

WIRIPAANG WHISPERER...

Term 4 - Week 8 - 2017

Upcoming Events

<u>Term 4</u>

O Tuesday 28th November Kinder Orientation session 2 9.30am-11am O Tuesday 5th December Kinder Orientation session 3 9.30am-11am • Thursday 7th December P&C Meeting 6pm Library O Monday 11th December Soaring High Day years 3-6 O Tuesday 12th December Presentation Day O Wednesday 13th December Soaring High Day years K-2 O Wednesday 13th December Year 6 Farewell O Thursday 14th December Carols on the Green • Friday 15th December Last day of Term 4 for students

Term 1-2018

Monday 29th January
Staff return to school
Tuesday 30th January
Students return to school
Monday 5th February
Swimming carnival
Friday 30th March
Easter Friday—Public Holiday
Monday 2nd April
Easter Monday—Public Holiday
Friday 13th April
Last day of Term 1

Notes & Money Due

• O Oakvale Farm support unit excursion \$25 due by Friday 1st December

Dear Parents, Carers and Community,

We continue to evaluate all that we do at Wiripaang PS ensuring we provide the best possible opportunities for our students and our community. Earlier this year we requested your feedback via the Tell Them From Me Department Survey. The results from this survey show that you, our community, are very happy with how we are continuing to grow and support your children. We are performing higher than other schools across the state in the following areas:

- Parents feeling welcome in the school,
- Parents being informed about what's happening in the school,
- The school supporting learning as a priority,
- The school supporting positive behaviour,
- Students being safe at school,
- The school being inclusive of all students.

We would appreciate your further thoughts around school life and activities by engaging with the google doc survey found at: <u>https://goo.gl/forms/hV9cReFeKMIKnXyC3</u> We appreciate all constructive feedback to assist in finalising our new 3 year school plan.

Thank you to all of our much loved visitors who were able to join us for our very successful Grandparent's Day celebration. Congratulations to our oldest Grandparent and to our many clever trivia winners. We hope you enjoyed visiting our school as much as the students loved having you present! I hope you enjoy looking at the collage of photos further in the newsletter.

Last week we kicked off our 2018 transition to school events with our Kinder Information Expo! It was fabulous to meet all of our new families and give them the opportunity to ask questions that they have been wondering about. We look forward to a very successful school and home partnership, making your child's learning years the very best they can be! Should you know of any potential new kindergarten students who will be coming to our school or if you are not returning to Wiri in 2018 please let the office staff know. We are now beginning to formulate classes in preparation for the new year and hope to make the best possible prediction for student numbers for the year ahead, this information will greatly assist in a smooth start to learning in 2018. Staff will be putting in a great deal of time creating the best mix of students for every class, taking in to account any special circumstances of students. If there are any circumstances of which you believe the school should be aware of, please provide information in writing directly to the office, for my attention. Whilst the school always takes any information provided in to consideration, it may not always be possible to meet parent's wishes. It is important that information be provided prior to the establishment of classes as it is only in the most extreme cases that changes are made once classes are established.

Please keep an eye on the upcoming dates on the left hand side and note them on your calendar, we have many ways in which we are celebrating a fabulous year of student learning and community partnerships here at Wiripaang PS over the coming weeks. Last week was World Kindness Day and I have included a kindness calendar resource with this newsletter. As we count down the days till the end of year I encourage everyone to share this with their children and families, sometimes it's these few words and gestures that make such a difference to someone's day. Enjoy weeks 8 & 9 everyone!

Emma Stothard Principal



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THIS WEEK'S WIRIPAANG WONDERS

Stage 2

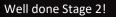
Stage 2 Zoo Excursion

On Wednesday, Stage 2 had a fantastic time on their excursion to Taronga Zoo. We left bright and early at 7:15am and were lucky to have amazing weather. As well as visiting all the amazing animals, students participated in an Earth's Environment Workshop where they learned about Sumatra and its habitat, sustainability and also got to individually pet some animals.

Highlights of the day included the always popular seal show, the new tiges trek which included a simulated plane trip, the gorillas and the meerkats!

All students showed excellent behaviour and represented Wiripaang with pride.







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Instructional Leader Insight

This fortnight's app...

Klikaklu is a photo hunt game that uses your phone's GPS, camera, and advanced image matching technology. It's a great way to quickly create and play treasure hunts!



Share hunts privately with friends and family. Lead people to new and interesting spots. Reveal secrets and rewards when they crack your clues.

No geocaching boxes or QR codes are necessary, so you can create hunts in national parks, museums, doctors offices - any place you want to add an element of challenge or mystery, keep the kids busy or while away some time.

Klikaklu is free to play, and free to host for non-commercial hunts with up to 2 players. In-app purchases provide many options for larger hunts.

A note from Nerrida

Please note date change!

Community News from Nerrida

At Wiripaang we are currently looking at creating and displaying new signage around the school in the Awabakal Aboriginal Language. We have obtained some words from the 'Miromaa Aboriginal Language and Technology Centre' and we would love to hear and know your thoughts on how to display them. Our next 'WiriMob' meeting will be held on Monday 4th December at 3.00pm in the school Library. Please note this date on your calendar and come and share your thoughts with us over a cuppa and afternoon tea.

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A note from the office

- Financial statements will be posted home this week, please make sure all payments are made and if there are any problems with making payments or anything on your statement that you are concerned about, then please call the office.
- If your child is not intending on returning to Wiripaang PS next year please let the office know so we can prepare classes as accurate as possible.
- If you or your listed emergency contacts change phone numbers or any details then please either send a note to school with the new details or call the office.
- Please ensure that medical details are always up to date, if anything changes please contact us so we can have the correct information. Asthma plans need to be updated every 2 years and ASCIA plans every year. This is a mandatory requirement.



Have you ordered your \$10 shirt made by stage 3 Wiri kids?

Don't forget \$2 from every sale goes to The Smith Family Community Charity.

Don't delay, order today!!

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	Jack G	Jakai J	Abbey H	Bethanea P	Izzy P	Lakeah J	Lukas J
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P&C News

We are looking for non-perishable (canned goods) donations to make up gift baskets for raffle prizes. They can be left at the office or given to a P&C member. Raffle tickets due in ASAP



Uniform Shop:

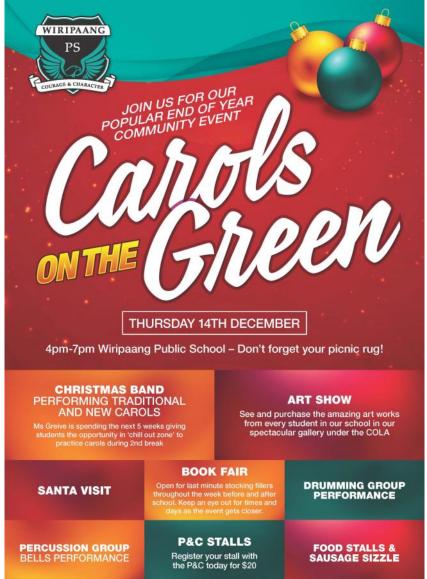
The uniform shop is down behind the canteen and will be open on Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons. If you cannot make these days please fill out a uniform shop order form, payment in envelope to office with order; it will be filled Thursday and delivered to your child's room asap.

Don't Forget Our Gorgeous Hair Accessories If anyone has second hand uniform items they would like to bring in for the uniform shop you can bring them in at opening times or leave them at the office and Stacie will collect them.

Thank you!

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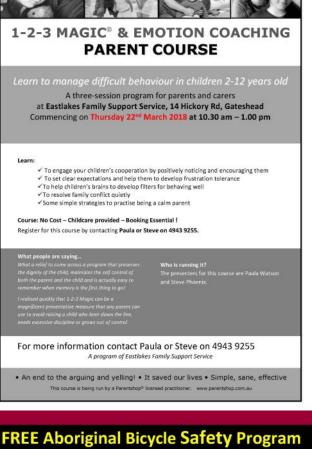
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Presentation Day	-	12th December
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Year 6 Farewell	-	13th December
Carols on the Green	-	14th December
Last day of term	_	15th December



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ACTION FOR HAPPINESS	25 Find ways to be kind to yourself today!	18 Try out the art of positive gossiping!	11 Do an act of kindness to help an older person	4 Give money for each bed in your house to a homeless charity	always possible" MONDAY TUE	"Be kind w	
APPINESS	26 Turn off digital devices and really listen to people	19 Cook an extra meal and surprise someone with it	12 Offer hugs to your loved ones and friends	5 Count how many people you smile at today	ossible" - Dalai Lama TUESDAY WE	Be kind whenever possible. It is	KIND
	27 Get outside into nature and feed the birds today	20 Thank people who do things for you but you may take for granted	13 Give a compliment to as many people as possible today	6 Do something helpful for a friend or family member	Lama WEDNESDAY	e. It is	KINDNESS CALENDAR
	28 Forgive someone and look for their good points	21 Offer to take a friend's dog out for a nice walk	14 Leave some money (with a happy note) for someone	7 Pick up litter or leaves in your local neighbourhood	THURSDAY	5	
	29 Do a good deed to bring a smile to someone's day	22 Give someone your place in a queue (in a shop or in traffic)	15 Pay it forward: pay for a stranger's hot drink in a cafe	8 Say something positive to everyone you meet today	 Encourage others to practice kindness: share this calendar 	FRIDAY	- DECEMBER 2017
www.acti	30 Be kind to you: Take a walk and focus on nature's beauty	23 Call a relative who is far away to say hello and have a chat	16 Make a card or decoration for someone special	9 Buy some extra items and donate them to a local food bank	2 Make some homemade gifts to give away this Festive Season	SATURDAY	2017
www.actionforhappiness.org	31 Plan what extra acts of kindness you will do in 2018	24 Give money to a good cause for every present you wrap	17 Take some supplies to a local animal shelter	10 Give clothes, blankets or toys to others who may need them	3 Leave a happy note for someone else to find	SUNDAY	

Community News







Practical Bike Skills

Free bike service and minor repairs
 Free Helmet
 Refreshments provided

Date: Tuesday 19th December, 2017

Time: 9am to 12pm

Place: PCYC Lake Macquarie, Lake St Windale

For further information contact 0411 260 735

The Program is funded by the NSW Government

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ATOKA 🕸 NETBALL CLOB

Fun Days

Join in the fun of playing netball 🖈

All ages Male and Female

Bring a Friend

Learn how to play Develop your ball skills Fun activities Games

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Come along to Atuka Netball Courts South St Windale

> 4 pm to 6 pm Sunday 10th December 2017 Sunday: 7th January 2018 Sunday: 14th January 2018

Find us on Facebook

Contact: Toni 0407 466 704





Circle of Security PARENTING SERIES

At times all parents feel lost or without a clue about what our child might need from us. Imagine what it might feel like if you were able to make sense of what your child was really asking from you. The Circle of Security parenting program is based on decades of research about how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened.

This course will cover -

- Understanding your child's emotional world by learning to read their emotional needs
- Supporting your child's ability to successfully manage emotions
- Enhance the development of your child's self esteem
 Honour your innate wisdom and desire for your child to be secure

When:	Commences Friday 9th February. 2018. Rur	s for 6 weeks!
Time:	10.30 am - 12.30 pm	
Where:	Eastlakes Family Support Service, 14 Hicko	ry Rd, Gateshead
Childcare:	FREE – Booking essential	西城
Bookings:	Please 4943 9255	* 1.7 %



Good for Kids good for life

EVERYDAY FOODS IN THE CANTEEN

Our canteen is working towards aligning with the new NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy! Instead of Green, Amber and Red categories, there are now Everyday and Occasional foods and drinks. We are aiming to provide a large range of delicious and nutritious Everyday foods and drinks for your children.

Everyday foods and drinks can include:

- Fruit and vegetables
- Sandwiches/wraps/rolls, sushi and salads
- Toasties, soup, pasta, jacket potatoes and lean burgers
- Reduced fat dairy, cheese and wholegrain crackers, air popped popcorn and pikelets
- Water, 99% fruit juice and reduced fat milk.



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