Dear Parents,

**New Classroom Printer**

We have installed a new heavy duty printer for classroom use in the main classroom block. This printer is on the school’s network and prints in colour. Also it is capable of printing documents from iPads and iPhones.

**Permission Notes**

It is a policy at our school to send home a permission note to every student involved in a particular activity. Putting multiple names on a single permission note often leads to another degree of separation between parent, teacher and organizer. If a note is misplaced, feel free to contact the school for a replacement or even a handwritten note showing your understanding and giving permission would suffice.

**National Simultaneous Storytime**

The National Simultaneous Storytime will be held tomorrow at 11.00 am at Werris Creek Town Library. This is for the Infants grades and the story will be “Too Many Elephants In This House”. This will be read by special guest reader Cr Ian Lobsey, Mayor of Liverpool Plains Shire Council.

**Trivia Night**

Our School Trivia Night was reasonably successful last Friday night. There were seven teams competing and the winners were the Davis Team. The school was able to raise $628.50 towards the school excursion to The Gold Coast. Thanks to organizer Debbie Munday, Noeleen Geddes, guest reader Chris Lyon and to all who turned up.

**Touch Trials in Armidale (boys) and Tamworth (girls)**

Last Friday, 16.05.14, Malik Hunt travelled to Armidale to vie for a spot in the North-West Touch team. Ninety students attended the trials and lots of talent was on display. Malik represented the school and the zone well but unfortunately was not selected on the day. Well done Malik.

The girls also trialed last Friday but in Tamworth. Georgia was chosen to take part in the Possibles and Probables but was not selected in the final team. Lillie and Chloe also attended the trials trying their hardest but they were unsuccessful in gaining further selection. All girls represented the school and the Quirindi Zone with their very best efforts. Well done.

*Timothy Munday  
Acting Principal*
It is great to have parent helpers coming in. Your help is much appreciated. Tuesday afternoons we have a gross motor programme running and desperately need helpers to assist.

I am amazed at how many children are bringing in sets of sight words to earn the extra 10 dojo points.

Next week is speeches so there will be no new home readers next week as I will be assessing so just familiar books will come home.

We are loving practising for the Athletics Carnival.

Emily Tomlinson

YEAR 1

Thank you for those students who have been handing their homework back in on Fridays, and changing their home readers daily. Well done!

This week in class we are learning about recounts and reading Wilfred Gordon McDonald Partridge by Mem Fox to help us recount special memories.

In handwriting we are refining our formation of the letter 'N n'. Our class speeches will be held on Thursday 29th May (next week), with any children who do not speak on Thursday, speaking on Friday 30th May. Remember that these do not need to become stressful, and students are able to pick any topic that they wish to speak about for 2 minutes. Any questions, don't hesitate to ask.

In Maths we are doing revision of 3D shapes and discussing the different points of view these shapes have.

Wednesday morning (21st May) we are going to the library to have a story read to us. There are a few children who have not returned their notes. Please remember to bring these notes back in so that you are able to attend.

Cassie Forrest & Christine Roser-Whitney

YEAR 2/3

I would like to thank Miss Waugh for looking after the class last week while I was away. It was great to hear her say that she had a great week and what a wonderful class 2/3 is.

We are back into the full swing of our normal routine now that NAPLAN is over. Homework was sent home yesterday and is due back on Friday.

On a personal note I would like to thank the staff, children and their families for the support I was shown while I was away last week looking after my daughter in hospital.

Courtney Lyon
YEAR 4/5

Year 4/5 are working on Unit 13 Spelling and Maths activities, including homework, this week. Students are concluding their writing activity which is a persuasive text about the merits, (or not) of homework. Students will identify nets of three-dimensional shapes and hopefully try to construct some.

Tim Munday

Year 5/6

Students in 5/6 have been looking at a range of texts in English dealing with environmental issues. Students are composing a range of persuasive, imaginative and informative texts. They have produced flyers on the Daintree Rainforest and their persuasive posters on Shark Conservation are very impressive! Students have also been reading 'The Tomorrow Book', by Jackie French.

A reminder that students need to be working on their endangered species formal presentation at home as it is due week 8.

In PDHPE we have been discussing positive affirmations and practising High Jump for the Athletics Carnival. In Mathematics, students have been looking at division, word problems, and properties of triangles.

Roxanne Harris

LIBRARY

Science - 5/6 will continue to work with QR Codes this week along with 4/5. Kinder have started looking at recycling.

Library - Book borrowing continues for all classes, however some students have not been returning their books. Could parents please check. I will be sending home overdue notices next week.

Chess - We have the privilege of hosting the first day on the regional chess competition here next Wednesday. We have 2 teams entered and I will be talking to students and sending notes home for those selected to participate.

Visitors - The school had a spikey visitor to the playground today. "Susan" the echidna was exciting for the students to see. Unfortunately she seems to like climbing stairs and needed to be picked up and put in the garden. This time of year we tend to see many echidnas around the school area. If you have a nice yard and find mystery holes in your lawn..... :) Have a great week!

Chris Lyon

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Welcome to Werris Creek Public School
PJ Day 2014

Asthma Foundation NSW

PJ Day

Stay in your PJ’s to help people with asthma

Did you know that one in 10 adults and children has asthma? Sadly, asthma symptoms can often mean that people miss out on school or work and other activities they enjoy.

YOU CAN HELP reduce the impact of asthma by raising awareness and money for this chronic condition that affects over 2 million Australians.

Although PJ Day is traditionally run to coincide with World Asthma Day (on Tuesday 6 May 2014), Werris Creek Public School will hold our fundraiser on Wednesday, 18th June 2014.

Money you raise will go towards vital asthma research and asthma support programs.

We will charge a gold coin donation to anyone wearing their PJs or slippers. It’s as easy as that!

Principal’s Awards

5 Gold slips—Jonathan Verrall, Ben Foody
10 Gold slips—
15 Gold slips—
20 Gold slips—

Home Reading Nights
25 Nights - Nicholas Partridge;
50 Nights—Tiarni-Lee Pullen
75 Nights—

P. & C. News

CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN ROSTER FOR TERM 2, 2014

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P. & C. News

Next Meeting—The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday, 11.06.14, commencing at 1:00 in the school hall.

Term 2 Canteen Roster—We are still looking for helpers to fill Tuesdays. Please contact the office to have your name placed on the roster if you are available.

Pie Drive—Order forms and money to be returned to school by Friday, 23rd May, 2014. Delivery will be on Tuesday, 3.06.14 and can be collected from the hall after 2:00 pm.

Chinese Day—will be held Thursday 29th May. Please return pre-order form and money by 27.05.14.

Athletics Carnival—Pre-order form and money to be returned by 28th May along with times if you are able to assist

New Ideas—Canteen are trialling some new ideas for our winter menu during the month of May: Fish Fingers (30c each) and Potato skins with cheese (80c). The most popular item will be added to the winter menu.

Upcoming Events—

Movie Day—details to come;
Christmas in July—26.07.14, to be held at the Golf Club - Dinner and Entertainment (More details to come)

SOCCER DEVELOPMENT CLINIC

When: 4 July 2014
1-30pm to 4-30pm
Where: Golland Fields
East St. Quirindi
For: Boys and Girls
born 2002 to 2008
Cost: $35 per person
Includes a quality soccer ball to take home

A reminder about the National Simultaneous Story Time for Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 at Werris Creek Town Library
11.00pm tomorrow.