



# Westlawn Public School

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## **Newsletter: Term 4 Week 8 2023**

### **Principal's Message:**

#### **Smart watches**

Smart watches fall into the same category as mobile phone devices. At present students are permitted to wear their smart watch if they are used as a watch only. Any student using it as a mobile phone or playing games will be required to hand it into the office as is required with mobile phones. Thank you for your support and understanding with this matter.

#### **Westlawn as Part of the Community**

Westlawn Public School is part of a Community and we have neighbours which we need to respect. At school pick up and drop off please be considerate of our neighbours and their property when waiting for your children.

#### **Before and After School**

The school bell goes and 8:25am students should not be at school before this time as there is no supervision. The afternoon bell goes at 2:55pm and students are required to be collected in a reasonable time. There is no supervision after school and alternative arrangements need to be made if you cannot collect your child at bell time. This is for the safety of your children. Out of School Care collects and drops students to school each day.

**Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.**

**The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$67.50 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate Program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.**

## End of year events

As we are approaching the end of the school year, there are a number of events coming up including school camps, reward days, award assemblies, Annual Presentation Day, Christmas Carols and Major Raffle evening. Please refer to the calendar attached for updates on upcoming events.

Notices and communications are either emailed, put in the newsletter or uploaded to the Audiri App (previously known as Skoolbag). Please download the app if you haven't already done so.

## Major Raffle

Raffle tickets for our end of year major raffle will be sent home this week.

There are some wonderful prizes to be won.

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Signed and framed St George Football Jersey**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Kogan 32inch Smart TV**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: Christmas Hamper and vouchers**

**Plus many more amazing prizes to be won.**

Drawn: 14/12/2023 at the Christmas Carols evening.

*Please also return all sold and unsold tickets by 11/12/23.*



## End of term Infants Awards Day

**Friday 1 December – 12.50 – 1.30pm**

## Annual Presentation Day

**Thursday 7 December commencing at 10.00am**

## Special Awards Assembly

**Thursday 14 December – 12.45pm to 1.30pm**

*Parents will be notified if your child is receiving an award at any of these award days.*

## Term 4 Calendar

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Oct 1	9 Students Return	10	11	12 Kindy Orientation 9.15am – 10.45am	13
Oct 2	16	17	18	19 Kindy Orientation 9.15am – 10.45am	20 GHS ORIENTATION FOR YEAR 6 - HALF DAY  School Magazine orders due
Oct 3	23 Year 3 excursion Coffs Coast Adventure Centre	24 Year 3 excursion Coffs Coast Adventure Centre	25 PSSA ATHLETICS	26 PSSA ATHLETICS Kindy Orientation 9.15am – 10.45am	27
Oct / Nov 4	30	31	1 JACA SCHOOLS DAY AT MARKET SQUARE 11.15AM	2 JACARANDA DAY SCHOOL OPEN UNTIL 1PM	3 Hot dog orders due
Nov 5	6	7 HOT DOG DAY	8	9 Kindy Orientation 9.15am – 10.45am GHS TASTER DAY FOR YEAR 6	10
Nov 6	13	14 SGHS TRANSITION Canteen Meeting	15 Kindy excursion to Peach Farm	16 Kindy Orientation 9.15am – 10.45am	17
Nov 7	20 Year 6 Canberra Excursion	21 Year 6 Canberra Excursion SGHS TRANSITION	22 Year 6 Canberra Excursion	23 Year 6 Canberra Excursion	24 Year 6 Canberra Excursion STEAM EXPO DAY IN COFFS HARBOUR
Nov/Dec 8	27 Year 5 Lake Ainsworth Excursion	28 Year 5 Lake Ainsworth Excursion GHS ORIENTATION  SGHS TRANSITION DAY	29 Year 5 Lake Ainsworth Excursion	30 Year 5 Lake Ainsworth Excursion	1 Year 5 Lake Ainsworth Excursion  Infants Special Awards Assembly 12.50pm
Dec 9	4 Year 4 Camp	5 Year 4 Camp	6 Year 4 Camp	7 PRESENTATION DAY 10am	8 GREEN LEVEL REWARDS DAY – water play
Dec 10	11	12 YEAR 6 FAREWELL  Reports going home	13	14 SPECIAL AWARDS ASSEMBLY 12.45PM  P & C CAROLS NIGHT & MAJOR RAFFLE DRAW	15 LAST DAY OF TERM FOR STUDENTS
Dec 11	18 School Development Day	19 School Development Day	20	21	22