



# Wauchope Public School

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**Term 4 Week 6  
Newsletter**

**Thursday  
20 November 2025**

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## Upcoming Events

### 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
- Book Club due date

### Tuesday 2 December

- State wide Year 6 Orientation

### Wednesday 3 December

- Kindergarten Twilight Evening  
5:00pm

### Thursday 4 December

- Gold Reward Barbecue

### Thursday 11 December

- K-2 Presentation Day 9:30am
- 3-4 Presentation Day 12:00pm
- P&C Meeting 6:00pm

### Friday 12 December

- Kindergarten Pool Party
- 5-6 Presentation Day 9:30am

### Monday 15 December

- Year 6 Graduation Assembly  
9:30am
- Year 1 Pool Party
- Year 6 Barbecue 12:30pm
- Year 6 Farewell 5:45pm



**Final Leadership Speeches**

## Social Media

I'm sure everyone has seen or heard in the media the concerns and debate re social media and the damage it's causing young people. It's important for parents to take a moment to reflect on the impact that social media can have on our children's well-being. While these platforms can offer opportunities for connection and creativity, they can also expose our children to risks, including online bullying and inappropriate content.

We encourage you to engage in open conversations with your children about their social media use. Here are a few suggestions to help keep them safe:

If they are not legally old enough to be on a social media platform

then don't let them on it. Delete the App. Why take the risk?

**Set Boundaries:** Establish clear rules about when and how long your child can use social media. Consider designating 'tech-free' times, such as during family meals or before bedtime.

**Educate about Privacy:** Talk to your children about the importance of protecting their personal information online. Ensure they understand the risks of sharing too much and encourage them to keep their profiles private.

**Recognise the Signs of Bullying:** Be vigilant for signs that your child may be experiencing or witnessing online bullying. Encourage them to speak up if they see or experience anything



**Like us on Facebook**

## 2026 Kindergarten Orientations

All our new 2026 Kindergarten students are invited to attend big school next week between 9:30am and 10:30am on Thursday 27 and Friday 28 November.

Please mark in your calendars a fun night on Wednesday 3 December between 5:00pm and 6:15pm. The children will get to sing, dance and make some Christmas craft.

K-2 will have a Christmas concert on Tuesday 16 December. Our new Kindergarten families are welcome to attend to join us for a few carols.

## Year 6 Cool for School Day

This is a fun fundraiser Year 6 do where they organise fun games or challenges with small prizes. They are raising money for their Year 6 gift to the school. The cost is \$5 for three or \$10 for six activities. Purchases are made School Bytes. The day is on Friday 28 November.

## Presentation Days

Please see the dates and times below.

9:30am Thursday 11 December - Kindergarten, Year 1 and 2 awards

12:00pm Thursday 11 December Years 3 and 4 awards

9:30am Thursday 12 December Years 5 and 6 awards, and leadership announcement.

## Intensive Swimming

These lessons start next week. Please ensure your child has the correct gear i.e. towel, plastic bag etc. Thank you, Mrs Best and Mrs Puchert for this monumental piece of organisation. Very complicated.

hurtful. However, if they are not on it then it can't happen online.

**Promote Positive Online Behaviour:** Reinforce the importance of kindness and respect in all interactions - both online and offline. Encourage them to support their peers and report any negative behaviour they encounter.

**Lead by Example:** Model healthy social media habits. Show your child how to balance online interactions with face-to-face connections.

Together, we can foster a safer online environment for our children. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring their safety and well-being.

## Student Leadership Speeches

Sixteen talented boys and girls delivered their leadership speeches today. Students in Years 3, 4, 5 and staff then voted to produce our final eight student leaders that will include two school captains, two vice captains and four prefects.

It is a great honour to be a prefect at our school. Congratulations to all candidates for taking the risk or chance to put themselves forward for this role.

I'm sure successful candidates accept their achievement graciously and those who don't quite get the votes, also accept the decision well! This sort of empathy and resilience sets excellent leaders apart from the rest.

I will endeavour to send a letter home to each of the candidates' parents by Monday at the latest. The actual eight roles will be announced at the 5/6 Presentation Day on Friday 12 December.

## House Captains

Once we know who our eight student leaders are we will then have our House Captain election on Tuesday 25 November. Please note if a student is voted into one of the eight leadership roles, they are not eligible to participate in the House Captains election.

## Student Numbers for 2026

I am requesting that if you know your child won't be returning to school in the first few days (possibly an extended holiday or stay at the grandparents) to notify me in writing that your child/ren will be returning to Wauchope Public School (with date if known). This is so we can include them in our student numbers. These numbers are vitally important as once I have submitted them staffing confirm the allocation of teachers and office staff we will have for 2026. Sometimes one or two children can give us an extra class and teacher or alternatively we could lose a class/staff member.

It is also vitally important that you notify the school if your child won't be attending WPS in 2026 for the same reasons as above. Thank you in advance.

## Enrichment Classes

Recently students in Years 4 and 5 have undertaken a series of tests to assist us with decisions re placement in our Year 5/6 enrichment class. There were many students participating and as a result some children who have sat the tests have been unsuccessful. I would ask that you talk with your child about how competitive this process is, how clever they are just for getting to sit the test and that we always need to look at

**Stage 1 Awards - Week 5**

Class	Awardee
1KB	Charlie S, Aila C, Luca G
1LF	Harmony O, Isaiah R-Y, Riley H
1MH	William L, Beau F, Harry C, Kohen M
1/2MM	Gabriel L, Loki T, Noah P
2JB	Hunter H, Laylahni H, Bailey W
2JC	Cohen N, Johnny C
2KB	Matilda H, Chester B, Oscar C-A
K-6RW	Alana C, Tyler R
K-6RT	Austin R, Matthew S

the positives if we miss out on anything in life. For example, some students perform better in a mainstream class where they are at the top of the class, achieving success, feeling good about themselves compared to possibly just scraping into an enrichment class and not feeling that they are being successful.

**Art Group**

Good luck to the students in Mr Nicholson Art and Drama group for their excursion on Monday. I'd like to thank Mr Nicholson's

for running the fun Creative Arts groups after school each week.

**Multisport**

The students in Supported Learning had a great day of fun and sport yesterday.

**Silent Disco**

Next Wednesday Kindergarten will enjoy a silent disco. This is a free activity organised by Mrs Newell.

**Cameron Osborne**  
Principal

**YOU ARE INVITED TO**

**PS WAUCHOPE**

**K-2**

**Christmas Concert**

Wauchope Public School

*Please join us as we celebrate together through song and dance at our very special Christmas Concert !*

**TUESDAY 16 DEC AT 1:30PM**

**Wauchope Public School Hall**

*Students are invited to wear their brightest Christmas clothes to school for the day*

## Intensive Swimming Scheme - 2025



Our Intensive swimming program will commence on Monday 24 November 2025 and run for a period of ten days. The last day for swimming will be Friday 5 December 2025.

Please ensure your child comes to school prepared for the swimming scheme. Students will need a towel, a rash shirt and a suitable plastic bag to put wet swimmers and towel into after they change. They will need to wear their swimming costumes underneath their school uniform to school but will be expected to change out of their costume and back into their school uniform once they arrive back at school. Please ensure that student's names are marked on all items. Students will not be allowed to walk to the pool without footwear and a hat. There is no buying from the pool kiosk or borrowing of the pool's swimming goggles.

## Community News



Wauchope CWA  
Christmas Market Day

When : Saturday  
6<sup>th</sup> December 2025  
9am - 1pm

Where : inside the CWA Rooms  
High St, WAUCHOPE

Lots Stall holders including plants, craft, honey products, Avocados, cakes, sweets, glass ware, plus lots more.....  
Santa will be in attendance and you can have a photo taken...

Come along and start or finish your Christmas shopping.

CWA will be providing Devonshire teas all day, \$8. Tea / Coffee, Scone, Jam, Cream or buttered.

There will be a sausage sizzle on the day as well.

Plenty of parking at rear of building.

For more details contact Doreen 0400 237 729 or email [wauchopecwa@gmail.com](mailto:wauchopecwa@gmail.com)

## P&C News

### Upcoming P&C events

#### P&C General Meeting

The final P&C General Meeting for the year!

Thursday 11 December at the early time of 6:00pm followed by our Christmas party. Email us via [wauchopepsandc@gmail.com](mailto:wauchopepsandc@gmail.com) if you are interested in attending.



### Colour Fun Run - Major Price Winner

Aspen C collected her new bike from Graham Seers Cyclery yesterday. Congratulations and well done Aspen.

## Supported Learning Multisport

