



POSSUM POST

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Term 3, Week 6, 2016

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TERM 3

Thursday 25 August

SLIPS Year 5 x 4 students

Monday 29 August

Sutherland Library visiting us

Tuesday 30

Year 6 High School Visit

Friday 2 September

Fathers Day Stall

Monday 5 September

P&C Meeting 7pm

Thursday 8 September

Literacy & International Day

"The Sky's the Limit"

Friday 9 September

K—2 Athletics Carnival

Wednesday 21 September

Zone Public Speaking

Friday 23 September

Jeans for Geans Day



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

What a wonderful fortnight we have had at wonderful Waterfall Public School.

Our concert on Friday night was fabulous. Thank you to everyone who contributed to its great success.

Police Talk

Constable Mary Portelli visited our school last week to speak to the students. The students enthusiastically answered and asked questions. The message was about the importance of making good choices with behaviour and treating others with respect and dignity.

Zone Athletics

Well done to Taia and Kai who represented our school at the zone athletics carnival last week.

Koori Kids on the Park 'Cultural Activities Day'

Taia and Giorga attended Koori Kids Day at Bundeena last week. Koori Kids day is a celebration of the culture of indigenous students from the CoSotP group. The CoSotP group consists of schools from our local area. These days provide a wonderful opportunity to grow and connect with our indigenous community.

Book Parade

All of the students and teachers looked fantastic dressed as their book characters this week. I love books because they take us to places only limited by our imaginations. Thanks to our Year 6 students and Mrs Lundin for organising this event.

Friendship Day

Yesterday we had Friendship Day at Waterfall Public School to supplement our personal development and Kids Matter social and emotional learning program. The Year 6 students choose to promote friendship and discuss strategies for building friendships with others. After some warm up activities, the students participated in rotating activities organised by the student leaders. By all accounts it was a successful day. Well done Year 6 for your initiative on this.

Parent Community Forum

We are looking forward to seeing you at our Community Forum this afternoon from 3-3:30pm in the Parkview room.

Community Evaluation Form

Today you will receive two evaluations forms. One is evaluating our new school report format and the other our recent school concert. Gaining your feedback and insights is valuable in helping us to improve practices at our school. Your input is greatly appreciated, so please have your say and then return the forms to the orange box located in the office foyer by Friday 2nd September.

Friendly Kids – Sharing and Being Boss of Yourself

Sharing: Take turns, divide things up and have a pleasant face

Being Boss of Yourself: Keeping Calm - deep breathing; positive self-talk; walk away to be on your own for a while; count to 10 before responding; and use distraction by thinking about something pleasant.

Another resilience building tip;

3. Maintain a daily routine

Sticking to a routine can be comforting to children, especially younger children who crave structure in their lives. Encourage your child to develop his or her own routines.

<http://www.apa.org/helpcenter/resilience.aspx>

“The true measure of success is how many times you can bounce back from failure.”

— [Stephen Richards](#)

Until next time

‘Choose Kind’

Mrs Sonia James

Principal

P&C Report

Lolly Competition and Zenith raffle results: Congratulations to all our winners and thankyou to all who supported both these items:

Mixed Jar: Isabelle

Chupa Chups: Vicki

M and M's: Brearne

A big thank you to the year 6 students for running the Guessing competition at school; Shaylen, Kai, Kallen, Kirally and Rory.

Raffle results as follows; Thank you to the businesses who donated the below prizes.

Double Pass Events Cinema:

Rory

Darkes Forest – Half hour trail horse ride:

P. Ting

Hangdog Climbing Gym Family pass:

Emily

Father's Day Stall on Friday 2nd September at 9am in the Parkview room (3/4/5/6 old classroom) – There will be a variety of gift ideas available for this event for those loved ones within a \$1 - \$5 price range. No donations required. Please provide your child/ren with \$ to purchase on the day. There will be enough for 3 items per child.

Advanced Studio Photo Shoot at Engadine Community Centre on Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th September – Flyer is attached. You pay \$20 for the family shoot, you get your family shot 10" x 13", keyring and our school gets the whole \$20 towards fund-raising. Tell your friends and family members to register online and select Waterfall Public School from list and book your appointment. Easy Peazy!!!!

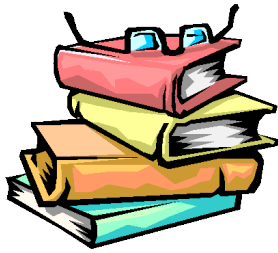
Shopping Bus Trip as previously advised booked for Saturday 5th November. More details are attached with Possum Post. This will be a great day out. Approximate departure time will be 8am from Waterfall and returning approximately 6pm. Cost for Adults are \$52 which is inclusive of lunch and children under 16 can shop for free but pay approximately \$13 for lunch (Child seats are limited).

Let me know if any questions. Tell your friends and family. The more the merrier.

Thanks for your support

Michelle on behalf of P&C

Our 2016 Book Week Parade





Waterfall Super Stars!





Friendship Day 2016

Waterfall Public School Shopping Bus Trip – You, Us and a Bus!



Start that Christmas list and buy some of those gifts at great bargain prices.

Shop for a Cause: Raising money for our small school of 46 students.

When: Saturday 5th November 2016

Where: Sydney Shopping outlets. Includes; Toys, shoes, bags, appliances, fashion, chocolates and more.

Pick up/drop off points: Waterfall and Engadine from 8am and returning approximately 6pm

Cost: \$52 includes (Bus and sit down meal). Children under 16 pay for lunch only (limited seats)

Call Michelle Antony -Waterfall Public School P&C on 0404 071 207 if interested and want to book. We will require full payment by Friday 14th September so let us know asap so you do not miss your spot.