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**Wulguru Wrap-Up**

**Principal’s Pen**

This term has been an amazingly big term with lots of things happening, both for and with the students and also behind the scenes that benefit our school and students but may not have an immediate and direct impact. I do not think I will ever be able to thank the staff at school enough for their hard work, dedication and commitment to our school and our children.

To make a list of all the things that have happened is impossible and I know I will miss things, but it includes:

- Tournament of Minds (and what an amazing effort)
- Athletics Carnival
- Three Way Meet
- Red Track Interschool Athletics
- Year 4 Camp
- Year 5 Camp
- Fete
- Interschool Sports
- Eisteddfod
- Pottery Classes
- Personal Learning Plans developed for our Indigenous students
- NAIDOC Day
- Crazy Hair Day
- Teaching and Learning Audit
- Discipline Audit
- Receiving positive, additional support from Regional Office to further improve our results
- Ongoing work on our Quadrennial School Review
- Professional Development activities for teachers and teacher aides on reading and maths
- A to E Discussions with Teachers
- Ongoing attention to how we are teaching reading and supporting students
- Increasing our attention on ways to improve attendance for all students

**Quadrennial School Review**

Every four years, schools complete a Quadrennial School Review. I have been working with a core group of staff for the last few weeks, to start identifying different areas that we need to attend to. We have been looking at school data, including NAPLAN results, student attendance, Levels of Directly with students or for students and Behind the Scenes.

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**Term 3, Week 10**

17 September 2014

**Looking Ahead**

- Friday September 19
  - Last day of term 3
- Monday October 6
  - Labour Day
- Tuesday October 7
  - First Day of Term 4
- Friday October 10
  - Sport
- Friday October 17
  - Sport
- Monday October 20
  - Pupil Free Day

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Phone: 47 998 736
OPEN FROM 10:00AM DAILY

**Reminder**

Office closes at 3:30pm
Children not collected will be taken to OSHC

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Principal’s Pen Continued…

Achievement in English, maths and science (eg. numbers of students who get an A for English), reading levels and School Opinion Survey Results. By looking at the data, we can see what we do well and where we need to improve. This then helps us to decide on focus areas for the next four years. Currently, we have identified a range of areas that we think are important and there are some that are seen as critical by the Department of Education, Training and Employment. As a school, it is also important that what goes into our Strategic Plan reflects what the community values. Therefore, I have included a survey in this newsletter to complete and return as soon as possible (and preferably before the end of this week).

Safe and Happy Holidays

Finally, on behalf of the staff here at Wulguru, I hope all of our Wulguru families have a lovely two weeks. If you are travelling, stay safe. If one of more caregivers are still at work, try to make some time to be with your children. For our students, rest and refresh before our last term weeks. If you are travelling, stay safe. If one of more caregivers are still at work, try to make some time to be with your children. For our students, rest and refresh before our last term weeks. If you are travelling, stay safe. If one of more caregivers are still at work, try to make some time to be with your children. For our students, rest and refresh before our last term weeks.

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From the Deputy

Tournament of Minds School Team

On Sunday our school Tournament of Minds team competed at the Griffith University in the state finals. They competed against 7 other teams, each who won their regional finals. The students were given a challenge in the morning and over a number of hours prepared their presentation which they performed in front of judges, other schools and visitors.

The team did extremely well and came second in their competition. This is an outstanding result as the standard of the competition is extremely high especially as it includes many private schools from the Brisbane area. Over the years the school has been successful in sending a team to the state finals at least six times, but this is the first time that our team has been awarded with place.

Congratulations to our Tournament of Minds Team:
- Jessica Hunter 6/7
- Bradley Doyle 6/7
- Maddy Wilson 6/7
- Riley Clarke 6/7
- Annika Brandt 5/6BC
- Kyla Kay 5H
- Lilli McLellan 5H

Sascha Roberts—PB
Matilda Scott—PP
Emma Joyce—1B
Jaymin Mitchell—1M
Brooke Ellis—2H
Sophie Plumman—2M
Kyren Jervis—2/3C
Hayden Cuss—3M
Clancy Jones—3/4C
Blake Undie—4G
Mariah Ross—4/5D
Lance Long—5H
Jordan sosene-Smith—5/6BC
Sascha Rallie—6M
Kilshe Ward—6/7
Rallie Daves—6/7

From the Office

PREP ENROLMENTS

We are now taking prep enrolments for 2015!! Please come to our friendly office to collect your enrolment forms!!

From Wulguru SS P&C Outside School Hours Desk.

P&C News

Dodgers

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Have a wonderful holiday and enjoy the time with your children.

Kathy Waldon
President, Wulguru SS P&C

Tuckshop Tales

Included on the roster this week is the first week of term 4. A reminder that due to the running down of stock some items may not be available, chips are one of those items. Happy Holidays!!

Eat well, Stay Healthy

Annette Winfield

Tuckshop Roster
Thurs 4 Sep to Wed 17 Sep

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Spring Break: Wednesday 8th to Sunday 12th October

Monday, 13th October: P&C Meeting 7:30pm

Friday, 17th October: Father’s Day stall

Saturday, 18th October: Annette Winfield - Co-ordinator, Family Fun Day

Sunday, 19th October: Annette Winfield - Co-ordinator, Family Fun Day

Monday, 20th October - Friday, 24th October: Public Holidays

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Community Notices

WULGURU STATE SCHOOL
SCHOOL CROSSING TIMES:
School Crossing Operating are as follows:

Edison Street
Monday to Thursday
8:00am - 9:00am & 2:55pm - 3:25pm
Friday
7:45am - 8:45am & 2:25pm - 2:55pm

Haldane Street
Monday to Thursday
8:10am - 8:40am & 2:55pm - 3:25pm
Friday
7:40am - 8:30am & 2:25pm - 2:55pm

Barrs Tyres
Barrs Tyres are offering your Staff and Parents
FREE Pressure Checks Rotations, Tyre and Wheel
inspection also $10 off Wheel Alignments.
Batteries and Discounts on Tyres, we also offer
a FREE Pick up and Delivery Service, please make
sure when they ring Barrs Tyres on 47 282 185
they advise us they are from Wulguru State
School to receive their discounts.
Barrs Tyre Store at 103 Bowen Road

Clean Up Australia Day

5th Year Celebrations

Register now at cleanupaustraliaday.org.au or
phone 1800 CUA DAY
Sunday September 21st 9am-12pm @
Cungulla Bus Stop
Free Face painting for registered
children plus give aways

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Why Can’t I Skip My
20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?

Student “A” Student “B” Student “C”
reads 20 minutes reads 5 minutes reads 1 minute
each day each day each day
3600 minutes in 900 minutes in 180 minutes in
a school year a school year a school year
1,800,000 words

By the end of 6th grade Student “A” will have read the
equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student “B” will
have read only 12 school days. Which student would you
expect to have a better vocabulary? Which
student would you expect to be more successful
in school...and in life?

50th percentile 328,000 words 8,000 words
90th percentile 1,800,000 words

Every Minute Every Day

SWIMMING PROGRAM
This week students in Years 4 & 5 received
information about the upcoming swimming program.
This program will start on Tuesday 21st October
(Week 3) and run for seven consecutive Tuesdays,
finishing on December 2nd. The program is subsidised
by the school and costs $44 for 7 lessons. A number
of parents have already paid for this program either
through the payment agreement or through
CentrePay. If you would like your child to participate
in the swimming program permission note and payment
are due October 15. Please note the Swimming
Program for Prep-3 will be held in the final two weeks
of Term 4. Information about this will be sent out
next Term.

RUGBY LEAGUE TEAM NEWS
Over the past couple of weeks the Wulguru U/10
Rugby League team have been involved in the Brothers
U/10 Challenge. Our first game saw a heavy defeat
against eventual competition winners. Ryan. The
second game saw the team bounce back with a 28-
16 victory over Hermit Park SS. For many of the players
in this team this was their first ever Rugby League
experience, and for some it was their first taste of
Interschool Sport. The team showed tremendous
enthusiasm, determination and character
-Wulguru Spirit
in both matches.
The U/11 Rugby League team will be competing in the
U/11 Annandale Challenge this Friday.

MARKET DAY

Thursday 18th September
Middle Session
in the Hall

Toffees
Marshmallows
Icy cups
Jelly cups
Spiders
Croc Snippers
Massages
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Rocky Road
Fair Spray
Hair Babez
Tatooes
ALL WELCOME

From Deputy Cont….

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What sort of start is your child getting?
Just a little bit late doesn’t seem much
but...if he/she is only missing 10 minutes a
day that equals 50 minutes a week. This
equals nearly 1.5 weeks per year and over 13
years of schooling that’s nearly

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Friday 8:30am Start
Friday 2:30pm Finish
On the 24th of August, Wulguru State School had three teams competing in the annual Tournament of Minds competition held at Cathedral School. Students worked in groups of seven to create a challenge response over a six week time frame. After many hours of planning, research, prop creation and rehearsals all students were ready to present their solutions. The H.M.I and W.A.T teams entered into the Applied Technology challenge where they had to create a new wearable technology device that would impact upon society and effectively store data. The Wulguru Justice Crew entered into the Social Science category where they had to create a debate regarding the positive and negative consequences of moving England’s Stonehenge to India.

All three teams presented very professional and polished performances to the judges whom they received positive feedback from. When their long term scores were combined with their spontaneous challenge scores this enabled all three teams to finish in a place within their division. The W.A.T team finishing closely behind them in 2nd place. The Wulguru Justice Crew marginally missed out on 1st place by less than 10 points finishing an honourable 2nd in the Social Science category. This resulted in the best performance yet by Wulguru State School teams in the Regional Tournament of Minds Competition.

Resulting from their 1st place in the Applied Technology category the H.M.I team was asked to compete in the Queensland Tournament of Minds competition held in Brisbane on the 14th of September. The state competition operates differently to regional’s to ensure all teams receive the same parameters. Teams had to use their original technology design and infomercial to create a new presentation (within a 3 hour period where they were locked away from other teams) detailing changes they would make to improve their design and the positive and negative implications the new design would have on society. The H.M.I team competed against 7 other schools from around Queensland and did a fantastic performance about their updated device that incorporated much humour and a rendition of Aretha Franklin’s song “Respect”. When their performance score was combined with their spontaneous it resulted in the H.M.I team finishing 2nd overall in the Applied Technology category in Queensland. This is the first time a Wulguru team has placed in the Queensland Tournament of Minds Competition.