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Term 4 Week 4 Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

Thursday 6 November

• P&C Colour Rush

Friday 7 November

- Year 3 Beach Excursion
- School Counsellor Recognition Day

Tuesday 11 November

• Remembrance Day

Wednesday 12 November

Enrichment class testing

Thursday 13 November

- League Tag Gala Day
- 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 9:30am - 10:30am

Friday 28 November

- Kindergarten Orientation 9:30am 10:30am
- Year 6 Cool for School fundraiser

Tuesday 2 December

• State wide Year 6 Orientation





Student Leadership Speeches

Congratulations to the 22 students who were nominated for the eight prestigious positions on our 2026 student leadership team. I'm very proud of you. Good luck to the students who make it to the next step in the voting process (usually 16 students). I think you are all wonderful for being nominated and for taking the risk. Taking risks in life comes

with the chance of success but also the chance of missing out. The same goes for trying out for PSSA sporting teams and dance groups. However, these experiences are very important in a child's development for the future. As adults we all know what it feels like missing out on a job application. Well done:

Boys – Marty G, Ihaia PT, Hudson S, Jukka J, Hunter W, Aiden J, Jai S and Harison R.



2026 Class Formations

I invite parents to submit in writing 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 2025. 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 consideration into factors such as academic levels, social development, relationships, behaviour, and male/female. Please note it is not appropriate to request individual teachers.

Remembrance Day

As a school we will hold a short ceremony on Tuesday 11 November to acknowledge Remembrance Day. Thank you, Mrs Smithwick, for coordinating this recognition of an important moment in our country's history.

Swimming Scheme

This fantastic opportunity is open to students in Years 2 and 3. A huge shout out to the Wauchope Lions Club who are subsidising all Year 2 and Year 3 students who attend this year. That is huge! If your child is not an efficient swimmer, please do permission and payment on School Bytes. It is extremely complicated developing this timetable with students and staff split into three groups throughout the day. We must know names/ numbers at least one week prior to the start of swimming scheme. The cut off is Friday 14 November.

Girls – Andie P, Amy L, Jayana B, Elizabeth B, Ella T, Felicity H, Leila T, Billie E, Poppie A, Harper H, Claire S, Isla L, Evie S and Harmony N.

Student Safety around Roads

You would have heard about the five-year-old girl being hit and killed by a parent driving a car at pick up time at a school in Sydney. This was a devastating incident that reminds us how quickly something so awful can happen. Please abide by all parking signs and road rules around our school for the safety of our children.

School Counsellor Recognition Day

This day is on Friday 7 November. We are lucky to have two skilled Counsellors sharing a role at our school. They do an outstanding job working with limited time and resources with our students and staff. On behalf of everyone involved with WPS I say thank you Mrs Shona Ballard and Mrs Amee Cooper. We greatly appreciate their expertise and dedication to our school.

P&C Obstacle Colour Rush

Today is the big day! Thank you to all our sponsors and to our entire community for your fundraising. A huge thank you to Mrs Beach and Mrs Smithwick who have worked very hard with the P&C particularly Mandy and Kerry to make this fun for the kids but also a great success. Mandy is the slime master. I would like to acknowledge the WPS staff members who have volunteered to be slimed. A few of them still have green tinges in their hair.

Aboriginal Education Officer (AEO)

I'm excited to announce that Misty Donovan has been

successful through the merit selection process for the AEO position. Misty has had a long association with Wauchope PS with five of her own children having attended our school. I know she will be a wonderful addition to the WPS team in 2026.

Year 3 Beach Excursion

Year 3 are off to the beach tomorrow to learn all about safety in and around our beaches. It should be another fun day for WPS. Thank you, Mrs Daly, for coordinating.

Big Banana Excursion

Year 4 had an amazing day last week in Coffs Harbour. Thank you, Mr Nicholson for organising such a smooth and enjoyable experience for the students.

Semester 2 Reports and Presentation Day

Just a little reminder that the teachers are currently writing student reports and making decisions on nominations for the major Presentation Days at the end of the year. Parents may like to alert their child/ren to this fact and remind them to try their best at all times, never give up, follow our simple school expectations and be kind to each other.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be in the staff room on Thursday 13 November commencing at 6:30pm.

Social Media Age Restrictions

Please click on link to access a huge amount of information to support students and parents with social media restrictions.

Social media age restrictions hub | eSafety Commissioner

Cameron Osborne Principal

Executive Sliming













Year 4 Big Banana Excursion













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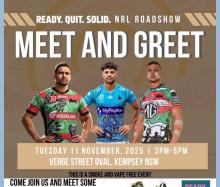




Lions Club Donation

Wauchope Public would like to sincerely thank the Wauchope Lions Club for their generous co-payment of \$25 per student towards the Years 2 and 3 Intensive Swimming Program. This contribution helps our students learn a valuable "lesson for life" - essential water safety and swimming skills. The Lions Club plays a vital role in supporting our local community and encourages parents to consider joining this wonderful organisation. Membership is open everyone, with opportunities to serve the community or assist with fundraising.





DEADLY NRL STARS, COMMUNITY BBQ

P&C News

2025 Colour Rush -

What an incredible few weeks it's been!

A heartfelt thank you to our wonderful school community for supporting this event. Your generosity has helped us fund air-conditioning for the school hall - a lasting improvement we'll all enjoy for years to come.

A super slimy thank you to Mrs Beach and Mrs Smithwick - the brilliant minds and passionate hearts behind this unforgettable event. The extra time, energy, and creativity you poured into every detail has not gone unnoticed. We are so grateful.

To our brave teachers who enthusiastically volunteered to be slimed: Mr Latimer, Mr Geary, Mr Reichelt, Mrs Beach, and Mrs Burgess. To our fearless Executive team: Mrs Buczko, Mr Beard, Mrs Rock, Mr Grech, Mrs Darcy, and Mrs Pepperell. And of course, our super celebrity slimee, Mr Hurrell - thank you all. The students' joy and laughter during the slimings were absolutely priceless!

And to Mr Osborne, our treasured Principal - you rocked first prize sliming!

Well done to our slimers: Lena B, Cooper H, Oakley B, Rheagan C, Paxton M, Navarna S, Aspen C, Cooper H, Keegan C, Malakai, Taynarlah, Hazek B, Lawson, Beau H, and Ahren M - you were sensational!

Also, a huge slimy thank you to our generous event sponsors: Graham Seers Cyclery, Wauchope Dental, Deadly Science, Wauchope Domino's, and our 2025 WPS P&C Gold Sponsor - Sundial Dental, for gentle dental care.

Events like this don't happen without the dedication of our incredible school connections and our P&C volunteers. Your efforts make a real difference, helping us raise vital funds for the resources our school and students deserve. If you'd like to be part of the fun, join the P&C and help bring events like this to life.

Major prize winners will be announced in next week's newsletter — stay tuned.

Upcoming P&C events

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!