



‘Today is for Tomorrow’

SAFE RESPECTFUL LEARNERS

NEWS FROM WALLACIA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term 3 Week 10 Monday September 24 2018.

Principal's Message

Term three has been extremely busy and seems to have flown by. Our students have enjoyed an extensive number of extra-curricular opportunities and I thank our hard working staff for investing copious hours outside of their teaching and learning responsibilities to provide these experiences for the kids of WPS!

SASS recognition week was in week 7 and I would like to acknowledge and express my sincere gratitude for the wonderful work our administrative and support staff do at Wallacia PS. Our office staff, General Assistant, and School Learning Support Officers work tirelessly to support teachers and students at our school. Their contributions are often behind the scenes, however their commitment to our school community does not go unnoticed. On behalf of the Wallacia PS community, I thank our SASS for your dedication and unwavering support – we certainly could not do what we do without you!

Parent concerns - From time to time parents may have concerns or questions regarding their own child or children. This is completely natural and, at times, expected. For parents to best satisfy their curiosity or to gain correct information concerning an alleged incident or occurrence, can I suggest you follow the procedure below:

- speak with your child honestly;
- make an appointment to speak with your child's teacher;
- if required, make an appointment to see Mr Mason; then
- speak with your child again.

The best people to help are those of us who are involved with your child at school. Social networking sites cannot solve problems or issues your child is having at school. Sometimes information is posted on social networking sites, prior to any discussions parents have with the school, and therefore only presents one point of view. It would be greatly appreciated if you follow the above procedure so as to ascertain both points of view as this usually solves most issues which arise.

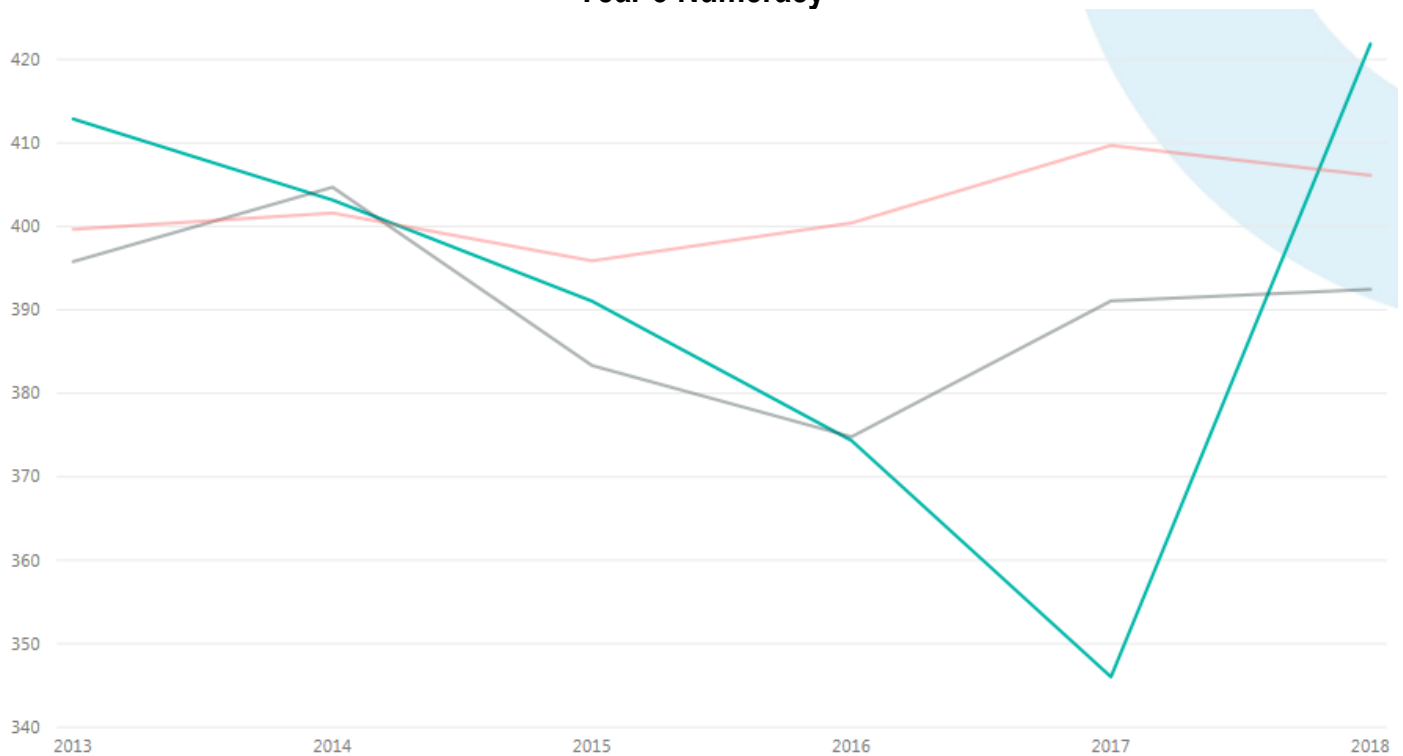
Mr Kelly will be absent next term from Tuesday 16 October until Wednesday 24 October for Long Service Leave. Mr Rush will take 5/6 Class during this time. I will be away next term on Long Service Leave from 01 November to 12 November.

PBL Reward Day - We will be holding our special student acknowledgement session on Thursday next week. This is our chance to celebrate and acknowledge all the students who have worked really hard with their work, effort and behaviour to achieve their best this term. All students who have attained a Bronze, Silver or a Gold badge level this term will be permitted to wear mufti on Thursday 27 September. They will also be invited to the Principal Morning Tea at recess time to celebrate their special achievement personally with Mr Mason. We will supply a special treat at recess for these super special students. All Gold and Principal Award Winners are also invited to join Mr Mason in the middle session on Thursday 27 September for a very special fun session in the library. As part of our special session all Gold and Principal Award Winners are permitted to bring in a personal electronic device to use during the special session. All devices must be brought to the office in the morning. The devices will be stored for safe keeping until the special middle session event. If families choose to permit their child(ren) to bring a device then we ask that all devices and accessories are clearly labelled with the child's name. Congratulations to all our students who have demonstrated a strong effort to follow our school values to be safe, respectful learners.

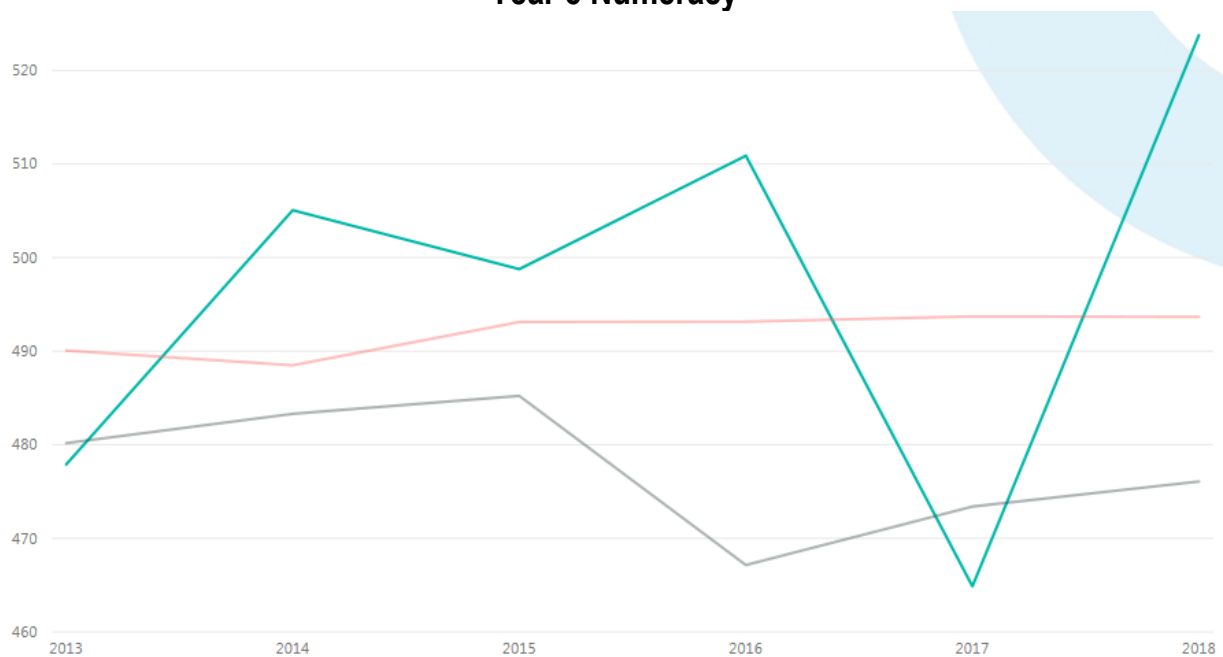
Students' last day of Term 3 will be on Friday 28 September. There is no Staff Development Day on the first day of term. Both students and staff return to school on Monday 15 October.

NAPLAN –As a school team, we have been focusing and working very hard with our approach for Numeracy to support every learner to improve. It is wonderful to be able see the positive results of this work being reflected in an external assessment process. Not only has our Numeracy achievement improved to our best ever results, but every single student has demonstrated above expected growth in Numeracy from years 3 to 5. Both our year 3 and 5 results demonstrate that we have out performed all our local like schools (black line) and the entire state (red line). WPS are the green line!

Year 3 Numeracy



Year 5 Numeracy

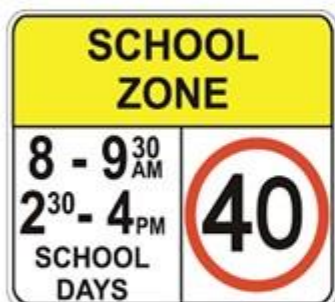


Road safety

Parents and students are not permitted to use the driveway entrance, nor are they allowed to enter the car park. There are cars and delivery trucks entering

and leaving the car park throughout different times of the day so this is not a safe thoroughfare for students to be using. The pedestrian entrance is located 15 metres further along. This is the entrance students and families are to utilise. In the interest of our whole school community we would also like to remind all drivers to please take care when driving in and around our school, especially during our drop -off and pick-up times.

SCHOOL ZONE Parking Infringements



School Zone Infringement as @30th January, 2018



How many year 6s does it take to open a compost bin? Josiah eventually did it!





Bowerbirds Nest - How Wonderful!



SPRING GARDEN ! Just beautiful.....



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P & C News

Well we had an amazing day at our Bunnings BBQ and cake stall. Despite the much-needed rain we raised over \$1500.00! A massive thank you to the families who spared a little time over the day to help with baking and manning the stall on the day. It was a good laugh and a great opportunity to get to know each other. THANK YOU.

Father's Day stall was another success. I hope all the Dads, Granddads and Pops were happy with their gifts. I know the children thought hard about what to buy. A big thank you to the parents who helped on the day.

On Sunday the 28th October our school will be hosting Black Lilly Images. She is an amazing photographer who takes our Year 6 farewell photos. She will be hosting a family portrait day for \$30 per family. Call or go to the website to book.

As the year starts to wind down in Term 4 we are starting to look for prizes for our Christmas raffle. If you know any local businesses who are willing to donate goods or vouchers to this fun event please contact the office or a P & C member. Thanks in advance.

At our last P & C Meeting Donna Sweeney our fantastic Vice President resigned her post. I, on behalf of the P & C committee and school would like to thank her for her hard work and time. I know she is still keen to help and will still be around the school. We also welcome Melissa Presentado into the position.

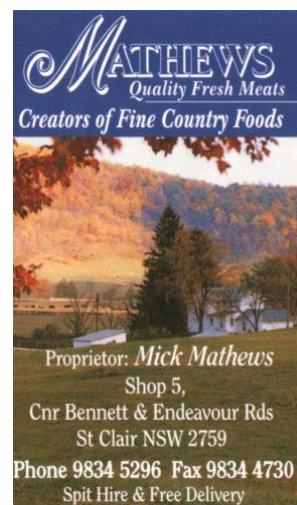
Our next P & C meeting is **on Monday 29th October at 2pm** in the Library. It is a great opportunity to hear about the events going on at school and give your opinion.

Jeannette Cullen
President
Wallacia Public School P & C

A big thank you to the following families for their help to make the day a success:

Sweeney
Gatt
Miscko
Zizik
Preston
Hoera
Cullen
Messina
Semken
Frost
Meredith
Allison
Middleton
Love

Our sponsors for the Bunnings BBQ and cake stall, Thank you!



WALLACIA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Next Meeting will be held

Tuesday 9 October at 7 pm

In the Wallacia Progress Hall

Corner of Greendale Road and Roma Street

From November, meetings held every first Tuesday of the month

All Welcome

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on **Thursday 14 March 2019**.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2020, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from mid-September 2018 at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>. The application website opens at that link on **9 October 2018** and closes on **12 November 2018**. **You must apply before the closing date.**

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 9 October 2018.

You must submit only **ONE** application for each student.

Remember: the tear-off slip below is not an application and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely

Principal
Wallacia Public School

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by next Friday.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL. This is a notice to your primary school only that you **intend** to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS WEBSITE.
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes>

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Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for selective high school entry in Year 7 in 2020 through the High Performing Students Unit website between 9 October 2018 and 12 November 2018.

☐ Yes

☐ No

Signature of parent/carer: _____ Date: _____

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SCHOOL FAMILY PORTRAIT FUNDRAISING

BY BLACK LILY IMAGES

\$30

**DISCOUNTED PRICES FOR YOUR SCHOOL*

DEAR FAMILIES,

WE ARE HOLDING A PORTRAIT FUNDRAISING DAY AND
IN EXCHANGE FOR A DONATION TO YOUR SCHOOL, YOU
WILL RECEIVE A 8X12 PRINT. *FRAMING AVAILABLE EXTRA

THE SCHOOL MAKES MONEY AND YOU WILL
RECEIVE AN UPDATED FAMILY PHOTO!

YOU ONLY PAY \$30!!

SUNDAY 28TH OCTOBER



**FAMILY PORTRAIT
FOR ONLY \$30!!**

PRINT PACKAGE

COMPLIMENTARY 8X12
6- 5X7 PRINTS
2- 8X10 PRINTS
4- WALLET SHEETS

\$160 (WORTH \$600)

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HIGH RES DISC OF
6 EDITED IMAGES

\$99 (WORTH \$299)

BOOK NOW!!

GO TO WEBSITE OR CALL

WWW.BLACKLILYIMAGES.COM/WPPS-FUNDRAISER

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Wallacia Public School

Girls Uniform

Polo Shirt	\$33.00
Skorts	\$24.50
Dress size 4-6-8.....	\$51.00
..... size 10-12-14-16....	\$57.00

Sports Uniform

Sport Shorts	\$23.00
Active Skirt	\$23.00

Accessories

Tights	\$15.00
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Boys Uniform

Polo Shirt	\$33.00
Shorts Regular	\$21.50
Shorts Cargo	\$25.50

Winter Uniform

Fleecy Jumper	\$28.00
Zip Jacket	\$38.00
Trousers Regular	\$27.00
Trousers Cargo	\$31.00

PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE
Prices effective 1st October 2018

ABEL SCHOOLWEAR

Unit 3 / 2 Peachtree Road
PENRITH NSW 2750

Behind McDonalds, in the same building as Tyrepower

02 4731 2388

OR shop online at www.abelschoolwear.com.au

Monday—Friday : 7.30am to 6pm

Saturday : 9am to 1pm

Sunday and Public Holidays : Closed

KEY DATES

<i>Fri Sep 21</i>	<i>Final / Full Payment Stage 2 Camp deadline</i> <i>Final / Full Payment Stage 3 Camp deadline</i>			
Thur Sep 27	Principal Reward Term Treat Morning Tea		Bronze, Silver, Gold & Principal Award recipients	Mufti for award recipients
Fri Sep 28	Brainstorm Production "Being Brave" Performance	School to Pay NO COST	K - 6	
<i>Fri Sep 28</i>	<i>LAST DAY TERM 3</i>	<i>HAPPY & SAFE SPRING HOLIDAYS</i>		
<i><u>MONDAY</u></i> <i>OCTOBER 15</i> <i><u>MONDAY</u></i>	<i>ALL STUDENTS RETURN TERM 4</i>	<i>WELCOME BACK!</i> <i>Term 4!</i> <i>WOW</i>		
Thursday October 18	Transition to School Program	Kindergarten 2019		
Monday- Friday October 29 to November 2	Swim School	Students Years 2 – 6	Closed Thursday 20 September	

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