

WESTPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL



14 June 2021

EXCELLENCE IN A CARING ENVIRONMENT

Welcome to Term 2 Week 9

The end of term is approaching fast and staff have been busy finalising school reports and preparing for end of term activities. We have an amazing range of opportunities coming up this term and into next term.

NAIDOC Celebration:

NAIDOC will be celebrated by students on Monday 21 June at Westport Public school. This year we will be celebrating the First Nations cultural knowledge and understanding of country as part of Australian National heritage through this year's theme, Heal Country. Staff and students are busy creating a deadly door display in recognition of NAIDOC for each classroom. Other great activities will be buddy story time and Indigenous games. The celebrations will be available for viewing on Facebook.

Stage Dance Groups

Stage 2 and 3 dance groups are working hard to create their stage dance in preparation for their upcoming performances. These dances will be performed next term in the Port Macquarie Dance Eisteddfod and in Term 4 at our school CAPA night, Splendour.

Stage Reward Days

Reward Day notes for all stages are being sent out next Tuesday 15 June. Students who have received eighty percent of their behaviour stamps will be invited to attend their stage reward day. Kinder and Stage 1 will be on Thursday 24 June. Stage 2 and 3 will be on Friday 25 June. This is a great way to end the term.

Transport Survey

A transport survey to look at fixing potential traffic issues around school zones is being carried out and we need your help to complete the survey. The link is below and can also be found on SkoolBag App. Your help to complete this survey is appreciated.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Hastings2021>

Facebook

Our Facebook page is a great way to celebrate and be part of our students' educational journey at Westport. Please like us on Facebook to share in the information and learning that takes place at Westport.

Have a great week.

Fleur Eichler
Relieving Principal

Upcoming Events for Term 2

Monday 14 June	Public Holiday
Thursday 24 June	K—2 Teat Day
Friday 25 June	3—6 Treat Day
	Last day of Term 2
Monday 12 July	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 13 July	First day of Term 3

Week 8 Class Award Winners for Infants Assembly

K Flame: Jayde, Patrick, Sophie

K Jacaranda: Chase, Jonathan, Annabelle

K/1 Wattle: Joseph, Max, Jaxxon

1 Paperbark: Quinn, Shianna, Lilly

1 Bluegum: Luke, Harrison, Scarlett

2 Bottlebrush: Amayia, Lucy, Jayden

2 Redgum: Lacey, Isabella

2/3 Acacia: Charlotte, Caspar



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Hastings Valley Community of Schools Ceremony of Excellence 2021

The Hastings Valley Community of Schools (HVCS) will host the annual Ceremony of Excellence during Education Week 2021, on the evening of Tuesday 27 July. The focus of this year's ceremony is to recognise significant academic, cultural or sporting performance of nominated students from Year 3 to Year 12. Each school will nominate students to receive an Award of Excellence for a specific focus area. Each school already excels in recognising students for their performance, participation, spirit and citizenship throughout the year with countless ribbons, certificates, awards, trophies and rewards systems.

The HVCS Ceremony of Excellence, hosted at the Glasshouse, will recognise those students from each school for their outstanding academic, cultural or sporting performance. The evening will also showcase a small but select number of performances including quality solo or ensemble items to complement the presentation of awards.

Invitations to parents of students nominated to receive awards will be sent home in the coming weeks. Invitations will contain details of the awards night as well as ticketing information. Tickets will be complimentary for all parents of students receiving awards and/or performing on the night. The HVCS looks forward to celebrating the achievements of this group of students who are representative of our very successful Public Schools in the Hastings Valley Community of Schools.



#WorkingTogetherInPartnership

Hastings Valley Community of Schools Announcement

It brings me great pleasure to announce Ms Meaghan Cook as the successful applicant for the temporary position of College Principal, Hastings Secondary College. This appointment will be for the remainder of 2021.

As the current Principal of Hastings Secondary College, Port Macquarie Campus, Ms Cook is perfectly placed to leverage our highly successful learning initiatives to deliver outstanding outcomes for every student.

Ms Cook has demonstrated a wealth of skill and agility around instructional leadership and embedding a culture of excellence in learning and teaching in every classroom.

I commend Mr Willem Holvast for his leadership of the College's strategy and growth over the past five years and sincerely thank him for his loyal service and dedication to Public Education and Hastings Secondary College. I wish Mr Holvast every success in his decision to continue serving the local community through a new role within the Department of Education.



Andrew Kuchling
Director, Educational Leadership

The Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)

On Tuesday, all our Kindergarten Teachers will be participating in the The Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) as explained in the note sent out earlier this term. This is a national census that builds a picture of the health and wellbeing of all Kindergarten children as they start their first year of full-time school. Thank you for your support in this process.

Kindergarten Teachers.

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The 2021 Australian Early Development Census

Counting on parents

The Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) is a national census that builds a picture of the health and wellbeing of children as they start their first year of full-time school.

Every school with children in their first year of full-time school has a vital role to play in helping our nation collect the information it needs to support our children and their families as we recover from the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Since 2009, communities, schools and governments across Australia have used results from the AEDC to help provide the right kinds of services, resources and support.

From May 2021, teachers will complete the Instrument (AvEDI) about children in their first year of full-time school.

AEDC results for individual children are not reported and individual children cannot be identified.

With the support of parents/carers and schools we can build a more complete picture of childhood development in Australia. If parents/carers consent to the collection of their child's information they do not need to do anything. Parent/carers only need to contact the school if they do not consent to the collection of their child's information.

To find out more about the census and how communities are using the data to help children and families visit the AEDC website www.aedc.gov.au



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Kindergarten 2022

2022 Kindergarten enrolments for Westport Public School are now being taken. If you have a child starting Kindergarten next year please complete and return the slip below (alternatively email the information to Westport-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au).

If you are aware of anyone seeking a kindergarten enrolment at Westport Primary School that are not already part of our community – please pass on this information.

Information relating to transitions and enrolment packs will be available towards the end of this term and will be sent to families that have indicated they will be seeking enrolment at Westport Primary School.

Child's Name				Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Female <input type="checkbox"/>
Date of Birth		Current Pre School		No. Days Attending:	
Parent 1 Name			Parent 2 Name		
Address:			Address:		
Phone			Phone		
Email			Email		
Does this child have and elder sibling currently enrolled at Westport?					
If yes, Name and Class					
You are now able to access online enrolments via our website. https://westport-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html					
Have you completed an online enrolment?					



Community News

IS YOUR CHILD STARTING BIG SCHOOL IN 2022?



Join us at Kindy Kids - where big school transition is supported through games and sport!

Kindy Kids develops age appropriate learning concepts and expectations such as:

- Listening skills and the ability to follow directions.
- Social skills - turn taking, cooperation, teamwork.
- Positive self-esteem and confidence.
- Resilience and a growth mindset.
- Number, sequence and counting skills.

Lessons will have a strong emphasis on team games and sportsmanship, as well as the notions of winning and losing, which will help your child navigate the playground at big school.

Kindy Kids runs in term 3 and 4 at the Port Indoor Stadium.
Term 3 dates: Monday 12th February - Friday 17th September



www.sprocketsportmacquarie.com.au



Winter Creative Kids



Tie Dye Day

- Resist Beach Towel
- Tie Dye Beanie!
- Tie Dye Frame Art

Monday 28th June

THINGS WITH WINGS

- Flying Pig Plushie
- PomPom Bee
- Dragon Puppet!

Tuesday 29th June

DISCO Day

- Psychedelic Flower Art
- Paper Plate Record Hanger
- Disco Ball!

Wednesday 30th June

Thursday 1st July

PET day

- 3d Pet Wall Mounts
- Patterned Pet Portrait
- Pet Rocks!

SLIME DAY

- Sizzly Cloud Slime
- Butter Clay Slime
- Thick & Glossy Slime

Friday 2nd July

Monday 5th July

Anime & Cartoon DAY

- Character Canvases
- Cartoon Self Portrait
- Pokemon Polyclay Sculpture!

Royal Day

- Knights Helmet/ Queen's Crown
- Your own Felt Crest!
- Paint Yourself as Royalty

Tuesday 6th July

Wednesday 7th July

Horse Day

- Weave and Decorate a Mane
- Peg Horses!
- Miniature 3D Carousel Horses

Thursday 8th July

ELEMENTS DAY

- Ink Blow Fire Art
- 3D Wet Umbrella
- Miniature Air Balloons!

Race DAY

- Build the Track and Stations
- Create your Race Cars
- Lets Race!!

Friday 9th July

9am-3pm,
Monday to Friday

Includes
All creative materials, teaching of projects for 6 hours

Bring:
Hat, drink bottle, lunch and morning tea.

PRICES

Single Day - \$60

ANY 3 Days - \$155 (save \$25)

ANY 5 Days - \$260 (save \$40)

Use the Kids Creative Voucher to save \$100 on 3+ day bookings

28th June - 9th July



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