



THE WALLUMETTA NEWS

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From the Principal....

Academic Competitions

Congratulations to all students who participated in the University of New South Wales Academic Spelling Competition. Results are as follows:

Spelling

High Distinction – Joyce, Simon

Distinction – Shoryu, Johan, Amy G, Lauren F, Yvonne, Tayanah, James D, Delwyn

Credit – Lucy M, Sophie C (3M), Gabbie C, Sophie C (3JK), Myles, Rajan, Chloe, Luke, Zoe, Kate, Angus, Fergus, Ben S, Charlton, Matthew L, Zuhaira, Ida, Leighton, Amelia C, Claire G, Caitlin J, Tom M, Lachlan, Claire P, Marcin, Emmanuelle, Ewan

Spelling Bee Finalists

There were some very tense moments during the Senior and Junior Spelling Bee School Finals last week. All finalists tried very hard and are to be congratulated on their skill and determination to spell some very difficult words.

Senior Finalists:

Daniel, Ida, Tayanah, Claire P, James, Amelia C, Simon, Charlton, Leighton, Flynn, Ewan, Delwyn, Emmanuelle, Rodney, Claire G, Paul.

Winners Tayanah & Claire P will now compete in the Regional finals later this term.

Junior Finalists:

Zoe L, Fergus M, Madison D, Chloe D, Renee A, Kate L, Charlie B, Luke K, Johan A, Shoryu ZD, Lucy M, Cormac L, Michelle K.

Winners Joyce W and Connor M will join the Senior Winners at the Regional Finals on 18 September.

SRC Reps

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected as their class SRC representatives for Semester Two:

1P – Hannah P and Peter J

1B – Cameron and Anna

1W – Jack and Paige

2F – Phoebe and Jordan

2M – Eren and Ava

3M – Rakha and Paris

3JK – Shoryu and Sarah M

4BF – Charlotte and Angus

4N – Alex and Tilly

5P – Ate and Tama

5/6B – Delwyn and Leighton

5/6R – Mia and Amelia C

K-2 Fun Day

Last Friday saw the students from Kindergarten to Year 2 enjoy a day of mini soccer, egg and spoon races, relays, running races and lots of laughter as the sun shone on the K-2 Fun Day. Congratulations to the finalists:

	First	Second	Third
5yr girls	Lara M	Kianah C	Leah M
5yr boys	Ben L	Liam M	Harry I
6yr girls	Rachael R	Sophie H	Zoe R/Jessie S
6yr boys	Rory S	Sam L	Ryan S
7yr girl	Sarah M	Maddie B	Emma B
7yr boys	Dylan H	Cameron P	Photofinish; ConnorL, ConorH, Sam F
8yr girls	Maxine F	Georgia K	Lovelle V
8yr boys	Jordan H	Luka S	Connor BH

All students displayed great sportsmanship, made a fantastic effort and enjoyed the event. Thankyou also to the parents who served the gelatos at the end of the event!

Cross Country - Nationals

Congratulations Ed P on your marvellous performance part in the National Cross Country event in Nowra last weekend. Ed would like to thank everyone who bought raffle tickets to help him take part in the event.

Library Monitors

Thank you to the following students who have volunteered for school service by working as library monitors during lunch times.

Antonella, Claire G, Jesse, Kaitlin, Delwyn, Jasmine, Michael, James, Tom, Claire P, Rebecca, Mia, Emmanuelle, Ida, Amelia A, Zuhaira, Rosie, Claudia, Reni, Brooke, Sarah, Michaela, Amelia C, Caitlin.

Fathers' Day Breakfast

It was great to see 108 dads and 153 children attend our second annual Father's Day breakfast to mix and mingle, enjoy a bacon and egg roll, compare tie designs and footie results. An enormous thank you to all the mums and staff who assisted with preparing and cooking the breakfast, especially to Carolyn Spork who did an amazing job co-ordinating this event. Thanks also to Maria McCarthy for her superb, never-ending supply of coffee and hot chocolate.

Prize-winning dads on the morning were:

Mr Latham – most eye-catching tie

Mr Parnham – biggest feet

Mr Armstrong – volunteer extraordinaire

Mr Boyd – lucky draw prize

Unfortunately we had no winner of the most colourful socks prize– it seems Gladesville dads favour the black and grey variety!

We had many great stories about our fabulous Gladesville dads, with the winning entries as follows:

Junior – Claire E in 1B wrote a great story about her dad who couldn't play soccer anymore because he had sore knees.

Senior – James D in 5/6R wrote about his wise, cuddly, warm koala dad.

Sydney to Gong Charity Ride

A few Gladesville dads are taking part in the 2009 MS Sydney to the Gong Bike Ride, a 90km ride to Wollongong (hoping to do it in under 3hrs), in order to raise funds for people affected by Multiple Sclerosis (MS). MS is the most common disease of the central nervous system and affects more than 18,000 Australians.

If you would like to come ride with us or simply donate every bit helps.

Website: <http://register.gongride.org.au/?GPS+Old+Farts> Once on the page please DONATE by clicking on the button to the right and help MS Australia support all people affected by multiple sclerosis.

High School Information Mornings

See www.normanhurb-h.schools.nsw.edu.au and northsydgi-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

Kindergarten Enrolments 2010

We are in the process of finalising arrangements for our Kindergarten Orientation Program for students entering Kindergarten in 2010. If you have a child who turns five before July 31, 2010 they may be eligible to start school next year. It is important that you complete an enrolment form for your child as soon as possible so they can be included in school planning for next year. Please collect enrolment forms from the school office.

School Uniform

Congratulations to all students who present at school each day in the correct school uniform, particularly including the school hat and black shoes. You all look fabulous.

A reminder that black stockings / socks, bike pants, leggings, black jumpers or sweatshirts are not part of the school community endorsed school uniform.

Working Bee - Sun 27 Sept, 10:30am to 12:30pm

Please consider marking this date on your calendar to join in the working bee. There are a number of areas to work on including the Peace Garden, moving plants away from the canteen area and the southern boundary of the sports field where we are establishing some native habitats (a good spot for children to help).

For more information please contact Helen at kirkman.helen@gmail.com.au

Band News

Band Camp is coming up on Sunday 20 September. A fabulous day of fun, music and great activities! Please return your forms, with money, to me as soon as possible - we need the majority of band members involved to make the day worthwhile.

The day will get us ready to showcase our wonderful music programmes at the Music Soiree on Tuesday 29 September to which all parents and friends are invited.

Bronwyn Allomes

Cricket Registrations check www.grslcricket.com regarding places in U11s, U10s, U9s U8s and IN2CRICKET (4-6yrs old)

After School Activities ClubmaX meets at the Presbyterian Church Hall on Thursdays and provides a pick-up from school service. Details at www.gladeshill.org.au

Please see the noticeboard re:

Vacation activities

Swimming Centres

Sports camps

Fetes and After School Clubs