From the Principal:

Please note that we have had a confirmed case of chicken pox in the school.

No PSSA teams training tomorrow morning (Friday 7th Nov)

Year 4 Camp to Milson Island

Year 4 are currently at the Department of Sport and Recreation camp at Milson Island on the Hawkesbury River. Mrs Smith, Miss Eustace, Mr Williams and 58 students left on Wednesday morning from Newport Wharf on the ferry to the island. They are due back at Newport Wharf tomorrow afternoon at approximately 2:30pm and we'll be sure to hear about their amazing adventures!!

World’s Biggest Classroom (WBC)

On Wednesday Linda Williamson and Year 6 students, Jade Calabretta and Ellie Watts, took part in a special DEC art activity at Warringah Mall. The students worked with a number of local primary schools and created a large mural which will be displayed around the state. Please see the following link for more information.

www.facebook.com/worldsbiggestclassroom

Please see the school's Surf's Up artwork on our WBC Facebook page. Please like us on Facebook. Also follow us on Twitter. Keep up to date with #WBCexhibits2014.

Applications for Year 7 Selective High School in 2016

Applications from Year 5 students for Year 7 selective high school are now available online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement. This year applications are only available online, with applications due by 17 November.

Coin Line for Archie Saunders

The whole school will be having a coin line on Monday 17 November to raise funds for Archie Saunders for his trip to Tasmania for the national Athletics as part of the NSW state team. Could students please bring along a gold coin on Monday week and see if we can cover the entire map of Tasmania which will be drawn on the assembly area.

School Program Fees

Fee reminder notices have recently been sent out. Could we please ask that all school program fees are paid as soon as possible. If you are experiencing financial difficulties please see Mr Scotter or the school office.

Phone App

Please see the information later in the newsletter about our new school App, which will hopefully lead to improved communication within the school community. We believe that approximately 75 devices have already downloaded the free APP, and hope that all school families will soon take part.

Annual Report Surveys

Each year the school publishes an Annual School Report (ASR) with details about school achievements, budgets, staffing and links to an analysis of NAPLAN data. We are also required to conduct student, staff and parent/community surveys and report on the results. In the next few weeks links to these surveys will be available and we ask that you kindly complete these surveys.

Enrolments 2015

We are currently organizing numbers and arrangements for 2015. If for any reason you will not be returning to Wheeler Heights in 2015 could you please let the office or Mr Scotter know as soon as possible. At this stage we anticipate approximately 80 new Kindergarten enrolments and therefore will have 21 or 22 classes and approximately 540 students next year.
**Holiday Chicken Roster**

Once again we are looking for a number of school families who would like to look after the chickens during the upcoming holidays. Duties include letting out & rehousing the chickens each day, ensuring food & water is available and collecting the eggs!! Please let Mr Scotter or the office know when you may be available.

*David Scotter – Principal*

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**Peninsula of Schools ECO Summit**

The recent Science Youth Eco Summit at Homebush Olympic Park was a great success. The YES Science show is an award-winning global education event that is hosted annually in Sydney. It was a fun-filled day of experiments and discoveries. Elyse Gigliotti, Honey Piper, Oliver Hendriks, Archie Saunders and Miss Eustace, along with other PCS students, learnt about sustainability practices science and how to have a positive impact on our environment. The day included lots of practical activities like milking cows to make cheese, butter and cream; and cooking rice paper rolls using vegetables from organic gardens. The students also discovered interesting information about frog species, ocean creatures, bush tucker and how to protect the environment.

It was a fantastic Science day and Wheeler Heights students proudly represented their school.

*Lisa Eustace*

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**Kindergarten running to Dubbo Zoo**

No Kindergarten have not started some ultra-marathon program. Actually, as part of our sport program this term, we are improving our fitness and strength by running laps around the K-2 playground. The number of laps we run each day are collected and then it is calculated how far we have run. As of last Friday we have run 140 kms altogether. We’ve already made it to Katoomba!

Dubbo Zoo found out about what we were doing and thought it was such a great idea that Kristy, one of the education officers, wanted to meet us. So on Friday afternoon Kristy and Kindergarten had a video conference where we saw and spoke to Kristy at Dubbo Zoo while we were in the library! Amazing! Kristy showed us one of the slowest animals in the world, a Galapagos tortoise called ‘Paint’. We are going to catch up with Kristy again once we have run all the way to Dubbo.

*Trish McCombie*

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**JOIN THE SCHOOL BAND!**

The WHPS Band Committee is now inviting students who will be in years 3-6 in 2015 to join its school Band Program next year. All children in years 3-6 next year are welcome to join!

Parents in these years should by now have received a “WHPS Band Information” form as well as an “Expression of Interest” form. The School Band Committee asks that you review that material and give careful consideration to the possibility of your child (or children) learning an instrument and playing in our school bands next year. It’s never too late to get started in music and the benefits of a child learning an instrument are far reaching. Playing music involves physical, mental and emotional activities all of which help in the development and growth of young people. Plus it’s also lots of fun! This year our school band played at the Sydney Opera House as well as live on National Television!

Please note that, if you want to proceed to the next step, the completed “Expression of Interest” form must be returned to the school office by Monday 10 November.

In the meantime, if you have any other questions you can email the band committee at whpsband@gmail.com.

*Anthony MacDermott*
Wheeler Heights Public School is pleased to introduce an innovative and convenient way for you to organise and plan whole-school, class and extra-curricular events. We now have a new smart phone application called Primary Parent Planner available which allows you to download all important class and whole school dates to your smartphone, synchronise them to your calendar and receive regular alerts before each event. Additionally Primary Parent Planner allows us to send messages to your smartphone regarding any important information as well as providing another avenue for you to access newsletters, notes and forms, the canteen flexischools website and school contact information.

We encourage you to take advantage of this product. If you have an iPhone, iPad or iTouch simply go to the Apple App Store or if you have an Android device visit the Google Play Store, search for Primary Parent Planner, install the app and follow the prompts. It is simple, easy to use and will help our school and parents develop a closer working relationship. The school is paying a small fee for the use of the app, so installation and use will be free.

The app is an ‘opt-in’ system which relies on parents ‘subscribing’ to the various groups and activities run throughout the school. In this way only those parents who have selected the ‘PSSA Junior Boys Softball’ group for example will be sent notifications that are only applicable to that group.

Below is a list of groups which are already active and may have date reminders and notifications set – bare in mind that, as it is late in the year, any groups or teams that have already wound up for the year will not have any notifications or dates and thus are unnecessary to be subscribed too, but are set up in preparation for 2015. We will always endeavour to only send necessary notifications and will ensure only the pertinent groups are notified.

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We envisage the system working such that, when children elect or are invited to join a group, they will receive a note (as usual) which will also include a reminder for you to join that group in the app.

For assistance to download or setup the app on your devices read the full page information leaflet later in the newsletter or visit the website at http://primaryparentplanner.com/ and look under the ‘Parent Resources’ tab at the top of the page. We also have a copy of the ‘setup instructions’ at the front office which you may reference if necessary.

John Williams –Deputy Principal (Acting)
PSSA SPRING COMPETITION

Spring PSSA teams have a BYE tomorrow…

Please be reminded that even though the school oval is now out of action, all PSSA training will take place at school.

TENNIS COMPETITION

Tennis Northern Beaches will be holding the Primary Schools Tennis Challenge on 15 November at Wakehurst Tennis Centre. If you are a regular tennis player and would be interested in making a school team please see Ms Waldock.

DRAMA

We are very excited in Kindy, Year 1 and Year 2 as the dates draw near for our Christmas performances! Over the next few weeks we may be arriving home with our lines on a highlighted script, so if you could spare a few minutes, please help us remember these and practise them in a really loud voice! Then come and enjoy the performance in December - all welcome.

Ginny Macpherson
Teacher - Drama RFF

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MOVEMEMBER

Movember is fast approaching and Wheeler Heights Public School is supporting this great cause. Any interested gentlemen or women are invited to join us in this fundraising venture by either signing up to grow a mo, or donating to our team. Please ‘sign up’ via the Movember website [http://au.movember.com](http://au.movember.com) and, when prompted, select ‘join a team’ and search for the "Wheeler Heights Public School" team. You have various preferences for the communication and notification emails you receive. If, after signing up, an abundance of emails becomes a problem, communication preferences can be set via the “Edit my details section” and via “Correspondence”. Photos can be updated regularly via the Movember website.

Rules: The rules of Movember are described in detail on the Movember website, but remember to be clean shaven when you start your Mo on the 1st November and remember that each Mo Bro must conduct himself like a gentleman.

A Taste of Narrabeen

You are invited to spend an afternoon sampling high school at Narrabeen. A co-educational, comprehensive school offering a strong academic and cultural curriculum.

Students at Narrabeen enjoy quality educational programs and exceptional opportunities, delivered through state of the art facilities with a strong emphasis upon technology and 21st century learning. Our school is dedicated to providing the very best educational opportunities, wide choices and enriching experiences.

When: Thursday 13th November 2014
Time: 3:45pm to 5:00pm
Where: Narrabeen Sports High School
10 Namana St Narrabeen
RSVP: Karen Dipper 9913 7820 ext 129
or email karen.dipper1@det.nsw.edu.au

Activities include:
* Dance & Music Performances
* Outdoor Art display
* Sports Clinics with player appearances - Aust Rugby Union, Mayo Lea Eagles, Sydney Swans & Sydney Roos
* School Tours
* BBQ and light refreshments

For more information go to our website http://www.narrabeen-h.schools.nsw.edu.au
**Primary Parent Planner** is an innovative and convenient way for you to organise and plan for class activities and other community events. It is a smart phone application which allows you to download all activities for your children’s classes, as well as whole school events to your smartphone and synchronise them to your calendar and receive regular alerts leading into each event. Additionally Primary Parent Planners allows schools to send messages to your smartphone regarding any important information.

If you have an iPhone, iPad or iTouch simply go to Apple App Store or if you have an Android device visit the Google Play Store and follow the prompts.

It is simple, easy to use and will help parents become more organised and engaged with their school. As WHPS pays a yearly subscription, it is free for you to download and use the full functionality of the app.

**Differences between Apple & Android Functionality**

It is important to note also there are some differences between Apple and Android devices. The Apple version will sync straight to the calendar on your iphone/ipad. However, the early Android platform does not allow this functionality and so on Android phones the app will sync to a gmail account which can in turn sync to your phone calendar and send alerts.

There is also a difference in the alert function between Apple and Android. On the Apple version alerts and notifications from the app automatically appear on your phone. With the Android version alerts always come from the calendar but alerts and notifications from the app will only appear if the app is open or running in the background. All messages are stored on the Android devices for two weeks under ‘notices’ in the app.

**How to Sync to an Android Device**

Once you have downloaded your events press the notifications button. In this screen press sync now. It will ask you for your google calendar username and password. Enter these and it will sync to your Google calendar.

If you do not have a gmail account go here: [https://accounts.google.com/SignUp?service=mail](https://accounts.google.com/SignUp?service=mail)

Once it is synced to your gmail account, go to the settings in your phone. Choose accounts and sync your gmail calendar to your phone calendar. **** Please note this will vary from phone to phone.

**Messages and Notifications**

**Apple**

For an Apple product ensure your notifications are enabled. Go to Settings, Notifications, and scroll down to your see Primary Parent Planner. Open this and ensure the notification centre is turned on; that you choose the alerts option under alert style and the Badge App Icon and Sound is on.

Once an alert goes off the main screen, it will appear under the notices section on the app.

**Android**

The Android platform does not allow alerts to be sent to the phone, but rather the app itself. Therefore, on Android phones, alerts and notifications from the app will only appear if the app is open or running in the background. If the app is closed and you receive a message, it is stored on the Android devices for two weeks under ‘notices’ in the app. Therefore we recommend checking the notices section regularly.

**How to set up the app on your phone**

Watch the following Youtube clip;

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tT59Ka59Bu4](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tT59Ka59Bu4)
The new menu is proving to be a hit with the kids, in particular the sushi on a Monday. Please remember you can have Sushi 2 days per week Mondays and Fridays now! Woo hoo!

ATTENTION: “Sausage in a roll” pricing was incorrect sorry they are $3.50 and available on Thursdays in a wholemeal roll.

The sausages have been made for us by Jamie at the butcher across the road. ingredients;

» Pork
» Sausage meal (gluten free)
» Carrots
» Mushrooms
» Leek
» Corn
» Parmesan cheese
» Water

Orchy Pop Tops have been replaced with Nudies (apple blackcurrant, apple and tropical) $2.

In true Nudie style, kids Nudie:

» Is nothing but 100% fruit juice (NOT from concentrate)
» Has no added sugar

» Has no added preservatives
» Contains 2 serves of fruit in every pack (visit www.nhmrc.gov.au for the Australian Dietary Guidelines).
» Can also last up to six months in your cupboard, so stock up!

Roster

When the canteen is without volunteers we closed for counter sales, this means we have given out all the lunch orders but we close for ice block sales.

Please check the roster. If you are unable to do your shift please either call someone to see if they can swap or give us plenty of time.

If there are any vacancies on the roster and you are keen to give it a go, you are always welcome, it is fun work, a great way to see your children in the playground and to catch up on things happening around the school.

Warmest regards,

Zoe & Tracey
Due to technical difficulties, we will be manually processing EFT payments, until further notice.

Thank you for your patience.

Orders placed via FLEXISCHOOLS will be processed as normal.

Thank you to all our lovely volunteers who worked hard to service our Uniform Shop & School.

More volunteers are always welcome.

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Dear Lifeline Book Lover,

The countdown to Christmas and the holiday season has begun and so too have the preparations for our final book fair for 2014. Traditionally, this is a bumper event both for Lifeline Northern Beaches fundraising and for all book lovers who support our important work in the local community.

Please find the details below and please put into your diary and remember to share with family, friends and colleagues!

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GOLD COIN ENTRY WOULD BE APPRECIATED

Over the 3 days, you will have the opportunity to browse and shop from over 25,000 books, some new, most “as new”. What better time to build up your Summer reading collection, select a title to say Thank You to someone who has helped you out this year or to put together a book gift pack to fill out a Christmas stocking or place under a wishing tree. Of course, we’ll have a selection of beautiful Christmas books to excite children and families.

For information about the work of Lifeline Northern Beaches and what’s happening, please visit Lifeline Northern Beaches or call 9949 5522

Somewhere in Australia there is a new call to Lifeline every minute and it costs Lifeline $27.96 for every call that we respond to.

This is why your ongoing support is important and valued.

If you do not wish to receive any Book Fair notices in the future, please respond with UNSUBSCRIBE.
Come & Join the Fun At

THE MANLY VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL

MAD HATTERS SPRING FAIR

Sunday 9th of November 2014 11am to 4pm

77 Sunshine Street Manly Vale

Silent Disco

Creative Outdoor Art Space

Fancy Dress Competition

Games

Carnival Rides

Cake Decorating & Art Competitions . Food Stalls

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Buskers and Fabulous Prizes to be won!

“A celebration of our colourful school & Community”

For more information on everything that is happening on the day & details on our cake decorating, art & dress up competitions visit:

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Thank you to our major Sponsor Jacquelyn Watson
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We believe that by working strategically and collaboratively we will inspire and develop future-focused students who are active and connected learners and critical and creative thinkers.