OUR SCHOOL VISION: Encouraging all members of the school community to work together to create a positive and motivating environment, allowing all students to maximise their educational opportunities in an ever changing world.

PARENT PAYMENTS RECEIVED

182 families at WPS.
123 Completed payments = 70%

Have you recently asked your child/ren......

“What did you learn today?”

Foundation B: Riley Roberts (Being a responsible member of his class)
Foundation H: Gus Bonwick (Writing complete sentences)
Foundation K: Mia-J Nikora (Persistence with her class reading)
1/2 G: Madison Beattie (Being a kind and caring friend)
1/2 Z: Corey Stone (Trying hard to use reading strategies)
3/4 A: Alexandra Coleman (Consistently presenting neat and organised work)
3/4 B: Reuben McMaster-Christensen (Showing persistence in his writing and producing an amazing recount about the walk around Wandong)
3/4 C: Kody Burge (Making extra effort to be organised in the classroom)
5/6 A: Alesha McIntosh (Writing a beautiful ballad with figurative language about swimming)
5/6 B: Kira Roberts (Consistently trying her best with all learning tasks)
5/6 C: Corbin Mundy (Writing a very detailed ballad)

Reminder
Father’s Day Stall
Wednesday 3rd September 2014
A Message from the Assistant Principal....

National Literacy and Numeracy Week

This week has been National Literacy and Numeracy Week. To celebrate, classes have been involved with a series of whole school activities. For numeracy, students completed a problem solving task which involved building houses out of cubes while for literacy, we held our ‘read to self’ session in the hall. Thank you to all the families and friends who came along and modelled fantastic “Read-to-Self” skills. Tomorrow we will be having our favourite book character parade at around 9.05am. Everyone is welcome to stay to watch the parade and cheer on the kids. It’s always an entertaining event. Our final activity will occur in the last week of term three. We will be holding our first ever book swap. This is how it works. Go through your old children’s books at home. If you have any you’re willing to part with, send them to school. Students who bring in a book will receive a ticket and have the opportunity to swap their ticket for a book that someone else has brought in. More details in next week’s newsletter.

Cookies, Cookies, Cookies..........

We had our second cookie stall on Tuesday. Thank you to Cheryl Mann, Emily Gawley, Mel Marshall and Kirstie Roberts for assisting on the day. The kids are really enjoying the cookies. The next cookie day will be in a fortnight’s time.

Have a great week, Anthony Potesta

THANK YOU Bunnings

We would like to say a big “Thank You” to Bunnings (Craigieburn)for donating a barbeque to our school. This is to replace the barbeque that burst in to flames at our Aussie Movie Night.
Dear Everyone

Following is a report of items discussed at Tuesday morning’s Parents and Friends Association meeting:

- First Cookie Tuesday was a success.
- Rhonda using funds raised by PAFA to purchase trinkets in Indonesia for future market day.
- Cal Fearn currently ordering gazebo & flags.
- Pie drive currently running. Orders due back September 1st, delivered September 10th.
- Chocolate drive – profit unknown as some came under a recall. Awaiting refund on those.
- Father’s Day raffle next week. Many items to be won. Tickets go out tomorrow at $1 each or 3 for $2. Drawn at assembly next week.
- Father’s Day stall to be held next Wednesday 3rd September. Laybys to be offered only to students who do not have money on the day. Friday 5th September will be layby pick up day and an extra stall at lunchtime. SRC picked a good variety of items for purchase. Helpers needed.
- Cookie Tuesday complaints raised by parents; no healthy option (will look at other healthy fundraising options in the future) children told to throw them out if not finished (kids will take lunchboxes with them in case they don’t finish) why can’t kids eat them in classroom (allergies prevent them from being eaten in classroom).

Assistant Principal’s Report:

- Rhonda currently in Indonesia and has met up with Corry & Unang.
- 68 Foundation students enrolled for next year with 70-80 expected. Total school numbers for next year projected at 300.
- Foundation transitions – buddies went to Wandong kinder last week. Other kinders booked in for the coming weeks. All visits expected to be completed by end of term. Kinder kids will get a photo book of themselves and their buddy, which they seem to love.
- Story time has been well attended and valued. Hannah is doing a fantastic job with the sessions.
- Congratulations to those in Wakakirri. We didn’t make finals, but we were well represented by the kids. Three schools we competed against made it to the finals.
- ThinkLinks has moved to Thursday each fortnight – 12.30-1.30. Universal topic for all groups – environmental art. Supplies purchased so should see some interesting items around school in the coming weeks.
- BBQ was picked up from Bunnings. Anthony sent Sue at Bunnings a letter of appreciation. Will be used for Foundation BBQ on September 13.
- Thanks to helpers for Cookie Tuesday

Our next meeting is on the 14th October. All parents and friends are welcome to attend.

Kind Regards

Cheryl Mann      PAFA President—Wandong Primary School

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The Parents and Friends Association will be running a Fathers day stall next Wednesday 3rd September 2014 so don’t forget to bring your money along to by a special present for Dad. There will be a lay-by system available for those students who forget to bring their money on the day and there will also be a second stall held on Friday to pick up lay-bys and purchase extra gifts.

In conjunction with the stall PAFA will also be running a Father’s Day Raffle. Tickets will be sent home on Thursday and the raffle will be drawn at assembly on the 5th September 2014.
What's gone home this week?

The following notices were sent home this week:

Whole school
- National Literacy & Numeracy Week flyer

Selected Families: Nil

Selected Students:
- 2014 District Athletics permission form
- 5/6 Camp—Horse rider registration

Individual grade levels -

Foundation: Nil

One/Two:
- 1/2 Museum excursion payment reminder

Three/Four: Nil

Five/Six: Nil

Spare copies of notices are in the school foyer in the grade level trays.

Davern Wins!

Congratulations to Davern (Green House) for winning last week’s house points competition.

Davern House Captain Pauly Morgan-Watt & Vice Captain Jordan Tabone were pictured holding the winners trophy.

Posture Police award

Congratulations to Olivia White, Kaylah Bradley, Alyssa Dwyer and Lachlan Hall
These students were selected by their peers for displaying the correct posture in class.

Other nominated students were: Rebecca Houston, Amber Cartwright, Beraiah McMaster, Ruby Stebbing, Nikayla Harrison, Lawrence Baggio, Jessica Darbyshire and Sarah Mendola
Congratulations on your nomination.

WANDONG PRIMARY SCHOOL
SUPER READER’S CLUB:

Congratulations on 50 nights reading:
Quinn Hughes

Congratulations on 100 nights reading:
Wyatt Mundy, Joshua Searle, Georgia Gawley, Abigail Hume, Jarvis Sleep, Jai Matthewman and Oliver Duncan

Congratulations on 150 nights reading:
Rebecca Houston, Kobee Mann, Dominik McKinlay, Ashlynn Taylor, Lincon Sharp, Kirra Wright, Bridgette Davies, Oliver McKinlay and Baily Lunn
**WOW! ....WHAT’S ON @WANDONG**

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**UNIFORM ORDERS**

Don’t forget to order your extra uniform before the price increases take effect in term four.

A big thank you to all those who donated yummy treats for our Special Friends Day performance. Pictured are a few of the plates and containers left over from the special day. If any of these look familiar please contact the office so we may return them to their owners.
Net Set Go Program is an eight week games based program to learn the skills of netball.

The program will be run at the **Wandong Memorial Stadium** on a Monday beginning on the 6th October and concluding on the 1st December, excluding the Melbourne Cup long weekend.

Open to all children aged from 5—10 years.

This is **FREE** thanks to the sponsorship of the Bendigo Bank—Wallan

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**CWA WALLAN**

At our next gathering we will be learning how to scrap book.

The Cost is $5 per person which will cover the materials, Please bring 5-10 of your own photos along with you & we will teach you how to scrap book them.

**Date:** 8th September 2014
**Time:** 7:30PM
**Where:** Wallan Bowling Club
DUKE STREET, WALLAN

All Ages and surrounding suburbs welcome.

For further information & RSVP please call 0424148339

Supper Provided

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**SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB**

BOOK CLUB MONEY & ORDERS ARE DUE BACK TO THE OFFICE BY THURSDAY 28TH AUGUST 2014 FOR ISSUE No. 6

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**Bendigo Bank**

**Register now for a Start in Term Four 2014**

Start Date: 6/10/14 End Date: 1/12/14
Time: 4.30—5.30 pm

There are 25 places available. Please fill in this section and post to P.O Box 369 Wandong 3758 to have your child registered:

Child's name ________________________________________________________________
Parent’s name ________________________________________________________________
Phone NO ________________________________________________________________
Email ________________________________________________________________
Child’s T-shirt Size ____________________________________________________________

**Contact person:**
**Robyn Mumberson**
**0419 011064**
In Grade 5/6 B we have been busily working on writing Ballads to submit in the Whittlesea Show. A ballad is a poem that tells a story. Each stanza (4 lines) follows an ABCB rhyming pattern (lines 2 and 4 rhyme). Here is a sneak peak at some of the wonderful stanza’s that will be submitted.

**Author Study: Joy Cowely**
Did you know that an author is someone who writes books? This week we have been learning about Joy Cowely and the many fantastic picture books she has written. Some of our favourite books include ‘The Meanies’ and ‘The Drippy Dinner Dippers’.

**Teacher for a day ‘Miss Emily’**
We were lucky to have the lovely Miss Emily from 1/2G come in and teacher us for the whole day on Friday. We had so much fun!!

**Wishy Washer Woman Song**
Waaay down in the valley where nobody goes
There’s a wishy washy washerwoman washing her clothes
She goes wishy washy up, she goes wishy washy down
She goes wishy washy up, she goes wishy washy down
That’s how the wishy washy washerwoman washes her clothes!

**Numeracy-** We have been Skip counting by 2s this week 😊

**We have been doing the most marvellous learning in Foundation K this week. Come and take a look for yourself.**

**LITERACY LEARNING**
We learned that alliteration is when two or more words in a sentence begin with the same sound. Check out some of the alliteration we created using our names.

*Olly Ostrich, Saxon Silly Sausage, Chase Choo Choo Train, Emily Elephant, Taylah Tiger and Jhet Jaguar.*

Blends- they are two letters that work together to help make words begin. Jackson said “they need to co-operate to get the job done.”

**Here is Mia-J excitedly holding up the blends that she made during literacy time.**

**Here is Emily making a ‘pl chart’ with the help of Foundation K. Playful platypus ‘pl’ ‘pl’ ‘pl’.”**

**Our Big Book is…**

**Welcome to the fantastic and friendly Foundation K**

**We arrive at school at 9 o’clock**
We always do reading
We eat fruit at 10 o’clock
Then we do some writing

**I see the fish jumping out**
Lots of people swimming
Feel the wetness on my body
Flat rocks are good for skimming

**Summer time is a time for fun**
Spring’s when the flowers come
Autumn’s when the leaves fall down
Winter’s when the snow falls some
Our SEL (Social & Emotional Learning) focus is..... Edition #7 Term 3

Making Decisions Together

Children need to learn to weigh up options and make decisions as a group.

Decision making involves...
1. An issue, situation or problem
2. Alternative actions, options or possible decisions
3. Consequences of each alternative
4. Feelings associated with the consequences
5. Values underlying each potential decision, and possible conflict

Final Thought...

You can't make decisions based on fear and the possibility of what might happen.
— Michelle Obama