Welcome or Welcome Back!!

Welcome to the 2013 school year!

This is our first newsletter for the year. Our newsletters are uploaded to our website fortnightly on a Wednesday. We will no longer be sending hard copies home to each family. Please complete the attached form with regards to email addresses. If you do not have access to a computer, please see the office to arrange alternative arrangements. We are always looking for feedback for our newsletters. Please don’t hesitate to contact us.

Term One is nine weeks and ends on Thursday, 28th March. (Good Friday—29th March). School resumes for Term 2 on Monday, 15th April.

I would like to welcome back our students and families from last year and make a special welcome to our new families. Lots of new faces in Miss Dowe’s class: Haylee Leggatt, Sterling Loughlin, Hope McClymont, Miffy McClymont, Billy Thompson, Haylee Spooner, Georgia Jervis, Tyson Crighton, Ben Frasle, Jack Cooper, Cameron Quade, Heidi Hawks, Ella Collins and Bryson Merritt. The Year 3’s welcome Presten Merritt and our newest Senior is Storm Arnold.

As you can see, we have a number of new families this year, and I’d like to welcome them on your behalf. To these families and their students, we hope you enjoy your association with the Wellcamp State School Community.

Our staff include:

Principal: Kym Stansbie
Teaching Staff: Robyn Cahill, Karen Dowe, Kym Stansbie, Janelle Trenaman
Specialist Teachers: Jodie May (PE), Bev Warner (German), Jill Field (The Arts)
Teacher Aides: Debbie Castles, Lee Missingham
Admin: Lee-Anne Parish
Cleaning Staff: Mick Castles

With thanks
Families that were able to support our P&C during the holiday—Groundscare, Bunnings BBQ, Catering—your help is much appreciated by all students.

P&C Newsletter home tomorrow

Fruit & Vege karts this Frida!

Wanted Please: Volunteers to clean up tennis court area after recent storms.
Parents requiring their children to arrive late or depart school early, are required by law to sign their children in and out at the school office, in the Late Arrivals/Early Departure Register. This register is maintained so that in an emergency, we know exactly who is and isn’t on the premises.

When leaving early during the school day, for any reason, parents will need to report to the office in the first instance. Children are to be collected from the classroom and NOT the front gate.

In order to protect students with allergies to peanuts, we are now a “Peanut Free School”. No food containing peanuts should be brought to school. The tuckshop will not sell any peanut products and peanut products are not to be used in Food Studies or any other faculty.

Whilst it is not possible to guarantee that peanut products will not be in the school, the School requests all members of the Wellcamp community make every effort to support this policy so as to ensure the safety and well being of all students.

This does not include products that contain the warning “may contain traces of nuts”.

Parents are expected to notify the school of their child’s absences preferably on the day the child is absent by phone call. A brief note addressed to your child’s teacher on their return is also suitable.

Since mid 2005, parents have been supporting our Healthy Schools Program by participating in our weekly, combined Fresh Fruit & Vege Morning Tea each Friday. The P&C Committee buy all the fruit & veges each week to ensure high quality and variety and ask parents to contribute $1 per child each week towards the cost.

We support the P&C in this fantastic endeavour and ask parents to send along the $8 per student for Term 1 (public holiday last day of Term). Starts this week!!

That time of year again........
We will not be sending out new forms for media consent or internet approval. If you would like to change your child’s permission, please call in to the office for new forms.

Also, if your family details have changed, the school needs to be aware of this. Particularly contact numbers, in case of emergencies. Please let us know of any change of address, contact numbers, emergency contacts, medical details etc. as soon as possible. If you have advised the school that your child has asthma, please remember that we require an Asthma Action Plan in consultation with your doctor.

This year we have a new permission form for the application of sunscreen and first aid items. If you have any queries regarding this form, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We have also sent home the Voluntary Contribution Scheme form. This year the price has increased to $20 per student for the year. This works out be only $5 / term. This money is used to enhance learning by providing photocopies of student worksheets and other educational material and also includes your child’s participation in the CWA International Day Morning Tea in Term 2 and special activities like cooking.

The students will participate in a number of school excursions throughout the year. If there is a cost, the P&C often offer to subsidise part of the cost to parents. A permission note and details of the excursion are usually provided to parents about two weeks before the excursion. Please note that we understand times are hard for families financially, and we offer early part payments. Please see the office if you would like to be involved in this.
Karen would like to invite new or interested parents to a meeting this Friday, from 8.30am to answer any queries you may have and to discuss homework, home reading and the class routine in general. There will be a small morning tea to follow, please bring along a plate to share.

Robyn will be holding a similar parent session the following Friday from 8.30am.

All welcome!

A reminder that we have a few bins beside the Sports Shed for any paper to be recycled. The money received from the paper last year paid the entry for all students to attend the break up at Highfields. Please note: only paper can be placed in these bins.

We are looking for anyone in Grade 3 or older who would like to learn the recorder. Lessons will be held every Tuesday as soon as the play bell rings at big lunch time. You will need a recorder and a black plastic pocket folder. Please buy a Suzuki brand (or similar) recorder if possible. Come and see Mrs Cahill if you would like to play.

Last year’s recorder group will play at 1:10pm on a Tuesday.
**FEBRUARY**

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The wearing of our school uniform is encouraged. It looks neat, wears well, is sunsafe and shows school pride. Please ensure your children wear their uniform with pride.

**New Website**
Our new website went live late last year.
www.wellcampss.eq.edu.au
Fruit & Veg Levy

Due end of week 3

$8 per child for term 1 to be paid by Thursday WEEK 3
or $1 per child per week paid weekly

If you DON’T pay please send fruit & veg from home.

Return volunteer form by 14th February

Inductions for all

We’ll host inductions for the community room kitchen on the 8th February at 9:00 am and also for the mowing equipment on Saturday the 23rd February at 8:30 am

New parents encouraged to attend

Payments & Bills

P&C asks all families owing money to rectify the issue as soon as possible. Gentle reminders will be sent home soon. Thank you.

Fundraising

Christmas BBQ:
gross- $1867 profit- $1267

Bunnings BBQ:
gross- $2207 profit- $1484

Cluster catering:
gross- $882 profit- $682

Don’t forget!

Valentines day is the 14th of February

Ice blocks for sale for $1 on Friday afternoons near the amazing ABC

February

4th P&C Meeting 3pm
8th Kitchen induction
14th Fruit & Veg due
Valentines Day
23rd Mowing induction

ROSTERS

Fruit & Veg Roster
Fri Feb 1st Ziebell
8th Quade
15th Jervis

Mowing Roster
30th Jan– 12th Feb Becker Family

New roster will be sent home. Those families wishing to opt out please let us know ASAP otherwise you will be placed on the roster for one fortnight during the year.

P&C Memberships

At the AGM in March all memberships will lapse, please find attached a new/renewal application form & code of conduct form to sign.

P&C News

30th January 2013 Week 1 / Term 1

Wellcamp Tuckshop

Parents needed to form a committee to look after tuckshop

nominate now

At the AGM in March all positions are open for nomination, please find nomination form attached.

Wellcamp State School Parents & Citizens Association– Executives contact details
President: Carla Jervis email: cjervispandc@gmail.com mob: 0423287626
Treasurer: Brenda Quade email: dolhold1@bigpond.com mob: 0407336660
Secretary: Rebecca McCosker email: bec.mccosker@bigpond.com mob: 0407756830

Any input from parents is encouraged, either via email, phone, in person or a note in the P&C box. We cannot read minds.
Preferred method of payment: Online

You can pay for uniforms, fruit & veg, fundraising, voluntary contributions, community courses etc.

Feel free to email Brenda@dolhold1@bigpond.com to let her know what you have paid if that would make you feel more comfortable paying online.

Paying Online:

Account name: Wellcamp State School P&C Association
BSB: 064 433
A/c No: 0090 0379,
please include ‘family name – what your paying for’ as a payment reference

Paying by Cheque

Cheques payable to: Wellcamp State School P&C Association
Place in sealed envelope clearly marked with FAMILY NAME & WHAT you are paying for.

Paying by Cash

Place in sealed envelope clearly marked with FAMILY NAME & WHAT you are paying for.

Example

Family/Student Name
Fruit & Veg $8

Christmas BBQ & Raffle
Thanks to all parents who volunteered their time and all families that purchased raffle tickets, money boards, gold coin donations, bought dinner, donated hamper items and sourced raffle prizes.

Bunning’s:
Prep- Wendy Bogg, Tracey Becker,
On the day- Brenda Quade, Bec McCosker, Suzanne Ziebell, Rochelle Smith, Paul Bausch, Jeff Loughlin, Kym Stansbie, Paula Naumann and Ros Bausch.
Packing up- Keith Jervis, Gavin Ziebell,
A special thank you to the Bausch’s who volunteered their time not only to cook & sell but to transport everything and set up. Especially as your children have graduated and you no longer benefit from any funds raised by the P&C.
Also to Mrs Stansbie, as a principal/teacher without children at the school, thank you for giving up time during your holidays when you didn’t HAVE to.
Without these three volunteers we likely would have been unable to do the Bunning’s BBQ.

Cluster Catering:
Baking– Jill Amos, Majenta Hall, Paula Naumann, Laura Saal, Paula Frasle, Brenda Quade, Ann Cartwright and Vanessa Walker.
On the day: Brenda Quade & Rebecca McCosker

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