

Westlawn Public School

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Week 7

NEWSLETTER

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Message from the Principal

Our students continue to do well across many areas. This is evidenced by Westlawn students being awarded six out of the nine scholarships offered by Grafton High School for Year 7 in 2018. This reflects the calibre of our students and the dedication of our teachers. We had such positive feedback regarding the manner in which our students conducted themselves during the interview process. Congratulations to these students who we know will do us proud in high school. Please see below the list of 2018 Year 7 scholarship recipients for Grafton High School:

- **Scholarship for Academic Performance:** Rylan Cone
- **Scholarship for Student Leadership:** Ben Walters
- **Scholarship for Excellence in Creative and Performing Arts:** Letitia Black and Jamaica Yager
- **Aboriginal Student Excellence (for commitment to school, community and culture):** Ella Johnson
- **Scholarship for Sporting Achievement:** Keaton Stutt

Yesterday Stage 3 students were involved in the Regional Tour of the Byron Writers Festival StoryBoard. StoryBoard is a travelling creative writing workshop. It brings leading authors and illustrators into schools and helps and inspires young people to create stories, fosters creativity and develops literacy skills. Two authors, Belinda Murrell and Oliver Phommavanh talked to all students and teachers in Stage 3 about their books and the writing process. Some selected students were involved in a writing workshop throughout the afternoon. Thank you to Mrs Palmer who organised this experience for our students.

Year 4 students leave for Yarrhapinni tomorrow. They will be supervised by Mr Lollback, Mr Alford and Mrs Salvestro. We look forward to hearing of the children's camp experiences and adventures.

The Intensive Swimming Program for Year 2 runs this week and next. Our school has chosen to subsidise this valuable program.

Major P&C Raffle

Each year our P&C holds a major Christmas raffle to raise much needed funds to purchase equipment and resources for our school. The children are taking the tickets home today. Please support our raffle by selling as many tickets as possible; it is a good time to see if friends, relatives and work associates might buy some. There are great prizes to be won in the raffle:

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| 1st prize: | 28 inch Kogan Television |
| 2nd prize: | Family Pass to Big Banana |
| 3rd prize: | Family Pass to Dolphin Marine Magic |
| 4th prize: | Christmas Hamper |
| 5th prize: | Gift Vouchers |

There will be incentive prizes for the students who sell the most tickets or significant amounts of tickets. If your child is not able to sell the tickets, please return the book to the school so it can be reissued. All tickets need to be accounted for, so all books must be returned whether sold or not. Any child needing extra ticket books can get them from the school office. All tickets need to be returned by Friday 8 December. The raffle will be drawn at Carols Night on Tuesday 12 December.

Clothing Pool News

From 1st December 2017 the Clothing Pool run by the P&C and volunteers will close permanently. All uniforms from this date will need to be purchased from the Uniform Shop at the brewery. The Clothing Pool will be open for Kindergarten Orientation mornings and at its regular times until 1st December 2017. The Clothing Pool sale to clear stock is continuing with all existing clothing items reduced by 30%. Some sizes may be in short supply so please check out the incredible savings and grab yourself a bargain. School hats, caps and library bags will still be sold at the school office. These will not be available at the brewery.

Kinder Orientation Visits

There is one more Kinder Orientation visit this Friday 24 November. We have thoroughly enjoyed welcoming the children to our school and seeing them make new friends. The children have settled in beautifully. This week the children will go directly to their assigned room. The colour will be indicated near the door.

Trish Ellis

Relieving Principal

Diary Dates

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Week 7

Mon 20 - Fri 1 Dec Intensive Swimming
Wed 22 Nov-Fri 24 Nov Yr 4 to Yarrahappinni
Fri 24 Nov Kinder Orientation

Week 8

Mon 27 Nov – Fri 1 Dec Intensive Swimming continued
Mon 27 Nov - Fri 1 Dec Yr 5 Excursion to Lake Ainsworth
Mon 27 Nov - Fri 1 Dec Yr 6 Excursion to Canberra
Wed 29 Nov – Thurs 30 Nov Yr 3 Excursion to Coffs Beach School

Week 9

Tues 5 Dec Presentation Day
Wed 6 Dec Award Assembly
Wed 6 Dec Canteen and P&C Meeting at 6pm in Meeting Room.
Fri 8 Dec Major Raffle Tickets returned by this date
Reports go home

Week 10

Mon 11 Dec Infants end of term treat day
Tues 12 Dec Primary end of term treat day
Carols Night and raffle draw
Thurs 14 Dec Yr 6 Farewell
Fri 15 Dec Students' last day

Week 11

Mon 18 Dec Staff Development Day
Tues 19 Dec Staff Development Day

Sporting News

NSW PSSA Boys Cricket Championships

Best of luck to Keaton Stutt as he plays for the North Coast Boys Cricket team at the NSW PSSA Cricket Carnival this week.

Clarence Valley Sports Awards

The Clarence Valley Sports Awards evening was held in Yamba on November 11. Keaton Stutt won the Junior Male Sportsperson of the Year award and the Westlawn PS Boys Hockey team finished runner-up in the Team of the Year award. Keaton and Hugh Heyman accepted the certificate on behalf of the hockey team and were interviewed on stage. Both boys spoke magnificently and did WPS proud. Well done boys and congratulations Keaton!

Student of the Week

Joe Johnson - KS



Stage 3 students were involved in the Regional Southern Tour, Byron Writers Festival's, StoryBoard yesterday with an exciting visit from their two-Story Tellers, Belinda Murrell and Oliver Phommavanh. We had the pleasure of listening to what inspires their ideas when writing their books. A group of students then attended a creative writing workshop with an author. Authors helped and inspired students to create stories, foster creativity and literacy.



Borrowing

This will be our last week for borrowing books for this year. If all overdue books could be returned ASAP that would be fantastic! Thank you to everyone for your assistance in looking for lost books at home. Stocktake will commence during Week 8 and hopefully any books that have not been found will pop up then.

Happy Reading!!!
Mrs Palmer

CVCon Ensembles in Concert Saint Cecilia's Day Concert

Coming next week to the Clarence Valley Conservatorium are two concerts highlighting the talents of the CVCon students and staff. This Sunday will see the ensembles of the CVCon showcasing their work for the year, while on Wednesday night our teachers will honour St Cecilia, the patron saint of musicians. Tickets for both concerts will be on sale at the door from 30 minutes before each concert.

ENSEMBLES CONCERT – Sunday 19th November at 3pm

ST CECILIA'S DAY - Wednesday 22nd November at 7pm

Tickets - \$5 each or \$10 family

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Our clothing pool SALE to clear out stock is continuing.
All Clothing items are reduced by 30%.

There are some sizes that are no longer available: Dresses Size 4, 10&12, Culotte bottoms sizes 8, 10.12&16. Boys Polo's are out of stock in sizes 5, 10 &12. Sport shirts are out in size 12. All other stock is still currently available but when the stock is sold there will be no reordering. The sale will continue until the 1ST DECEMBER AND THEN THE CLOTHING POOL WILL BE CLOSED. All uniforms will then need to be purchased from the Uniform shop at the Brewery. The clothing pool will be open next Friday for Kindy orientation

Canteen News

Names are now being taken for canteen volunteers for 2018. Please speak to Michelle Ford, ring the canteen number or leave your name and number at the canteen.

For all enquiries relating to the canteen roster please call 0416808614.

Major Raffle

Tickets have gone home for our raffle. There are some great prizes to be won. Thank you to Dolphin Marine Magic and the Big Banana at Coffs Harbour for their generous support in donating prizes for the raffle.

Bookclub

The last orders for book club for 2017 need to be in by this Friday 24th November.

CANTEEN ROSTER

WEDNESDAY	22 NOVEMBER	Garry Palin, Debra Watts, Belinda Wormald
THURSDAY	23 NOVEMBER	Debra Watts, Campbell Kenneally, Nadyne Castner
FRIDAY	24 NOVEMBER	Deanna Fernance, Shelly Thompson,
MONDAY	27 NOVEMBER	Julie Ann Wiles, Melissa Johnston, Sam Nacinovic
TUESDAY	28 NOVEMBER	Debra Watts, Sue Tobin, Debbie Tobin