DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 16 February
School Photographs
Friday 19 February
Swimming Carnival

PRINCIPAL’S UPDATE

Hello to all,

Class Structure

We have been busily working in our new 15 class structure for a week now and I am proud of the way that students have settled into their new class routines and are working hard.

Our classroom teachers for 2016 are:

KB        Jessica Bones
KR        Elisabeth Rogers
KS        Melissa Sturgess
1/2H      Sharon Head
1/2SH     Kristy Setchell (Monday-Wednesday)
          Emma Horton (Thursday-Friday)
1/2W      Ellen Warner
2/3PC     Kate Packer (Monday, Tuesday and every 2nd Wednesday)
          Nicole Carter (Thursday, Friday and every 2nd Wednesday)
3/4K      Katy Walpole
3/4W      Matthew Walter (Assistant Principal Stage 2)
4/5L      Lara Lenton
5/6M      Nicole Maher
5/6S      Sharon Shearman (Assistant Principal Stage 3)

Our support classes are:

K-2E       Claire Essery (Monday-Thursday)
           Bronwyn Stevenson (Friday)
2-6F       Michelle Francis (Monday-Thursday) Assistant Principal
           Support
           Gwen Kannapinn (Fridays)
3-8A       Kathryn Adams

Other teaching positions include
RFF:       Jacqueline Nagle (Assistant Principal Early Stg 1 and Stg 1)
           Katie Hansen (Monday-Tuesday)

Learning and Support Teachers: Lois Gillett
Surinda Walton

Library:   Don McCready

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I will be continuing to work part time (Monday-Thursday) in 2016 with Michelle Francis relieving on Fridays.

**Attendance**

Our attendance has started off extremely strong in 2016 which is just fantastic to see. I hope we will be able to sustain this throughout the year!

A reminder to everyone that school finishes every day at 2.45pm. If you are unable to arrange collection of your children at this time please contact Wyoming Community Centre on 4323 7483 to discuss before and after school care – staff have many after school commitments and are unable to provide supervision after this time.

**Maidens Brush Road**

Please remember that the school zone speed limit is 40km. We have been advised that police patrols will be occurring regularly to help keep our students safe.

The staff works hard to remind students of the safety procedures to cross the road. Please help with this by setting a good example for your children and crossing at the pedestrian crossing whenever possible.

**Have you applied for your Opal Card yet?**

There are several students who have not yet applied for a School Opal Card which replaces a bus pass. If your child is eligible for free bus travel to and from school, you must apply online for a School Opal Card. Once you have completed the application form, you are required to return it to the school office for endorsement. See the website below for details of eligibility.


Busways have informed us that all students traveling on the school bus will require an Opal Card from this week.

Have a great fortnight.

**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.

### SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

**K-6 ASSEMBLY**

This week’s K-6 Assembly will be held this Wednesday 17 February from 1.35pm in the School Hall.

### 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:

- **Consider alternatives to** 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

ATTENDANCE

The Education Reform Act (1990) states that all children between the ages of 6 and 15 are required by law to attend school each day that instruction is provided.

It is the responsibility of parents or caregivers to ensure their children attend school every day. Parents/caregivers must provide satisfactory written explanation for absences within 7 days of occurrence.

Schools are required to monitor and to keep an accurate record of daily attendance for each student and to take appropriate action to assist students with unsatisfactory attendance.

At Wyoming Public School, regular attendance is considered to be an important component in the achievement of learning outcomes.

Daily hours of attendance: 8.55am – 2.45pm

Roll marking takes place at the start of the school day. Students not in attendance at this time will be recorded as absent. It is the parent/caregivers responsibility to provide written explanation for a whole day absence within 7 days of the absence. Notes should be handed in to classroom teacher with child’s name, date of absence and reason for absence clearly written on note. A letter will be sent to parents or caregivers requesting a written explanation for an unexplained absence following this 7 day period. Please ask your child if they have handed in notes to avoid receiving a request of explanation.

All partial absences, late arrivals and early departures, require a note of explanation at the time of absence.

CANTEEN NEWS

Firstly welcome back everyone. I hope everyone had a fun and safe holiday break. Just a few quick notes on canteen to start the New Year - we will be open 5 days per week for Term 1 and will gauge the schools needs of availability before we make a decision on Term 2.

Our menu has been revised over the break and has had a few small changes and some slight price increases on some items. Overall our menu will remain very similar to last year.

We will continue to work with ‘The Central Coast Healthy Canteen association’ to keep up to date with relevant nutritional information and we will keep working within these guidelines to keep our accreditation valid.

For new families or those of you who haven’t added our Facebook page feel free to look us up under ‘Wyoming Public School canteen’. There are regular updates and I use this as my main form of communication with parents / families within the school. Thanks everyone.

Annette Sharp
CANTEEN MANAGER

SCHOOL BANKING

SCHOOL BANKING: Put a reminder in your student diary/calendar/mobile phone. Get banking ready on Tuesday night because.....
WEDNESDAY=SCHOOL BANKING DAY

School Banking has resumed, please bring your yellow or black bank books and hand into the office. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollaramites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

Please note that bank books must be in on WEDNESDAY to be processed.

Join School Banking on an outback adventure!

Every year the School Banking program launches a new savings theme and 8 new exclusive School Banking reward items.

This year’s program is themed the Outback Savers and School Banking is taking students on a wild adventure through the Canyon of Savings, where they’ll learn to master smart savings habits.
WEEK 4 TERM 1

There are 8 new reward items for 2016 from the Outback Savers range:

- Flying Snake Tail
- Wildlife Writer Set
- Mud Splat Handball
- Outback Pat Bag Tag
- Backpack Eraser Pen
- Jump and Skip Rope
- Bush Fly Fan
- Wriggly Glow Worm

Win a wildlife family adventure holiday to Australia Zoo!
This year School Banking is giving students the chance to win a family trip for up to two adults and three children to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Hope you enjoyed the new look Book Club brochure. Each child receives just one brochure now that covers all the age groups.

Book Club due tomorrow Tuesday 16 February. No late orders will be accepted.

Don't forget you are able to order and pay online through the LOOP system.

Please note books ordered online will not be delivered to school until after the 16 February when the orders are placed.

Thanks

Sharon Head
BOOK CLUB COORDINATOR

ANNUAL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Our annual Swimming Carnival is being held this Friday, 19 February 2016 at Gosford Olympic Pool for Year 3 to 6 students (plus any Year 2 students who are 8 years old in 2016 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/dinks (although students may use the pool shop when directed by teachers)
- sit in grandstand in House Groups
- Indoor Pool Complex is out of bounds

There will be an additional 25m race this year for students. Novelty events will be run on the day. Cost is $5 for bus travel and entry. Please return your money & permission notes in ASAP.

SCHOOL STUDENT PHOTOGRAPHS

School Photo Day is tomorrow Tuesday 16 February 2016. Have your child’s school memories captured forever.

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

*PLEASE RETURN ENVELOPES WITH PAYMENT TO SCHOOL OFFICE BY MONDAY 15 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.

Joshua B
Meadow P
Lilli B
Ava-Grace S

Congratulations. Keep up the great work.
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Fee: $20
No Child Care is available

Registrations essential. To register for this course contact Philippa Skipper, Facilitator (SACC) on 0477 317 862
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