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Newsletter: Term 2 Week 6

Principal's Message:

As we continue to foster a safe and nurturing environment for our students, we would like to share some important updates and events happening at our school.

Compass Music Festival

A huge thank you to Ms Ellem and Mr Martin who have provided the opportunity for our choir to participate in the Compass Music Festival.

The Festival aims to:

- encourage the development and teaching of music programs at a school level
- provide an opportunity for students and teachers to work towards a quality performance in a professional setting
- present an original, entertaining and professional event, providing a positive and memorable experience for teachers and students.

This is a terrific opportunity for our students and staff to work collaboratively with other schools and music professionals, culminating in a live performance.

Camp Quality Puppet Show

Today we had a visit from the Camp Quality Puppet Show who delivered two performances to Infants and Primary students. There were lots of laughs and messages of treating others with kindness. Our school captains and Year 2 SRC students thanked the performers. We thank Shanaye & Kelly for coming to share their positive messages with all of us at Westlawn Public School.



Infants Fun Day

Friday June 13 will be the Infants Funday. This is always well supported and we are hoping that the weather stays fine between now and the day. More information will come through School Bytes. The canteen is offering a Sausage sizzle to parents and students on the day. Order forms will be going home with students today. For catering purposes, you will need to return this order form with the money by **Friday 6th June 2025**.

Positive Attendance

We are proud to recognise our students for their commitment to attending school regularly. Consistent attendance not only boosts academic performance but also helps build lasting friendships. Let's continue to encourage our children to come to school ready to learn and grow.

Parking Safely

We want to remind all families about the importance of parking safely around our school. Ensuring the safety of our students during drop-off and pick-up times is a top priority. Please adhere to designated drop-off zones and pedestrian crossings, and avoid double-parking, bus zones or blocking driveways. Let's work together to keep our children safe and respect our neighbours!

Working with Parents

This term, you will notice new posters around the school that aim to help support a safe and respectful culture at our school. These posters are part of an initiative to remind everybody to treat our hard-working school staff with kindness and respect. Every school community around the state is very different. While most schools are respectful and harmonious, violence and unsafe behaviour in any form is not acceptable in schools. School staff and students have the right to learn and work in safe and respectful learning environments.

We value our partnerships with you to support our students to learn, grow, and belong. It is up to us – the school and the parent-body - to be good respectful role models to our students. Together, we can create a safe and harmonious environment for our students and staff.

Parent Feedback

We value your input! If you have any suggestions for future newsletter topics or events, please feel free to reach out to us via email or phone.

Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,
Trent Patterson

P & C Meeting

Reminder – the next monthly P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th June at 6pm in the meeting room. All are welcome.

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 their phone number is 0434 025 493.

Sporting News

North Coast Netball Trial Result

Niah and Sadie travelled to Woolgoolga last Wednesday to play for the Mid North Coast netball team at the North Coast trial. High quality netball was the order of the day and both Niah and Sadie gave their all. Congratulations to Sadie who was selected in the team and will now play for North Coast at the NSWPSA Netball Championships at Coffs Harbour in August.

Mid North Coast Cross Country Results

The Mid North Coast Cross Country Carnival was held last Friday in Woolgoolga. Westlawn PS was represented by Alice, Fynlea, Makella, Addison, Ava K, Knox H, Parker, Kip, Lola, Piper, Bella F, Indi, Faith, Jacob C, Hudson, Brodie, Maya B, Leyton, Nayte, Hollie and Jed. Competitors needed to place in the top 6 to progress to the North Coast carnival. Congratulations to Jacob C 2nd, Hudson 4th and Makella 5th! They will now compete at the North Coast carnival at Woolgoolga on Friday 13 June.

NSW PSSA Hockey Championships

Daina, Kaitlyn, Sam, Eli and Levi played for their North Coast team at the NSWPSA Hockey Championships in Newcastle from May 20 to 23. The weather system that lashed the MNC recently also caused havoc at the venue over the four days. Some games had to be abandoned, and some games were played in what could only be described as appalling conditions.

At the end of the tournament, the North Coast girls team finished 6th in the state and the boys completed their campaign in 10th spot.

Congratulations to our hockey representatives on their brilliant achievements, outstanding sportsmanship and wonderful behaviour.

MNC Boys and Girls Touch Footy Trial Results

Girls report by Makella

Last Thursday, Kaitlyn G, Daina, Hollie, Maya B, Lexi, Makella, Ashlyn and Piper travelled to Coffs Harbour synthetics for the Mid North Coast touch football trials. We played four games before the possibles and probables game. Westlawn PS had two girls selected in the possibles/probables game – Hollie and Makella. The girls impressed the selectors enough to be chosen in the Mid North Coast team. They will play for Mid North Coast at the North Coast trial in Coffs Harbour on Wednesday 2 July. Congratulations to all the girls.

Boys report by Jed

Hudson H, Jed, Levi H, Kye and Leyton also attended the MNC touch trials on the same day as the girls. The boys trial ran using the same format as the girls. Each of the Westlawn boys played strongly with Jed standing out enough to gain selection in the MNC team. Jed will next be in action for the MNC team at the North Coast trial in Coffs Harbour on Wednesday 2 July. Well done to all the boys.

Clarence Boys Soccer Trials

The Clarence boys soccer trial was held at the Grafton PCYC on Friday 23 May. Westlawn PS was represented by Levi H, Sam W, Axel, Jack W and Nash. The boys were put through a drills and skills session and played three games. Congratulations to all the Westlawn boys for their selection in the Clarence team. They will now play at the MNC trial next Wednesday 11 June in Coffs Harbour.

Boys and Girls Soccer Knockout Results

Boys Report by Sam and Jed

On Tuesday 27 May, Westlawn and South Grafton PS played soccer. Westlawn had a slow start in the first half with South Grafton scoring the first goal then Westlawn got used to the playing conditions and Axel came out with a good goal to tie the score.

Soon after Nash took a penalty, but the keeper was good and saved it. Nash came back and took a long shot at goal and just slid it past the keeper's hands. It was now 2-1. Again, Nash got a close shot at goal and got the ball at the back of the top corner. Overall, it was a close, tense and exciting game. A great win to Westlawn! Thanks for your support, Mr Andrews.

We thank South Grafton students and their coach for a fantastic game!

Girls Report by Makella

The girls also played South Grafton PS at Rushforth Park on May 27. South Grafton were simply awesome and score 6 goals to nil. The Westlawn girls learnt a lot from the experience and never gave up. Fynlea, Hollie, Zoey, Makella and Neave all showed good leadership and had strong games for Westlawn.

Boys Touch Footy Knockout Results

Report by Kye and Archie

Our boys team played Grafton PS at Grafton High School fields. The match was always going to be a tough contest with plenty of talent on both teams. Hudson was on fire scoring three tries, Jed scored two and Leyton scored one! Unfortunately, Grafton scored a few more and they ended up winning the game 8 tries to 6.

NSWPSSA AFL Championships

Best of luck to Malaki this week as he plays for the North Coast team at the NSWPSSA AFL Championships in Sydney.

Mid North Coast Rugby Union Trials

Best of luck to Jed, Kye, Nash, Leo, Harry, Knox, Leyton, Dezaia and Claye when they play for the Clarence rugby union team at the Mid North Coast trial on Wednesday 11 June in Coffs Harbour.

Term 2 PBL Focus

The PBL focus for during weeks 5, 6 and 7 is 'in the playground'. Students will practice what this looks, feels and sounds like during class PBL lessons.

PBL SCHOOL VALUES	
During weeks 5-7 our school PBL focus is 'in the playground.' It involves everyone, everywhere, every time!	
Be a Be a Learner	• Use equipment and quiet games areas correctly • Know and follow the rules of the game • Be a problem solver • Encourage others to join in
Be Be Respectful	• Use your manners • Follow staff instructions • Play fairly • Know when to stop and calm down • Borrow and return equipment the right way
Be Be Safe	• Move appropriately • Wear a hat or play in the shade • Stay in bounds • When it is play time and you are still eating, sit on the silver eats • Keep hands and feet to yourself

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ENROLLING NOW



Is your child absent from school?

How to explain the absence



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When you receive an email notification from the office, you can follow the link to get to the [Parent Portal](#)
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Once you are in the Parent Portal, under the "unexplained absences" section, click on the "respond" button

Respond
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You can also go straight to the Parent Portal App. You'll be able to complete the steps above quicker
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If you prefer to hand write a note, you can send it with your child to give to the teacher
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You can call the Westlawn office on 66427466 between the hours of 9am – 3pm and explain the absence over the phone

Learn how to make healthier food choices at home

Free family healthy lifestyle program



Go4Fun Online





Pack a water bottle in your lunchbox

No lunchbox is complete without a water bottle



Healthy Eating Active Living





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 @ Bathurst					
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	22 MNC Cross Country @ Nana Glen-postponed	23 Clarence B&G Soccer Trials
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
6 June	2	3 Eisteddfod Compass Music Festival Camp Quality Puppets Program	4 Eisteddfod	5 Girls PSSA Touch Footy	6 Debating
PSSA AFL @ (NW)					
7 June	9 King's Birthday Public Holiday	10	11 MNC B&G – Football/Soccer MNC Boys Rugby Union Trial at Tyalla PS	12 Netball Gala Day	13 Infants Fun Day NC – PSSA/CHS Cross Country @ Woolgoolga NOT 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 Rugby League Gala Day
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
School Holidays	14	15	16	17	18

Calendar 2025

Eastern division

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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



Public holidays

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



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 on school development days.

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



Scan me for key dates

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