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**Term 4 Week 3
Newsletter
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Upcoming Events

Friday 31 October

- Year 4 Big Banana Excursion
- World Teachers Day!

Tuesday 4 November

- Boys Leadership speeches

Wednesday 5 November

- Girls Leadership speeches

Thursday 6 November

- P&C Colour Rush

Friday 7 November

- Year 3 Beach Excursion

Tuesday 11 November

- Remembrance Day

Thursday 13 November

- P&C Meeting - 6:30pm

Wednesday 19 November

- Multi Sports - Supported Learning

Thursday 20 November

- Final Leadership speeches

Monday 24 November - Friday 5 December

- Swimming Scheme

Monday 24 November

- Art Group Excursion

Tuesday 25 November

- House Captains Election

Wednesday 26 November

- Kindergarten Silent Disco

Thursday 27 November

- Kindergarten Orientation

Friday 28 November

- Kindergarten Orientation
- Year 6 Cool for school fundraiser

Tuesday 2 December

- State Year 6 Orientation



State Athletics

Congratulations Poppy M, Amaya D and Aspen C. who competed at the NSW PSSA State Athletics carnival last Friday at Olympic Park in Homebush. These wonderful athletes competed with outstanding sportsmanship in 40 degree heat, taking home some PBs and some fantastic memories!

Obstacle Colour Rush

This exciting event is on Thursday 6 November. It will be great fun for the students and staff. The funds raised will go into paying for the air conditioners that have been installed in the hall. I know the grandparents loved the air conditioning last week. The funds raised will also go to future projects including a new multipurpose court. Once again,

several staff members have been chosen by the students to be slimed at various stages of this fundraiser! I know the children will love doing and seeing that! Keep an eye on Facebook for updates. There is a nasty rumour going around that the highest student fundraiser will get to slime yours truly. After last years' experience I can hardly wait. Please remember to think about securing a white shirt and plastic bag for the day. These can be brought in labelled prior to the day.

It's going to be massive!

Friendly Reminder...
**School supervision
begins at
8:30AM**



PLEASE AVOID DROPPING YOUR CHILD AT SCHOOL PRIOR TO 8:30AM



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Swimming Scheme

This opportunity is for students in Years 2 and 3.

Being able to swim is a lifesaving skill for any child to have. I encourage all parents to have their children taught how to swim. I strongly encourage parents to access extra swimming lessons for your children. I have noticed a dramatic decrease in the number of students who can swim over the past 12 years. Huge thank you to the Lions Club who are paying almost half of the cost of this program for each participating student.

Year 4 are off to the Big Banana!

The Y4 Big Banana excursion is tomorrow! Please ensure your child has plenty of water in a refillable bottle along with hat, sunscreen etc.

2026 School Leadership

Our student leadership election process is under way. Good luck to all our nominees who will be presenting speeches next week. The very important first set of speeches are on next Tuesday for the boys and Wednesday for the girls.

World Teachers Day

Tomorrow is world Teachers Day. I hope all our fantastic WPS teachers have a great day. We had a nice morning tea today to celebrate them.

Halloween

For those families who are taking part in Halloween activities tomorrow evening. Please be very aware of stranger danger and know whose houses your children may be visiting. Hopefully, you are going with them to ensure their safety. I'm glad you have them at home for two days for the sugar hit to be out of their system.

Year 3 Board Short Fundraiser

The students loved the freedom of wearing their board shorts. Thank you everyone for your donations and support. The Lifeguards will be very appreciative. The students in Years 2 and 4 loved learning about beach safety, in and out of the water. Next Friday Year 3 will go on their beach excursion and learn first hand about beach safety.

Social Media Usage and Accounts



From 10 December, social media accounts will only be accessible for those 16 years and over. If you currently have a child on Snapchat, TikTok etc perhaps now is the time to start shutting off these accounts. We have reports of many instances of problems occurring on these platforms between students despite the current legal age for account holders being 13+. We have seen first-hand the reasons why the legal age has been raised. Unfortunately, we have spent many hours attempting to resolve issues that have occurred between students while engaging with others on these platforms out of school hours.

2026 Class Formations and Enrichment Class formation

I invite parents to submit any special requests regarding their child's class placement for 2026 in writing addressed to myself (not the class teacher) before

the end of Week 5, 14 November 2026. These requests should be about student relationships both positive and negative. All requests will be taken into consideration when forming classes. However, there are no guarantees. Staff will be putting a lot of effort and time into ensuring that all classes are as balanced as possible taking into consideration factors such as academic levels, social development, relationships, behaviour, and male/female. Please note, it is not appropriate to request individual teachers. The Enrichment Class process will be underway shortly. This is a Year 5/6 class comprising students who are motivated, highly engaged students demonstrating strong capability in one or more learning areas. Students currently in Year 4 and 5 will have an email sent home outlining this process and Mrs Buczko will coordinate the assessment of nominated students and the formation of the class.

Students will be selected for the class on the basis of:

- exhibiting superior skills in Key Learning Areas, particularly Literacy and Numeracy
- teacher recommendation based on student performance
- current achievement aligned to stage outcomes
- achievement levels in NAPLAN, Check-In and PAT testing
- results from standardised aptitude testing

Consistent attendance will also be considered when forming the class. Any questions about this process can be directed to Mrs Buczko.

Cameron Osborne
Principal

Stage 3 Police Visit – Keeping our kids safe



Senior Constable Steve Jeffery delivered a highly informative session to our Year 5 and 6 students on Tuesday. He covered a broad range of topics, including safety and behaviour when out and about and also online. He was impressed with how attentive all students were, and the intelligent questions they asked. Steve's big tips were:

a) Tech devices stay in the shared spaces in the house, not in bedrooms. The majority of issues he manages occur when children are given a phone/tablet and left to do what they want, without any supervision or guidance
AND

b) If you don't know someone offline, don't interact with them online. The average age of online gamers is 33 years old. This single statistic gives us as parents and educators a lot to think about.

The Office of the eSafety Commission has brilliant resources for parents, and another online resource aimed at empowering parents to keep kids safe online that Steve recommended is [ThinkUKnow](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/).

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Teacher Sliming round one



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COLOUR RUSH

Thursday 6 November 2025

SCAN THE CODE TO ENTER OR VISIT:
[HTTPS://WWW.MYCAUSE.COM.AU/EVENTS/](https://www.mycause.com.au/events/wpsspccolourrush2025)
[WPSPCCOLOURRUSH2025](https://www.mycause.com.au/events/wpsspccolourrush2025)



HOW TO FIND YOUR CHILD / STUDENT

STEP 1 - Use the search function by entering name or class then select
 STEP 2 - Click the donate button
 STEP 3 - Enter your details and donation amount
 STEP 4 - Share the page to family and friends to support this event and your child to win prizes!

Spread the word! Share our campaign!
 Over 50 prizes to be won!!
 TEACHER SLIMING TARGETS - who would you slime?
 Keep an eye out for draw times and more!
 contact us via: wauchopepspandc@gmail.com

Our amazing event sponsors:





COLOUR RUSH

PRIZES

HIGHEST OVERALL WINNER = Graham Seers Cyclery Bike Valued up to \$829! AND Sliming Mr Osborne!

HIGHEST K-2, 3-6 AND SUPPORTED LEARNING

1ST
\$400 Gift Voucher

2ND
\$200 Gift Voucher

3RD
LEGO Kit + \$50 Toyworld Voucher (Valued at \$100)

HIGHEST CLASS = Pizza Party (Donated by Domino's)

HIGHEST STUDENT IN EACH CLASS
Lego (Donated by Deadly Science)

LUCKY DOOR PRIZES
 Sponsored by Wauchope Dental
 Over 50 prizes to be won!!
 Every \$10 you raise gets an entry into the lucky draw.

Billabong 200 Family Pass
 2 x \$100 Bunnings Vouchers
 4 x \$25 Kmart Vouchers
 Variety Prize Packs & More!

EVERY CHILD WHO RAISES \$10 OR MORE...
 Will receive a lucky door entry, a pair of coloured UV rated sunglasses, wristband, PLUS a Zooper Dooper!

Each student can only win one prize in the Highest Fundraiser Category.
 The student who wins Highest Overall Winner cannot win Highest K-2, 3-6 or SL.
 Highest K-2, 3-6 or SL cannot win highest in class etc.
 But EVERY \$10 will receive an entry in the LUCKY Door Prizes!!

Colour Rush 2025

Which Executive would you slime?



Mrs Buczek Mrs Puchert Mrs Rack
 Mr Grech Mrs Darcy Mrs Pepperell
 Mr Beard

P&C News

Grandparents Day Morning Tea – Thank You!

The Wauchope Public School P&C would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the incredible school community and volunteers who helped make our Grandparents Day morning tea such a special occasion.

Special thanks to our Volunteers, Mandy, Josh, Bev (all the way from Sydney!), Felicity, Jess, Barbie, Sue, and Tina; our WOOSH friends Verity and Sol; our amazing Canteen Manager Ruth; Heather, Sue, Chloe, Jack, and Kaela; our celebrity chefs Mr Osborne, Jens, and Mark; and the WPS students who helped with setup and pack-down.

Events like these remind us of the strength of our school community and the generosity that underpins it. Without volunteers, these events simply wouldn't happen, thank you for making it possible and consider volunteering with the P&C!

Happy Teachers' Day – Friday 31 October

On behalf of the Wauchope Public School P&C Association, we extend our heartfelt thanks to the incredible teachers who inspire, support, and empower our children every day.

Your dedication, creativity, and care make a lasting impact, not just in the classroom, but in the lives of every student you teach. Whether you're guiding learning, nurturing wellbeing, or creating unforgettable experiences, your work is deeply valued and appreciated by us all!

Upcoming P&C events

Colour Run 2025

Thursday 6 November -The Colour Rush 2025 is almost here, get excited! Who will win the Graham Seers Bike and slime Mr Osborne? Loads of prizes to be won! Share the link with family and friends: <https://www.mycause.com.au/events/wpsspccolourrush2025>

Keep an eye out for Teacher sliming targets! Funds raised go towards funding the installation of the School hall's air-conditioning!

P&C General Meeting

Thursday 13 November 6:30pm in the Staff room or email us via wauchopepspandc@gmail.com for the zoom link! Come join us!