**Wednesday 7th May 14**

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**Teaching, Learning and Discipline Audit**

This important audit was held last Thursday by Mr Ian Hall. After a busy day of questions and answers regarding everything in these areas, we were successful in gaining a high in all areas. This is a great result and reaffirms that Wallangarra State School is achieving great things and is adhering to all Education Qld guidelines that are required. Our new Responsible Behaviour Management policy has been implemented with success and results from this were very impressive. Thank you to the staff, students and parents for their input into this audit.

**P&C Meeting**

The next meeting of the P&C Association will be held next Tuesday 13 May at 3.15pm. All welcome.

**Naplan**

Naplan begins next Tuesday and will continue on Wednesday and Thursday for children in Years 3/5/7. Please make sure your child is at school barring illness.

**Absences**

Please remember to let the school know if your child is absent for any reason. It is not acceptable to have unexplained absences anymore so a follow up phone call or a text will be made to check on your child’s absence. Sending a note along the next day, or a phone call is the preferred method of communication regarding absences. You may also let us know if you have to pop into the school for any reason. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.
2015
As most of you are aware, Year 6 and Year 7 are going off to High School next year. This will have a big impact on our enrolments and we are looking for predicted enrolments for 2015. This is mainly for prep. We are hoping to maintain the current staff for next year. If you intend sending your child to prep next year please let us know or come along to the playgroup. If you know of any prep age children please let them know.

Sports News
Shani Pitkin and Elizabeth Cooper have been selected for the Granite Belt Cross Country team which will compete in Toowoomba on Tuesday 27 May.

Also along with William McCall they will be members of the Granite Belt Zone Soccer Team that will participate in the Darling Downs Regional Trials.

BOYS: Stanthorpe, Sunday 18th / Monday 19th May 2014- C. F. White and Sheanan Ovals. (8.30am – 4pm). Players may be selected in a Possibles v Probables team on Sunday Afternoon.

GIRLS: Stanthorpe – Monday 19th May 2014 at Stanthorpe Soccer Ovals 9.00am – 2.00pm

State Carnivals  If selected in the Darling Downs Team :-
The Boy’s State Carnival will be held in Roma from the 24th-27th July.
The Girl’s State Carnival will be held in Mt. Isa from the 24th -27th July.

Playgroup
Playgroup operates at Wallangarra State School every Wednesday morning from 9am to 11am for all preschool age children. No cost is involved and the children will become familiar with the school, other children and staff. If your child will be coming to prep next year, they will need to turn 5 years of age before the 30th June 2015. Orientation days for 2015 preps will be held in Term 4. In the meantime please come along.

Sports Training
Sheree Pitkin will be training students for sports days on Friday afternoons from 3pm-4pm. If your child does stay please ensure that you have arranged transport home for them after 4pm.

Cold weather
As the weather is beginning to turn cold, please make sure your child leaves the house with a jumper/tracksuit. Your house and the school are warm but outside is cold and they may not be able to play outside if they don’t have warm clothing if it is deemed too cold.
**Calendar**
Please find attached a calendar for the month of May. Please keep this on your fridge or in your office as a quick reference for all school activities. We will then send each month’s calendar home thereafter.

**Life Education**
This will be held on Monday 19 May. The van is here at the school and the cost is only $2 per child. Please send this along ASAP.

**Soccer**
Soccer was postponed last week due to the weather and we will have to have a catch up game in the future. This Friday we travel to Amiens School. We have 2 parents who have volunteered to transport but need one more. If you can assist please let the school know by Thursday afternoon.

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Did you know?

Many indigenous people find it hard to research their family history for a number of reasons. The Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) has a [family history unit](https://www.aiatsis.gov.au) where you can search through names and find any sort of records, written or photographic. Try it and see! It’s like a treasure hunt of fascinating information on our first people!

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**Public Notices**

**QCWA Cent Sale**

When: Wednesday 14 May  
Where: QCWA Hall – Doors open at 1pm for a 1.30pm start  
Cost: $2.00 entry fee – Raffle

All welcome. Please come along and support your local CWA.