Dear Parents / Carers,

National Literacy and Numeracy Week August 25—29

National Literacy and Numeracy Week represents a collaborative approach by the Australian Government and school communities to highlight the importance of literacy and numeracy skills for all children and young people, with a specific focus on school-aged children.

The Week gives schools the opportunity to be involved in a range of literacy and numeracy activities. The Week aims to recognise locally the achievements of students and the work of teachers, parents and members of the community who support young people to develop stronger literacy and numeracy skills.

For further information about NLNW and to access a large range of free online resources visit: www.literacyandnumeracy.gov.au.

Ethics Classes

Ethics classes are now available in NSW public schools as an option for children who do not attend Special Religious Education (SRE) / Scripture. The NSW government has authorised Primary Ethics, a not for profit organisation, to design curriculum and deliver these classes. Curriculum is available for children from Years K—6. Classes are inquiry based and children use dialogue and discussion to learn how to think about ethical matters. Please pick up a form from the school office if you are interested in your child attending ethics classes.

Bullying Flowchart

Each day there are hundreds of social interactions that occur between children. Sometimes children become upset and often don’t report these issues to their teachers. We do our utmost to deal with issues as they arise and as they are brought to our attention. Please continue to support us by encouraging your children to let their teacher know if they have a concern.

The DEC in their Bullying Policy gives the following definition: Bullying is repeated verbal, physical, social or psychological behaviour that is harmful and involves the misuse of power by an individual or group towards one or more persons. Cyberbullying refers to bullying through information and communication technologies. Bullying can involve humiliation, domination, intimidation, victimisation and all forms of harassment. Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved including bystanders.

Conflict or fights between equals or single incidents are not defined as bullying.

This week all classes have had a detailed look at Warnervale Public School Bullying Flowchart which appears in our School Handbook and on the website.

Regards,

Ms Jill Carter
Principal
P&C FATHER’S DAY STALL
Don’t forget our P&C Father’s Day Stall being held next week. All gifts are $5 and this includes a hand made crafted gift tag. Each class will attend the stall during class time on Wednesday. The stall will be open on Thursday and Friday before school.

WYONG COUNCIL LIBRARY TRAVELLING BOOK SHOWCASE
This week, Kindergarten were treated to a presentation of some of this year’s ‘short-listed’ picture books by Jo and Narelle from Wyong Shire Library. The presentation was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. I’d like to remind parents, carers and students that they can join any of the Wyong Shire Libraries free of charge. These libraries have a great collection of resources available to borrow for all ages. See me in the library for more information or a sign up sheet or pop into any of the great libraries in the Wyong Shire to sign up.

INTERSCHOOL CHESS COMPETITION
I’d like to congratulate all of the students who participated in our "Championship" and "Rookie" teams this year in the interschool’s Chess Competition. Our Championship team came in second place overall, while our Rookie team finished equal first with Tacoma PS. All our players should be very proud of their achievements this year. I’d also like to give a big thank you to all of the wonderful parents who have given up their own time to drive our chess teams to their away games this year. Mr Orr.

REGO DAY - SOLDIERS BEACH NIPPERS
Sunday 31 August and Sunday 14th September
10am – 2pm at Soldiers Beach Surf Club
Why not join us to learn surf skills and have fun!
More info at www.soldiersbeachslsc.com.au

WADALBA YEAR 6 SCIENCE DAY
Some of our student’s reflections on a fantastic day at their new high school.

Visiting Wadalba for the Science Day was a great experience for me and my mates. We learned heaps of things like how to make goo, what cat hair looks like under a microscope, how to dissect a cow’s eye and more. Now that I have attended the Science Day at Wadalba I don’t feel as nervous as I was before I went there – Lachlan S

One of my favourite parts of the day was getting our hands set on fire. It was good to have the opportunity to go and have a look around the school and see the classrooms and also to learn about Science like they do in high school – Drew

I really enjoyed our visit to Wadalba Community School as it helped me get ready for high school. Now I have made friends with some of the teachers and have done some really gross experiments, like dissecting a heart! – Kristian

I really liked meeting some of the teachers at Wadalba. I especially liked challenging Mr Grove not to say the word ‘right’, but he still said it 136 times. I liked learning about how we use coal to boil water to create steam to turn a turbine to create electricity – Lachlan Mc

Class Awards 2014 — Term 3 Week 7

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