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PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Hello to All,

Off to a great start!

We have had a terrific start to 2024 with our classes being finalised and learning underway. A full list of staff has been included for your reference.

A special welcome to our new Kindergarten students and all other families joining our community in 2024. Please remember to download our app to your phone and enable notifications to make sure you receive the latest information.

As the year progresses, we will be moving to the Sentral Parent Portal for all communication including payments and permission notes – for this reason class notes will be printed and uploaded to the app (not the website).

For those families who were able to successfully download and access the Parent Portal at the end of last year please be advised that you can notify us of student absences this way. Absences can also be submitted via the app (until it is decommissioned later this year). Other ways of notifying absences include a written note to the teacher, phone call to the office or email to the school.

For information on upcoming events please refer to the school calendar (available on the Parent Portal and the website).

You may have seen a variety of workmen around the school over the holidays. Our A block upstairs classrooms and offices have had a facelift with the replacement of all tiles, carpets, and storage cupboards.

This involved a mammoth effort of all teachers who were required to move all learning items from the room at the end of 2023 and then move them all back in at the start of 2024.

The air-conditioning of all office and learning spaces is now also complete.



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Assemblies for 2024

Our K-6 assemblies will kick off in week 6 this term and will continue every 2nd Tuesday at 1.30pm

<i>Week</i>	<i>Term 1</i>	<i>Term 2</i>	<i>Term 3</i>	<i>Term 4</i>
2		1S	KP	4H
4		5/6P	3W	5/6E
6	5/6L	Support Unit	2M	KO
8	4S	Dance Group	Choir	Recorder Group
10	2H	3A	1D	

While we do our best to follow this schedule there will be times when times/days change. Please keep an eye on the newsletter, school calendar and "latest information" tab in the app for the most up to date communication.

Working together with families

At Wyoming we are committed to working with families with the best interest of the student being the highest priority. We understand that at times discussions with teachers can be highly emotive, but it is important to remember that you are an important role model, and we ask that you consider the following when speaking to your child and school staff.



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Encourage fairness

When children see their parent/caregivers' treating others with disrespect when annoyed or frustrated, they learn that the way to deal with their frustration/anger is to do the same. When they see their parent/caregivers treat others unfairly, they learn that unfairness is OK.

Respect, fairness, and integrity are encouraged through good role models. Your child will learn to respect other people by seeing you do the same.

Keep your emotions in check

Try to leave the stress and tension of daily life behind when dealing with your son/daughter and the school. Concentrate on the bigger picture and which of YOUR characteristics you most want your child to have. If you want your child to copy your calmness and non-judgemental attitude, then this is what you need to show them.

Outright bad behaviour, such as losing your temper, swearing or aggression towards staff, other parents or students is totally unacceptable. It will embarrass your child and sets a poor example.

Respect staff's professionalism and time

School staff play an essential role in providing a positive educational experience for children. However, we are human and despite our best efforts there will be times that errors occur, notes are late, or decisions made that you do not agree with.

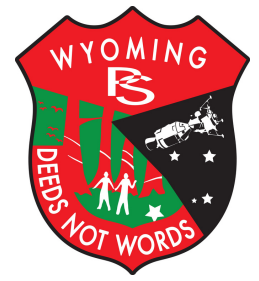
Please remember that our staff all work hard, and have their own families and meetings to attend. If you have a matter that you would like to discuss with a staff member please email the school, phone, or pop in to make an appointment.

Our front office is open, and phones answered between the hours of 8.30am and 3.30pm – please do not call outside these hours as the phone will not be answered.

If you have misplaced a note or are looking for information, please refer to our app as all important notes and newsletters are uploaded to it. While there is a P&C facebook and canteen page these are not monitored by school staff.



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A couple of reminders

- * Dogs are not permitted in school grounds at any time
- * All mobile phones/smart watches must be handed in to the office at the start of the school day
- * Please be mindful when parking around the school and not block access for our neighbours – our local parking officers frequent the area to enforce this
- * Our crossing supervisor is Julie Ann Miller – please follow her direction when crossing the road and hold the hand of children under the age of 10

Take Care

Rebecca Wild

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 7 February

Kindergarten Commence

Friday 16 February

Swimming Carnival

Tuesday 20 February

K-6 Assembly

Tuesday 19 March

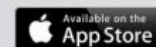
School Photo Day

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STAFF LIST 2024

Support Unit	
K-3C	Nicki Campion (teacher), Megan Buckland (SLSO)
2-6L	Demi Loane (teacher), Rose Wastell (SLSO Mon-Thursdays) Tara Charlesworth (Friday)
3-6S	Anna Sherras (teacher), Brooke Pettiford (SLSO)
Early-Stage 1	
KO	Megan O'Riley
KP	Kate Packer
Stage 1	
1S	Kristy Setchell
1D	Carly Dufficy
2M	Emily Marsh
2H	Hannah Marler
Stage 2	
3A	Anita Awad
3W	Felicity Walker
4S	Sharon Shearman
4H	Emma Horton (Mon,Tues,Fri) Freya Lawrence (Wed-Thurs)
Stage 3	
5/6L	Lara Lenton
5/6P	Kiarra Priestland
5/6E	Jessica Evans
Executive Team	
Principal	Rebecca Wild (Mon-Th) Michelle Francis (Fri)
Assistant Principal	Michelle Francis (Mon-Th)
Support Unit	Lara Lenton (Fri)
Assistant Principal	Hannah Marler (Relieving)
Early Stage 1 and Stage 1	
Assistant Principal	Sharon Shearman
Stage 2	
Assistant Principal	Lara Lenton (Relieving)
Stage 3	
Assistant Principal	Carol Williams (Mon-Wed)
Curriculum Instruction	Matthew Walter



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Specialist and Support Staff	
Aboriginal Programs	Katie Hansen
Learning and Support Teacher	Lois Gillett
Intervention Teachers	Rachel McCredie, Jane Ure
Librarian	Surinda Walton
RFF Teachers	Melissa Sturgess, Rachel McCredie, Jane Ure
EAL/D Teacher	Radka Zacharova (Th)
Support Staff	Kylie Atherton, Patrice Murfitt, Harper Rydlewski-Walker, Kate Di Nardo, Zoe Strang
Aboriginal Education Officer	Sharen Herbert
School Administration Manager	Carla Brown
School Administration Officers	Nola Ritchie Paula Mehrrens Amber White (Mon-Tues)
Canteen Manager	Annette Sharp
General Assistants	Gary Robinson (Mon, Wed, Fri) Adam Sharp

Every Day Matters – Be at school every day

We remind all families of the importance of students being at school, on time, every single day (unless they are sick).

Being at school every day boosts student learning and confidence and helps your child build and maintain friendships.

Missing a day here or there may not seem like much, but absences add up.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just... they miss weeks per year and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight = 4 weeks = Over 1 year missed

1 day per week = 8 weeks = Over 2.5 years missed

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Home Reading Program

This year the home reading program will use the same logs as last year, with the goal for all students to practise their reading skills at least four times a week. Students in Year 1 -6 will start in Week 2 and Kindergarten will start in Week 6.

Award Structure

There are two reading certificates for students that read four times a week. The certificates are awarded after 20 and 40 log entries.

For students that want to read more, they can begin the Avid Reading Log. After completing the 40 times a term reading log, the Avid Reading Log extends to the Bronze Award (50 times), the Silver Award (60 times) and the Gold Award (70 times). The gold level represents a student that reads every day!

Principal's Award Afternoon

The Principal's Award Afternoon is held at the end of each term to celebrate students hard work and positive behaviour.

There are different activities for each term.

Term 1 - extended play

Term 2 - extended play and an ice block

Term 3 - wheels (students can bring equipment with wheels if it is in good working order and has the necessary safety equipment, such as helmets.)

Term 4 -water play

The following criteria is required to attend the Principal's Award Afternoon:

- 10 class awards
- 20 nights of home reading
- No more than 3 detentions

Mr Walter



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P&C UPDATE

A big welcome back to the school year! Thank you to those who have donated uniforms to the clothing pool. For any donations or enquiries please see Annette at the canteen or Amanda (Fridays) or email wpsclothingpool@gmail.com

Our first P&C meeting is on Monday 19th February at 1.30pm at the school. We welcome all new members who would like to join our wonderful P&C to attend.

What is P&C?

Our Parents and Citizens' Association (P&C) is about people just like you – parents, care-givers and community-minded people who want to help their school. We work very closely with the school, building a stronger school community where all children benefit.

When are meetings?

We meet regularly to contribute to decision-making, developing policies and management plans as well as fundraising. At present, we are meeting on the third Monday of each month at 1.30pm (excluding school holidays) . The meetings are between 30-60mins long.

How can I help?

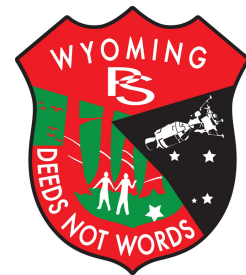
Although there are several roles within the P&C, we also need members to contribute ideas and express their opinions. You don't need to be available to attend each meeting. We organise fundraising events such as Hot Cross Bun Orders, Mother's/Father's Day Stalls and BBQs throughout the year that we ask for volunteer's support.

We look forward to seeing you at our first meeting for the year!

You can find us on Facebook "Wyoming Public School P&C Information Page" and "Wyoming Public School canteen" for updates and information.

Sarah Viola
P&C President

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WYOMING NARARA NETBALL CLUB – 2024 REGISTRATIONS

Wyoming Narara Netball Club are looking for players to join our small, friendly club this year. We have quite a few students and parents already playing with us, so come and join your friends for some fun and competition with your local club. All ages welcome, anyone (boys up to 12 years old and girls) turning 7 this year all the way to seniors. *Registration is now open so go to www.playhq.com.au and register.* For more information, please email wnnsec@gmail.com or come see us in person for a chat at:



- Wyoming Shopping Centre on 20 January 2024 at 11am-1pm or
- Lisarow Plaza on 3 February 2024 at 11am-1pm



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