Principal’s Report

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you had an enjoyable break from the routines of school. This is a 9 week term and the school calendar has quickly been filling up with important dates and events.

Retirement
Mrs Foster has recently announced her retirement. We are holding a special assembly on Friday 9th May at 2:45pm to honour Mrs Foster and her dedication to the teaching profession. Mrs Foster has been a part of the Wangi Wangi school team for 13 years; over her time at Wangi she has seen many changes in education. We thank Mrs Foster for providing the children with life-long skills as well as a love of learning. Mrs Foster loved working with the children and was an outstanding role model. We will miss her. We thank her so much for her contributions at Wangi Wangi Public School.

ANZAC Day
A small but fearless group of students and teachers braved the inclement weather conditions to attend the ANZAC Service which was held inside Wangi Wangi RSL Club. Our school Anzac Day Service was an extremely moving occasion and many students, parents and teachers had a tear in their eye especially when ‘We are Australian’ was played. Mr Bob Blackie, President of Wangi RSL Sub-branch, expressed his appreciation of our wonderful service and highly praised our school and the exemplary behaviour of our students throughout the service. A special thanks to Miss James and Mrs Tarrant for organising the service and to 4/5 for a job well done!

Teacher Professional Learning
On Staff Development Day staff were trained in the Disability Standards for Education: NSW DEC and Emergency Care and CPR. This term Mrs Taylor and Mrs Langford begin their Language, Learning and Literacy (L3) courses which will greatly assist Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 students with their Literacy program. Both teachers will attend a half day training course every fortnight beginning on Thursday 8th May.

Highlights for Term 2
Gymnastics - this program runs each Thursday at a cost of $4.00. The program was well received by the students last week; please support this area of our K-6 syllabus.
Walk Safely to School - Friday 23 May, we will meet at the Workers Club at 8:50am.
Art Classes – Year 5/6 will begin working with our visiting artist Helene Rumas. All children need to be able to experience the expertise of a professional in the Creative Arts areas.
Public Speaking - Begins this term. A separate note will be issued with the topics. The Public Speaking Finals (Speakoff) will be on Friday 20 June.
Excursion - This term K-3 will visit the Wetlands at Shortland on Monday, 2nd June.
Wow! There are many great things to look forward to in Term 2.

Staff Leave
Mrs Rayfield will be on leave from Tuesday 20th May until Friday 27th June. Mr Jerome Coutet will be taking over Mrs Rayfield’s workload.

Jenni Langford
Principal

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P&C meets on the third Tuesday of each month
Merit Awards

Kinder  Kaleb Hamilton, Robbie Hawes, Taj Vane, Matthew Crammond Shields.
Yr 1/2  Shamara Edden, Jayden Martin, Charlie Prescott, Liam Slatyer, Bae Kelly, Jack James, Thomas Ririnui.
Yr 2/3  Sarah Bullock, Dylan Gobbo, Charlotte Marsh, Chloe Vane, Sam Woolnough.
Yr 4/5  Tim Bennett, Hayley Pickering, Amber Murphy, Jake Kosky.
Yr 5/6  Kiri Garnett, Destiny Hoppe, Kobe Noble, Conor Plows.

All students who participated in the ANZAC Day Ceremony at Wangi Wangi Workers Club, representing either the school or the scouts during the holidays, received a Merit Award.

March Maths Awards

K/1  Brock Bennett
Yr 1/2  Joel Pallas
Yr 2/3  Dylan Gobbo
Yr 4/5  Griffin Haines
Yr 5/6  Kiri Garnett

Zone Cross Country

We extend our congratulations to: Charlotte Marsh, Elizabeth Cramond Shield, Ryvrr Alo, Maggie Carr, Jose Laguna, Sam Woolnough, Finn Miller, Bailey Jones, Holly Marks Gray, Lili Izaguirre, Jayden Hamilton, Braith Pellew, Dylan Tracey, Samson Miller, Jonny Middleby, Logan Brodie, Mack Hill, Riley Hardes, Ella Geach, Jorja Walsh, Zali Mertens, Hailey Pickering, Kiri Garnett, Siena Johnson, Nakita Yates, Rhiannon McKay, Zeb Coughlan, Kobe Noble and Callum Prescott who all represented our school with pride at the Zone Cross Carnival last Friday. All of our children ran their hearts out and gave their best. Jayden Hamilton, Jonny Middleby and Kiri Garnett put in exceptional performances and have been selected to represent the Zone in the Regional Carnival this Friday at Broadmeadow Race Course. We wish them well!

A special thanks to Mr Bob Blackie for donating a collection of books and memorabilia to the school. These will be on display.

School ANZAC Service

Last Thursday Wangi School commemorated ANZAC Day with a service in our library.
Our guest speaker, Mr Bob Blackie, spoke to the students about his days as a trainer and instructor of troops to prepare them for active service. Mr Blackie’s talk generated some interesting discussion and questions from the student audience.
Thankyou to the parents and friends who attended our service, and a special thankyou to Miss James and the students in 4/5 class who did a great job conducting our ANZAC service this year.

School Cross Country Carnival

We managed to squeeze our school cross country carnival in before the heavens opened and inundated us with more rain! The change of venue to the Wangi waterfront proved to be a popular decision with the children. We wish to extend special thanks to Brad Hardes who took on a very hands on role setting up the venue and Yvonne Puller who mapped and measured the courses with great accuracy.
Congratulations to our Age Group Champions: Ryvrr Alo, Finn Miller, Charlotte Marsh, Jose Laguna, Holly Marks- Gray, Jayden Hamilton, Ella Geach, Jonny Middleby, Kiri Garnett and Zeb Coughlan. The trophies will be awarded at our assembly this Friday.

NAPLAN

Parents of Year 3 and Year 5 students received a note last term outlining the dates and procedures for NAPLAN testing 2014 which commences on Tuesday 13th May with Language and Writing, Wednesday 14th Reading and Thursday 15th Numeracy.

Mother’s Day Stall

Our P&C will be running a Mother’s Day Stall this Friday 9 May from 9:30am. Gifts range from $1 - $10.
**Gymnastics**

Gymnastics was a big hit with the children last week! The children loved it and had grins from ear to ear. This is an 8 week program, each week progressively building skills. The cost is $4.00 per session. Students who didn’t pay last week were allowed to participate and they were given an IOU to pay the money. All students need to participate as Gymnastics is part of the curriculum and will be assessed on the Semester 1 Report.

**Athletics Carnival**

Our School Athletics carnival is on tomorrow. At this stage the grounds are open and will stay open if we receive light rain. A heavy downpour will result in the carnival being postponed until Thursday 29th May. Our fingers are crossed and we are hoping for continuing sunshine. In the event that the carnival is postponed, we will post a message on the school webpage and parents will receive a text message by 8:30am.

We will be utilising the oval canteen and the children will be able to purchase pies, sausage rolls and sausage sandwiches for lunch. Pre-ordering is not required.

The children are encouraged to wear their house colours, bring streamers and display great enthusiasm for their house team. We will be having our parent relays and tug-o-war, so please come prepared to join in the fun!

**Yr 1/2 Holiday Postcards**

Dear Joel,
I am at Kingscliff and I went to the beach. I found a cowrie shell and I went to the shops and got some friendship birds.
From Charlie.

Dear Grandad and Nan,
I am at the beach in Germany and playing a war game with my dad. I hope you have a good holiday. You are good at looking after us. Mum and Aston they are here too.
Love Cooper.

Dear Kate,
I went camping at the Wombeyon Caves and I went searching for numbered caves. I found lots and lots of crystals.
Love Paul.

Dear Desley,
I am at Dizzyland. I’m having lots of fun, it is my family. I got to drive my own dodgem car and there was mini golf.
Love Jack

**Yr 5 2015 Opportunity Class Placement**

Parents seeking opportunity class placement for Year 5 entry in 2014 are required to submit an application by 16 May 2013. Online applications are now open at: [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement)
Information forms are available from the school office.

**Library**

(Book Club closes 12 May)

Library Borrowing Days: K/1, Yr1/2, Yr4/5 Yr5/6 - Friday Yr2/3 - Wednesday

“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you’ll go.” — Dr. Seuss

**School Banking**

For your chance to win a share of exciting prizes, simply make three or more deposits at school during Term 2 and you’ll be automatically entered into the competition. For conditions and information: commbank.com.au/deepseasavers.

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**What’s on at WWPS:**

**Week 2**
- Thurs 8 May: Athletics Carnival @ Wangi Oval
- Fri 9 May: P&C Mother’s Day Stall
- Assembly - special guest Mrs Foster

**Week 3**
- Mon-Thurs: NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5
- Tues 13 May: Yr 5/6 Art Class
- Thurs 15 May: Gymnastics

**Week 4**
- Tues 20 May: ICAS Computer Competition
- Yr 5/6 Art Class
- P&C Meeting
- Thurs 22 May: Gymnastics
- Fri 23 May: Walk Safely to School Day

**Week 5**
- Mon 2 Jun: K-3 Excursion
- Wed 4 Jun: ICAS Science Competition

Please refer to our website’s calendar for more details. [www.wangiwangi-p.school.nsw.edu.au](http://www.wangiwangi-p.school.nsw.edu.au)
Morisset High School

Hello everyone and welcome back to school for term 2. The weather was fantastic over the break, well until Anzac Day, so I hope that you all had a great holiday. We had a very busy end to term one with the completion of the year 12 half yearly examinations, yes year twelve are half way through and with our Reward Excursions in the last week of term. Each term we organise reward excursions for students who have not been given any negative mentions on our school welfare and tracking system that term. This meant we had two huge groups of students one being year 7 and 8 and the other year 9 and 10, attend the Royal Easter Show and everyone had a great time. During the last Thursday of term we held our school Anzac Day Ceremony and a big thank you needs to go out to the students who participated as well as the HSIE Faculty and Miss Harding for their organisation. During the holidays students represented Morisset High School at the local Anzac Day Ceremony on the 25th and again I thank the students for their dedication during the holidays and Miss Harding for coordinating this effort.

During this term and in to the next, each member of the Senior Executive at Morisset High School will be volunteering within each of our primary school's canteen. I am very excited about the prospect of working closer within our primary schools community and interacting with students across all years in this important role within each school.

Take care and have a wonderful Term 2.

Mark Snedden
Principal

Community Notices

Peter Pan Kindergarten

On Sunday 18th MAY commencing at 12.00pm at the Preschool we will be holding a family picnic day to honour and thank Sandy Richardson for her 26yrs of care and dedication to our Preschool. We really hope as many past and present families can come along to our fun community day. There will be a free sausage sizzle. Please bring your own drinks, nibbles and picnic rug. We look forward to catching up with you all. We would appreciate a quick call on 49751279 or email office@peterpanpreschool.com.au to let us know numbers for catering. Many thanks, Everyone at Peter Pan Preschool.

Child Dental Benefits Schedule

Have you heard about the new government dental scheme “Child Dental Benefits Schedule”? From Jan 1st 2014, it is providing eligible kids with $1000 to spend on selected dental services over a 2 calendar year period. To see if you are eligible, call your local Dentist who can look up the information for you.

P&C Uniform Shop

The cold weather has arrived!! The following items will help keep the kids warm this winter.
- Long black pants $30
- School jackets $32

Available from the P&C uniform shop.

Little Miracles

We want to give your children the best start in life, while they have fun every day! 0-6 years 7am - 6pm
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