

# WESTPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL



EXCELLENCE IN A CARING ENVIRONMENT

4 July 2025

Week 10

Dear families and community members,

As we wrap up another exciting and productive term at Westport Public School, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all students, staff, and families for their continued support, positivity, and involvement throughout Term 2.

### Thank You

A big thank you to our incredible students for their hard work, positive attitudes, and wonderful achievements this term.

Thank you to our dedicated staff for their tireless efforts in supporting every student's growth, wellbeing and learning.

Thank you also to the casual classroom teachers, Miss Leaf, Miss Allen, and Library teacher Mrs Morrison.

### Term 3 Staffing Update

We also say farewell to Miss Wright, who will sadly be leaving us at the end of this term. Miss Wright has made a lasting impact on our school community, and we sincerely thank her for all that she has contributed. We wish her all the best in the next chapter of her journey.

At the same time, we are thrilled to welcome back Miss Harland, whose return has been warmly received by staff and students alike. We thank Mrs Slade for relieving in Miss Harland's absence.

I will be continuing to relieve as Principal into Term 3 until Mr Johnston returns.

Miss Bax will be in Student Support Monday and Tuesday, and Physical Education Wednesday - Friday. Mrs Moore will be in Student Support Wednesday - Friday.

Class teacher changes include Miss Leaf in Flame, Miss Adcock in Kurrajong, and Mrs Johnston in Ironbark Monday - Friday.

Library teachers will be Mrs Covek Monday - Wednesday and Mrs Morrison on Thursdays.

Mrs Hurrell and Mrs Slade will be joining the Learning Support Team.

### Term Highlights

Term 3 has been full of learning, fun, and memorable experiences. Highlights include:

- Our school's involvement in National Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week, with respectful reflection and learning across all year levels.
- A hugely successful Athletics Carnival with great participation and sportsmanship.
- Participation in various PSSA Gala and Knockout Days, and a strong showing at the Zone Cross Country.
- Spectacular performances at the Lower North Coast Dance Festival – what a joy it was to see our students shine on stage.
- A fun and colourful Crazy Sock and Hair Day that brought many smiles across the school.
- Engaging excursions and sporting events that have enriched our students' learning beyond the classroom.
- The launch of our very popular Fishing Program, which has been a real hit with students.

### School Excellence and Progress

- New playground zones for K-2 and 3-6 have been introduced to support safe and active play during breaks.
- Students received their Semester 1 Reports, showcasing their effort and achievements across all areas of learning.
- Our Student Support Room was revised this term to better support student self-regulation, reflection and engagement.

### Term 3

Next term promises to be just as exciting, starting with our NAIDOC Week Celebrations followed by Book Week and parent teacher interviews. We look forward to continuing our work around student voice and inclusion through cultural learning and celebration.

Wishing everyone a safe and restful break. We look forward to welcoming you all back for Term 3, students returning on Tuesday 22 July.

Mr Haste  
Relieving Principal

### Upcoming Event

Friday 4 July	Student Last Day of Term 2
Tuesday 22 July	Student First Day of Term 3



### Diamond Award Assembly

Congratulations to those students who have earned a Diamond Award for Term 2.



### Supported Learning Enjoying Boccia

Our Supported Learning students had a fantastic afternoon enjoying the inclusive sport of Boccia, thanks to NSW School Sport.

The day was filled with fun, friendly competition, and lots of smiles as students tried something new and exciting. For many, it was their first time playing Boccia, and they embraced the challenge with enthusiasm and great sportsmanship.

It was also a wonderful opportunity for our students to make connections and meet other students from different schools. We're proud of our students for giving it their best and showing such positive energy throughout the day.



### Deadly Door Winners – Term 3

Congratulations to Lilly Pilly and Eucalyptus, our Deadly Door winners for this term. This term's theme, "The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy," was brought to life through creative, thoughtful and powerful displays by these two classes. Well done!



### Supported Learning Minecraft Party

Our Supported Learning classrooms wrapped up the term with a fun-filled Minecraft themed party, featuring classic games like pass the parcel and pin the tail.



### North Coast Invitational Football (Soccer) Team

Congratulations to Madeleine who has been selected into the North Coast Invitational Football (Soccer) team.





### Bluegum Exploring Animals with Technology

This term our Bluegum students have been busy learning and exploring the fascinating world of animals and used their research to create engaging PowerPoint presentations. Not only did they discover fascinating facts about animal habitats, diets, and behaviours, but they also developed valuable technology skills by designing and presenting their work using PowerPoint.

They were especially excited to welcome Mrs Fraser, Miss Harland and Mr Haste as special guests for their presentations. We are so proud of their efforts and creativity!



### The Wellbeing Space with Miss Amanda

It was more fun and games and a little bit of learning this week in the wellbeing space with Miss Amanda.

We learnt about how journaling can help us process what happened in our day and learn from it. Questions we can explore like:

What was I grateful for today? Was there something challenging that happened today? How can I make tomorrow a good day?

We took some time out when needed to do activities like origami, diamond dots and beading! Having fun helps us connect and share when needed .

Congratulations to Noah, who was recognised for being a helpful, friendly and respectful student at Westport.

Happy holidays to all the Westport students and families!



### NAIDOC Community Day

Trying to find things to do these holidays? Join Mrs Scullion and Miss Cheyenne to learn about, embrace and celebrate First Nations culture during the holidays. On Thursday 10 July from 10 am to 2 pm at Westport Park a community day will be taking place. Come on down with your family and friends to enjoy cultural activities and performances as well as free rides, lunch and give aways. **ALL** families welcome. This is not just a First Nations event but a chance for everybody to learn, celebrate and embrace Aboriginal histories, stories and culture.

We hope to see as many Westport families there as we can! See attached brochure for more information.



# Community News

**SAVE THE  
DATE:  
NAIDOC  
FAMILY FUN  
DAY  
THURSDAY  
10<sup>TH</sup> JULY  
2025  
WEST PORT  
PARK  
PORT  
MACQUARIE  
10AM – 2PM  
ALL  
COMMUNITY  
WELCOME**

Join us in celebrating Indigenous culture and history this NAIDOC Week: Cultural performances, dance, art, weaving, song. Jumping castles, inflatable soccer, petting zoo, pony rides, free activities and lunch. Plus so much more.

