



Meet Emma M, Shayla D & Letia D from WM



SOARING HIGH ON THE WINGS OF SUCCESS

Dear Parents, Carers and Community,

Welcome to Week 4 of a busy term 2. This week sees the conclusion of our Year 3 and 5 students in the NAPLAN assessments. NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. The students have thrived in the new NAPLAN Online environment taking the new digital format in their stride. Thanks to Mr McNeil and Mr Thompson for having everything technologically ready for the students. A thank you is also extended to our fabulous P&C who provided our year 3 & 5 students with breakfast on the morning of the English assessments.

Work has finally commenced on the inside of our unused hall space. Come the 30th June we are thrilled to know that we will have a completely refurbished learning area consisting of 2 new special purpose classrooms complete with breakout spaces, a disabled toilet/shower facility, wet areas, an executive office and a generous sized meeting room. We will use FaceBook to update everyone as the project progresses.

PLEASE NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR WEDNESDAY 30th MAY - we need your help with our Bunnings School Environmental and Beautification Day! As mentioned in our last newsletter we are extremely thrilled to announce our community partnership with Bunnings Belmont who are donating garden beds, seedlings and labour to establish 12 new class garden beds. On this day we are seeking community support to undertake a number of larger projects around the school. If you have a spare hour or two we would be extremely grateful for any community support to undertake jobs such as mulching all garden beds, working alongside Bunnings and Mrs Donaldson with the garden installations and assisting Mr Thompson painting and finishing some of our murals. The school will host a sausage sizzle for lunch as our thank you to anyone who can offer their time to support the school for the benefit of our kids. Please complete the

Expression of Interest note that went home and return it to your child's classroom teacher for catering purposes as soon as possible.

Our staff at Wiripaang are always reflecting on ways of improving the learning opportunities for our students. The Executive team have the charge of building teacher capacity by delivering high quality professional learning to our staff on an ongoing basis. Professional learning may be classroom observations of each other, off site specialised training or via our weekly professional learning afternoon meetings. We have been successful in applying to be part of a Department initiative called Building Numeracy Leadership (BNL) supporting the refinement of numeracy development across the school ensuring the instruction and delivery of Maths lessons is of the highest quality for our students. We look forward to working alongside our families also supporting numeracy instruction at home as partners in the education of our students.

Along with the cooler weather has come items of clothing that aren't school uniform. Different coloured shorts, pants and jumpers (heavily brand labelled) are not part of our school uniform. As one of our school values is being respectful, which encompasses wearing our school uniform with pride I seek your assistance with this matter. We have an abundance of freshly washed black jumpers and long pants in the Lost Property box outside Mrs Donaldson and Mrs Darcy's office, please uphold our values by accessing this box and refraining from wearing non school uniform items. Our uniform shop is located at the back of the canteen and a uniform pricelist is always available in the office. We have high expectations of and for our students and this is one small way of setting them up for success, I thank you in advance for your ongoing support.

I'm looking forward to our whole school athletics carnival next week, get those running shoes on. Have a fabulous fortnight!

Emma Stothard - Principal

UPCOMING DATES

Term 2

- Thurs 24th May GRIP Leadership conference
- Wed 30th May School Bunnings Environmental and Beautification Day WE NEED YOUR HELP!
- Thurs 31st May Athletics Carnival
- Thurs 7th June Senior Knights Knockout Rugby League
- Thurs 7th June P&C Meeting in the Library @ 6pm
- Mon 11th June Public Holiday
- Fri 15th & Sat 16th June StarStruck
- Wed 20th June Rebecca Young Cup Rugby League
- Mon 2nd July A matter of seconds water safety Years 3-6
- Tues 3rd July K-2 Soaring High Day
- Wed 4th July P&C colour run & Fundraiser sausage sizzle lunch followed by Celebration of Learning afternoon 2.30pm—4.30pm
- Thurs 5th July 3-6 Soaring High Day
- Thurs 5th July P&C meeting in the Library @ 6pm
- Fri 6th July last day of term 2

Term 3

- Tues 24th July Students return



THIS WEEK'S WIRIPAANG WONDERS

5/6P

5/6P have taken several weeks to produce these amazing mixed media artworks. They feature collage, crayon, paints and required several different techniques. The students are deservedly very proud of them and look brilliant in our room.





PBL Week 4 Focus

Wiri says, "I can qualify for Soaring High Day!"

This week we will be discussing how to qualify for Soaring High Day at the end of Term. Soaring High Day (SHD) is a fun day to celebrate all students who have earned the right to attend by demonstrating consistently across a whole term that they are respectful, responsible learners of Wiripaang Public School.

We are:	What it looks like:
Respectful	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awesome fun at Blackbutt Reserve! • Out of school representing Wiripaang with pride!
Responsible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taking responsibility for our own actions – my Soaring High Day, my responsibility to qualify! • I can make it to Soaring High Day
Learners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning to make positive choices in order to qualify for Soaring High Day
How do I qualify? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 or less lift-offs for the whole term – being a Zero Hero is the easiest way! • No suspensions or suspension warnings But what if I don't qualify? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Work hard for the rest of the term and write an appeal – your teacher can help you do that! ❖ Everyone has a right to appeal ❖ You must appeal in writing to your teacher and a select panel will consider each case individually ❖ Writing an appeal does not guarantee an invitation to Soaring High Day 	

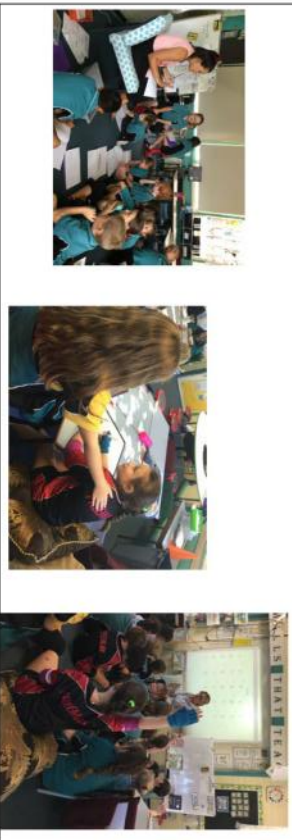


PBL Week 5 Focus

Wiri says, "I understand how I can influence people or situations nonverbally!"

This week we will be reflecting on how to be respectful and responsible by choosing appropriate body language and nonverbal signals. When speaking to others, 45% of our conversation is made up of what we say and how we say it. **That means a total of 55% of our conversation is made up of our body language.**

We are:	What it looks like:
Respectful	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I use appropriate body language when talking to adults and peers • I understand that people will appreciate my body language • I make people comfortable through displaying positive body language
Responsible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I am careful of others feelings • I am responsible for the way my body is portrayed
Learners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I understand that my body language can hurt others • I am learning to make people feel appreciated • I am learning to choose my body language carefully
This is important because... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using positive body language helps other people to communicate and makes them more comfortable • We should always treat others how we would like to be treated – you may be turning people away without even knowing it! • Using a positive body language makes people understand our thoughts and attitudes 	



Magnet this page on your fridge and share our Positive Behaviour for Learning message at home!

Instructional Leader Insight

This fortnight's activity... Bring back the card games!!!

Here is a simple card game I found that can be played with the whole family even with children as young as five.

Crazy Eights – all you need is a deck of cards

Activity

Each player is dealt seven cards.

The remaining cards are placed face down in the centre of the table, forming a draw pile.

The top card of the draw pile is turned face up to start the discard pile next to it.

First player adds to the discard pile by playing one card that matches the top card on the discard pile either by suit or by rank (i.e. 6, jack, ace, etc.).

A player who cannot match the top card on the discard pile by suit or rank must draw cards until he can play one.

When the draw pile is empty, a player who cannot add to the discard pile passes his turn.

All eights are wild and can be played on any card during a player's turn.

When a player discards an eight, he/she chooses which suit is now in play.

The next player must play either a card of that suit or another eight.

The first player to discard all of his cards wins.

Notes

You can play this game with four players and play partnership. If you do this, the game ends when both members of a partnership discard all their cards.



Wiri Awards



Lilly-Belle B
Tamara W
Ben N
Erin A
Sophie E
Conner N
Ethan M
One'Eva N
Tyson W
Hayden V
Mariah O
Hannah S

Natahlia W
Ashton G
Jade W
Lincoln J
Kaleb W
Dean Q
Shayah D
Destinyrose D
Jarrod B
Matthew H
Nakiaya T
Arliyah T

Kiara E
Haylie B
Letia D
Manika M
Azahli J
Boyd M
Arliyah A
Izzy P
Liam B
Conner N
Atayah A
Ethyn H

Hayley O
Dillion S
Natasha W
Nate P
Toby H
Maverick M
Chelsea R
Zane J
Ruby D
Phoenix P
Gavin B
Crystal F

SRC Report

16.5.2018

Today we looked at the Happy Playgrounds initiative and the students looked at the rosters. Everyone was reading and looking at the questions inside the Happy Playgrounds book.

We all had great fun practising the Happy Playgrounds recording system. We reported and asked our way through the meeting. It was a fun meeting and good to see everyone as we have had the holidays since our last meeting. Here's a reminder about positions from last term;

Chairperson- Lachlan P

Secretary- Calista B

Treasurer- Ebony M

Our motto is "We will improve the school and assist with change."



Happy Playgrounds



"Bullying is when someone continually uses words or actions to harm someone's body, heart or mind" (Wiripaang SRC students 2018)

Date _____ Location _____

Reported by- _____

Who was the 'target' of the unacceptable words/behaviour?

1 _____ 3 _____

2 _____ 4 _____

Who was involved?

1 _____ 3 _____

2 _____ 4 _____

What happened?

Has this happened before?

Were there any witnesses?

1 _____ 3 _____

2 _____ 4 _____

BULLYING HURTS INSIDE AND OUT.

Wiri's Library



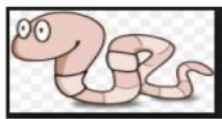
It has been a busy term so far in Wiri's library. Stage two and three have been engaging in challenge lessons and library lunchtimes are popular to have a quiet play. There's lots of fun activities and friends to see!



A few reminders!

Library Timetable Term 2

Tuesday	WM, WS, 2/3S,
Wednesday	1/2G, 5/6T 4/5L
Thursday	5/6P, 3/4M
Friday	WF, KG K/1S



PRC

Keep updating those online reading records.

BATMAN RETURNS
HIS LIBRARY BOOKS ON TIME



Return your library books on your library day.



WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Well done to all who participated in WSTSD last Friday. It was wonderful to see so many families practicing road safety and getting some fresh air before a day of learning.

See you in the library, Miss Dunne ☺



Sports News

Zone Cross Country

Congratulations to our Zone Cross Country representatives, who did a great job representing Wiripaang at the recent East Lake Macquarie Carnival. Our runners: Miesha L, Tyran H, Max C, Gavin B, Lakeah J, Tamara W, Hayley O, Kristina P and Jayke J all performed to the best of their ability and were highly competitive on the day. Lakeah J had Wiripaang's strongest performance, only narrowly missing out on qualifying for the Regional carnival. Thankyou to parents and carers on the day who helped with transport or came to cheer on our runners.



Macquarie Cup Soccer Week 2 and 3

Our Wiripaang soccer players have continued to enjoy themselves immensely in the Macquarie Cup soccer competition. Over the last 2 weeks, they have played against Charlton Christian College and Eleebana PS, giving their best efforts in each game. Strong performances have included Michael L enormous running and tackling efforts and Maverick M outstanding debut as goalkeeper. There are still spots available in both the junior and senior teams for any students interested.

Mr McNeil

Rugby League

The Graham House Challenge Rugby League competition has kicked off again for another year. This year we have two Junior sides and one senior side. The sun was shining and it was perfect conditions for a round of competition. Both Junior sides played well, demonstrating some great ball skills and team work against Eleebana PS. The Seniors came out firing with a strong win over Belmont North. It was great to see all students enjoying themselves and representing Wiripaang with pride.

Mr Thompson

Netball news

What an awesome start we have had to this year's netball competition. Although our Junior and Senior teams are yet to come away with a win, it's fantastic to see such teamwork and school spirit being displayed by our students. All the girls are training hard and developing their knowledge and skills. Many thanks to all of our supporters and transporters, especially those of you helping to train the girls.

Mrs Pfeiffer and Mrs Symons

Community News

Thank You! From The Bottom Of Our Hearts Surf, Dive 'N' Ski and The Canopy

Some of Wiripaang Students were very fortunate to receive a lovely Back to School Pack donated by Surf, Dive 'N' Ski Newcastle and distributed by the fantastic service, 'The Canopy'. Wiripaang Students were over the moon in receiving such a wonderful gift of a major brand Back Pack, Pencil Case and Drink Bottle that is so usable everyday for school or for a weekend adventure. A special thank you to Tory Pears (The Canopy) for including Wiripaang Public School in the distribution of the Project – Back to School Pack.





Healthy Harold is coming to visit you.

During Term 2, week 9, we will have Healthy Harold and the Hunter Life Education visiting Wiripaang School to deliver Life education classes to our children. A big thank you to Cardiff RSL for supporting the funding of these classes. Life Education supports us by empowering Hunter young people to make safer and healthier choices through education.

Below is a brief outline of the programs available to the children for participation.

My Body Matters	Kindergarten This module focuses on things children can do to keep themselves healthy including: The importance of personal hygiene Choosing foods for a healthy balanced diet. Benefits of physical activity and sleep. Ways to keep safe at home, school and in the community.
Harold's Friend Ship	Kindergarten/Year 1 In this program children explore How to build friendships and care for others. Feelings and emotions. Safe and unsafe situations and early warning signs. Safe places and people to turn to for help.
Ready, Steady, Go	Year 1 This fun, engaging narrative provides opportunities to discover Benefits of physical activity Safety strategies in different environments How our body reacts in new situations What our body needs to be healthy including a nutritional diet, water and sleep.
Safety Rules	Year 1/ year 2 This module helps children to problem solve and focuses on: Recognising safe and unsafe environments. How to care for others. Behaviours that maintain friendships. Places and people who we can go to for help.
Growing Good Friends	Year 2 This is an animated story which takes us to familiar surroundings where the students can: Explore what health messages mean. Identify safety signs. Recognise how physical activity and nutrition contribute to a healthy lifestyle. Explore how positive relationships benefit our health and wellbeing.
All Systems Go	Year 3-4 In this, module students learn the functions of various body parts and the actions required to keep these systems working well. Factors that influence the function of body systems such as exercise and drugs. Explore ways to manage peer pressure. The function of vital organs [heart, lungs, brain, kidneys] Healthy food choices.
BCyberwise	Years 3-6 This module focuses on cybersafety, cyber ethics and building positive relationships with friends online and offline. Responsible and respectful behaviour when using communication technology. Skills for building positive relationships with friends. Keeping personal information safe online. Strategies to deal with bullying and cyberbullying. Exploring the role of bystanders.
Think Twice	Years 5-6
Decisions	Years 5-6

The lessons will occur between Monday 25th of June 2018 to Thursday 28th June 2018.

The cost for this wonderful program will only be \$5 per student thanks to the support and funding of Cardiff RSL. The price includes the Life Education Session, a student workbook and sticker. All programs are linked closely with the school PDH curricula and address many of the components and objectives within the NSW PDHPE curriculum. Permission notes will soon be going home for all students.

P&C News

Wiripaang Colour Run Fundraiser

Wednesday 4th July last week of school the P&C will be holding a fun colour run for the students. This will be a major fundraiser as we continue to support the school with replacing the interactive whiteboards in classrooms. More information will come out in the next week.




Bingo Night

Bingo Night will be held 6pm Saturday 11th August at Windale/Gateshead Bowling club. We have secured some fantastic prizes for the night so far including \$50 virtual reality passes, Newcastle Knights Jersey, 2 for 1 trampoline vouchers and much more. Donations are greatly appreciated.



Next P&C meeting will be held at 6pm in the library 7th June. All welcome.

Community Announcements





Centre for Hope would like to invite you to attend our

Mabo Day Celebration

Sunday June 3rd 5pm
Centre for Hope Drop in Centre

Come along and enjoy Dancing, Music, Art and a Bush tucker BBQ

All Welcome

You're Invited

ART EXHIBITION

LENSES & BRUSHES

Featuring Stephen Carter & Maree Bisby

A Collaboration of Photographic & Aboriginal Art

1 JUNE 2018, 3PM - 4:30PM
THE PLACE
 RSVP 02 4032 5500

**National Reconciliation
Week 2018 27 May - 3 June**

#NRW2018

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Good for Kids good for life

USING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AS A REWARD

We all like to treat our kids with rewards when they have completed a task at home or have performed well in school.

Here are some ideas on how to incorporate physical activity into your rewards:

- Visit a park that your child loves to go to.
- Instead of buying a food reward why not get some new sports equipment for home, such as a skipping rope or basketball?
- Plan a special trip to an indoor park.
- Go on a family bike ride and pack a special morning tea.
- Invite their friends over for a play in the backyard.



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