



Werrington Public School

Term 4 Week 5, Monday 10th November 2025

Dates for your calendar!

11th November
CPHS Transition program

13th November
Kindergarten Transition
3-6 Assembly—2pm Hall

17th—27th November
Healthy Harold

17th 21st November
Immersion Week

18th November
CPHS Transition Program

20th November
Kindergarten Transition
K-2 Assembly

25th November
Twilight Swimming
Carnival— Penrith Ripples
4:30pm-6:30pm
CPHS Transition Program

27th November
3-6 Assembly

1st –5th December
Swim School

2nd December
CPHS Orientation Day

4th December
K-2 Assembly 2pm Hall

8th December
Last day to hand in merit
awards to office.

11th December
Year 6 Graduation
Assembly 9:30am
Yr6 Farewell

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Week 5, What a busy term this has been!

Owl Markets

Last Friday, Stage 3 hosted Werrington Public School's annual Owl Markets. There were a myriad of activities and food stalls for everyone to try. The day flowed smoothly and would have to be considered one of the best markets to date, with Stage 3 raising approximately \$3,000! A big thank you to all the staff, parents, and students involved for making it such a great day for everyone and helping to subsidise the Year 6 farewell and gift.

Penrith Valley Public Speaking Competition

Congratulations to Beckett, Baani, Thuhini, Ariya, Aishleen, Adam, Delicia, and Mehr, who represented Werrington Public School in the Penrith Valley Public Speaking competition at Jordan Springs Public School. Although none of the Werrington students progressed to the next round, all the students spoke very well in their prepared speeches. Well done! Thank you to Mrs Gains and Mr Despinidic for coordinating this opportunity.

NAIDOC Day Garden and Totem Mosaics

Over the holidays, work commenced on our Indigenous garden and the installation of our totem murals that all students participated in as part of NAIDOC Week this year. These complement the second stage mural component of our gathering space outside the office, which was completed at the beginning of last term. A huge thank you to Mrs Gigg and Mr Howland for all their hard work in finalising the murals and coordinating their installation during the holidays. Over the coming months, additional pavers and plantings will also be installed in the area to complete the project.

Aboriginal Dance

In Week 2, our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students participated in a dance workshop at school. Students had the opportunity to learn some traditional dances, movements, and accompaniments. We sincerely thank Jayden and Jirah for volunteering and giving their time and expertise to provide such a wonderful opportunity for our students.

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Dates for your calendar!**12th December**

CPHS Challenge Day
P&C Meeting

15th December

Werrington Wise
Assembly
K-2 9:15am
3-6 10am

16th December

Presentation Day
Assembly

17th December

Reports emailed home

19th December

Year 6 Archway
Last day of school for
2025!

27th –30th January
Staff Development Day

2nd February
Students start for 2026
K-6

11th January
School Photos

EDU Chat

From Monday 17 November, students in Years 5 and 6 will have access to NSWEdUChat student mode. NSWEdUChat is a generative artificial intelligence (GenAI) tool owned and designed by the NSW Department of Education. Detailed information has been emailed today directly to parents of students in Years 5 and 6. Additional information about this learning tool can also be found at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/schooling/parents-and-carers/artificial-intelligence/student-use-of-nsweduchat>

World Teachers' Day was celebrated this year on Friday 31 October. The P&C treated all staff to a fantastic lunch and a gift of a WPS keyring. The teachers enjoyed the wonderful food and gifts and wish to send a massive thank you to the P&C for this thoughtful gesture.

Halloween Disco

A huge thank you to our wonderful P&C and staff for their hard work in organising and running our Halloween Disco. Our parents and students had fun dressing up. There was some fantastic dancing from our entire community. Well done, everyone!

C Block Toilets

During the Christmas school holidays, the ground floor C Block toilets are scheduled for a major refurbishment, including the replacement of all toilets and tiling. We anticipate these works will be completed by the time students return for 2026.

P&C Meetings

Our next P&C meeting will be held on Friday 5 December from 2–3 pm in the Camp Australia Room, next to the library. We welcome all parents and carers and hope you can join us.

Little Hoots - Friday Playgroup

Don't forget our playgroup operates every Friday from 9:15 am to 11 am in the Before and After School Care centre attached to the library. If you have a baby, toddler, or pre-schooler in your care, please come along for some fun socialising.

School Uniform

Donations We are seeking any donations of second-hand, clean, and good condition uniforms to help us support families who are struggling financially, including our refugee families. If you have any uniforms your children have grown out of that are still in good condition, please send or drop them off at the office during school hours.

Bushfire Season

As you may be aware, the bushfire season has already commenced. After consultation with the Rural Fire Service, it was advised that our safest bushfire management plan in the event of a local bushfire is to 'shelter in place.' The designated refuge within the school is C Block and the library. The identified risk to the school is the threat from possible ember attack, and it was advised that emergency services can better account for and protect students and staff while sheltering in place on site.

Late Pick Up

If you are delayed in the afternoon, please contact the school office on 9623 7077 so we can advise your child to wait for you at the office. All students not picked up on time are required to wait at the office until a parent or carer arrives.

Morning Supervision

Just a reminder that the school day does not start until 9:10 am, and morning supervision does not commence until 8:40 am. Students should not arrive before this time. Once students enter the school grounds, they must abide by school rules, including being in the correct place for morning supervision. They cannot wait outside classrooms, even if accompanied by parents. All students must be in the designated "in-bounds" areas. Thank you for helping our students be "Werrington Wise."

If you require care for your child before 8:40 am, two Out of School Hours (OoSH) care providers operate for students needing care before 8:40 am or after 3 pm. Camp Australia, which is onsite, can be contacted on 1300 105 343 or via their website www.campaustralia.com.au. Offsite services are also available through Penrith City Council's Yoorami service in Werrington. For more information, see Penrith City Council's website www.penrithcitychildcare.com.au/our-centres/yoorami-children-s-centre or phone 4732 7844.

Teacher Professional Learning

Regularly, teachers and staff undertake professional learning to stay up to date with the latest theory, research, and practice in education.

Many of these sessions are held after school hours! These include:

- Mrs Hill, Miss Lewis, and Mrs Dempsey attended Art of Leadership;
- Mrs Marin and Mrs Fitzpatrick will attend the EALD network meeting tomorrow;
- Mrs Avery attended the NSW PPA Principals State Conference;
- All staff participated in Positive Behaviour for Learning professional learning;
- All staff participated in Guiding Principles in Aboriginal Education;
- Mrs Mason and Mrs Dempsey attended the Network Phonics workshop; and
- Mrs Mason attended the APCI Network and CRG meetings.

These sessions are an important way for the school and staff to keep up to date with best practice and the latest developments within the Department of Education (DoE) and the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA).

Have a great week,

Mrs Avery

Principal

Education is not preparation for life, Education is life itself – John Dewey



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