Calendar of Events
12/8 Medical Update forms need to be returned
21/8 Book Fair and Book Character Parade
23/8 Canteen
23/8 AFL – Wardell vs. Rous @ Rous
11/9 P&C Meeting - 6pm All Welcome
29/8 Daffodil Day – Eat- Wear – Buy
31/8 P&C Working Bee
04/9 RSPCA Cupcake Day
21/10 Stg 2 and Stg 3 to Lake Ainsworth

SRC Mufti Day and Ice Cream Day
The SRC would like to thank all students who participated in their last fundraising event by either wearing Mufti and/or buying an ice-cream. The school raised over $60 which has been targeted for buying new headphones in both computer labs and replacing the little green wheelie bins located in the playground.

The Gardening Club will also be raising funds during the Book Week Parade this Wednesday by selling seedlings and small potted plants. Prices will vary from 50c - $5. They are wanting to but additional gardening equipment such as wheel barrows, worm farms and mulch for the garden beds.

The next two SRC fundraisers are supporting the fight against cancer and raising funds for the RSPCA to fight animal cruelty. More information about how you can help to follow.

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Book Fair Monday 19th August – Friday 23rd August.

Our Book Fair will be held from Monday 19th August to Friday 23rd August. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to purchase good quality books for their children and families and maybe even a book to donate to the school library collection.

A percentage of all sales from the book fair goes straight back into our school library.

Book Character Parade and Book Week Awards Presentation
Our Book Character Parade will be held on Wednesday 21st August and we would like to encourage the students to dress up as their favourite book character, who knows, we may get to see the odd hobbit or maybe even Harry Potter, perhaps Tinkerbelle or Cinderella will make an appearance.

Mrs Johnston has had a very hard task this year deciding which students will receive a Book Week Award as we have some very hungry book worms in our school.

We would like to invite our parents to come along for our Book Week Awards Presentation and join in the fun of the parade and stay on for a free sausage sizzle with your children.

Mrs Johnston
Teacher/ Librarian

Tissue Donations
We have had lots of runny noses and sneezing over the winter months which has depleted our supply of tissues. We are asking families to send in a box of tissues for the students to use in the classrooms.
Positive Behaviour for Learning

Staff are focusing upon rewarding students in the playground, classroom, library and office for doing the right thing and behaving appropriately. Students received Wardell Winners for following the school rules;

- Being Safe
- Being Fair
- Being Respectful
- Being a Learner

1194 Wardell Winners were given out to our students during Week 5. The average received per student was 31 Wardell Winners for the week.

4 Wardell Winners were drawn at the Week 5 Friday assembly. Congratulations to Kahmisha Irwin, Brieanna Irwin, Shantelle Waters and Hayden Ackland. Students were photographed with their PBL Certificates which will be proudly displayed in the school’s foyer. PBL Weekly Winners now have the choice of a free ice-block or a prize from the lucky dip bag in recognition of their positive behaviour for learning at Wardell PS.

Positive Behaviour for Learning is based around the philosophy of PREVENTing problems occurring, TEACHing the appropriate behaviours NOT presuming students know what to do, ACKNOWLEDGING when students are doing it right and CORRECTing them if they are doing something wrong.

Last week the school focused upon teaching students how to be Respectful by being punctual to class after the warning bell. Teachers have committed to teaching an aspect of this skill everyday both in the classroom and in the playground. Students are being rewarded with Wardell Winners for stopping play, packing up and waiting quietly back in-front of their classroom before the final bell sounds.

After each lunch break we have reassembled under the COLA for a random playground draw from the PBL tin box; in an effort to recognise those students who had done the right thing by being punctual but also wear hats, play fairly and put their rubbish in the bins. Classroom rewards were also stepped up for students who were doing the right thing in the classroom. Both classes will have random draws from their prize boxes everyday for Wardell Winners awarded in the classroom.

This week, we will continue to focus on Being Punctual with a focus on improving packing up procedures for the gardening club, returning sports equipment and sandpit toys.

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Miss Crealy

Hayden Ackland
Brieanna Irwin
Shantelle Waters (absent)
Kahmisha Irwin
Positive Behaviour for Learning

School Rules: Be Safe
   Be Fair
   Be Respectful
   Be a Learner

This week, school staff will be teaching what behaviours we need to Be Respectful and Be A Learner when we problem solve – What Do We Do When the Bell goes?

Focus Rule this week: Be Respectful and Be A Learner

- What Do We Do When the Bell Goes?

Main Setting: ALL outdoor settings

Students will engage in discussions, modelled teaching and role plays to ensure they understand what the focus rule expects from their behaviour and how to comply with the focus rule. Students will learn how to Be Respectful and Be A Learner when they observe the expected procedures as they transition at bell times before school, at recess, lunch and at the end of the day.

- Stop playing, pack up, get a drink, go to the toilet (outside).
- Walk on hard surfaces, hand equipment back to the sports shed monitors, share turns/space/equipment while waiting for the toilets and bubblers, keep hands and feet to self.
- Wait quietly near your classroom when the play bell sounds.

Thank you for supporting us at home by discussing the focus rule and expected behaviours with your child. This will help to present a united approach in our endeavours for Positive Behaviour for Learning. Following this rule ensures safety and fairness for all as well encouraging students to value the time allocated for learning. This week’s focus rule also supports our school Anti Bullying Policy.

Parent Tip:
Please discuss with your child the focus rule for this week – What Do We Do When the Bell Goes? Reinforce the important aspects of the rule e.g.: Stop playing, pack up, get a drink and go to the toilet (outside). Be sure to highlight the benefits that flow from following the focus rule e.g.: you are being respectful (as will others) and you are demonstrating that you are ready to learn by being on time. Explain to your child how they can choose to model the rule and set an example for others in the school to copy.

Praise your child for observing the rule when we consider - What Do We Do When the Bell Goes? Thank you for your valued support.

Together we will make a difference!

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Medical Update Forms
Thank you to those families who have already returned their medical update forms. It is very important that we have the most up to date information for your children. If you still have your forms to return please fill them in and return to the office as soon as possible.

School Photos
We received our photos back from the School Photographer on Friday 9th August and they were handed out to the students to take home. We have some lovely photos on display in the front office of our Year 6 students group, our whole school and the SRC. If you would like to order a copy of these groups’ photos please pick up an order form from the office and return no later than 9th September.

Prices are:
- Whole School (maxi) $20
- Year 6 $14
- Year 6 (fun) $14
- SRC $14

Credit Card Payments can be made on line through the School Photographer website, www.theschoolphotographer.com.au you will need to enter your order number on the envelope and return to the school.

P&C News
At the P&C Meeting held on Wednesday 31st July discussion was held regarding the upcoming Working Bee for Wardell Public School. We are asking parents in our school community to consider helping to beautify and maintain our school.

The Wardell P&C will be purchasing lanolin to rejuvenate our wooden tables and benches and white base paint which will be used for more concrete art. Jobs to be done on the day will be fixing the cabinet in the library, mending the flying fox, removal of old benches from the front of school, relocation of the flag pole, clean up gardens, weather seal on the disabled toilet and relocate the netball court poles and backboard made.

The dates we have set aside for the working bee are Saturday 31st August or Sunday 1st September. The P&C will be providing a free sausage sizzle on the day for all helpers. If you are able to donate a few hours please indicate by ticking the appropriate box below and returning to the office.

I, _____________ am able to help with the working bee on Saturday 31st August

In Term 4 the P&C are trying to organise a visit to the school with the ‘Reptile Man, Wires and Council Rangers as a fun day for our school and would like to invite other schools within our Small Community of Schools. Further information will be sent out as arrangements proceed.

Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Wednesday 11th September at 6pm in the school administration building.

We would love to see some new faces or you may have some fresh fundraising ideas, so set aside this date and come along.

Cheryl Wilson
P&C Secretary
BALLINA JUNIOR TOUCH

2013-14 Season Sign-on

Online registration -12th August to 30th September 2013.

Information available on the junior’s website or contact -

Ruth 0422 596 911

e-mail ballinatouch1@gmail.com

Blackwall Historical Society Inc have organized a cruise from Ballina to Wardell and return on M.V Richmond Princess, on Saturday 21st September, 20013, departing Ballina about 9.30 and returning about 3pm.

Join the cruise and enjoy our river’s pioneering history.

Morning tea and light lunch provided.

Passengers may disembark for a short while at Wardell Wharf.

This Cruise will be a combined effort by the Wardell Progress Association and Blackwall Historical Society.

Tickets $55 p.p. from Wardell P.O 66 834101, or Ballina Visitor Information office.1800777666

For further information contact

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