

Waverley Public School

NEWSLETTER

Week 2, Term 2, 2021

Principal's Message – Ms Jillian Mudford



It is with great pleasure that I write my first newsletter report as the Principal of Waverley Public School. It is truly an honour and a privilege to join such a welcoming and engaged school community.

I have spent my first week visiting classrooms where I have loved hearing students speak so passionately about their learning. Students confidently explained their information reports about individually-chosen topics; others discussed time in mathematics; students enthusiastically communicated in Italian; and Kindies described the moment they saw a butterfly emerge from a chrysalis. Such wonderful learning was taking place throughout the school!

I have enjoyed meeting families at the gate and in the car pick up line, as well as at our 3-6 Cross Country Carnival and the K-6 Colour Run. It has been a truly wonderful first week. All of these experiences make me so proud to call Waverley Public School “our school” rather than “your school”.

If you haven't already done so, please be sure to say hello and introduce yourself next time our paths cross. I look forward to continuing to get to know our community.

I would like to acknowledge and thank Miss Christie for her leadership of the school during her time as Acting Principal. Her dedication, professionalism and passion are to be admired and I am grateful for her support in achieving a smooth transition as I find my feet.

Cross Country Carnival

On Tuesday, students in Years 3-6 as well as students in Year 2 who turn 8 this year participated in our Cross Country Carnival. Despite a small amount of smoke haze, the sun shone brightly and Queens Park dazzled. We are so fortunate to have such a beautiful setting to be able to hold our sports carnival. I was thoroughly impressed with the students' commitment and determination when participating in their races, as well as their sportsmanship and school spirit when cheering on their peers. Congratulations to everyone who participated as well as the students who will be progressing to the zone carnival next week. We wish you all the very best.

Many thanks to Mrs Richardson and Ms Stone for their excellent organisation of such a successful carnival.

Colour Run

I would be very doubtful if there was a school event that created more fun and joy than a Colour Run! Yesterday's event was such a delight for the senses – music was pumping, colour was wafting, parents were clapping, children were running and there were smiles on every person's face.

Our P&C and Miss Christie are to be commended on facilitating such a fabulous event.

Because of the amazing fundraising efforts of our community, I am thrilled to announce that our goal of \$20,000 has been achieved. These funds will go towards replacing the audio visual system in the hall. Students can continue collecting donations until the deadline of Friday 7 May.



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Newsletter

Many thanks to Ebony who has redesigned our school newsletter template. We hope that this format will ensure information is easier to access and more reader-friendly. Please ensure you have downloaded the School eNews app to stay connected and informed.

Awards

Congratulations to this week's award winners!

Class Awards	Lachie M	KJW	Minttu G	2B
	Grace M	KJW	Joshua G	2B
	Florencia M	KH	Lily S	2G
	Madeleine S	KH	Annabelle S	2G
	Josie M	KJ	Harlow J	3R
	Monte M	KJ	Rick R	3R
	Jack E	KM	Olivia B	3P
	Sofia D	KM	Lachlan S	3P
	Loah W	1A	Holly W	4J
	Orla T	1A	Camille G	4J
	Gabriel R	1P	Kalan M	4S
	Abigail F	1P	Evan Y	4S
	Poppy T	1/2N	Zoe I	5/6D
	Johnny M	1/2N	Codi C	5/6D
	Isla M	1P	Daria B	5/6K
	Vienna H	1P	Harry C	5/6K

GEM (Kindness)	Claudia H	KJW	Max H	2G
	Lily R	KJ	Charlie H	3R
	Harrison S	KH	William B	3P
	William G	KM	Arika A	4s
	Lily T	1P	Rose P	4J
	Elke W	1A	Francesca H	5/6D
	Annie B	1/2N	Phoebe H	5/6K
	Caylee N	2B		

Cross Country Report

After missing out due to COVID-19 last year, it was wonderful to be able to run our school cross country event this week at Queens Park. With nearly all students from Years 3 to 6 participating, as well as a strong cohort of 8 year olds from our Year 2 students, it was the biggest cross country event so far. Thank you to all of the parents and carers who made time to come and join in on the fun, particularly those who helped out on course.

It was so wonderful to see such a strong sense of sportsmanship with students encouraging each other to make it through the course. Congratulations to those students who qualified for zone cross country, which will be held in Centennial Park on Wednesday 5 May. Notes and information will be provided to those students by Friday 30 April. The top three place-getters in each division were:

8/9 Years Division:

1st Place

Olivia B and Jack E

2nd Place

Emily B and Noah M

3rd Place

Maddie K and Cruz P

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10 Years Division:

1st Place: Lilly G and Ryan D

2nd Place: Isolde T and Tallis M

3rd Place: Grace C and Pascal S

11 Years Division:

1st Place: Maya B and Thomas C

2nd Place: Izzy E and Elliott D

3rd Place: Leilani C and Harvey F

12 Years Division:

1st Place: Summer G and Enki W

2nd Place: Phoebe H and Luca M

3rd Place: Isobel M and Anson C

Congratulations to all students who took part in making the event such a success.

Mrs Richardson

Kindergarten Overview

Kindergarten have settled into Term 2 and have been working hard in all areas. It was great to see all the smiling faces back in the classrooms. We are looking forward to another fun filled term, especially, our excursion to Field of Mars.

Our fortnight learning includes:

Literacy

Week 3: Rr and Gg

Week 4: Ee

Numeracy:

Comparing and Ordering Lengths

Developing the Concept of Zero

Representing 0 to 10



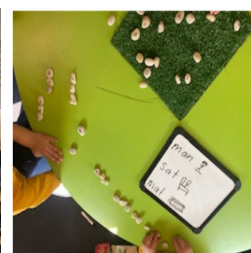
KM

KM have loved learning about numbers to 20 in our Math rotations. We have been using our problem solving skills and logic to complete our activities.

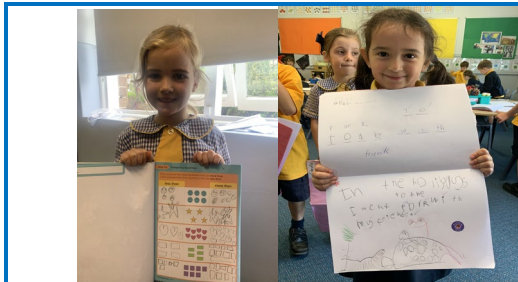
KJW

KJW has loved learning and writing about the life cycle of a butterfly and watching our chrysalis change colour. We can't wait until they turn into beautiful butterflies soon!

We also have been enjoying our exciting literacy group activities, in particular this week when we used pebbles to make three letter words and sentences to help us to learn.



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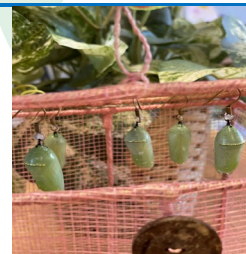
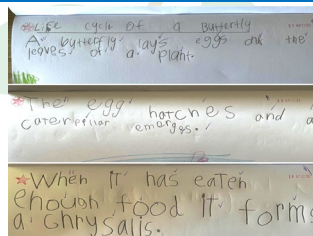


KH

KH has been amazed by the new Chrysalis' and learning about living things in Science. We have been incorporating this into our writing by creating a diary and tracking changes. We can't wait to see what happens! Look at our WOW work from the week!

KJ

KJ students are enjoying learning about the life cycle of a butterfly, observing the changes in our class chrysalises and writing informative texts. We eagerly await the next life cycle stage!



Stage 1

2B

Welcome back to school Stage 1! We have been having so much fun in 2B hearing all about everyone's holidays and have written some spectacular recounts about it! This week, we started our Young Engineers program where everyone built some amazing machines using Lego. We showed how we are creative, collaborative and clever learners and made some absolutely SUPER swings! It was important to make sure that the swing was as tall AND as stable as possible. Have a look at our Young Engineers in action!



Stage 2

4S

This week 4S have been exploring informative language and how to engage the reader using explicit instructions. What a better way of achieving this than making Fairy Bread! The 4S students had to give me the instructions in how to make fairy bread, but without knowing it, I would do exactly what they said. For example, a student said "bread, butter and sprinkles" so I put all the ingredients on top of each other. The 4S students discovered, very quickly, the importance of using verbs and adverbs when informing a reader. It was an excellent lesson and a great start to our informative unit.



Stage 3



We have gotten straight back into the deep end of learning in Stage 3 this term. Year 6 have commenced Check In assessments, which are a follow up from the cancelled NAPLAN last year and Year 5 have begun prepping for NAPLAN. There has also been a restructure of our mathematics groups and literacy rotations to ensure that we are all being challenged and engaged. The Year 6 jumpers arrived and just in time for the cooler weather! A small business has also sprung up in Stage 3 to raise money for the Year 6 farewell. A group of students have been taking their peers' books home to paint the covers for a small fee. I am consistently impressed by their artistic talents.

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Wellbeing Week: 17-21 May

As usual, Week 5 is WELLBEING WEEK at WPS!



For students, this means:

- no homework tasks (except for ongoing reading)
- extra mindfulness inside and outside the classroom e.g. Smiling Minds, yoga, mindfulness activities, learning about mental health, outdoor activities, strategies to support it, developing personal goals
- discussions about self care, well-being and mindfulness
- a fun dress-up/ mufti day on Friday 21 May. The theme is 'Double Denim'

Parents and carers might like to explore the following:

- <https://theresilienceproject.com.au/at-home/parent-carer-information/>
- <https://studentwellbeinghub.edu.au/>
- <https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing>
- <https://www.thetappingsolution.com/blog/10-tips-teaching-kids-mindful-breathing/>
- <https://www.ruok.org.au/>

Tess Christie

ANZAC Day Assembly



On Friday the 23 April we held an Anzac Day assembly. It was an opportunity for students to pay their respects and learn about the importance of those involved. Students learned about WWI and WWII as well as remembering the importance of the landing at Gallipoli. Oscar shared a firsthand account from a soldier and Saxon read the Anzac Ode. The assembly listened to the Last Post and observed a minute's silence. I was incredibly impressed by our readers Siam, Sierra, Ava, Bobby, Vienna, Isla, Codi, Charlotte, Zoe, Scarlett, Franki, Oscar and Saxon. The whole school demonstrated so much respect and honoured all those who have fought.

Lest We Forget.



National Day of Action against Bullying & Violence

Thank you to Waverley Public School for participating in the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. We loved dressing up in orange clothes to represent harmony, and contributing to an amazing cause to help children in need. We also had so much fun displaying our posters to promote kindness.

The Resilience Project

Part 5: The Resilience Project: Summary

This final part of The Resilience Project's series shares an important message about creating environments where our kids can ask for help.

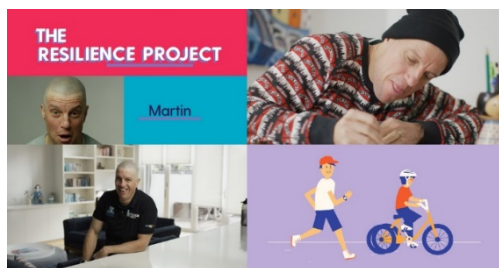
65% of adolescents do not seek help for mental illness.

In this presentation, Martin shares a personal experience about a traumatic event that happened to him as a child. He explains how he overcame adversity and built resilience by asking for support, particularly from his family.



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Note: This video contains a story of sexual abuse that may be triggering. Please consider this before watching. For mental health resources and support information, visit The Resilience Project's Support Page.



View Part 5: Summary of the series here:

<https://theresilienceproject.com.au/parent-and-carer-hub/>

Thank you for participating in this Parent and Carer Digital Program series. You can re-watch the videos and access activities and resources anytime via the Parent and Carer Hub. You can also stay up to date with The Resilience Project news and events by signing up to their Newsletter.

CAPA News

Recorder Group

Enjoy playing recorder, making music and new friends? Recorder rehearsals for Years 3-6 are every FRIDAY morning at 8.20am in the Flexible Learning Space (old Hall). We anticipate the confirmation soon of the fabulous Festival of Instrumental Music Concert in September so there are exciting new tunes to learn. Please talk to Ms McLachlan (Music) if interested.

Choir

Years 5 & 6 Senior Choir is on FRIDAYS in lunchtime - new members are welcome. Junior Choir for Years 3 & 4 continues with Signor Kirkby.

Schools Spectacular 2021

Schools Spectacular is returning in full flight in 2021. Applications are open now for 'featured artists/singers' and 'the featured dancers ensemble'. Students need to have a high level of skill and time for rehearsals across the school year. Contact Ms McLachlan (Music) if interested. You can view a 2020 REMIX video: <https://7plus.com.au/2020-nsw-schools-spectacular-remix>

PULSE Alive 2021

A large-scale K-12 public schools concert event in September at Sydney Olympic Park is also seeking student applications for 'featured singers, students for an Aboriginal dance ensemble, comperes and entries for program cover design (Years 3-6)'. Contact Ms McLachlan or further details: <https://artsteam.schools.nsw.gov.au/combinedarts/pulse-alive.html>

National Anthem

Students in K-6 have been learning & revising the Australian National Anthem, including the changed word in Verse 1. The official version is available if you'd like to revise at home too: <https://www.pmc.gov.au/government/australian-national-anthem>

Welcome to the Waverley PS Ukulele

The WPS Ukelele Group will begin on Tuesday 27 April in the New Hall.

Fees: The Ukulele group will cost \$15 inc GST per session

We will email you an invoice for the term shortly

Creative Kids Voucher

The Music Partnership is registered to accept creative kids vouchers! This voucher gives you \$100 credit to put towards your music lesson fees in 2021.



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Once you have your voucher feel free to email it to: creativekids@musicpartnership.com.au

Please only send vouchers to the creative kids address.

We need in order to process your voucher:

1. Your child's full name as it appears on your Medicare card
2. Your child's date of birth
- 3: A copy of the voucher

The voucher does not come off your invoice automatically. Please feel free to short pay your term 1 invoice \$100. Once we have received the funds we will apply a credit to your invoice.

Here is a link to a practise booklet for you to use throughout the year. Keeping a practise log is essential for good practise.

<https://musicpartnership.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Practise-booklet.pdf>

Wishing you a wonderful term of classes! Feel free to email The Music Partnership with any questions or concerns alexbieteri@musicpartnership.com.au

**Tuesdays 11.15-12.00pm,
New Hall**

Tutor name: Karl Mardon

Band News

Congratulations on a FANTASTIC term 1!

Well done to all our Waverley Public School musicians! You have all had a wonderful start to the year with our Training Band members making there very first sounds and our Senior Band musicians playing some great songs! Term 2 is going to be really fun!

Band Return Dates:

All bands and lessons recommence in Week 1 of Term 2.

Training Band: Tuesday 20 April 7:45am

Senior Band: Wednesday 21 April 7:45am

It's not too late to join the band!

If you would like to join our school band, it is definitely not too late. We would love to hear from you and we still have spots left for this year! If you would like more information please email band@musicpartnership.com.au.

We look forward to more music making in Term 2!

P&C News

Colour Run 2021

The Waverley Public School Colour Run yesterday was a HUGE success. Lots of fun was had by all. It was a delight that parents were allowed on site to watch the spectacle and so many turned out! Watch this space for more photos!

We are also excited to announce that the fundraising goal of \$20,000 HAS BEEN REACHED! The money raised will be used to replace the audio visual system in the school hall.

Well done to everyone who contributed to this. It's a massive effort and we should all be very proud.

What happens next?

Fundraising officially ends Friday 7 May. There's only a little time left to contact those long lost relatives or make a self-donation if you didn't get a chance already. You can use this link <https://www.schoolfundraising.com.au/>

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Any cash donations logged need to be dropped at the school office in an envelope marked with your child's name by Friday 7 May please.

The donation option via QKR! also remains open until 7 May. This has the benefit of being provided a donation receipt for a tax deduction (but doesn't qualify your child for prizes sorry).

Thank you again to all the students, teachers, staff, carers & volunteers for making the 2021 WPS Colour Fun Run such a success!

Mother's Day Lunch – Friday 7 May

There are still a few tickets left for our Mother's Day Lunch in the Charing Cross Hotel on Friday 7 May from 12-2.30pm. Tickets are selling fast and are available on Qkr! at \$65 which includes a two course meal with a glass of French Champagne on arrival. All Parents & Carers welcome. Tickets are limited so don't delay! Thanks to Catherine Rodwell (Tate Yr4) for organising.

For more information please contact: wpsmothersdaylunch@gmail.com



Waverley Public School P&C

MOTHER'S DAY LUNCH

Please join us to celebrate with our wonderful Waverley PS school community.

Two-course lunch includes French Champagne on arrival.

Date: Friday 7 May 2021

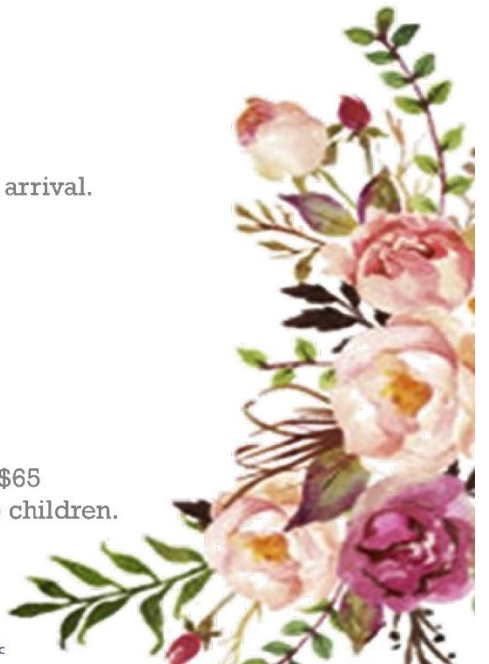
Time: 12:00 – 2:30pm

The Charing Cross Hotel
81 Carrington Road
Waverley

Tickets available to purchase now via QKR for \$65
All parents & carers welcome. We politely request no children.



For more information please contact:
wpsmothersdaylunch@gmail.com



Canteen

Huge thanks to all our canteen helpers especially this week's bolognaise chef Adrienn Tothne Toth and our regulars who keep everything running smoothly – Delia Barnes, Coralie Power, Maureen Fisher, Tanya Haber and Fernanda Aliaga.

If you would like to volunteer to help on Wednesdays at lunch or recess or on Hot Food Fridays please contact Jodi on canteen@waverleypublicschoolpandc.com.au

Second-hand Uniform Shop

The next shop will run on Wednesday 5 May from 8.15-9am by the front date. Drop Chris (Charlie Yr2) a line on chris.rayment@gmail.com if you'd like to help out.

QKR! App (app available from App Store or Google Play).

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As well as canteen and the uniform shop, Qkr! is used for all school events hosted by the P&C such as the Mothers Day Lunch. Its free and easy to use. Just download and search for Waverley Public School. Alternatively you can use the Qkr! Website.

<https://apps.apple.com/au/app/qkr/id589799471>

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.mastercard.labs.qkr&hl=en_AU&gl=US

P&C MEETING

The next meeting will be on Monday 17 May at 6pm – all welcome.

Community News

Rose Bay Secondary College

Dear Parent/Carer

Rose Bay Secondary College is scheduling school tours for interested parent/carers. The tours will be held in the morning – see below for dates and times and will run for approx. 1 hour. Tour numbers are limited. Please contact the school on 9301 0300 to book your day/time. If the need arises we will consider conducting further tours.

The tour dates are as follows -

Monday 3 May – 10am

Monday 10 May – 10am

Tuesday 4 May – 9.30am



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2022 Year 7 High Potential & Gifted Education Program

Randwick Boys' High is pleased to advise that applications for the 2022 High Potential and Gifted Education Program for Year 7 students will be available from **Tuesday 4 May 2021**.

This is an exciting opportunity for academically gifted students to be part of a specialised learning program. The program offers a stimulating educational experience designed to extend students' skills and talents across all curriculum areas.

Applications open on Tuesday 4 May & close on Friday 28 May.



Students who wish to gain a position in this extension class are required to sit an academic placement test, attend an interview and present a portfolio.

Testing date is Saturday 5 June 2021.

For further information please contact Ms McNeill, Deputy Principal, or download the information package from our website.

<https://randwickb-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/learning-at-our-school/gifted-and-talented-program.html>

A parent information evening will be held on Tuesday 4 May 2021 at 5pm in the school Library

Randwick Boys' High School is a co-operative, caring school with a tradition of academic, sporting and creative achievement.



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