From The Principal:

Special thanks to Jason Paxton (Kye 2W & Ella 1B) for so quickly & expertly removing our fallen tree and mulching all the debris around the school.

Good luck to Finley W (6L) who will represent Sydney North region in the State PSSA Basketball competition next week at Berkeley.

Anzac Day Activities

Our captains and 6L organised a wonderful Anzac Day whole school assembly last Thursday at school. Mrs Williamson had co-ordinated the service with Jem S, Brianna W and Bree McK singing beautifully and Charlie N playing the Last Post and Reveille superbly. Classes had decorated the hall with art work and the whole school were beautifully behaved during the moving ceremony.

On Anzac Day (Saturday) six of our school leaders attended the 100 Years 100 Boats service at Collaroy Beach. Many other students, teachers and families attended and it was another very special and memorable commemoration. Our leaders presented wreaths to surf boat crews who then scattered the wreaths out to sea. Our captains then received a Lone Pine sapling, propagated from the seeds collected from the pine cones of ‘The Lone Pine’ tree from the Gallipoli area in Turkey. We plan to plant our saplings in a special area of our school.

School Cross Country

Well done to all competitors who ran in the Cross Country carnival held in lovely weather on Tuesday. The first six placegetters are eligible for the district carnival to be held next Thursday at Warriewood. The results are attached to this newsletter and these students received a note which is also on the school website. Ribbons for place getters (1-6) will be presented at Monday’s 9:15am assembly. Special thanks to Mrs Miller & Mr Webster for organising the carnival so well.

Peninsula Community of Schools News (PCS)

Yesterday we hosted our colleagues from the PCS to rehearse for the PCS Music Festival held early in Term 3. Children from the 10 local primary schools practiced with our Year 2 Wheeler Wailers children under the baton of Ms McCombie, the combined choir conductor.

Also yesterday, Mr Williams escorted a group of Prefects and Year 5 and 6 SRC representatives to Taronga Zoo as part of the PCS Project Green Sea Turtle leadership program. Again our students were wonderful ambassadors displaying the Wheeler Way and a positive and engaged attitude.

Yoga and Athletic Skills

This week we started two new programs. Kindy and Year 1 with Yoga and Years 2-4 with Athletic Skills. This program is in response to feedback from parents in regard to preparing our students for the school athletics carnival to be held in Term 3.

Year 5 2016 Opportunity Class Applications

If you would like your child to sit the Opportunity Class test for 2016, please complete the Expression of Interest form and return to your class teacher or the office. The form was emailed to Year 4 parents and is available on the school website (click here). Opportunity classes operate at Mona Vale and Balgowlah Heights Public schools.
Kindergarten Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)
All Kindergarten families have been emailed a note regarding the AEDC. If you would not like your child to participate could you please let the office or your teacher know.

Chess News
Good luck to our four chess teams who are competing the NSW Junior Chess League Friday after school competition. This year we have an entry in the Championship grade and three rookie teams. Special thanks to Ms Zillhardt and chess coach Lev for preparing our teams for this competition.

PSSA Winter competition
Teams have now been finalised for the Winter PSSA competition commencing next Friday, 8th May. Once again competition for places was very tough and not all trialists could be selected. Permission notes and codes of conduct forms have been distributed and are also on the school website.

School Program Fees
Letters are currently being sent home to families whose school program fees are outstanding. If for any reason you are experiencing financial difficulties and would like to discuss any issue please see Mr Scotter.

School Working Bee Saturday 16 May from 8am -12 noon
Please mark this date in your diary….lots of jobs……large and small to keep our school and grounds looking fabulous.

David Scotter
Principal

From The Office:

Working with Children Checklist Form
A new Working with Children Checklist form will be distributed to parents who help in the classroom or around the school. Please bring your form along with original proof of identity documents to the school office for photocopying.

Unidentified Direct Deposits
We have two unidentified deposits in the school bank account. Dates of deposits are 30/3/15 and 27/4/15. If you deposited into our account on one of these dates, and have not received a receipt for your payment, please contact me to establish where the funds should be directed.

Stewart House envelopes
Last week all students were given a Stewart House envelope. We hope that many of you will send in a $2 donation which also gives you an opportunity to win a $4,000 family holiday. The money raised is to support Stewart House, a wonderful home away from home at Curl Curl which provides unique opportunities for 1,800 students each year from our public schools all over NSW.

Help, Sports Shorts needed urgently – size 4 & 6 please!

Jodie Sly
School Administration Manager

SCIENCE News
Judging from applications received so far, and with one more day until the amended Science Fair EOI cut-off, we are expecting to make some difficult decisions culling the group to only 8 young scientists. Preferences will probably need to be given to older children who will not have the opportunity to have another go next year. Successful applicants will be announced next week with view to having our first meeting next Thursday.

AND STILL SEEKING SCIENCE RESOURCES
Many thanks for the wonderful response to my call for empty paper rolls – my storage shelf now runneth over, so you can all revert to paper recycling for those items! Many thanks again!

I am, however, still in the market for:
• an old bicycle or exercise bike (that can still be pedalled)
• flexible pipe/hose with a wide enough diameter for marbles to run through? Or conversely, smaller than usual marbles (ball-bearings?) which could run through standard hose?
And I might as well put it out there and add
• a fully-functioning, but no longer required, microwave oven to the list .... you never know ....

Any contributions gratefully accepted .... please contact Ms Zillhardt if you need clarification.

Heike Zillhardt
Science Co-ordinator
WE NEED TAP SHOES!

A number of Year 6 students are currently learning a tap dance routine for which we require tap shoes. If you have a spare/old pair (or several pairs!) of tap shoes that would be suitable in size for a Year 6 child we would really appreciate it if they could be loaned to us until the end of the year. The shoes will be kept at school in a safe place. If you are able to help please let me know or send the shoes to school with your child clearly labelled with your name so they can be returned.

Thank you

Nicole Marshall
6N Teacher

Sports News

Wheeler Heights and a whole lot of sport!

Cross Country

A big congratulations to all who participated in the school cross country on Tuesday. We are so lucky to have great facilities and grounds to accommodate the cross country at our school and the weather definitely was in our favour on the day! With the top 6 in each age group making it through to the District Cross Country, those students should have received their permission note which needs to be returned, with the money, to the office by Monday 4th May. These events are only successful with excellent planning and participation of the staff and I would like to thank all involved for taking their posts around the course to make the day so successful. A special mention to Mrs Miller and Mr Webster for organising the event and who will also be managing the zone team. If you have any queries regarding the zone team, please contact Mrs Miller.

Winter PSSA

This week will be a training session for all coaches and their teams during sport time. Students will need to bring the required equipment for their respective sports. Notes need to be returned asap to their coaches and money is due by round 2 (15th May) to the office. It is vital that students make their designated training sessions. Failure to make training sessions and payments may result in students being replaced with students on the reserve list. Parents will be able to access the full draw on the Wheeler Heights website. The weekly draw will be sent out through Primary Parent Planner (App is available from the Apple and Android app stores - More information on the PPP App is available on the Wheeler Heights PS web site). Weekly draw and results will be published in the newsletter each week.

Looking forward to a great winter season of skill development, team building and sportsmanship! And of course healthy competition!

Boys Rugby League - Mr Blanshard
Girls Netball - Mrs Young and Mrs Smith
Girls Soccer - Miss Tekampe
Boys Soccer - Mr Cox

Pittwater Zone/Sydney North Trials

This week Kahli J (Syd Nth Soccer), Archie S (Syd Nth League), Lachlan B (Rugby Union) and Jett K (Rugby Union) all attended district trials. All students trialed very well and were excellent representatives of Wheeler Heights, displaying exemplary behaviour and sportsmanship. The boys unfortunately didn't make the next level, however they enjoyed the experience. A big congratulations to Kahli J who made it into the Sydney North Girls Soccer team.

Upcoming Pittwater Zone/Sydney North Trials

Trials are held throughout the year for students who excel in a particular sport to represent the zone/region/state. Teachers from around the Pittwater Zone and beyond will be in charge of running selection trials for the various sports. These teachers will notify the schools sports coordinators of trial dates and locations (Mr Blanshard). At Wheeler Heights, announcements are made at assemblies calling for students to nominate themselves to trial, if they meet the desired criteria (PSSA coaches are asked to nominate students as part of this process). Each school is allowed to send only 3-4 students to each trial, demonstrating the high level of skill required (generally Yrs 5-6). If you would like anymore information regarding these trials, do not hesitate to contact Mr Blanshard through the school office.

The District trials being held in Term 2:

Boys Rugby League - Closed
Boys Rugby Union - Closed
Girls and Boys Soccer - Closed
Girls Netball - Closed
Girls and Boys Softball - Open
Girls and Boys Touch Football - Open
Girls and Boys Golf – Upcoming

Yours in sport,

Mr Tyson Blanshard
Sports Coordinator 2015
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The SRC has been busy planning some activities for Term 2.

**Cake Stall**
As we have many bike riders at Wheeler, the students identified the need for more bike racks. The SRC has decided to hold a cake stall to raise money for the purchase of a new bike rack for the school. (Thank you in advance to all the SRC parents who will put their culinary skills into action too!) Cakes will range in price from 20c - $1.00.
The cake stall will be held on **Thursday 14 May** at recess.

**Bike Riders**
As mentioned last year, it is DEC policy that children must be 10 years age & over to ride a bike unaccompanied to school. All eligible riders will receive their "bike licenses" shortly from an SRC rep.

**Loud Shirt Day**
The SRC reps have decided to support "Hear & Say" which is an organisation who provide early intervention for deaf & hearing impaired children across Australia. We will be holding a "LOUD" shirt Day. All students are invited to wear bright/loud coloured clothes and bring a gold coin donation to support the cause.
LOUD Shirt Day will be held on **Tuesday 2 June**.

**POM POMS FOR SALE!**
A group of enthusiastic, creative & well organised students from 5G presented the SRC with a novel way to raise money for our sponsor child, Gedete…They have made some colourful and creative pom poms that will be for sale on Thursday 7 May (Prices will range for 50c to $1.00).

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**Wheeler Heights Dance Program**

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**Senior & Junior Eisteddfod & performance season is here.**

**Attendance:** It is very important as competitions are approaching that children attend all classes and be on time for 8am start, thank you.

**Eisteddfod 1 information:** Saturday May 30th senior and junior dance groups will be performing in the "I'd rather be dancing"
Eisteddfod located at Pittwater House School. Juniors arrive at 9am for 9am start. Seniors arrive at 8:30am for 9:30am start.

**Eisteddfod 2 information:** Sunday June 21st both groups will be dancing. It looks like being a 7:15am arrival for 8:15am start.
Location is yet to be confirmed.

**Glen Street information:** Glen Street matinee and evening performances usually run mid or late June for a 2 week period. We will be advised of actual dates if our auditions are successful.

**Costumes:** both groups’ costumes have arrived. Juniors will receive their dance bag and costume at this Friday morning’s class.
Both groups will look fantastic up on stage.

Our email address is [whps.dance@gmail.com](mailto:whps.dance@gmail.com)

Kind regards,

**Denelle G**
Dance Parent Liaison
Mother’s Day Stall / Friday May 8th / All Gifts Only $10.00
Hosted by Year 2
TALKING TIMPANI ... THE NEW BOOM IN BAND!
At our committee meeting last Monday night the committee resolved to spend a significant chunk of band money on the acquisition of two new timpani. What are they? Have a look at the big "drums" being played in this link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F1DEyrAZoU
Timpani are one of the few items of band equipment which have been missing from our program, but are a staple at most primary schools. They are large drums which can be tuned to a specific note. Timpani are an excellent way to not only greatly embellish the sound of the band (think big and booming sounds), but also to add parts for the percussion (and other) players to play, to maintain their interest over the course of their tenure in band. This represents a big and exciting long term investment for our band.

CHARLIE'S ANGELS ...
Isn’t it amazing how music plays such an important role in our many social and ceremonial events? Anzac Day is a great example of this. The Last Post is almost never pre-recorded and is always played by a real human being, bringing with him/her the full texture of humanity and all its emotions and frailty.

And so it was that last week the colourful Charlie N performed the Last Post on Trumpet at the 3-6 Anzac Assembly. This is, without doubt, one of the most challenging performances any musician, young or old, can be asked to perform. Charlie did a fantastic job! Congratulations Charlie – your angelic playing and confidence under pressure was astonishing. Well done!

REHEARSAL ETIQUETTE
Musicians are reminded that phones and other electronic devices are not to be brought out at rehearsals. Please leave them in your bag.

Please also note that there will be no chewing gum allowed in the Hall. If you’re chewing gum, you must dispose of it in a garbage bin outside the hall before rehearsal starts.

ARTS ALIVE!
We are very excited to have organised a visit from the Arts Alive! Junior Secondary and Primary Combined School Bands. These bands, which consist of talented students from many schools in the area (including past and present Wheeler Heights students!), will play a concert together with our Training, Intermediate and Senior Bands. What a fantastic opportunity to hear from bands of such high standard and allow our students to see the opportunities open to them in this area. More details to come about this evening concert to be held on Thursday 4th June.

ANTHONY MACDERMOTT
whpsband@gmail.com / 0417 277 89
### GIRLS WINTER
- **Tunic**  Sz 4 . 5 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 . 16 . 18 $60.00
- **Blouse**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 . 16 $25.00
- **Trousers**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 $25.00

### GIRLS SUMMER
- **Tunic**  Sz 4 . 5 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 . 16 . 18 $55.00
- **Polo Shirt**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 $25.00
- **Skort**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 $30.00
- **White Tie (spare for summer tunic)** $5.00

### GENERAL
- **Jacket**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 . 16 . Sml adu $55.00
- **Poncho**  Sml . Med . Lrg $20.00
- **Rain Coat**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 $20.00
- **School Backpack** $45.00
- **Library Bag** $12.00
- **Sloppy Joe**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 $35.00

### SPORT - UNISEX
- **Polo Shirt**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 $25.00
- **Shorts**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 $20.00
- **Trackpants**  Sz 4 . 5 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 $30.00

### BOYS WINTER **
- **Long Sleeve Shirt**  Sz 5 . 6 . 7 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 . 16 $25.00
- **Trousers**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 . 16 $25.00

### BOYS SUMMER
- **Polo Shirt**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 $25.00
- **Shorts**  Sz 4 . 6 . 8 . 10 . 12 . 14 . 16 . Sml $20.00

**OPTIONAL – BOYS CAN WEAR SUMMER UNIFORM ALL YEAR ROUND**

### ACCESSORIES
- **Baseball Cap**  1 size fits all – Adjustable $15.00
- **Bucket Hat**  Sz Sm/Md . Md/Lrg $15.00
- **Alice Band (Summer & Winter tartan)** $10.00
- **HairbowPk2 (Summer & Winter tartan)** $10.00
- **Tights Grey** $12.00
- **Sox Ankle Grey**  1 Pair $6.00
- **Sox Ankle White**  1 Pair $6.00
- **Sox Ankle White**  3 Pair Pack $15.00
- **Sox Long White or Grey** $8.00
- **Sox Sports PSSA Soccer/Football** $10.00

Payment methods: CASH, CHEQUE, EFTPOS

1.5% surcharge on all EFT payments

Please note, we do not accept Amex or Diners

All other cards welcome


*FlexiSchools orders closed 4.00pm Thursday & are delivered to your child’s classroom on Friday*

The uniform shop is run by parent volunteers, open every Friday from 8:30am to 9:30am

*If you would like to volunteer to help in the Uniform Shop, please contact us whpsuniform@gmail.com*
Dear all Families,

Here is the latest news, photos and information about what’s going on at Wheeler Heights Before and After School Care.

Last term our children described Health and Wellbeing Sport as very fun and engaging. The children participated in athletics based sports with Matthew on Tuesday afternoons. They got to run around the big oval, compete in relays and practise their javelin and discus throwing. The children also played Oztag with Imogen on Wednesday afternoons. Children practised passing and running with the football and playing warm up games such as foxtails before versing each other in competitive Oztag games. Due to the success of the program it will be returning in Term 2 with Taekwondo/Bully Stop on Monday Afternoons at 4 – 5 pm and European Handball on Wednesday Afternoons at 4 – 5 pm.

Also, please refer to the table below for Term 2, 2015 WHOSHC Clubs:

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April Vacation Care ran smoothly and was lots of fun for all involved. A big thank you to parents who completed the Vacation Care Survey. You’re positive feedback is greatly appreciated. We have also collated the children’s’ Vacation Care Evaluation Forms and as a result we now know which activities did not work and the types of things that the children enjoy so much that they would like to do again either next Vacation Care or at before and after school care.

Popular in-Centre days included Monster and Fairy Day and A Taste of Italy Day. On Monster and Fairy Day the children made box monsters, danced like zombies/fluttering fairies, enjoyed some fairy bread and competed against each other in a Monster and Fairy Trivia session. For A Day in Italy the children made ricotta biscuits and pizza, created the Italian Flag and learnt some Italian words. Popular excursion days included a visit to the Sydney Sea Life Aquarium and the Movies. At the Aquarium, children were fascinated by the fish, sting rays and sharks. Also, many were interested to learn of the link between dugongs and the myth of mermaids. At the movies the children watched Home and seemed to identify with the little alien with a big heart. When we returned to the Centre, the children created spaceships on paper or by using Lego and worked to complete a space diorama.

Families can contact staff at the Centre by calling 9972 3895 or 0430 351 734 or by emailing whoshc@primaryoshcare.com.au Centre Managers can be contacted directly by emailing headoffice@primaryoshcare.com.au
The Northern Beaches Family Support Service is for families expecting a child or with children aged 1-12 years. Eligible families are identified with specific vulnerabilities, lack of family support or social support, parental learning difficulties or intellectual disability, or problems with children behaviour management. The core goals of the program are to promote healthy development in children, promote strong functional and well-supported families and to reduce and prevent child abuse and neglect. Our service is free to families and we are able to meet with them in the community.

**Term 2 Program**

**Drop in and Share**  
Drop-in advice, support & referral service for women with children aged 0-12yrs  
Every Wednesday 10am-12pm

**Making the Most of Playing with Your Child**  
The session will explore the importance of different types of play and how to use play to improve a parents and child’s relationship and helps develop resilience in their child.  
Tuesday 26 May 10am–12pm

**Emotion Coaching Workshop**  
The emotion coaching workshop helps parents of preschool children to learn how to identify their children’s emotions, develop their children’s ability to recognise their own emotions and then find solutions how best to deal with their emotions.  
Thursday 5, 12, 19 May 10am-12pm

**Circle of Security Parenting Program**  
The Circle of Security Parenting Program is an early intervention program for parents. The program focuses on how relationships provide children with emotional support to develop and safely explore their world.  
30 April for 8 weeks on Thursdays from 10am-12pm

**Infant Massage course**  
This course will help to enhance the loving relationship between a mother and baby. The group provides an opportunity for mothers to develop an understanding of their baby’s unique body language, cues and signals. Infant Massage has been shown to enhance sleep, settling and soothing abilities, physical and motor development, confidence and self-esteem, empathy and other social skills. This is specifically for mothers with babies aged 4 weeks to 7 months.  
Thursdays for 5 weeks 21 May to 25 June 1.30pm-3pm.

To register, please call  
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