**SUCCESS WITH HONOUR: A GREAT PLACE TO LEARN**

**Attendance** - Please ensure that you explain absences with a note, phone call or using the **new option of eForms found on the Skoolbag app.** The following outline unjustified reasons for lateness to school:

- Sleeping in/ alarm not going off
- Missed the bus
- Walked to school
- Waiting for parent
- Minding sibling
- Shopping

**Gardening Group** – Our school Chaplain Mr Laird has been running a great welfare program that incorporates gardening activities. Last Tuesday a number of students were involved in planting specific plants in our ‘bush tucker’ garden. This project was also part of the grant we received earlier in the year. Thank you for continuing to make WPS an inviting place to learn.

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GOTCHA AWARDS
Keep on doing the right thing… we bet you get caught, just like these students were:

- 2/3C – Sharlia,
- 1/2BP – Abby
- 1H – Nini W

FOOD WORKS VOUCHER
Congratulations to this week’s recipient of our Windang Supermarket Voucher:

- 5R - Noah G

BRONZE AWARDS
Congratulations to the following students who will receive their Bronze Award at this Friday morning’s assembly:

- 4D - April C, Dom F, Amber O, Briana R, Raquel W, Molly Y
- 5R – Olivia S

SILVER AWARDS
Congratulations to the following students who will receive their Silver Award at this Friday morning’s assembly:

- 1H – Toby H, Phoebe S, Tori D, Zep T, Shontay J, Eleni H
- 1/2BP – Chae C, Scarlett C, Remi G, Amelie W
- 4D - Tahlia K, Sabrina V, Max B, Abbey B, Cooper M, Klay C, Chelsea C, Cooper H, Kasey H
- 5R – Jacinta B, Natasha J

GOLD AWARDS
Congratulations to the following students who will receive their Gold Award at the next Special Assembly on Friday 12th September @ 2:00pm.
Phone calls will no longer be made prior to assembly day for gold awards.

- 4D - Angel M, Jermaine Mc

Attendance: Term 3 Week 5

**Book Exchange (Week 6)** - This is a great way to share our love of reading and recycle great books. So start bringing suitable books to your teacher. The books should be of reasonable quality (of the standard you would like to get) which you no longer want and would like to swap. You will receive a maximum of 3 tokens to use to exchange for 3 new books (extra books that are not exchanged will be donated to the Yr 6 Fete). We particularly need books for students suitable for readers in Year 3-6 but all books are welcome. Picture books are great for all ages.

**Parent Participation**
Positive parenting participation demonstrates to children that you value learning as well as holding your child’s school in high regard. If you want the best outcomes for your child then it’s important that you become involved in as many aspects of your child’s education as practical. Children copy many of their parent’s views so your positive attitude to school and learning is catching. Parent involvement does take extra energy but in the long run its energy well spent. There is a range of simple things that you can do at home that will assist teachers to maximise the learning of your child. These include talking to your child about their day, hearing young learners read, helping with homework, and making sure kids go off to school happy, healthy and having plenty of sleep. Here are some more ideas to help you participate in your child’s education in positive ways:

- Find out what your school is trying to achieve for your child and show support for these aims;
- Support a broad balanced curriculum that offers children a variety of educational experiences;
- Direct conversations through the correct channels. Gossip or thoughtless criticism within the general community can easily tarnish a school’s reputation. This includes Facebook comments.
- Become an advocate for the school and promote its positive features throughout the wider community.
- Encourage your child to take pride in their school through your example.
- Attend school activities such as open days, assemblies, sports days. Invite members of the community as well.
- Consult with your child’s teacher about practical ways that you can assist both at home and school.
- Positive parent participation in school and learning is a proven contributor to student success.

Give it a go — what have you got to lose?
**FATHER’S DAY STALL**

Order Forms will be sent home today.

Please return with payment by Tuesday 2nd September.

**UNIFORM SHOP**

**OPENING DAY/TIME CHANGE**

Starting Monday 18th August, the shop will be open Mondays from 8.45am (approx.) and Fridays following morning assembly.

Orders and payment and can still be left at the office anytime.

****We would love some volunteers to help in the shop. Anyone who is able to volunteer some time on Mondays or Fridays, from half an hour a month or up to an hour a week, to help in the shop please see me so I can organize your training.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

Fundraising
This Friday 15th August 2pm in the staffroom

Monthly meeting
Wednesday 20th August 6.30pm
In the 1/2BP classroom

All welcome
If you’re unable to attend but would like a matter put on the agenda please put it in writing and take to the office marked to our attention. Thank you.

**SCHOOL BANKING DAY IS**

PLEASE NOTE:
All books must be in the office before 9am Fridays

Delivery of bank rewards can take up to 3 weeks!

- This term the rewards are;
- Money Box
- Swim Bag

Vicki Sweet
P&C President
SHELLHARBOUR CITY STADIUM
Croome Road – Albion Park Rail

REGISTER NOW

Netball
Summer Competitions
Junior and Senior

Basketball
Competition and Development
Junior - High school - Senior

Skills 4 Life Program
» Pre-school Age Children from 3 Years
» Fun sports development program

Birthday Parties
For information
Phone: 42 573468
TALENTED SURFING PROGRAM

- Program fully endorsed by Surfing NSW
- Specialised coaching during Thursday afternoon training sessions during school hours from current WQS surfer Nicholas Squires (Illawarra Surfing Academy).
- Video analysis of technique, heat strategy, simulation and scenarios.
- Access to local shaper Dylan Penese (DP Surfboards) for continued testing of different models/shapes of boards and regular interaction with him about a surfer’s personalised needs in regard to their boards (volume, rocker etc).
- Access to different fins (a mixture of Futures, FCS etc).
- Access to sports nutrition, advanced game/skill analysis and fitness testing via the current programs at the school in conjunction with UOW (University of Wollongong).
- Access to a surf specific Strength and Conditioning program and coaches, both before and after school in our fully equipped gym.
- Access to Brendan Tuck of VO2 Vitality Personal Trainers for personalised surfing based strength and conditioning programs and training.
- The ability to cross train and compete in other sports with talented athletes in their fields (eg touch football, oztag etc).
- All local interschool competitions, as well as sports high exclusive competitions.
- Excursion to the Australian Open, Quiksilver Pro Gold Coast or Rip Curl Pro Bells Beach for surfers to gain further experience from professional surfers and participation in HPC camps.*

SALLY FITZGIBBONS
MICK LOWE

PRO ADVISERS

NIC SQUIRES

COACH

ILLAWARRA SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL

* the above excursions will be run based on availability and cost.