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Newsletter: Term 2 Week 4

Principal's Message:

Department of Education Behaviour Code for Students

Please read the attached behaviour code for students. It includes expectations about school uniform, safety for students, attendance and expected behaviour.

Close the Gap

Our Indigenous students performed at the opening ceremony of the Close the Gap Day. Stage 3 indigenous students were able to ask a friend to join them at The Close the Gap Day. All students had a great day, learning how to keep healthy at some of the stalls. They also were able to get some signatures from South Sydney Rabbitohs players Campbell Graham and Jai Arrow.

Cross Country

Congratulations to the students who competed at the zone Cross country at Grafton Public School last Thursday. Westlawn again won the trophy being the best school in the valley.

Unfortunately, there is no update on the next event due to the weather.

Bus Travel

A code of Conduct exists for students travelling on buses. While the majority of students follow the Code of Conduct, at times the school is contacted about the behaviour of individual students. For the safety of everyone please ensure your child is aware of the correct behaviour on the bus by using the following link:

https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/news-and-events/reports-and-publications/guidelines-for-managing-school-student-behaviour-on-buses

Key points are: Be Safe and Respectful when on the bus so the bus driver can concentrate on the road.

Bell Times

The first school bell rings at 8:25am, Monday to Friday. School commences at 8:55am. School finishes at 2:55pm, Monday to Friday. Students arriving late to school or departing early are required to be signed in/out by their parent or carer at the office prior to being picked up from their classroom.

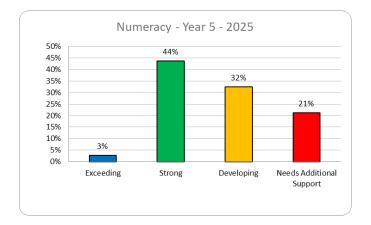
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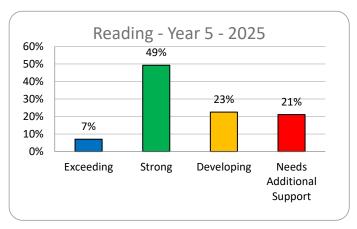
All mobile phones must be handed in and stored in the School Office for the full school day, including recess and lunch. This is an approved NSW Department of Education option and will limit unnecessary distractions and complement our ongoing approach to ensure every student maximises their learning and social growth in a safe and supportive environment.

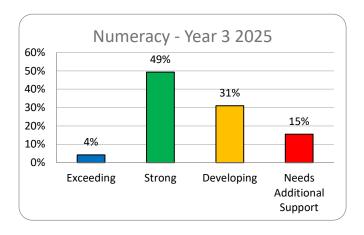
Parents/carers and students wishing to apply for an exemption need to contact the school and have an interview with the principal or member of the leadership team.

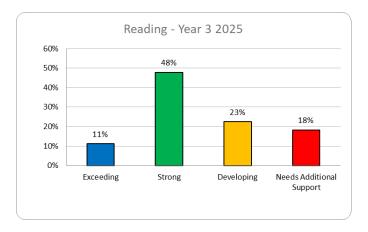
NAPLAN Results

Students are placed into 1 of 4 proficiency categories. Westlawn results for Reading and Numeracy in Year 3 and 5 are below. Individual student reports will go home towards the end of term.









Trent Patterson Principal

Sporting News

Clarence Cross Country Results

The Clarence Cross Country Carnival was held yesterday at Grafton PS. It was certainly a very challenging course with the ground wet and squishy in certain parts of the track. Competitors needed to place in the top 10 to progress to the Mid North Coast carnival. Highlights on the day included Alice, Fynlea and Makella winning their races by big margins. Congratulations to the following students for finishing in the top 10: Addison, Ava K, Knox, Parker, Kip, Lola, Piper, Bella F, Indi, Faith, Jacob C, Hudson, Brodie, Daina, Romey, Maya B, Leyton, Nayte, Hollie and Jed. All these people helped Westlawn PS to win the overall point score trophy!!

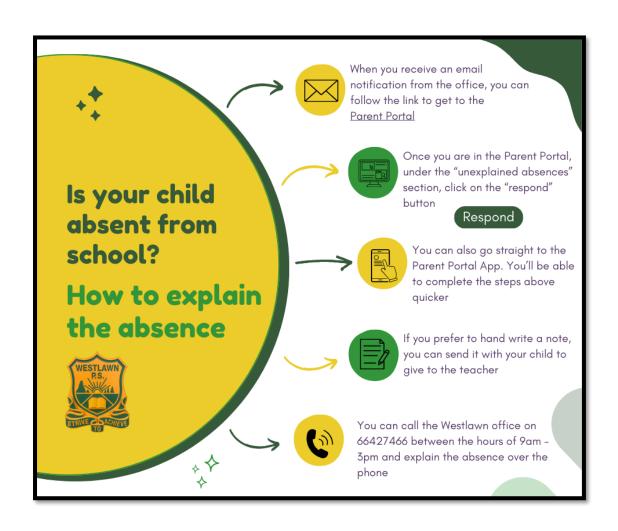
Mid North Coast Cross Country that was scheduled for this Thursday 22nd May has been postponed due to the weather.

NSW PSSA Hockey Championships

We wish Daina, Sam, Eli, Levi and Kaitlyn the very best of luck when they play for their North Coast teams at the NSWPSSA Hockey Championships next week in Newcastle.

U Design Uniforms

Westlawn PS uniforms can be purchased from U Design Uniforms at the Brewery Complex, North Street Grafton. Opening hours are Monday to Thursday 10am – 3.30pm and the phone number is 0434 025 493.





TERM 2 CALENDAR

| WEEK | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | |
|---------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| 1 April/ May | 28 School Development Day | 29 School Development Day | 30 Students Return | 1 | 2 | |
| 2 May | 5 PSSA Tennis (cancelled) | 6 Girls Cricket v SGPS (postponed) | 7 MNC - Netball Trials | 8 Mother's Day Stall PSSA Tennis | 9 Clarence Cross Country Carnival @ Barnier Park | |
| | | | PSSA Tennis (| | | |
| 3 May | 12 PSSA Touch Football knockout (postponed) | 13 Soccer v SGPS (postponed) | 14 Close the Gap Day | 15 | 16 Clarence BOYS Rugby Union trial | |
| 4 May | 19 | 20 | 21 | MNC Cross Country @ Nana Glen-postponed | 23 Clarence B&G Soccer Trials | |
| | | P: | PSSA Boys/Girls Hockey @ Newcastle (H) | | | |
| 5 May/ June | 26 | 27 Soccer v SGPS | 28 NC - Netball @ Woolgoolga | 29 MNC B&G - Touch Trials | 30 MNC B - Rugby Union Trials | |
| 6 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |
| June | | Eisteddfod Compass Music Festival | Eisteddfod | Girls PSSA Touch Footy | Debating | |
| | | Camp Quality Puppets Program | PSSA AFL @ (NW) | | | |
| 7 June | 9 King's Birthday Public Holiday | 10 | 11 MNC B&G – Football/Soccer | 12 Netball Gala Day | 13 Infants Fun Day NC – PSSA/CHS Cross Country @ Nana Glen | |
| 8 June | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | |
| | | PSSA Boys 12s Rugby League @ Hoxton Park (SSW) | | | | |
| 9 June | 23 | 24 | 25 NC B - Rugby Union Trials @ Grafton | 26 Westlawn PS Athletics Carnival | 27 | |
| 10 July | 30 NC B&G – Football/Soccer Trials @ Coffs Harbour | 1 Back up Westlawn PS Athletics Carnival | 2 NC B&G - Touch Trials @ Coffs Harbour PBL Rewards Day | 3 | 4 Debating Special Awards Assembly End of Term | |
| School Holidays | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | |
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Calendar 2025

Eastern division



Key dates

Check with your school as starting and finishing dates may change.



> First to last days for all students:

Term 1: 6 February to 11 April Term 2: 30 April to 4 July Term 3: 22 July to 26 September Term 4: 14 October to 19 December

---- School development days: Term 1: 31 January to 5 February Term 2: 28 April and 29 April Term 3: 21 July Term 4: 13 October

School holidays:

Summer 2024 - 25: 22 December 2024 to 30 January 2025 Autumn: 14 April to 24 April Winter: 7 July to 18 July

Spring: 29 September to 10 October Summer 2025 - 26: 22 December 2025 to 26 January 2026

Public holidays



School development days

the dates are determined by the department. Always check with your local school as dates may change. Parents and carers should not send their children to school en school development days.

education.nsw.gov.au/school-development-days



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