

WESTPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL

EXCELLENCE IN A CARING ENVIRONMENT



Monday 11 February 2019

Welcome to Week 3 2019.

Last Friday we had a very successful swimming carnival for the 3-6 students. It was great to watch the students compete with such a great attitude and excellent sportsmanship. Congratulations to all the students for your behaviour and participation and good luck to those people going on to the next level.

CCTV

The school has recently installed a number of cameras around the grounds for security purposes. These cameras allow us to monitor who is on the school grounds and provide information to the police in the event of a break in. Signage will be provided to remind all attendees at the school that these cameras are in operation.

Parking

As many of you would have noticed the council has changed the parking zones around the school. This is to improve the flow of traffic and help to ensure the safety of students, parents and staff as well as pedestrians. Could all everyone please obey the new parking rules as heavy fines can be administered.

School Visitors

Just a reminder that all visitors to the school, including parents picking up their children, must report to the office. In most cases the office staff will send for the student reducing the amount of disruption to teaching and also monitoring who is on the school site. This is a security and Health and Safety requirement and we appreciate your help in this matter.

Youth Group

Next Friday 15 February, you may notice a group utilizing our school hall. One of the local churches will be hiring the hall on Friday nights for the next few weeks.

I hope you have a great week.

Tony Johnston
Principal

Coming Events for Term 1

Mon 11 Feb	Got-It! Program Seminar
Wed 13 Feb	Burraydjarr Youth Group commences
Wed 13 Feb	HCH District Swimming Carnival
Wed 27 Feb	HSC Information Evening Year 5 & 6
Wed 6 March	School Photos
Tue 12 March	K – 2 Parent Teacher Interviews
Wed 13 March	3 – 6 Parent Teacher Interviews

Your Digital Super Power!

On Thursday all Stage 3 participated in an internet safety seminar via ADOBE Connect with another 220 schools across NSW.

The main message was for all students to use four digital super powers so they can be safe online – RESILIENCE, REASONING, RESPECT and RESPONSIBILITY. The presenter discussed how to be respectful of others, not post harmful content, ignore negative comments and don't respond.

School Leaders 2019



(Thomas, Blake, Lela and Chloe)

House Leaders 2019



(Paige & Dylan)

(Rae Venice & Max)



(Bailey & Dakoda)

(Hamish & Jasmine)

Youth Group

Burraydjarr Youth Group recommences for 2019 on Wednesday 13 Feb. Uncle Bill will collect students from Westport Public School via bus for the afternoon program.

Information for Students with Medical Conditions

If you have a child that has been diagnosed with asthma and carries an inhaler in their bag at school it is essential you provide the school with a current asthma plan. You will also be required to complete a 'Request for student to carry his/her own asthma reliever medication' form. This form is available from the school administration office.

If you have a child that requires temporary medication administered for short term conditions (i.e. antibiotics or pain relief) you must complete an 'Administering Temporary Medication Request' form which details the medication and dosage. Medication must be provided in its original packaging, and in the case of prescribed medication must have the original pharmacist labelling with the student's name and dosage. **No medication can be administered by school staff unless these conditions are met.** Medication times are at 12.00 pm daily. Also, it is the responsibility of parents / students to collect the temporary medication each day.

School Administration Office Hours

The school administration office hours are 8:30 am to 3:15 pm daily. The office is closed outside of these hours.

Stage 2 Dance

Westport Primary School has been fortunate to have Ngioka Bunda-Heath teach a dance routine for our Stage 2 Dance Group with dance co-ordinator Mrs Slade this week. The group consists of both Aboriginal and Non-Aboriginal students. Many of the Aboriginal students have previously performed traditional Aboriginal Girls and Boys Dance at School events such as in NAIDOC Week.

Ngioka Bunda-Heath is of the Birpai, Wakka Wakka and Nugi Peoples. She has trained in both traditional and contemporary forms of dance, the latter including Hip Hop. Ngioka was thrilled to take the opportunity of teaching and dancing with the students of Westport Public School, on her Paternal Country.



Year 6 Tie Dye

On the February 6 2019, 5 Hibiscus and 6 Frangipani made amazing tie dyed library bags.

Tie dyeing originated from Japan and Indonesia. Ever since the 8th century, tie dyeing has been very popular, very creative and a great way to express yourself with the fun bright colours.

Everyone was very excited to do the fun project and the end result was awesome! A few people did the spiral, some did the spider, and one or two did the stripes.

Here are a few facts we have learnt during this amazing time:

- Tie dyeing was popular in America in the mid-1950's
- Some people use natural ingredients like beetroot as their dye
- China has been creating a form of tie dye ever since the 6th Century
- Tie dyeing has been popular in the 1980's

We loved doing the tie dye library bags, but this would've never happened without our super teachers, Mrs Eichler and Mrs Urquhart.

Report by Rae Venice



Community News

Tennis Lesson

Westport Tennis Club, Woods Street, Port Macquarie

- Free intro lesson, racquets supplied
- Classes after school or Saturday morning
- Boys and girls age 5 – 12
- Adult classes also available
- Tennis Australia Qualified Coaches

Phone Mark on 0412 834 336



GIRLS LEAGUE TAG IN 2019

U12, U14 & U16 - \$65

Please contact - registrar.juniorsharks@outlook.com

Mixed, boys / girls U6.5 – U12.5

Boys U13.5 – U16.5

Port Macquarie Junior Sharks Rugby League Football Club is a family friendly club and believes rugby league should be available & fun for kids of ALL abilities & gender.

Registrations for 2019 are now open! U6 – U16

All new & returning players are invited to come along to our 2019 meet and greet registration days and see what we are all about

or

you can register online!

Port Macquarie Junior RLFC Inc <https://playnrl.com/register/>

**Saturday 9th February 2019 - McDonalds Settlement City
10am-2pm**

**Sunday 3rd March 2019 – Flynns Beach 2pm-4pm
Season launch / rego day
(free sausage sizzle)**

Registration Fees

\$130 First child – discounted prices for 2 or more children

And includes:

Registration, Insurance, photo, presentation, trophy and a Club Training shirt.

For more info check our website out below

http://websites.sportsta.com/club_info.cgi?c=1-2181-110019-0-0&SID=345952

or check us out on facebook (Port Macquarie Sharks Junior Rugby League)

Club contacts

President: Gordon Witherspoon 0404 775 069 gjwitherspoon@hotmail.com

Vice President: Shane Keegan 0422 502 851 allportsmash@optusnet.com.au

Registrar: Jane Keegan 0405 328 890 registrar.juniorsharks@outlook.com

Jerseys are supplied to players on game days, Shorts & Socks are available for purchase.

PMJSRLFC is part of the NSW Government Active Kids Voucher Program – visit <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au> to apply for your \$100 voucher per child

Interested in coaching? Please contact one of our committee members to discuss.

BRING A FRIEND OR MAKE SOME NEW ONES!

Date/s: Sunday 24th Feb & 10th March

Cost: \$10/day

Min. 2 games/day

Venue: TBC

BBQ lunch and drink incl.

Join in the fun!

Register NOW @ playcricket.com.au

Search for Mid North Coast Junior Cricket Council

Choose single or both dates and Hard or Soft ball option.

Soft ball aimed at Under 11 but not mandatory

Time: 9am-4pm

Ages: 9 - Under 15

Soft and Hard ball cricket options



All Girls Cricket!

Contact Information:

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