DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, 18 February
School Photographs
Friday, 21 February
Swimming Carnival

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Hello to all,

Our year is in full swing with all classrooms buzzing to the sound of lots of learning! It has been wonderful to see how all students have settled since returning and witness the exciting programs that teachers have planned for the year.

Baby News and Changes in Staffing

Thank you to all parents and students for your well wishes towards my husband and I on the soon arrival of our first "wild child." My final day of this term is Friday 21 February with Michelle Francis relieving as Principal until I return. I am in a very fortunate position to be able to have such a highly skilled and experienced executive and staff to be able to leave the school in their very capable hands. Mrs Gwen Kannipann will be taking 3-6F during this time and is thoroughly looking forward to joining the Wyoming staff on a full time basis.

As the baby boom continues at Wyoming Mrs Emma Horton will be commencing her maternity leave on Monday 3 March (final day 28 February). We wish Emma and her husband all the best for the exciting journey ahead and are looking forward to hear of a very safe arrival. Miss Katy Walpole will be joining us to teach 3/4H for the remainder of the year. Katy and Emma have been spending time together during the past few weeks to ensure a smooth and successful continuation of learning programs.

Child Safety at the Crossing

Wyoming Public School is very lucky to have Mrs Julie-Anne Miller as a permanent crossing supervisor allocated to our school. Julie-Anne has been in the role for a great number of years and is highly respected in her important role of keeping the community safe.

Now is the perfect time to remind everyone to ALWAYS wait behind the painted line until Julie-Anne signals it is safe to cross. Please do not walk out with Julie-Anne or in front of her even if you are in a hurry. Traffic on Maidens Brush Road is exceptionally busy and we all must ensure these procedures are followed to be safe.
School Photos
Our school photos will be held on Tuesday 18 February. All students are required to wear the red shirt and bottle green short/skort/culotte/skirt with white socks and black shoes on this day.

Have a great week

Rebecca Wild
PRINCIPAL

MONEY COLLECTION PROCEDURES

Money is collected at the Front Office. Please follow the procedures below:

- **Correct** Money must be enclosed in an envelope or plastic bag with the following details marked:
  - Student Name and Class
  - Name of Excursion or Event
  - Amount Enclosed
  - Permission Note Signed and dated.
  - Do not send in permission note without a payment.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Each student needs their own separate permission note for an excursion or event (please do not put other siblings names on same note if they attending the same excursion or event) as permission notes are then given to their class teacher after being receipted. Receipt is placed in envelope or plastic bag that money was sent in and then returned to student.
- Please ensure correct money is placed in the envelope, as change will not be available until receipted (receipting is not carried out everyday). Change will not be available for recess or lunch orders. **The front office does not have petty cash to give change.**
- Money collection will only be available between 8.30am – 9.00am.

3-6 ASSEMBLY
This week’s 3-6 Assembly will be held this Wednesday 19 February from 1.30pm in the School Hall. Class 4/5HR will lead the assembly.

ALERT ALLERGIES

We have some students enrolled in our school program who are allergic to several food items and who may have an anaphylactic reaction if exposed to fish and all seafood (especially salmon), nuts, cow’s milk and egg.

In order to minimise any risk to any student’s health, we are requesting that parents do several things:

- **Do not send** tuna, salmon, any fish, peanut butter, or egg on sandwiches or in school lunch boxes.
- **Label** all items in your child’s lunch box with his/her name. This includes sandwiches and packaged food.
- **Inform the teacher** if you are bringing in food to share with the class (eg. birthday cake)
- **Talk** to your child about how important it is not to share food with others.
- **Talk** to your child about how important it is to wash their hands before and after eating.

If you have any questions or concerns about anaphylaxis and how it might impact on your child, please don’t hesitate to contact either myself or Rebecca Wild at school.

Michelle Francis
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

NARARA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
INFORMATION EVENING

Narara Valley High School is offering an information evening for Year 6 students enrolling in high school for 2015. General High School Information will be given as well as a brief overview of their specialist classes which are:

- Accelerated Class
- Performing Arts for Gifted and Talented Students
- Targeted Sports Program

The information evening will be held in the Wyoming Public School Hall on Monday, 3 March commencing at 6pm. Parents and caregivers of Year 6 students are invited to attend and have any queries answered.
ACCELERATED CLASS APPLICATIONS

Narara Valley High School Accelerated Class is a program designed for academically advanced students who desire the challenge of working consistently at their ability level within the framework of a comprehensive High School. The class will be taught by specialist staff, and students complete Years 7-10 in three years rather than four.

Students who wish to be placed in the class must sit a selection test held at NVHS. An Application for the Accelerated class must also be completed. Applications for the Accelerated class are available from the office here at school.

Further information regarding the Accelerated, Sports and CAPA class is available at the additional information night at NVHS from 7-8pm on Wednesday 19 March.

HEADSTART NEWS

Headstart needs your help!

Headstart 2014 will begin in Term 2 and we need your help to spread the word about our Headstart program and wonderful school.

We would love your help delivering brochures to your street or streets near to you. On Monday 24 and Tuesday 25 February you can collect them from me in the Headstart room.

If you need to collect your brochures on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday please see one of our fantastic kindergarten teachers before or after school.

Thank you for your help!

2014 Headstart Parent and Carer Information Sessions Term 1

Come and find out about our wonderful 2014 Headstart program at one of our parent and carer sessions in Term 1. Meet 2014 staff members and hear from parents whose children have already participated in the program.

When - Monday 10 March, Week 7
Times - Afternoon session – 2.00-2.45pm
        Evening session – 7pm-8pm
Where - Headstart Room.

Bronwyn Stevenson
HEADSTART TEACHER

SCRIPTURE CLASSES 2014

Scripture classes at Wyoming Public School commenced on Wednesday 12 February and will continue every Wednesday fortnightly.

Classes will be coordinated by Mrs Pini (Combined Protestant ie Anglican, Uniting, Presbyterian, Baptist, etc.) and Mrs Marland (Roman Catholic). Students not attending Scripture classes will be supervised by class teachers or by Mr. Fraser.

Students who have changed their religious persuasion will need to bring a note from their parent/caregiver, notifying the school of the change. If you have any queries, please contact me.

Claire Essery
SCHOOL SCRIPTURE COORDINATOR

P&C & CANTEEN NEWS

Our next P&C meeting will be held Monday 17 March at 2.00pm in Wingello Cottage. Our AGM meeting for this year will be held Monday 17 March.

We would like to invite our new families to come along with some fresh ideas and also gain more information on what’s happening in our school and to meet new families. Meetings run for around an hour. Children are welcome to have a play for the duration of the meeting. All are welcome to attend. Hope to see you there.

Any agenda items please email to Natasha at nmartin78@optusnet.com.au

5 CENT DRIVE

We will be running our 5 cent drive for 2 weeks beginning Monday 3 March to Friday 14 March. As always the class to collect the most 5c pieces over the 2 week period will receive a fantastic morning tea. Start searching for those lost 5c pieces to bring to your classrooms.

Good Luck!! (What will be on the menu this year).

CANTEEN NEWS

Parents please encourage your children to make a healthy choice. Fruit in season is now available every day.

Just a reminder the canteen is open every day. All
orders need to be handed in at the canteen between 8.30 - 9.15am.

Julianne Doyle
P&C PRESIDENT

ANNUAL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Our annual Swimming Carnival is being held this Friday, 21 February 2014 at Gosford Olympic Pool for Year 3 to 6 students (plus any Year 2 students who are 8 years old in 2014 and can swim 50m).

Students travel to the pool by bus but may return home by car after roll marking. Buses leave school at 9.05 and return in time for normal school conclusion.

Please remember –
- wear swimmers under sport uniform
- have sunscreen and hat on
- bring jumper and towel
- bring lunch/drinks (although students may use the pool shop when directed by teachers)
- sit in grandstand in House Groups
- Indoor Pool Complex is out of bounds

Novelty events will be run on the day. Cost is $5 for bus travel and entry. More details will be on the permission note.

Mr Neil Fraser
SWIMMING COORDINATOR

SCHOOL STUDENT PHOTOGRAPHS

School Photo Day is tomorrow Tuesday 18 February 2014. Have your child’s school memories captured forever.

Please take the time to read the relevant information on the MSP Photography payment envelopes and remember these helpful points:
- Don’t seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope.
- Family envelopes are available at the school office upon request
- Please enclose correct money as no change is given. Cash, cheques and money orders only (sorry no credit card accepted).

For any enquiries, please feel free to contact us on 4966 8292.

*PLEASE RETURN ENVELOPES WITH PAYMENT TO SCHOOL OFFICE BY MONDAY 17 FEBRUARY PRIOR TO PHOTO DAY.

WEEKLY AWARDS

HONOUR CERTIFICATE

An Honour Certificate is awarded when a student has earned ten Certificates of Merit, ten Reading Awards of Excellence, ten Principal’s Awards or a combination. Students may collect their Certificates of Merit, Reading Awards of Excellence and Principal’s Awards over a number of years to earn their Honour Certificate.

I have presented an Honour Certificate to the following students.

Isiah F-A
Julian F-A
Molly G
Zachary G
Taya P
Caleb W
Ebony W

Congratulations. Keep up the great work.

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

Just a reminder that the class awards collected for the Principal’s Award must be collected within the one school year. As each class award is used towards a Principal’s Award it is marked on the back. This means that a class award can only be used once towards a Principal’s Award.

The following students have been presented with a Principal’s Award.

Brodie A Declan McK

COMMUNITY NEWS

Schools as Community Centres
Wyoming Public Schools
Welcome to 2014!

We have lots on this term and we have already started with our kids music, sports and playgroup activities.
WEEK 4 TERM 1

We do have something for the big kids though!

**TRIPLE P PARENTING SEMINARS**

A three (3) week seminar series for parents to increase their awareness of how to change unwanted behaviour and encourage desirable behaviour in their children. Suitable for parents of 2-12 year olds.

Seminars cover:

- **The power of positive parenting**  
  *Date: 27 February*

- **Raising confident, competent children**  
  *Date: 6 March*

- **Raising resilient children**  
  *Date: 13 March*

9.30 – 12 pm

Facilitated by Central Coast Family Support in partnership with Wyoming Public School and SACC

FREE to attend.  
Venue is Wyoming Public School Hall, Maidens Brush Road.

Child Care is available. Places are limited.

**Registrations Essential**

Contact Central Coast Family Support on 4340 1585

**TRIPLE P PARENTING GROUP WORKSHOPS**

Triple P Group Workshops expand on the seminar series and give parents more hands on application to assist at those difficult times with growing children.

Dates: Thursdays, 22, 29 May & 5, 12 June  
Times: 10am – 12.30 pm  
Venue: Wyoming SaCC, Maidens Brush Road (in the grounds of Wyoming Public School)

FREE to attend.

**Registration Essential**

Contact Philippa on 0477 317 862 or email: philippa.skipper@det.nsw.edu.au