Welcome to this week’s South Wagga Bulletin.

It has certainly been a huge week at South Wagga Public with a performance on Monday afternoon, Enviro Mentors on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the Wagga Eisteddfod performances on Thursday and Friday, Trent Barrett Shield on Thursday, Riverina Athletics in Albury on Friday and the Australian Rules team winning the Tony Lockett State Knockout on Tuesday.

The efforts of the students in all endeavours and activities this week has been outstanding in every respect. It never ceases to amaze me how well the South Wagga students perform at sporting and cultural events and the manner in which they achieve at the highest level.

The big staffing news this week is the two new teaching appointments to South Wagga Public School for the start of the 2014 school year. The first appointment is Corrie Shaw who was appointed from the central appointment process and the second appointment was Angela Pieper who was appointed from the top match pool of teachers. I welcome them both to South Wagga Public School as permanent staff members and I look forward to working with them over the coming years.

Update of the week

Aussie Rules Team - State Champions
Boys and Girls Trent Barrett Shield - Through to the Finals Day - 10 September
Ned Prescott—Wagga Eisteddfod U/12 Singing winner
School Band - Wagga Eisteddfod 2nd Place
Senior Band Members - ‘Wagga Eisteddfod Highly Commended
Riverina Athletics - SWPS 17 representatives
Stage 2 Choir—Wagga Eisteddfod - performed beautifully and just missed out on a place.

Until next week
Achievement Awards

KR: Louie Douglas—Effort in reading
KF: Caitlain Simpson—Beautiful manners and shows care for class members
Sinsup Sutton—Improved effort in all areas of his work
1/2C: Lucas Livio—Great fact remembering in class
1/2J: Rhys Manley—Creating a wonderful assignment on volcanoes
1/2O: Reuben Heine—Excellent journal writing in literacy groups
1/2R: Luke Barnhill—Always working hard at achieving his best
3/4H: Meg Senior—Continuing to improve in her maths
Joe Cole—Being a strong member of our class
3/4L: Christine Redamwang—Trying hard with reading
Will Sibrey—High effort in all aspects of his schooling
3/4P: Kaili Kerr—Being a good sport
Chris Bassett—Handwriting
5/6B: Marlin Bryon—Maturity in class
Aka: Rodney Simpson—Class leadership
Eliza Smith—Application & effort
5/6C: Damon Hurst—Continued good work
Ella Fellows—Excellent contribution to class discussions
5/6D: Will Parnell—Creativity with his presentation
Jacob Manley—Effort and application in maths
Library: Sienna O’Brien 1/2J, Ben Measday 5/6D, Iwen Whalan 1/2J
Special Awards: Nikia Leighton-Popple 5/6B, Max Manning 5/6B

How 2 Learn Awards

KR: Milla Burkinshaw—Being absorbed in her learning
KF: Mohamed Awad—Trying to be connected to his class work
1/2C: Nina Riethmuller—Making great links in her learning
1/2J: Sinali Udamadura—Always being absorbed in her learning
1/2O: Tyler Gadsden—Making links with science and literacy learning
1/2R: Gabriel James—Being absorbed in and connected to his learning
3/4H: Zain Dowding—Taking more responsibility over his learning
3/4P: Eliza Ross—Managing distractions well
3/4O: Paige Clancy—Being regularly absorbed in her learning
5/6B: Dean McMullen—Leading others with learning
5/6C: Charlotte Ryan—Showing empathy towards others
5/6D: Hugh Wakefield—Excellent questioning skills in literacy

Premier’s Spelling Bee 2013

In week 6, an in-school Spelling Bee competition was held to select the finalist for the Premier’s Spelling Bee 2013. Congratulations to the students who were involved. Stage 2 students: Raphael Middlemost, Thomas Prescott, Rani Hogg, Logan Butler, Meg Senior, Molly Livio, Saffron Robertson, Charlie Obst, Josie Wakeling and Stage 3: Max Manning, Amelia Thompson, Samuel Springett, Ned Prescott, Damon Hurst and Imgoen Robertson. From the rounds held 4 students were selected, 2 from Stage 2 and 2 from Stage 3, to represent South Wagga. Good luck to Thomas Prescott, Meg Senior, Amelia Thompson and Samuel Springett at the Regional Spelling Bee on 9th September, hosted at South Wagga Public School.

The School Equipment Fund contributions amounts are:-
One child: $40.00
Two children: $50.00
Three or more children: $60.00
All funds collected are used to support classroom and school activities.

Payments to School
Could payments to the school office be placed in an envelope with students name, class and what the payment is for. Where possible correct money as we don’t always have change. All money received is banked each day. Thank you for your cooperation.
Over the next couple of weeks the staff and students of SWPS will be looking closely at their teaching and learning. We can all learn from each other. The staff has been discussing the effectiveness of different teacher behaviours, best teaching practice and looking at ways to make changes that help our students boost their own learning. Students will be asked to think about which habits help them with their learning and when to use them. Everyone learns in different ways. We as teachers are coaching our students to stretch their learning muscles and apply the habits we have introduced to them so they can be independent and creative thinkers.

Jump Rope for Heart
Our school is participating in the Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart program and we would love your support. Just a reminder about sponsorship – simply go online to [www.heartfoundation.org.au/jumprope](http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/jumprope), click on the green ‘Kids Join Now’ button, and register. You can still use the sponsorship forms if you don’t want to complete it online - simply fill out the sponsorship forms that were handed out this week and bring them back to school along with the money by our Jump Off date Tuesday 17th September 2013 (week 10).

Skipping is an excellent way for children to keep fit and we get to raise money for a good cause at the same time.

Jess Dillon

Tony Lockett Shield
Last Monday, the SWPS Australian Rules team travelled to Sydney to play the finals of the Tony Lockett Shield. The matches were played at the Blacktown International Sportspark on a very warm day for football. Our semi-final match was against Pottsville Beach PS from the far North coast. The first half was quite even but we kicked 9 goals in the second half to win comfortably 12.8.80 to 3.1.19. Our main goal kicker was Campbell Simpson with four goals. This put us through to the grand-final against fellow Riverina school, Finley PS. This turned out to be a closer game although we kicked a few late goals to make the final scores 8.3.51 to 2.6.18, making us the State Knockout Champions for 2013. Harry Reynolds was the main goal kicker in the final with 3. Best players for the day were hard to pick with the whole team contributing to the win, however Sam Bailey, Harry Reynolds, Billy de Bruyn and Denzil Noack stood out.

Congratulations to the whole team and thankyou to parents who provided transport, performed jobs on the day and supported.

Trent Barrett Teams
Well done to the Trent Barrett Teams on winning through to the finals day on the 10 September. Congratulations to all the boys and girls on your efforts and sportsmanship. Thank you to the parents for your support on the day.

Helen Cooper and Jess Dillon

Stage 2 Excursion
On Thursday, 22nd August, Stage 2 travelled off to the Mt Selwyn snow fields. We had to be at school by 6:30 am and we departed school at about 7:00am. Our bus trip took us about two and a half hours. We stopped at Tumut for a stretch and a toilet break. After that, we hopped back in the bus and headed off to Mt Selwyn. On the bus, there were a couple of sick people on the winding roads. There were two buses, 3/4L and 3H people on one bus and 3/4P and 4H on the other. On the way, a lot of people had iPads to entertain them. After a couple of hours we had arrived at the snow fields. HOORAY! We played lots of games and Mr Harris got snowballs thrown at him. We went inside and had our lunch and then went back out in the snow. Then, before we knew it, time was up so we got organised and went to hop in the buses. On the way, we drove over the Talbingo Dam wall and had afternoon tea at Talbingo. Finally, we got back in the buses to travel back to Wagga.

All of Stage 2 would like to thank the teachers for organising the excursion. Our favourite bit of the day was spending time with our friends and making a pregnant snow lady.

Amali Fitzhenry and Deklyn Halhead

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SOUTH WAGGA PUBLIC SCHOOL
2013 SWPS P C Tipping Comp
Week 25 Ladder

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Fete Mufti Day Friday 20 September
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Wagga Wagga Little Athletics Thursday Nights from 5pm U4 - 17 years
Start and Trial Date: 19th September 2013
Registration Date: 12th September 2013 – 5pm to 6:30 pm
Contact – Leanne 0408021810 or Brent 0412451457
Jubilee Park Hockey Rooms (upstairs) Proof of Age Required for all registrations
Registration Fees -$85 for Tiny Tots
-$95 for U6-U17
You can also register online at littleathletics.com.au.
We would prefer payment on the registration nights Cash or Cheque is accepted.
If you register online, please bring your paperwork along on our registration night to collect your registration pack, and to purchase any uniforms you require.

Kapooka Preschool
Enrolments are now being taken for 2014.
Vacancies exist in our 3, 4 & 5 year old groups.
Feel free to visit our wonderful preschool it is open to all in the community
Cost: Fees range from $14 to $34 per day. Registered Care Rebate is available
Contact: Donna or Annie – 69312722 or email kecc1@bigpond.com

Spring 2013 Western Riverina Junior Chess
Tournament in Griffith
WHERE: St. Patrick’s Primary School, Griffith
WHEN: Tuesday 1st October 2013 (week 2 of the school holidays)
TIME: 9:15 am to 3:30 pm
ENTRY FEE: $10 [$15 for a family]
OPEN TO: Anyone under the age of 18 who likes to play chess
PRIZES: Trophies for 1st, 2nd & 3rd in Under 18 and Under 12
REGISTER BY: 29th Sept 2013, contact: Noel Maddern Ph 0428 887 626
or by email: noel.maddern@det.nsw.edu.au
Flyers available from SWPS office.

Rock of Ages Concert
The Rock Central School presents Rock of Ages Concert featuring rock songs from the 60’s to 90’s at The Rock Hall.
SWPS Band will be performing at the lunchtime performance @ 12 noon on Wednesday 4 September.
Tickets for this performance are available at South Wagga School Office @ $5.00 per person. (pre-schoolers free) NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR.....
Other performances for this concert are Wed 4 and Thurs 5 Sept @ 7pm.
Tickets for night performances available from The Rock Central School Booking Office 6920 2132

Thank you to Andrew for his support to South Wagga Public School through the week.