Spring Garden Competition

Congratulations to Laurie Taylor our Groundsman and Teacher Julie Grey on the school winning several categories. First Place – Schools Comp, First Place - Children’s Garden, Second Place – Festival Garden. The presentations will be held on Thursday at 4pm in St Mary’s Hall.

Attendance

With only 8 weeks of school remaining for 2016 it is timely to remind families that attendance is compulsory for every student in Years 1-6 (P-6 from 2017). If a student in your care is absent for any reason please ring the absence line, stating child’s name, class and reason for absence. It is possible for staff to make a mistake when marking the roll, so if you receive an Attendance Absence letter by mistake – we do apologise and appreciate your understanding.

Writing Competition

Congratulations to the Years 5/6 students who recently entered a national writing competition, under Mr Sullivan’s direction. Each of the students entered have moved through to the next level of the competition. This is fantastic news.

State Education Week

State Education Week will be held from Sunday 23 October until Saturday 29 October.

The annual week-long celebration is an opportunity to recognise the talent and achievements of students and teachers in state schools, and showcase their wonderful work to the wider community.

World Teachers Day will be held on Friday 28 October.

Here at WESS, we will be celebrating Education Week as follows: Monday October 24th -We have invited our Grandparents to join us on Parade, followed by a visit to their grandchildren’s classroom/s and then a shared morning tea in the Library from 10.30am as well as a visit from our Acting Assistant Regional Director; Wednesday October 26th - Students vs Staff Netball Game at 11am & Year 4/5 Maths Challenge at WSHS and Rodeo/Bushie Dress Up Day as well as a visit from the Rodeo Queen; Thursday October 27th - Students Buddy Reading sessions; Friday October 28th - Years 5/6 will take part in the Cowboys & Kids Program (this program is a visit by a group of American rodeo cowboys/girls. The program delivers a life message to students, using the cowboy code and way of life as a basis). We are looking forward to a busy and enjoyable week.

Staffing

Welcome to Robyn Marsh who this week joins our school leadership team as the Acting DP/Master Teacher. I am sure everyone will join me in welcoming Robyn to our staff for Term 4.

Enjoy the week,
Marina Clarke
Principal

“ Everyday, Everyone is Learning to Live and Living to Learn ”
Camp payments to be finalised by the end of October please.
Medical forms must be returned by this Friday.

There will be no band or lessons with Mr Waples this week.

From Mr Spiller - I am presently recruiting students to play string instruments in 2017. If you are interested in playing violin, viola or cello and will be in year 3-6 in 2017 see me at school on Fridays 8-11am.

Combined Schools Concert - The concert is taking place again this year on Monday 7th November at Warwick West State School in the school stadium. The concert is for intermediate level students in the Instrumental Music Program in the area. It commences at 6pm. Students are required to be there by 5:30pm. The evening should be finished by around 7:30pm. Your instrumental music teacher will inform you if you are involved in this concert.

FREE DENTAL TREATMENT
Under Medicare your children may be eligible for FREE dental. This includes exams, cleans, fillings, fissure seals and extractions. This is only available until the 31st December. To find out more please call Guy Street Dental 4661 3773. Don’t let your kids miss out.
Payment of all outstanding accounts would be appreciated. No money is to be given to teachers or aides. All money to be placed in the box outside the office back door before 9:30am.

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**For Sale at the Tuckshop:**

Starting in Week 4, every Monday and Thursday at 11:00AM:
- For Sale: Ice-Blocks (Zooper Dooper) 50c
- Girl Guide Biscuits (sml pkt 25g) 50c
- Student Councillors will be there to help with the sale.

**BushKids and Rodeo Dress-Up Day**

Come dressed as a "Bushie" or Cowboy or Cowgirl.
Wednesday 26th of October, Week 4.
Gold Coin Donation: Funds to go to BushKids.

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**P&C News**

**P&C MEETING** – The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 18th October at 5pm in the library. Items for discussion include: tuckshop, succession planning. If you have any items for discussion, please email pandcsecretary@warweastss.eq.edu.au

**TUCKSHOP** - There will be no tuckshop until further notice.

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**Book Club due this Friday**

- **Playgroup** - Every Thursday
  8:50am - 11:00am
- **Pre Prep Program**
  Friday 9am - 11am
- **CHOIR** every Tuesday
  8:15am for years 2-6 in the music room.

**Semester One** - 90.3%
**Semester Two so far** - 87.8%
**Term 4** - 91%
Please remember to phone the absence line on 4660 5860 if your child is going to be away.

Please state the name of your child and reason why your child is absent.

A late pass must be collected from the office if your child arrives at school after 8:50am.

**Staff Profile**

Name: Chontelle Bruton  
Teacher  
Favourite Food: Fresh Prawns  
Interests: Sport, Theatre  
Favourite colour: Blue

**From the Hub**

For geography the students of The Hub have been learning about special places. One special place is Fraser Island. Students created a diorama and labelled the features (such as sand, water and forest) of the island. Below are examples of the dioramas.