Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What an exciting 2 weeks it has been since our last newsletter! We had our school photos and our dance auditions and also had our wonderful cancer fundraiser—Pink Stumps Day. Thanks must go to Mrs McLennan, Mr Bale and Miss Doyle, our Lethbridge House Patrons, for their excellent coordination of our Pink Stumps cricket day. Thank you also to our Lethbridge House parents and students for all their baking and hard work leading up to and on the day! Congratulations, Lethbridge House; a job well done! We also had our 2015 swimming carnival, with glorious weather, and with fantastic participation by our school community. A huge thank you to our parents who assisted at the carnival and also to Mr Carters, Mr Bale and Mrs Gill for their organisation.

Interviews

Accompanying this newsletter are the interview request letters for all classes. Please fill in the interview request note as soon as possible and return it to school with your child. All Kindergarten parents will be receiving their child’s Best Start report at these interviews.

Werrington Wise Assembly

Our end of term Werrington Wise assemblies will be held on Monday 30th March at 9.30am for K-2 and at 10.15am for 3-6. I will be presenting the Principal Awards and medallions at this assembly. To enable the office staff to process the awards in time for the assembly, please send your child’s eligible awards to the office by Wednesday 25th March. If your child is receiving a Principal’s award or medallion, they will bring a note home reminding you of this!

Teacher Professional Learning

Regularly, teachers and staff undertake professional learning to keep up to date with the latest theory, research and practice in education. Most of these are held after school hours! These sessions include:

- Mrs Greentree running a mathematics workshop
- Mrs Moses attending a TAFE course for frontline office management
- Mrs Greentree, Mr Carters, Mr Bale, Miss Hall and Mrs Brandies attending a positive behaviour for learning intervention training workshop

and I will be absent for 2 days at a conference.

Our teachers also attend professional learning sessions after school each Tuesday afternoon. This fortnight we are finalising our planning for 2015 and working with our Aboriginal parents and students to complete learning plans.

As you can see, our staff work hard to keep up to date and to improve their own professional knowledge for the benefit of our students and our school.

Have a great week!

Mrs Thompson
**Stage 3 News**

Welcome to Stage 3, 2015. We look forward to the exciting educational journey ahead and partnering with you and your child to continue achieving their educational goals. Year 5 and 6 are important, formative and dynamic years with an emphasis on transition and a preparation for high school. We hope that this year will be a fun, happy and valuable educational experience for your child.

This year is going to be a very busy, but fun year for our students in stage 3. Some of the exciting activities that we have to look forward to include; camp, Owl Market Day and high school transition activities. Our stage 3 students will be working hard in their classrooms and will continue to be Safe, Respectful and a Learner in our school.

This week, year 6 parents will be sent home the “Moving into year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2016” form. Parents are asked to complete the **Expression of Interest** for a placement into year 7, 2016 and return it to the school as soon as possible. This will allow for clear lines of communication between our school and the selected high schools. If your child will be attending a non-government school, we still need you to complete the form and return it to school.

Don’t forget that our year 6 shirts need to be ordered soon, so that the children can confidently wear their year six shirt to school. This is a privilege for our year 6 students and clearly identifies them as our most senior students in their last year of primary school. If you are experiencing difficulty meeting the cost of the year 6 shirt, please contact Mrs Moses in the office.

Please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher if you have any queries throughout the year. You can contact the school office or organise a mutually convenient time with the classroom teacher. We look forward to seeing you at our parent and teacher interviews later this term.

Thank you,

Amber Greentree
Stage 3 Assistant Principal
Office News

Money and Notes due
Activity  Money & note due to school
Year 6 shirt  Friday 27th March
School contributions  Friday 27th March

School hats and school caps
We are waiting on a delivery of both hats and caps. All orders that we have will be supplied once our delivery has arrived. Once our order has been delivered a notice will be sent home advising that hats and caps are in stock.

Thank you,
Mrs Moses

Sport news

Swimming Carnival

Our swimming carnival was held on Tuesday this week and once again it was a roaring success. From the novelty events run by Mrs McLennan, all the way to the 200m IM, the students demonstrated a great attitude and they really enjoyed themselves. Comments were made by lifeguards and pool staff about our students, stating they would be more than happy to have a great school like Werrington back. This is great feedback. A very big thanks to Mrs Gill and Mr Bale who organised a fantastic carnival.

The following students will be representing Werrington at the zone carnival this Wednesday 4th March:

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Good luck to these students.

Mr Carters
Assistant Principal
**Sporting Successes**

Last fortnight I mentioned we had some students represent Werrington at a range of different zone sporting trials and I am very pleased to announce that some of our talented athletes have had great success. Congratulations to the following students, who have been selected in a Penrith Zone team and will compete at the Sydney West Carnival in their selected sports:

- Jirah Liddiard: 11 Years Rugby League and Opens Cricket
- Kai Cashman: Basketball
- Breanna Green: Softball
- Caitlin Doull: Softball

We will have more students trialling for the 12 years rugby league and touch football over the coming weeks, and I will report back to you in the next newsletter on their progress.

Mr Carters  
Assistant Principal
Pink Stumps Charity Fundraiser

This year each house will be responsible for raising funds for a charity of their choice. Last Friday the 20th of February, was Lethbridge’s turn to demonstrate our commitment to our chosen charity, the McGrath Foundation. As part of our commitment to this charity, Lethbridge organised Werrington’s participation in Pink Stumps Day. This was a day of backyard cricket and various other activities which involved selling merchandise, delicious food and a sausage sizzle for the school.

On the day we were lucky enough to receive a donation of pink wickets and shin pads to use during our play. The McGrath Foundation also sent us a range of merchandise to sell. This wasn’t the only kindness, however. The commitment of our students, community and teachers is to be commended. It was a lovely surprise to observe the dedication of the Lethbridge students as they all pulled together with additional ideas and home-made advertisements. It was fabulous also to observe their willingness to give up their own time to make the day a success.

A big thank you also needs to go out to all of the families and fellow teachers that committed to baking and bringing a range of muffins, scones, biscuits and cakes. The kindness of the additional teachers and parents that helped out on the day was also welcoming.

Our local IGA manager, Rick Rizk donated both sausages and drinks, at a discounted price for the sausage sizzle. If you purchase your groceries at IGA, be sure to pop a shopping credit coin into Werrington Primary Schools donation box. This will help us to raise funds for the school. The local Coles grocer also contributed to the day’s takings, as they donated all of the bread used. The sausage sizzle would not have been possible without the special commitment and time given up by Mr Doull. Thank you!

It was fantastic that we were able to raise $1600 on the day and with Minchinbury Manor’s kind donation of $150 the final takings were $1750. Well done Werrington! Thanks for making this day a success! Keep an eye out for Parkes fund raising activity next term, and let’s continue to demonstrate the charitable community that we are at Werrington!

Claire McLennan
Pink Stumps Day Co-Ordinator
Wow, we can’t believe it’s week 6 already and nearly Easter! Like previous years we are asking for donations to make up our hamper prizes. Easter raffle tickets and donation note will be heading home this week. If you would like to donate chocolate Easter eggs or bunnies that would be appreciated. All donations can be dropped or should we say “hopped” into the office and thank you in advance!

Easter raffle tickets will be $1.00 each or 3 for $2.00 and extra tickets are available from the school office. The Raffle will be drawn at the K-2 Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 2nd April. Good luck!

Our next P&C meeting will be held at 6.30pm, 16th March in the office staffroom. Please come along and join us on the night. At this meeting we will be calling for nominations for our second vice-president position. If you are interested in the position or if you can’t make this meeting and you would like something placed on the agenda, please call Kimberley on 0421023321.

Don’t forget, if you have any good quality school uniforms that your child has grown out of, please consider donating these items to our school’s second-hand uniform cupboard. Any items that are in good order eg; no stains or rips etc are always appreciated. Thank you!

It’s great to see the playgroup still going strong this year. Remember, our Jumping Joeys P&C Playgroup is FREE to all community members. This group meets in the school hall every Friday of the term from 9.15am till 11am. Craft and morning tea is provided for the children every week.

Kind regards
Your P&C Committee
Fresh Food Update!

Hello again from the Sydney fresh food markets!

Rockmelon season is in full swing, cutting really well and absolutely delicious! There will be a tasting in store for the next fortnight, so please help yourself!

Tomatoes and lettuce are in peak season so a fresh Greek Salad would be perfect on these hot days.

School Lunch box – Royal Gala Apple are the first new season apple, very crisp and fresh. Other apple lines will be in season going into April. I highly recommend the royal galas- my kids absolutely love them!

Thanks for supporting us and our local community!

Tony Rizk

Meet David, the produce manager

We are going online!

You’ll soon be able to shop Supa IGA Werrington online, from your PC or Smart Phone. Same Prices and Free Delivery for orders above $100. If you’d prefer pick up you can do that too.

We are aiming to go live in early May – Watch this space!

We are always open to new suggestions, so please call or write to me if there are any products or changes you’d like in store.

See you soon,

Richard Rizk
Contact: FreeCall 1800 780 900 or 4729 3907 for more information.

To Register: FreeCall 1800 780 900 or visit www.facebook.com/healthychildrennetwork

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