



Key Dates for August

Monday 29 August – Friday 2 September

Literacy and Numeracy Week

Wednesday 31 August

Year 2 Jolleys & Tither excursion to UTAS 9.20-11.50am

Go for Gold Performance 9.30-11.00am in GP Room

Year 5/6 Winter Sports against New Town at New Town 12.40-3.00pm

Kinder Parent literacy session 2.00-3.00pm

Key Dates for September

Thursday 1 September

LiL – 9.00-10.30 West Hobart Train Park

Go for Gold Performance 11.30-12.40pm

Saturday 3 September

End of Season Soccer presentation 3.00pm in GP room

Monday 5 September

Years 3/4 Lette & Pratap excursion to Mt Nelson Sustainability Centre 10.45am-1.30pm

Year 1 Excursion to Caldew Park and Simmons Park 11.00am-2.15pm

Tuesday 6 September

Year 5 Band Rehearsal at Kingston High School 3.30-4.30pm

School Association Meeting 7.00pm in School Library

Parliament House & Town Hall Excursion



The culminating activity for the 5 Ps unit (People, Politics, Parliament, Power & the Past) conducted during Term 2 was a day excursion to Parliament House and the Town Hall. All year 5 & 6 students attended this excursion and rotated around 3 sites; Parliament House, Town Hall and the TMAG. We not only participated in very informative tours but met the Speaker of the House of Assembly, Elise Archer, and the President of Legislative Council, Jim Wilkinson, who both delivered interesting and personal accounts of life in Parliament. Alderman Anna Reynolds took us on a very interesting tour of the Town Hall and invited us all to their 160th anniversary.

This excursion provided us with a wonderful opportunity to not only understand the 3 tiers of government, but to practise touring together in readiness for Canberra.

Town Hall



Peter Illingworth

House of Assembly



ASSEMBLY CERTIFICATES

Congratulation to the following student on their Assembly Awards:

Ted Banks-Smith for excellent reading progress, developing confidence and improved fluency.

Ziggy Avery for improved concentration and settled work habits to complete tasks with greater speed, accuracy and understanding.

Coral Douglas-Cameron for the focus and effort she is giving to her learning.

Emily Jones for her fantastic information report on leopards. What a great effort!

Amelie Rincon Franco for a wonderful bookweek presentation.

Oliver Lawrence for your focus and commitment to your learning and the thoughtful contributions you make to class discussions.

Jana Hassan for consistently doing her best and for her intensive focus in improving her mathematical knowledge.

Harry Turner for his focus and participation in Music, Drama, PE and the classroom.

Tamzeed Shamsir for the excellent focus that Tamzeed applies to completing all tasks in class. Well done Tamzeed!

Margot Marcant for demonstrating wonderful learning, especially with her maths, and for being a respectful friend.

Samuel Jung for his excellent work in Maths and handwriting with Julie-Anne.

Hugo Dorney for approaching all aspects of school life with a cheerful and positive attitude.

Chloe King for her improved concentration and excellent work ethic.

Ollie Johnston for his positive attitude to school and learning and his friendly manner towards students.



YEAR 5/6 CANBERRA TRIP

Canberra trip accounting has been finalised with GET Tour Company. Could families with outstanding amounts please finalise by **tomorrow**. Payments can be made by Bpay, cheque, cash and Eftpos at the school office.



Thank you to the Parents + Friends who have given \$3,300 for a new school projector in the GP Room and another \$3,600 distributed amongst all classes in the school to purchase items for their classrooms (art materials etc).

CANBERRA TRIP DONATION THANKS

Thank you to another Waimea family that has donated \$100 towards the school Canberra trip to help out those families that find it difficult to meet the cost of the trip. If you would be interested in making a donation, please talk to Sally Gill, Philippa Clymo or Lesley Berry (in the office).

YEAR 5/6 WINTER SPORTS

The 5/6 Winter Sports is on tomorrow, with teams playing against New Town Primary at New Town.

Please remember to bring any clothing, equipment and mouth guards you may need.

If students do not bring a mouth guard for football they will be unable to play.

Activities may be cancelled due to wet weather. Please check the school Facebook page for updates.

FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVING NATIONAL FINALS – AGAIN!

Our students have once again demonstrated their amazing problem solving skills, with two teams of Year 5/6 students having won a place at the National Finals of the Future Problem Solving competition. Congratulations to Louis Watson, Henry Jones, Emily Wheeler & Lucy Franks from 5/6 Banks-Smith/Roberts; and also to Nick Muir, Tom Stephenson, Aidan Taylor & Taj Parsons from 5/6 Illingworth.

This is the fourth time in five years that Waimea has been selected for this national level of competition, and it's a testament to the great program we have in our upper primary classes: all students spend the first half of the year learning about a six-step approach to solving complex futuristic problems based on current real-life issues such as endangered languages, the treatment of animals and recovery after natural disasters. General capabilities such as problem solving, communicating, critical and creative thinking, and ethical understanding are key elements of the Australian Curriculum, and essential skills for twenty-first century learners.

The finals will be held in Melbourne in October, and we wish our teams 'all the best' as they prepare for this exciting opportunity – we're very proud of you all!

EXCURSIONS

YEAR 1 EXCURSION NEWS

On September 5th both Year 1 classes will be visiting 2 playgrounds (Caldew Park, West Hobart and Simmons Park, Lindisfarne) to investigate their design.

We intend to leave school at 11:00am and return by 2:15pm.

Children will need a packed lunch, morning tea and drink. They will need to wear/bring clothing to suit the weather conditions on the day.

We would welcome parent assistance on this excursion. Please see us to let us know if you are available to help. Numbers are limited so we can accommodate up to 2 parents for each class.



YEAR 3/4 LETTE AND 3/4 PRATAP EXCURSION TO MT NELSON SUSTAINABILITY LEARNING CENTRE

On Monday 5 September, Year 3/4L and 3/4P will be visiting the Sustainability Centre at Mount Nelson. The purpose of this excursion is to learn more about sustainable plants in our local area and also to learn about Aboriginal land practices. We will be leaving school at 10.45am and return to school by 1.30pm. Children will need to bring a packed lunch and a drink. They will also be required to wear warm wet weather clothing and waterproof shoes or boots. Gumboots can be worn. We will need extra parent assistance for this excursion.

YEAR 2 TITHER AND 2 JOLLEYS EXCURSION TO UTAS

On Wednesday 31 August, as part of studies in Science and Geography, Years 2 Tither and Jolleys will be attending the University of Tasmania Earth Sciences Department.

We will walk to UTAS straight after Daily Fitness as part of our whole school Move Well Eat Well Program. While one group tours the campus and other departments, the other group will view the fossil and mineral display. Then they will swap. We expect the tour will take approximately an hour, so plan to be back at school for recess.

If you would like to attend this outing with us, please let the class teacher know.

BANKING IS ON THURSDAYS!

Banking rewards for this term are a skipping rope or an eraser pen. Just place your ten tokens and a note with your choice of either the rope or pen in your bank book and place in your classroom bank bag on Thursdays.



WAIMEA しょうどう (SHOUDOU) CALLIGRAPHY COMPETITION

Students used ふで (fude - brushes) and すみ (sumi - ink) to write the kanji for 犬 (inu - dog). They submitted their best calligraphy along with another written in pencil for the chance to win prizes in our school competition plus the honour of representing the school in the state wide calligraphy competition.

The winners were:

Pencil

Year 3/4: James Chung 4/5A, Owen Parsons 3/4L, Harry Mison-Popow 4/5A and Matilda Bartlett 4/5A,
Year 5/6: Patrick Keane 5/6B-S/R, Thomas Stephenson 5/6I, Saul Di-Bari 5/6I, Aemilia Smith 5/6I

Ink

Year 3/4: Harry Neal 3/4C, Kea Cover-Sutherland 3/4C, Emma Xu 3/4P and Fraser Dobson 3/4P
Year 5/6: Richter Marx 5/6MC, Grace Knowles 5/6MC, Thomas Stephenson 5/6I and Olivia Chesterman 5/6I

Well done to all of these people. They can collect a prize from the prize box Wednesday at lunch time.

The four people chosen to represent the school are: Richter, Thomas, Owen and Saul. We'll find out the results later in the year.

SPORTS NEWS

Schools Triathlon Challenge

This is a fabulous event with thousands of students participating, having fun and taking up the challenge.

Entry cost is \$15, for this one entry fee students are able to enter as an individual (swim, ride, run) or a member of a team or BOTH!

If anyone needs help forming a team please see Ms Woody – she is happy to help. (Teams can also be across year levels eg: a mix of year 3-4 or 5-6 students, and you can have 2 person teams where 1 student does 2 events and the other 1 event.)

PARENTS + FRIENDS

Our **school fair** is set for **Saturday November 5th, 3-7pm**. We are starting to organise lots of fun events and stalls, and are asking for donations of many different types, in particular:

- donations from local businesses as prizes for the chocolate wheel and raffle (these could be goods or services),
- plants, jams, chutneys, relishes, flowers, fresh fruit and veggies etc for the produce stall,
- toys and books,
- homemade jewellery, sewing, knitting, artwork, xmas decorations, cards etc for the art and craft stall,
- donations from butchers of meat for the food stalls (ask us what we need!), and
- any other donation you think would be helpful!

On the day, we would also love to be able to borrow:

- large water containers with taps
- small tent shelters, similar to those used at the athletics carnivals
- an army style canvas tent
- a generator for power back up
- power cords (certified commercial)
- portable freezers (2)

We also would love an **electrician** available on the day to help with power issues, and a **DJ or 1-2 person band** who plays radio friendly songs! If you have these skills and are prepared to donate your time we'd love to hear from you!

We would love to know how you can help, so we can become more focussed in our planning. We do not need to have the items yet, as our storage area is limited, but we will let you know where donations can be dropped closer to the date.

Our fair relies on lots of people helping out. Please also let us know if you are willing to work on a stall, and/or help us set up and pack up on the day.

If you can help us in any of these areas, please email Brigitte Wells (brigitte.wells@netspace.net.au) and let us know how you can help!

Thank you, Waimea Heights Fair Committee

MUSICA VIVA PERFORMANCE

Monday saw the performance by Ogam's Soup, who performed Irish music using traditional Irish instruments, such as the fiddle, the bodhran drum, guitar, tin whistles, mandolin, voices and the bronze horn. The highly spirited performance involved the students participating with singing and clapping rhythms. Their final number involved WHPS's students with Ms Clymo who wore funny hats that represented different aspects of the song. This comedic song required the students to stand up when their hat's name was mentioned.



1-2-3 MAGIC & EMOTION COACHING PARENT COURSE

The 1-2-3 Magic parent course is being offered at Waimea Heights in conjunction with Sandy Bay Infant School. The sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings commencing on 7, 14, and 21 September in the school library from 6.30-8.30pm.

Please register your interest at the school office on 6237 5200 or email lisa.hopkins@education.tas.gov.au.

Waimea Heights Primary School School Association Management Committee

Meeting 5

Tuesday 6th September 2016

7.00pm School Library

AGENDA

1. Present and Apologies
2. Minutes of previous meeting
3. Correspondence
 - a) Jeremy Rockcliff Prep starting age
 - b) TASSO
4. Principal's Report
5. Finance Report
6. P & F
 - a) P & F Report
 - b) Patrice's report
7. Uniform Report
8. ACTIVEpaths update
9. Parent Information Sessions
10. Communication Group-Schoolzine
11. Road Safety
12. Uniform Policy/Code of Dress Guidelines
13. Other business
14. Next meeting 18/10/16

ATTACHMENTS TO THIS WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

1. Calendar
2. Noticeboard

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