

# WESTPORT

## PUBLIC SCHOOL

EXCELLENCE IN A CARING ENVIRONMENT



**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

Welcome to week 10! This term has continued to fly by!

Last week our school was very busy:

We had a Dental visit and many families took the opportunity to have their children's dental hygiene checked.

Our teachers conducted parent teacher interviews, which were very successful with lots of parents attending to receive an update on their children's progress.

Our choir performed at the Garden Village aged care facility. The residents thoroughly enjoyed the student's singing and were very appreciative of their efforts.

We also had an awesome K-2 Easter Hat Parade where everyone enjoyed the fantastic hats and many parents attended the parade.

This week is much quieter with a vision screening taking place to test many of our student's eyesight.

A sincere thank you to the parents who routinely park in the correct places each day and follow the safest way of picking up their children. Just a reminder that the Traffic Rangers do routinely check for people breaking the law and parking in the wrong areas outside schools. These rules are very important in keeping our students safe.

I hope you had a great Easter break.

**Tony Johnston**  
Principal

### Coming Events for Term 1 & Term 2

Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Assembly 1pm – 1 Banksia
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup>	PaTCH Info afternoon tea – 2pm Mingaletta Room
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup>	Vision Screening visit
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Super Hero Mufti Day – Gold coin donation
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	ANZAC Service – School Hall 2.15pm-3pm
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	K-Yr2 Reward Day
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	Yr3-Yr6 Reward Day – Peter Rabbit Movie at Majestic Cinemas
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of school term
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup>	Teachers return to school
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> May	All students return to school

### Westport Public School Award Winners

#### Term 1 – Week 9

**K- Flame** – Connor, Logan

**K- Jacaranda** – Kaleb, Ruby

**K/1-Wattle** – Keira, Shantaya

**1 Acacia** – Ruby, Lexi

**1 Banksia** – Riley, Hayden

**2 Bluegum** – Sophie, Sienna

**2 Paperbark** – Alex, Nevaeh

**3/4 Lilly-Pilly** – Emily, Jamie

**3/4 Waratah** – Sophie, Jemma

**3/4 Bottlebrush** – Ellah

**4/5 Melaleuca** – Liam, Bailey

**5/6 Grevillea** – Leif, Montanna

**5/6 Frangipani** – Rae-Venice, Jarrad B

#### Mathletics Award

Emily E

#### Best & Fairest Award

Shontane

#### Choir Award

Tesharne and Nevaeh

#### House Point House Winner

Banks

#### Milson Island Stage 3 Camp

The Stage 3 excursion between Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October (Week 2 Term 4) has now been finalised with student numbers and cost. Our final cost is \$410. We have sent home a payment plan note with the students who are attending. Payments are to be finalised by 26<sup>th</sup> September and can be paid at the Office with cash or eftpos. If you have any enquiries please don't hesitate to ask excursion co-ordinator Mrs Osborne.

#### ANZAC Service

Parents and families are invited to attend Westport Public Schools Anzac Service which will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April from 2:15 to 3pm in the school Hall. The service will be presented by Stage 2 students who have been studying 'Community and Remembrance' as part of this terms History Unit.



### Stage 2 and 3 Sport - Swimming Skills

Those students who are attending the swimming skills every Thursday for sport, please remember to bring your swimmers and towel each week if you have paid for this activity. If items are not brought on the day the student will still attend but only as a spectator.

Miss Hyde.

### Parents as Teachers and Classroom Helpers.

We are holding an Information Afternoon Tea on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> April in our Mingaletta Room to explain the details of the PaTCH program. We will share the possible structure of the course, including content, commitment and requirements. Once confirmed participants are settled, dates and times for sessions in Terms 2 and 3 will be arranged.

Please join us in our Mingaletta room on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm to find out all about this valuable program. We would appreciate the return of the RSVP for catering purposes.

Pip Riordan



### Tell Them From Me Student Surveys (Week 10 and 11)

Westport Public School students in **Years 4 to 6** are taking part in the *Tell Them From Me* student survey during **Weeks 10 and 11**. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help them improve. The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, **The Learning Bar**, which specialises in school-based surveys.

Staff in schools will **not** be able to identify individual students from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating students will receive a unique username and password. The survey typically takes 30 minutes or less to complete and will be administered by your child's teacher during normal school hours. Students' personal information will not be disclosed by the Department to any other person or body.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. Your child will not take part if either you or your child do not wish. If you **do not want your child to take part** in the survey, please complete the form sent home during Week 9 and return it to your child's teacher by **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2018**.

### Junior Choir

Westport infant's choir and Junior Singers shine at Garden Village Easter Parade.

Westport Infant choir and Junior Singers were spectacular in their performance at Garden Village. They sang to a delighted audience of residents and joined in the Easter hat parade. Students were excited to meet a local resident who is 107 years old! The children made the teachers proud and were great ambassadors for Westport.

Fleur Eichler & Annie Murgatroyd



### Junior Choir Garden Village Visit Cont'd



### Netball NSW Schools Cup

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March our mixed netball team competed in the Netball NSW School Cup at Macquarie Park in Port Macquarie. The boys and girls competed in the non-competitive division. Congratulations to all the boys and girls for their outstanding efforts in all positions. A big thank you to Mrs Thorogood for coaching the girls. Miss Hyde.







# Canteen News

## Roster

Monday - Donna & Heidi

Tuesday - Donna & Kimberley

Wednesday - Donna & Krystal

Thursday - Donna & Bryanna

Friday - Donna & Melissa

Please make sure you follow us on our facebook page @WPPSCanteen to keep up to date with all canteen related information.

## Photos of our Dental Visit



## Our Easter Hat Parade



## **SUPERHERO DAY** FUNDRAISER FOR **ROBOTICS TEAM**

**When:** Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

**Wear:** Come dressed as your favourite Superhero.

**Cost:** gold coin donation

All funds will go towards sending Jorja Schofield (former student of Westport Public School) & the Hastings Secondary College Robotics team to Houston, Texas.

**6508**  
**HASTINGS**  
**HEROES**





### Road signs

It is important to be familiar with the road signs in and around school zones to avoid fines and keep our children safe.

NO PARKING	NO STOPPING	BUS ZONE	DOUBLE PARK	STOP ON or NEAR A CROSSING
\$183 2 points	\$330 2 points	\$330 2 points	\$330 2 points	\$439 2 points

**Fines for school zone parking offences include:**

**Children Crossing**  
Unlike Pedestrian Crossings, where a car can drive through when their side of the crossing is clear, on a **CHILDREN CROSSING** (Braemar Drive, Yarrabee Road and Kennedy Drive) the crossing must be free of all pedestrians (both ways) before traffic can drive through.

### Community News

**HIBBARD SPORTS** the friendly club CLUB LIMITED

invites you to a

# FUN FAMILY DAY

**Saturday 31st March at 10.30**

Prizes • Easter Egg Hunt  
Family Bowls • Jumping Castle  
Pulled Pork & Chicken Sliders  
Live Music

Boundary Road, Port Macquarie



**Hastings Baseball Association including Hastings Junior Baseball Association are getting ready to kick off season 2018.**

We are inviting players from 5 years to Seniors 16 years & up to play baseball. We are registered with Active Kids so children will be able to use their vouchers. More information may be obtained by going to Face Book Hastings Baseball Association or Hastings Junior Baseball Association. [info@hastingsbaseball.com.au](mailto:info@hastingsbaseball.com.au) <<mailto:info@hastingsbaseball.com.au>> Phone 0265852076 or 041827995.

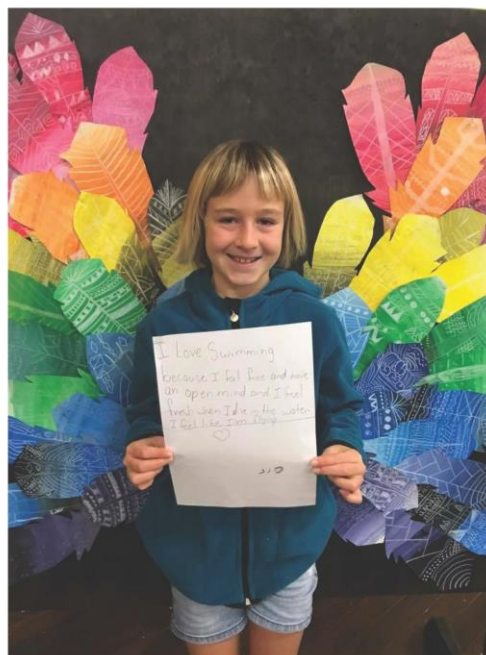
**Holiday Futsal Clinic**

School Holiday Futsal Clinic, April 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.  
Have Fun and meet new friends. Fully supervised,  
Professional English Coach, Age Groups 5 to 7 yrs and 8 to 13 yrs.

Cost per 3hr Session is \$45.

Westport High School Campus

Call Alison 0412 191923 or Email [alison@midcoastfutsal](mailto:alison@midcoastfutsal)



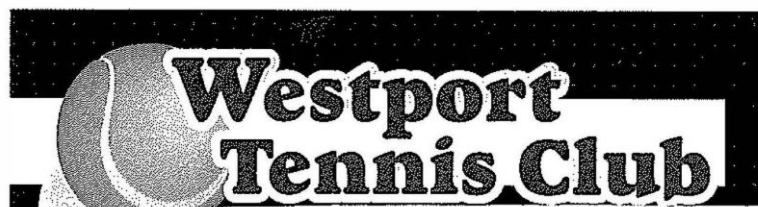
**PORT MACQUARIE FOOTBALL CLUB 2018 SEASON**

Port Macquarie FC has been providing families the opportunity to play football (soccer) in the local community since 1974.

We currently have spots available in our girls only U7s and U9s teams and our mixed under 7s team.

To join Port Macquarie FC sign up online via [www.playfootball.com.au](http://www.playfootball.com.au) or for further information contact Cath Cornish on 0419 478 308.

Our friendly and fun atmosphere along with our community spirit makes Port Macquarie FC a great club to be involved in.



**School Holiday Tennis Camps**

**CAMP INFORMATION:**

- School holiday program for boys and girls aged 5 – 12 years
- Includes tennis coaching / ball skills and footwork activities
- Singles and doubles matches + ball machine = great fun!
- Conducted by qualified Tennis Australia coaches

**CAMP DATES:**

Camp 1: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April (9am – 1pm)

Camp 2: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April (9am – 1pm)

**COST:**

\$30 per day ( 9am – 1pm)

**TO MAKE A BOOKING:**

Contact Mark Rawlingson on 0412 834 336  
Westport Tennis Club, Woods St, Port Macquarie

**Art, Dance,  
Drama & Music  
workshops for  
kids in years  
1-6**

**HAVE FUN THIS HOLIDAY!**

**April 16-20th 9-3pm \$35/day**  
**Scout Hall, Hollingworth St. Port Macquarie**  
**Book at [campportmac.wix.com/camp](http://campportmac.wix.com/camp)**  
**Contact Aimee at 0447 114 796**

