**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Feb 14th  Bunnings BBQ  
Feb 13th  District Swimming Carnival  
Feb 13th  Canteen  
Feb 20th  P & C Pub Raffle

**YR 6 Shirts**

All orders for Year 6 shirts to be in the office by Monday with a $5.00 deposit. Ordering a shirt will also get your child a free Sports shirt.

**Canteen Volunteers**

This year the P&C are aiming to hold canteen every Friday as per 2014 surveys request. The menu will stay the same just the weekly specials will change.

If you are interested in helping prepare fresh food, learn about Work Health and Safety and serve delicious Healthy Canteen food items please contact the school via phone or email and register your name as a canteen volunteer by Wednesday 18th February (next week). A roster of helpers per term can then be created and distributed to volunteers.

Each volunteer will need to have completed a Working with Children Check, sign in as a visitor and wear a visitor's lanyard during their time on site.

Let's do it!

Prue Gray  
Canteen Manager

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**Wardell Parents and Citizens Association**

Wardell PS has a very active P&C who are heavily committed to raising funds for the students at our school for a variety of different purposes including; purchasing teaching resources for staff, buying equipment for students, subsidising the costs of excursions, purchasing and selling uniforms and working with the community to raise the profile of the school and its students.

During 2014 these goals were made possible by; catering at different local community and school events, organising the school's 2nd mini fete, Bunnings BBQs, working bees and running a school canteen.

If you would like to become more involved in your school and help raise much needed funds for your children please consider joining the P&C. They meet once a month after school for approximately an hour.

The first P&C meeting for 2015 will be called after the P&Cs books have been audited early in February. This will be the annual AGM whereby all positions for 2015 will be declared vacant and nominations called for. It only costs 50c to join.

More information to come.

D. Crealy  
Wardell P&C Treasurer 2014
SMALL SCHOOLS SWIMMING CARNIVAL

On Tuesday 3rd February, six students from Wardell P S attended the Small Schools Swimming Carnival. Even though the weather was miserable, all students did their very best. Congratulations Evan, John & Sean Wilcox, Joshua Wilson, Maddy McLeod and Dahri Cranston.

School Banking Day Reminder.

Don’t forget that Thursday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Wardell PS.

Beating Picky Eating

Children with strong food preferences who limit their intake of the needed variety of foods can be a challenge. Some of the following ideas may be helpful:

- Remember: Parents choose “which” foods, children decide “how much”
- Create a positive environment at the table, make meal times pleasant
- Be a good role model
- Stick to a routine
- Provide the same meals for the whole family
- Take children shopping, involve them in planning and preparation
- Limit sweet drinks and juice so children have an appetite
- If you are stuck in a constant battle, maybe try a different approach.

PLEASE NOTE

If you have any items you wish to put into the newsletter, please ensure it is in the office by Thursday 3pm at the latest. This allows time for Maureen to compile and collate the Newsletter so it can be distributed to students Friday afternoon.

Email to: wardell-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

OFFICE HOURS

Monday the office is unattended. You can still call and leave a message on voicemail.

Tuesday 8.30 to 3pm
Wednesday 8.30 to 11am
Thursday 8.30 to 3pm
Friday 8.30 to 3pm

Ballina Soccer Club

Home of the Seahorses

www.ballinasoccer.com.au

2015 JUNIOR SIGN ON/INFORMATION DAYS

Sat Feb 14 11am-2pm (Saunders Oval Clubhouse)
Sat Feb 21 11am-2pm (Saunders Oval Clubhouse)
Muster: Thurs March 5 5pm - 6.30pm (Saunders Oval)
Thurs March 12 5pm - 6.30pm (Saunders Oval)

You can also register and pay online at www.myfootballclub.com.au
Positive Behaviour for Learning

Our school is now embarking on its 3rd year of Positive Behaviour for Learning. It is a whole school strategy based around the philosophy of PREVENTing problems occurring, TEACHing appropriate behaviours NOT presuming students know what to do, ACKNOWLEDGING when students are behaving appropriately and CORRECTing the behaviour if they are doing something wrong.

The staff at Wardell PS are demonstrating their commitment to the PBL ethos by continuing to reward students in the playground, classroom, library and office for doing the right thing and behaving appropriately. Students receive Wardell Winners for following the 4 core school rules;

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

The first 2 weeks back at school have been spent revising the key ideas covered in 2013/14. All students have revisited lessons on; punctuality, personal space, putting rubbish in the appropriate bins, caring for property and equipment and walking on all hard surfaces.

The year has started very positively with play times nearly incident free. Students’ are learning more because they are able to concentrate with fewer distractions. This in turn has meant the teachers are able to deliver more lessons each day.

Daily Wardell Winner draws are being held in both the K-2 and 3-6 classrooms to reward appropriate behaviour and attitude in the classroom. Every afternoon after lunch, the school acknowledges appropriate behaviour in the playground with a daily draw from the PBL tin. Winners receive a free ice-block.

4 Weekly winners will be drawn out at the first whole school assembly. Students’ photos will continue to be published in the newsletter and displayed proudly in the foyer. A Student of the Week will also be nominated by staff for outstanding behaviour, attendance, learning achievement and/or initiative or leadership.

Miss Crealy

1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching

When: Wednesday 11th, 18th & 25th March 2015
Time: 10am - 12.30pm
Where: Baptist Church Hall,
Corner of Cherry & Crane Street Ballina
BANLINA

123 Magic & Emotion Coaching is a 3 week parenting course, designed to teach parents a simple and easily implemented system to help manage children’s difficult behavior. The program also introduces parents to the emotional development of their children and provides strategies for building a deeper connection between parents and children.

To confirm a place in this free course please call Pete or Lisa 66884109
Cost: Free
Limited childcare is available so please discuss with us when you book

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