Westlawn

Public School

Newsletter Term 4 Week 7 27th November 2018









Message from the Principal

Our students continue to do well across many areas. This is evidenced by Westlawn students being awarded six out of ten scholarships offered by Grafton High School for Year 7 in 2019. 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 2019 Year 7 scholarship recipients for Grafton High School:

- Scholarship for Academic Performance: Ava Byrnes
- Scholarship for Student Leadership: Bree Hunter
- Scholarship for Excellence in Creative and Performing Arts: Paul Elston
- Aboriginal Student Excellence (for commitment to school, community and culture): Jaxon Rediger
- Scholarship for Sporting Achievement:
 Marcus Makejev and Harry Oxenbridge.

We have also received the list of successful students who will join the CSI program in 2019. The students are:

Charlee Connell, Ryder Gorring, Luke Harwood, Ted Hill, Ethan Johnston, Sophie Kratz, Harvey Landrigan, Hayden Luxton, Jarvis McPhee, Blake Norrie, Tylah Radin, Jack Wiles and Noah Woodbury. There are four students who will continue in the program who attended in 2018: Oneil Brown, Lachlan Clark, Layla Kingsley and Jaiden Moran. Congratulations to all these students.

Last week our Year 6 students had the opportunity to attend Southern Cross University to take part in 'Uni Opens Up Your World' as part of the Stellar program. The on-campus visit provided an opportunity for students to experience the physical environment of the university, learn about career pathways and focus on their personal strengths. Students participated in a number of small workshops. They looked at course areas and many careers they may have never have heard of that are available at university. Our students gained an insight into life at university and had a wonderful time with the new experience. It opened up a whole new world of possibilities for the future.

Presentation Day

Our annual Presentation Day will be held on Tuesday 11th December at 11:45am. Our parents and community members are most welcome to attend. It will be held in the Primary COLA area as our hall is unable to hold our school group of over 500 students plus the hundreds of family members who attend. This important annual event on our school calendar recognises the outstanding achievements of many of our students.

Intensive Swimming

Year 2 students are currently completing their second and final week of Intensive Swimming. We take water safety very seriously at Westlawn and we believe very strongly in the importance of children learning to swim which is why we have chosen to subsidise the cost of the two week program by more than half for every student in recent years.

Excursions

We wish Year 5 students and their teachers a wonderful time at camp this week at Lake Ainsworth. Last week our Year 4 students received lots of praise from the staff at Yarrahapinni for their behaviour. Thanks to Mr Lollback, Ms Ellem, Mrs Revell and Mrs Trevillian for accompanying them. Thanks also to our parent helpers: Jeremy Cone and Nick Wiles.

Parent Helper Morning Tea

The Parent Helper morning tea was held last Thursday and it was wonderful to see many helpers attend. If you were unable to come last week we want you to know how much we appreciate your ongoing support.

Reminders:

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 took raffle tickets home last week.

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:

1st prize: Samsung Tablet

2nd prize: 28 inch Kogan Television 3rd prize: Big Banana Voucher 4th prize: \$50 voucher – Aimee

McLachlan Photography

5th prize: Hamper

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 Tuesday 11th December. The raffle will be drawn at Carols by Candlelight on Friday 14th December.

Perpetual Trophies

Time has gone so quickly this year and we need the Perpetual Trophies returned in preparation for the 2018 Presentation Day. If you have a Perpetual Trophy that your child received at the Westlawn Presentation Day last year could you please return it to the school office as soon as possible.

Have a great week Trish Ellis Relieving Principal

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Savannah Bursle 50

Nikkita Burley-Williams 5A



Diary Dates

TERM 4

Week 7

Mon 19 Nov - Fri 30 Nov Intensive Swimming

Yr 5 Excursion to Lake Ainsworth

Tues 27 Nov Year 6 Orientation Day at GHS Wed 28 Nov Year 6 Orientation at SGHS

Fri 30 Nov Kinder Orientation

Week 8

Mon 3 Dec - Fri 7 Dec Yr 6 Excursion to Canberra

Tues 4 Dec CSI

Thurs 6 Dec - Fri 7 Yr 3 Excursion to Coffs Beach School

Week 9

Tues 11 Dec Presentation Day

Major Raffle Tickets returned by this date

Wed 12 Dec **Award Assembly**

Canteen and P&C Meeting at 6pm in Meeting Room.

Fri 14 Dec Reports go home

Carols Night and raffle draw

<u>Week 10</u>

Mon 17 Dec Primary end of term treat day Tues 18 Dec Infants end of term treat day

Yr 6 Farewell

Wed 19 Dec Students' last day

North Street, Grafton. 2460

CANTEEN ROSTER

WEDNESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER Debra Watts, Beck Plunkett

THURSDAY 29TH NOVEMBER Sue Ulrick, Campbell Timmins, Debra Watts

FRIDAY 30TH NOVEMBER Shelly Thompson, Kassy Viskers, Deanna Fernance

MONDAY 3RD DECEMBER Jacinta Fletcher, Deb Barlow

TUESDAY 4TH DECEMBER Debra Watts, Liz Hamlin, Belinda Bowling

Year 4 and Year 5 Campers Having Fun























