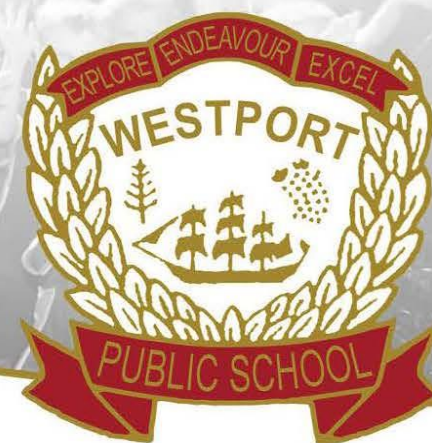


WESTPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL

EXCELLENCE IN A CARING ENVIRONMENT



Monday 1st April 2019

There are only two weeks left of Term 1 and still many great activities are yet to come before the school holidays.

Rugby League Schubert 7s Gala Day

A big congratulations to all sixty students who played 7s league or league tag last Tuesday. Mr Kingston was very proud of the students' football skills and sportsmanship throughout the day. I heard that there was some excellent defence, particularly by our Year Six girls, well done! Thank you to Mr Kingston for training and organising the teams.



NAPLAN Online Practice

All Year 3 and Year 5 students had the opportunity to sit the NAPLAN Online Practice test last week. Students practiced using the different tools and the test procedures. Sitting NAPLAN online is far more engaging for students than completing the paper tests. NAPLAN will be held in Weeks 3 and 4 in Term 2, 14 -24 May.

Junior Choir

Our Junior Choir will be performing for the senior citizens at Garden Village lead by Mrs Eichler and Mrs Murgatroyd. Bringing some Easter joy!

Senior Choir

Thank you to all students and families who supported the mufti day fundraiser last week raising over \$300. All money raised helps pay for the choir students to go to Sydney to perform at the Opera House in the Choral Festival in September. I'm also looking forward to eating the hot cross buns I've ordered from the Bakers Delight fundraiser the choir is also running. Tomorrow is the last day for hot cross bun orders.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Nicole Osborne
Assistant Principal

Westport Public School Award Winners

Term 1, Week 9

Jacaranda – Karter, Thomas, Ella and Lacey

Flame – Syllis, Jaydon, Maddy and Lachlan

Wattle – Levi, Ashlyn, Delilah and Chase

Acacia – Pappion, Ella, Russell and Terrence

Banksia – Max, Jack B, Ruby and Tahli

Paperbark – Lily, Olivia, Amelia and Riley

Bluegum – Jack, Charlie, Liam and Jaxon

Redgum – Hunter and Adam

Choir – Brin and Amelia

Coming Events for Term 1

Wed 3 rd April	P&C Annual General Meeting
Mon 8 th	Future Moves at school with Charles Sturt University Yr 5 & Yr 6
Tue 9 th	Bronze Assembly K-2 12.15pm Yr3-6 1.00pm
Wed 10 th	Zenith Testing
Fri 12 th	Easter Hat Parade K-2 12.30pm
Fri 12 th	End of Term Treat Day K-Yr 2 – at school activities Yrs3-6 – Majestic Cinemas
Fri 12 th	Last day of school

Coming Events for Term 2

Mon 29 th April	Staff Development Day
Tue 30 th	Students return to school

Term 1 Assembly Timetable

Week 10 – 3/4 Macadamia - 1pm	Week 11 – Bronze Awards K-2 – 12.15pm Yrs3-6 – 1pm
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Zooper Doopers great success

Thank you to all who purchased Zooper Doopers last week. The recess stalls were a great success and raised enough money for us to purchase the chook feeder. We will keep you posted.

The Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is now open weekly every Thursday from 8:30 am to 10:00 am.

Senior Choir Fundraiser – Hot Cross Bun Drive

The Senior Choir is holding a fundraiser to help raise funds for the Senior Choir Sydney excursion. We are selling hot cross buns baked fresh from Bakers Delight. You can order traditional, apple and cinnamon or Cadbury milk chocolate hot cross buns for \$7.50 for half a dozen. Orders will need to be returned by tomorrow, Tuesday 2 April 2019.

Orders will be delivered to the school in Week 11 and sent home with your child.

Thank you for your support.

Fleur Eichler & Megan Urquhart
Choir Teachers



(Traditional)



(Choc Chip)



(Apple and Cinnamon)



K - 2 Easter Hat Parade

This year our Infants Easter Hat Parade is on Friday 12th of April 2019 at 12:30pm at the Top Quad. If it is raining heavily the parade will be in the hall.

Students are asked to make their hats at home and bring them to school on the day of the parade. They will be put in a safe place in the classroom until the parade.

Parents/Carers, family members and friends are welcome to come and watch the Easter Hat Parade. Pre-schoolers are also invited to make a hat and join in the parade with their brother/sister in the preschool section. We are looking forward to seeing you on the day.

Thank you for your support.
K-2 Teachers

Rugby League Schubert 7s Gala Day

60 Students from Westport Public School attended the 7's Gala Day at Tuffins Lane to participate in both tackle and league tag. Our students represented the biggest turn out for the day compared to any other school, making 8 Westpot teams. The day is a non-competitive day allowing a range of games from tag, new tackle and experienced. Scores are not recorded, but all our teams crossed the line on multiple occasions. Overall it was a great day with our school being beautifully represented by the students who attended.

Paul Kingston



P&C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday 3 APRIL 2019
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday 3 April 2019 at 6.00pm
Staff Room – Westport Public School

The 2019 Annual General Meeting of the Westport Public School Parents and Citizens' Association will be held on Wednesday 3 April commencing at 6.00pm. At this meeting, all current office bearer roles will be declared vacant and nominations will be called for the following positions:

- President
- 2 x Vice Presidents
- Secretary
- Treasurer

This is a great opportunity for all parents and carers to join the P&C and nominate for one of the vacant positions on the executive committee and provides the chance to be involved in the shaping of the future direction of the P&C.

For more information concerning any aspects of the P&C including the roles of executives, please refer to the NSW P&C Federation website: <http://www.pandc.org.au>



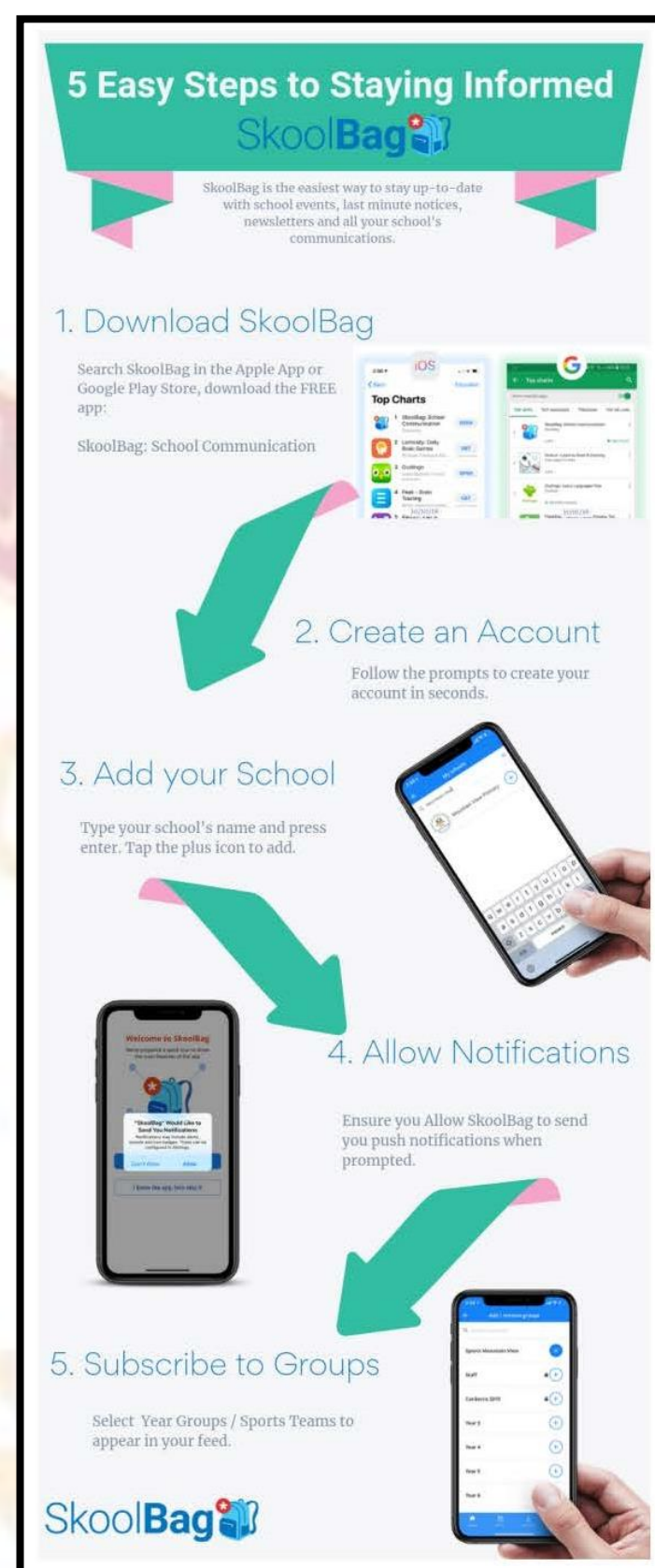
FILM BY THE BREAKWALL
A Hastings Valley Community of Schools Event

RED CARPET 5:45 | SCREENING 6PM
WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY
THURSDAY 9TH MAY
MAJESTIC CINEMAS – PORT MACQUARIE

FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE ON YOUR SCHOOL SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES AND NEWSLETTER

Tickets available for purchase from Monday 8th April
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FILM-BY-THE-BREAKWALL-TICKETS-57457511985

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★ **APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS** ★
MORNING INTENSIVE SWIM PROGRAM

WEEK 1 - Monday 15th April – Thursday 18th April 2018 (4 Days)
And
WEEK 2 – Tuesday 23rd April - Friday 26th April 2018 (3 Days)

\$56/\$42 pre-school and school age Learn-to-Swim – Seahorse Level (max 4 per class)
\$52/\$39 Goldfish Level (max 5 per class)
\$48/\$36 Frog Level (max 6 per class)
\$44/\$33 Penguin (max 8 per class)/\$44/\$33 Dolphin (max 15 per class)

(Fees include pool entry for the child) Please note that anyone who is swimming **MUST** pay the pool entry fee. Entry is only free with lessons if you are watching.

Bookings are being taken now

ALL INSTRUCTORS ARE AUSTSWIM QUALIFIED
Please note a non-refundable deposit is required to be paid at the time of booking.
There are no makeup lessons provided during the Intensive Program.



COME & TRY HOCKEY TUESDAY 2nd APRIL

PORT MACQUARIE HOCKEY FIELDS – 1 HOCKEY PLACE (OFF OCEAN DRIVE)

4 – 8 YEAR OLDS & 9 -11 YEAR OLDS
4.30PM – 5PM

12 – 16 YEAR OLDS
5PM – 6PM

MEN & WOMEN (16YRS+)
6PM - 7.30PM

ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED AND EXPERIENCED COACHES WILL BE THERE TO TEACH YOU THE ROPES.

JUNIOR PLAYER REGISTRATION COSTS START AT \$0*
WITH USE OF YOUR ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER

**ALL NEW PLAYERS 4 – 11 YEARS WILL ALSO RECEIVE
A STICK, SHINPADS AND MOUTHGUARD WHEN THEY REGISTER**

HOLIDAY FUN FOR KIDS!

GLASSHOUSE SPROUTS

only **\$7.50** per child*

**Wednesday 17 April,
10am & 3pm**
**Wednesday 24 April,
10am & 3pm**

Without fail our Sprouts children's art sessions never fail to delight our budding young artists!

Come and get creative with us these Easter school holidays.

*Transaction fees may apply

Perfect for kids aged 4-9 and their carers.



YOUNG MOVERS & SHAKERS

only **\$35** per child*

**Tuesday 16 April,
9am - 3pm**
**Thursday 18 April,
9am-3pm**

A design and digital experience for our young movers and shakers to develop creative confidence and problem solving skills through STEAM – coding, animation and music making.

Bring your own lunch and snacks.

*Transaction fees may apply

Perfect for kids aged 8-14.

Numbers are limited – book now and don't miss out.

Bookings essential, Call 6581 8888 or www.glasshouse.org.au



How to help your children learn to read and spell

A half-day workshop for parents

Where: Emerald Downs Community Hall,
Port Macquarie, NSW 2444
When: Sunday 19th May 2019 from 9 am - 1 pm
Cost: \$70 (includes morning tea)

"The key to facilitating positive change in a child's academic attainment is the engagement of parents in learning outcomes in the home." Emerson, Fear, Fox and Sanders 2012

This evidence-based, practical workshop has been developed primarily for parents of children in years K, 1 and 2, and for parents of children with learning difficulties. It may also be of interest to parents of children in their last year of preschool.

Some feedback from past workshops:

- "I have been frustrated and feeling at a loss as to how to help my 6-year-old. Thank you so much for giving me some tools to assist him."
- "Very clear, useful instruction - a great help for us when we are trying our best to help our child".
- "Very helpful and informative. And I really enjoyed it too!"

Carol Baker (LCST, MSPA) is a paediatric speech pathologist who has had a long career working with children with speech, language, reading and spelling difficulties. She now gives workshops to support and empower parents to help their children.

To register
call Carol on 0405 658 593
or email cb.speech@outlook.com

For more information go to <https://www.cbakerspeechpathology.com.au/>