

# WESTPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL

EXCELLENCE IN A CARING ENVIRONMENT



**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Week 6 has our students and staff busy with great learning, Intensive Swimming Scheme and our 2019 Student Leaders Election. Year 5 students are preparing to be *Master Chefs* in a *My Kitchen Rules* cooking competition at Hastings Secondary College Westport Campus.

All Year 6 students visited the Charles Sturt University Campus last Thursday. It was an exciting day where students learnt about what learning opportunities will be available to them in the future.



## Hastings Secondary College Clontarf visits

This week Aboriginal Education Officers and high school students will visit our Year 6 Aboriginal students to discuss successful transition to high school – expectations and support that will be available to them. The boys' visit is on Wednesday and the girls' visit is on Thursday. Thank you to Mrs Heath, our Aboriginal Education Officer, for organising the visits for our students.

## School Hats

Our Sun Safe Policy requires all students to wear a school hat when they are on the oval. Many students are coming to school without a hat. If your child requires a new hat they are on sale every day at our school canteen for \$10.

## Assessment and Reporting

Teachers are currently preparing the yearly school reports for their classes. Reports will go home on Monday 17 December, Week 10.

**Nicole Osborne**

Assistant Principal

## Coming Events for Term 4

Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Intensive Swimming Scheme
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>	Kindergarten Transition Drop-in 1.00 – 3.00pm
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>	2019 School Leader Speeches 9.30am in hall.
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Kindergarten Transition Drop-in 1.00 – 3.00pm
Tue 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Diamond Awards Assembly – K-Yr2 - 12.15pm Yr3-Yr6 – 1.00pm
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup>	Kindergarten Transition Drop-in 1.00 – 3.00pm
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup>	Kindergarten Transition Drop-in 1.00 – 3.00pm
Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 6 High School Orientation
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	Kindergarten Transition Drop-in 1.00 – 3.00pm
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup>	Kindergarten Transition Drop-in 1.00 – 3.00pm Last Session
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Scripture Assembly Yr3-Yr6 9.50 – 10.30am K-Year 2 10.30 – 10.00am
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Carols by the Vines
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Presentation Day K-Yr2 – 9.15am Yr3-Yr6 – 10.00am
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 6 Farewell
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St 2 & 3 Reward Day – Kendall Pool Last day Term 4 2018

## Westport Public School Award Winners

### Term 4 – Week 5

**3/4 Bottlebrush** – Murphy, Britanie

**3/4 Lilly Pilly** – Mia, Lilly

**3/4 Waratah** – Lilly, Zac

**4 Macadamia** – Titan, Hollie

**5 Melaleuca** – Bailey, Chloe

**6 Frangipani** – Cyan, Damon

**Mathletics Award** – Sophie B

**Best & Fairest Award** – Lakara

### Splendour DVDs

Our Splendour performance DVDs are ready and available for purchase from the Office for \$10.



## Term 4 Assembly Timetable

Assembly is held on Tuesday starting at 1pm

K-Year 2	Year 3-6
Week 6 – Year 2 Bluegum	Week 7 – Diamond Award Assembly
Week 8 – K Jacaranda	

## 2019 School Leader Elections - Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>

### November 9.30am in the school hall

Twelve candidates will deliver an election speech to all students from Year 2 to Year 6. After the speeches, students will vote.

The 2019 School Leaders, two girls and two boys, will be announced at Presentation Day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.

Parents and Carers are most welcome to attend.

**Mrs Osborne**

## Stage 2 Child Protection

As part of the mandatory component of the Personal Development Health and Physical Education curriculum, Stage 2 students will be participating in Child Protection lessons. The lessons will be held on Friday mornings during Week 7-9. Should you have any further questions regarding the Child Protection unit, please don't hesitate to contact Mr Pettitt at school.

**Mr Pettitt**

## Stage 3 Child Protection

A component of the Personal Development, Health and Physical Education curriculum in Growth and Development is learning about puberty, reproduction and appropriate and inappropriate touching. Stage 3 will be learning about this over the next few weeks.

**Mrs Osborne**

## Free Dental Service

As part of the dentist visit from DMMSG - the mobile dental service visiting Westport Public School from the 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> of November 2018, every eligible child who has returned their form and sees the dentist will receive a free toothbrush. As an additional incentive to return your form, DMMSG will enter all eligible students into a draw to win a JB HiFi voucher. To test your eligibility, please complete the forms sent out last week, using the information on your Medicare card as shown in the brochure. Please return the form to your class teacher by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> of November 2018 so we can confirm your child's booking. Please ensure you complete one form per child.

## K-2 Treat Day

This term, Treat Day for K-2 students will be an excursion to the cinema in the last week of school. The cost will be approximately \$12, however, this will be confirmed closer to the date. To be eligible for Treat Day students need to earn 80% of stamps on their behaviour charts for the time they have attended school this term. More information including a permission note will be sent out closer to the date.

## Stage 1 Excursion – New Date

The recent Stage 1 excursion was postponed due to wet weather. The new date for the Geography Excursion to Kooloonbung Creek is Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> of November. A new permission note will be sent home soon. It is expected that all Year 1 and 2 students attend this excursion. There is no cost to attend.

## Library News

Thank you to all the students who have enjoyed borrowing books from the library this year. It's been wonderful to see your enthusiasm and your growth towards books. Week 7 will be the final week to borrow a book this year. Please ensure you have all of your books returned to the library by week 8. I look forward to another exciting year filled with books in 2019.

Thank you

**Rachel Kelly**

## Year 6 Farewell Fundraiser – Bakers Delight Christmas Tarts

Christmas Tarts:

\$10 for a six pack of Lemon Tarts

\$10 for a six pack of Fruit Mince Tarts



\$2 from every box sold will be donated back to the school to assist with funding a very special Year 6 Farewell celebration for our Stage 3 students.

Money to be returned to class teachers by Wednesday December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

The Christmas Tarts will be delivered to school for collection on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

**Mrs Urquhart**

## CSU Future Moves Program

Year 6 made a Sheldon Cooper like leap into the life of a university student at Charles Sturt University last week. Students experienced sessions in teacher education, sports science, psychology and paramedical studies with students completing hands on activities. They even had a graduation!



The students were also given a tour of the rapidly expanding campus. The key message taken by our students from their experience is the fact that you don't have to be a Sheldon Cooper type brilliant mind to achieve in education at a tertiary level. Students need to have a growth mindset and a willingness to be a lifelong learner. A message that is key to what the students are learning here at school.

**Mr Ainsworth**



1 Acacia

Our class have been busy using rekenreks in their maths lessons. We have been making and breaking numbers and recording addition and subtraction facts. We have come up with some very clever ideas.

Miss Walton



Community News



OUR Canteen needs YOU!

Have a little FREE time now the kids are at school and / or really need some adult company for part of the day? Our Canteen could really use your help!

**WHEN:** Weekly / Fortnightly / Monthly      9:00am - 11:30am

**BONUS:** Your children are happy to see you in their favourite place - the school canteen! You'll meet new people, make friends within the school community and be rewarded in the knowledge that you're providing a valuable service to the school.

No experience necessary! Everything you need to know will be learnt within a short timeframe.

Please complete the form below and drop it back to the Canteen as soon as possible if you would like to help.

Thank you

**I would like to help out in the Canteen!**

I am available (please circle)...

Monday / Tuesday / Wednesday / Thursday / Friday

Weekly / Fortnightly / Monthly

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_