



Crown Street Chronicle

Term 2 Week 5

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CALENDAR

Wednesday	14 May	12pm Working Bee – completing the painting of our basement
Thursday	15 May	Responsible Pet Ownership Program – Early Stage 1 and Stage 1
Friday	26 May	9am Playgroup
Monday	29 May	Reconciliation Morning Tea (selected students)
Wednesday	31 May	Assembly – 5/6H Item
Thursday	1 June	6pm Garden Club Meeting in Staff Room 7pm P & C Meeting
Friday	2 June	Walk for Reconciliation (selected students)
Friday	9 June	9am Playgroup
Wednesday	14 June	ICAS Assessment - Spelling
Thursday	15 June	ICAS Assessment - Writing
Friday	16 June	Stage 3 visit to WHSPA for Les Miserables
Monday	19 June	P & C Mufti Day for the Halloween Carnival – Please donate items for side show alley prizes
Wednesday	21 June	Assembly – 1/2SL Item
Friday	23 June	Athletics Carnival K-6 9am Playgroup P & C Movie Night
Wednesday	28 June	Semester 1 reports to go home
Friday	30 June	Last day of Term 2

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Painting of our Basement

On Sunday, our P & C held a Working Bee to paint the basement area of our school. The bright colours have certainly given this area a much-needed facelift. Thank you very much to our parents, teachers and children who came along on the weekend to brighten up our school. Furniture to complete the refurbishment to this area of our school has been purchased and is expected to be delivered over the next week.

Today, we will be having an additional Working Bee from 12pm to complete the massive task of painting our basement. We would greatly appreciate any help that our community can provide in assisting us. Please come along from noon today.

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Mother's Day Stall

I would like to extend a huge thank you to our many fathers and mothers who assisted our school by organising and working at our P & C Mother's day Stall two weeks ago, I am sure that many of our Mothers enjoyed the precious gifts they received last weekend. Congratulations to James M who won the Mother's Day Raffle.



Teachers are Learners Too

This fortnight there has been a lot of professional learning for teachers:

- All teachers planned their next short writing cycle based on student needs in each class.
- All teachers completed the next module in our HOW2Learn project.
- I attended a Principal Network Meeting, budgeting workshop and was trained as an accreditor for teachers seeking accreditation at higher levels.
- Mrs Gregory and Mrs Trigg attended training to fine-tune the implementation of our business reform.
- Mrs Trigg completed mandatory first aid training.
- Our teachers who support students learning English as an additional language and those children with a additional learning needs attended Network Meetings.
- Our school executive team continued our work on our school evaluation in the lead-up to the external validation.

What a busy, but wonderful fortnight!

Warm regards,
Michelle Barnes
Principal (relieving)

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

GRIP Leadership Conference

On Friday, 19 April, Wollongong West's four student leaders, Thomas, Kate, Mali and Zac, attended the GRIP Leadership Conference for Primary Students at the University of Wollongong. Accompanied by Miss Kandilas, the students spent the day learning about the importance of responsibility in leadership. The conference was far more enjoyable than the students anticipated, as there were lots of fun games and opportunities to talk and share ideas with student leaders from other schools in the Illawarra region. The four leaders have returned to school, motivated and ready to make a difference, and most of all, ready take responsibility for the initiatives they wish to implement around the school and in the community.

Regards,
Natasha Kandilas
Classroom Teacher

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Aboriginal Public Speaking Workshop

“There’s a new public speaking competition at Bellambi Public School. Many schools from all over Wollongong have come to the wonderful public speaking comp to celebrate NAIDOC week. Each student that was chosen must make a four minute speech. So if anyone is coming you better start soon! When we went to Bellambi Public School everyone there learned what they needed to add in their speeches. Our topic “why our languages matter” We talked about pace, manner and lots more! We started with a quiet voice and got louder and louder. We also learned that we have to go slow when we talk, not really fast. Then for the rest of the afternoon we wrote ideas for our speech” By Nellie.

OFFICE NEWS

The administration area refurbishment is still a work in progress and is coming along beautifully. You are all welcome to come and have a look if you haven’t already done so.

School hats are now priced at \$10 each.

A reminder to inform the office of any changes to contact details.

You should have received term 2 invoices, which came home via your children last week. If not, please check their school bags or ask us at the office.

Brenda Gregory and Tess Trigg
Office Administrators

P & C NEWS

Welcome to Term 2, get ready as we have a lot of activities happening this term! We have a few new faces turning up to P&C Meetings and contributing in many ways, which is great to see! We have so much on, we would like for more families to become involved, particularly for the 90th Birthday Celebrations & Halloween Carnival.

UPCOMING EVENTS – TERM 2

Monday 19th June – Mufti Day for Halloween Carnival Donations

We will be seeking donations to use for Side Show Alley prizes at the Halloween Carnival. Any type of novelty game/item from The Reject Shop or Kmart would be suitable, however further details will be provided in a note closer to the date.

Friday 23rd June – Movie Night

We will confirm the movie at the next P&C Meeting on 1st June. The movie night is not supervised, therefore parents must say and supervise their children. Cost will be \$5 per child (no cost for adults). This includes your choice of popcorn/packet of chips and water/juice.

UPCOMING EVENTS – TERM 3

Friday 25th August – Colour Run

All children will be able to participate and as a little extra, children will have the opportunity to fundraise for themselves in the lead up to this event. With the funds raised they will be able to select prizes. Further details to come at the beginning of Term 3.

Friday 15th September – Camp Night Out

The Camp Night Out will be the first event in the lead up to the 90th Birthday Celebrations – further details to be provided in Term 3.

Monday 18th September to Friday 22nd September – 90th Birthday Celebrations

If you would like to be a part of the planning process please send your details to wollongongwestpac@gmail.com and we will get in contact with you regarding meetings and planning.

SAVE THE DATE – Friday 27th October – Halloween Carnival

Detailed planning of the Carnival will commence next week, we will schedule fortnightly meetings and regular Newsletters will be provided. We will need to secure parent/community volunteers for the Carnival – a note will go home with students shortly and some Carnival Committee Members will follow this up to ensure we have enough support at the event.

If you have any questions about the Halloween Carnival please contact Kim Hastings on 0439 274 999 or email wwps.carnival@gmail.com.au.

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