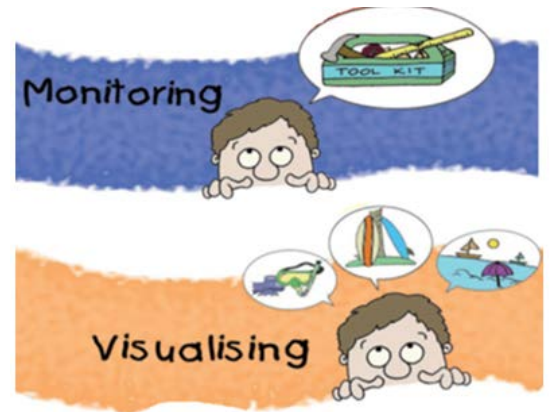
Violin



We have a free violin kindly donated by a past parent that the band does not need. Anyone interested please come to the office.

Focus on Reading

In class and in library lessons students are being taught the 'Super Six'-comprehension strategies. This term we have been looking at 'Visualising' and 'Monitoring'. This encourages students to think deeply about what they are reading to help improve their own comprehension and enjoyment of texts.



Overdue Library Books

As the year comes to an end it is important that students return all their overdue books to the library. Overdue book slips will be handed out to students. Please contact me if you have any queries about your child's loans.



Book Club

The Issue 7 Book Club arrived and has been distributed to classrooms. Thank you for your support.

Catherine Lindsay - Teacher Librarian

School Leaders Visit to NSW Parliament House



Last week we went in to visit Parliament House and participate in a leader's afternoon with our local member, Mr Jonathan O'Dea.

When we arrived we had to go through security to get in. As we were a bit early, we looked at all of the artworks on display. Our meeting started in the library, where we got to go up 3 levels and look at all of the books and records of parliament.

We then met Mr O'Dea, the member for Davidson, who spoke to us about his role. We then went with him to tour the two houses of parliament. First we went into the Legislative Assembly (which is green) and learnt all about that. This is where they write up the laws. Thomas enjoyed taking on the role as Speaker of the House.

After that we went into the Legislative Council (which is red) where they finalise the laws. We learnt about the black rod and the mace and what they are used for.

After we finished the tour we had afternoon tea and a final presentation, and then we headed back to school. It was lots of fun.

Hailey and Annabelle



Printed brochures

Final orders are now being taken for printed school student travel brochures.

From 2019 students, schools and operators will be directed to digital versions of brochures. These are available online through the links provided below.

- School Opal card brochure:
https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/assets/documents/OPAL022_3-New_School_Digital-WCAG.PDF
- Rural and regional school travel:
https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/assets/documents/OPAL022_2-Rural%20and%20Regional-Digital-WCAG.pdf

To receive printed stock, please email ticketing and concessions at student@transport.nsw.gov.au with the school/company name, address and number of brochures required.

Please discard any old brochures you may have which refer to the old paper application forms.

As with online applications, we would appreciate if you could direct parents and students to the school student transport site for forms and information regarding the scheme at <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts>

To find out more about SSTS, customers can go to apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts