



Newsletter

Important Dates

**Thursday
5th December 2019**

Industrial Action
Limited supervision until
11am

**Thursday
5th December 2019**

Year 6 Farewell

**Friday
6th December 2019**

Everyone Belongs Day
Gold Coin Donation

**Monday
16th December 2019**

Year 6 Clapout
2.30pm

**Wednesday
11th December 2019**

Presentation Day 9.30am
Christmas in the Gully
2pm to 6pm
BBQ, Rides, Performances

**Wednesday
18th December 2019**

Last Day for Students

**Wednesday
29th January 2020**

First Day for students

Principals Message -

The school year is nearly over! We have our Presentation Day and Christmas in the Gully celebration next Wednesday; teachers are busy writing end of year reports and we are getting ready for the biggest refurbishment the school has had in a good many years. You will see two shipping containers located on the back gully for storing classroom equipment while rooms are being painted and re-carpeted.

2020 sees the establishment of a Behaviour Difficulties class at Plattsburg. This class will be located in what is currently Miss Ashley's building. This building along with the hall will have refurb work commencing on 9 December. Staff will be required to park their cars on what is the Gully soccer field. Don't panic, soccer will now be played on Federal Park - pretty sure the kids will love that.

Congratulations to Hala Bani Almarjeh winner of the Plattsburg Christmas Card Competition and special mention to Kiarnah Cowell and Mackay Pritchard for their exceptional Christmas Card entries. I hope every one of you enjoyed that big box of chocolates they won!

Hope you can make our end of year events and please don't forget to fill out our survey. We want your feedback and ideas.



Entertaining the Residents

Last Tuesday, the choir, recorders and Didj group visited C.A.Brown Village at Boorgaul to perform for the residents. Everyone had a wonderful time. The students were outstanding, in both their performance and the way they interacted with the residents. It was a joy to see how happy the residents were, when the students gave each and every one a Xmas card. Mr D and myself couldn't have been more proud. Mrs Buxton





Volunteer Appreciation

2019 has been an incredible year for fundraising for our new playground equipment. The P&C, who are also volunteers, often call upon parents and carers to help at school events. This year we have asked for volunteers at our Mother/Father's Day Stalls, Athletics Carnival, Education Week celebrations, Event Cinema Movie Night, Colour Run, Bunnings BBQ and Christmas in the Gully, stapling raffle tickets, meal deals, canteen and breakfast club just to name a few events and you have never let us down. Our volunteers have packed up tents in the pouring rain, twirled fairy floss in cold gusty winds, cooked sausages in 35 degree heat, our volunteers do it for our students and we couldn't do it without them.

Many of our parents work full time or have commitments that make them unable to volunteer, however we couldn't be without you as you always donate to raffle prizes, secure sponsors and buy tickets. We've included the photos on this page of the P&C Bunnings BBQ, Volunteer Appreciation Lunch, Breakfast Club and Colour Run Volunteers. The Bunnings BBQ made a profit of \$1400 for the P&C. Amazing figures that couldn't be achieved without the help of our dedicated volunteers.

THANK YOU

Woolworths

Earn and Learn

We've received our resources from the Woolworth's Earn and Learn program. Thank you to everyone who collected



Staff CPR Training

Staff completed their annual CPR (Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation) training on Tuesday afternoon and of course Sadie was there too. Newcastle Royal Life Saving (RLS) provide this vital training to staff. Our principal, Ellen Bax, has been a member and examiner with Royal Life Saving for over 30 years and values their services highly. She would like to share some wise advice with you for the coming school holidays:

Water. It's only safe while you are watching. Keep watch.

Summer drowning deaths have increased with rising temperatures and we have a hot summer ahead of us. Please keep watch and enjoy your holidays.



Missing Library Books

Please make a concerted effort at home to locate library books that belong to Plattsburg Public School and see that they are returned to the library before the school holidays

Presentation Day

We are all looking forward to our Presentation Day assembly on Wednesday 11th December at 9:30am on the netball courts. All welcome to celebrate the achievements of our students for 2019.

Christmas in the Gully

Christmas in The Gully will be held on Wednesday 11th December, the same day as Presentation Day. This year our Christmas in the Gully celebrations will be conducted between 2 p.m. and approximately 6 p.m. Please view the programme below:

TEACHER SUPERVISION BETWEEN 2p.m - 3p.m

2pm – 3pm Students with prepurchased wristbands enjoy inflatable rides and activities in the Gully. Those students who have not purchased a wristband will enjoy a movie/activities in the library.

PARENT/CARER SUPERVISION REQUIRED FROM 3p.m ONWARDS

2.50pm All students return to the COLA where rolls will be marked. Those students who have a nominated parent/carer to supervise them return to the Gully. Those students who do not have a nominated parent/carer to supervise them go home as usual.

FAMILIES ARE ABLE TO JOIN THE CELEBRATION AT A TIME CONVENIENT TO THEM

- 4pm – BBQ
- 5pm - Activities and Inflatable rides will be packed up and class performances commence
- 6pm – Pack up

Wristbands

Wristbands for unlimited use

of the inflatables are \$10 each. Prepurchased wristbands will be given out to students by their teachers after lunch. Wristbands may also be purchased by completing the order form and returning to the P&C locked box in the office, online at www.quickcliq.com.au or during the day from the canteen.

Helmets- Its the Law

Please ensure your child/children are wearing their helmets when riding bicycles or scooters to school. We have seen a rise in the number of students who are not wearing helmets. Students that arrive to school without a helmet will have their bike or scooter secured in the Administration Block until an appropriate helmet is brought to school. Parent/Carers can collect them if they prefer. Student safety is our priority.

Kindergarten Information

It was great to see so many parents attend the Information Session along with their children who will start Kindergarten at Plattsburg Public School next year. Miss Brooks, Mrs Buxton, along with speakers from the P&C, Healthy Canteen, Salvation Army and the Commonwealth Bank provided a very informative presentation to the parents and carers. Thank you to Ms Mikulski who was on hand at every information session to assist with the ordering of school uniforms. If you have a child starting Kinder in 2020 or know someone who has, and you haven't approached the school, please collect an enrolment form as soon as possible. Planning is well underway for next year, so the sooner we have completed enrolment forms handed in the better.

2020 Executives

Congratulations to our Year 5 candidates who have all presented their election speeches this week. We are all very proud of their

organisation, hard work and commitment in preparing their speeches. They have all made it a hard decision on who to vote for and we wish all of them the very best of luck. Our four successful candidates will be told what position they have been elected to during our Presentation Day assembly on Wednesday 11th December.

Visitor Sign In

A reminder that if you are entering school grounds between 9am-2.30pm please sign in at the school office and see our admin staff. It is school policy that we require all parents to let the office know if you are on the site even if it is for something minimal such as dropping a lunchbox off. Thank you for understanding.

Change of Details

Just a reminder that if you have had a change in personal details such as address or contact numbers; work, mobile or home, please ensure that you notify our office ASAP. Please note that any change of address details will require proof of address. (Documents such as a rates notice or home-related bills, such as telephone, gas or electricity, including name and address).

School Expectations

This time of year can be challenging for students as we near the end of the year. As always, we do not tolerate bullying or physical violence and we do not condone disrespect. The Department of Education provides us with a Suspension Policy which we implement diligently.

We expect that our students will be Safe, Respectful and Engaged Learners throughout the year. With your support we will continue to focus on developing positive behaviours within our students and the ability to make good choices right up until the end of the school year.

Christmas Family Night

FREE



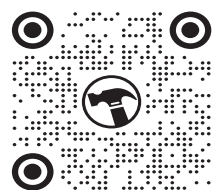
Thursday 5th December 6 – 8pm

Bring the family along for a great night of fun!

- Santa's little helper workshops
- Gift wrapping station
- Meet Santa in store
- Light refreshments will be provided



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To see Bunnings' amazing range of outdoor play equipment go to [bunnings.com.au/outdoorplay](https://www.bunnings.com.au/outdoorplay)

To enter our competition to win a Colonial Cubby House valued at \$599 (Including delivery) take a photo of your completed colouring, post it on your Instagram page and tag @bunnings and #colourwithbunnings. Please ensure you mention your local store in the post to be eligible. To also enter our in-store competition to win \$50 worth of products or branded merchandise, deliver it to your local store by COB Sunday 15th December but don't forget to post it online first!

Please fold here before posting online



First Name: Age: Parent/guardian Telephone: Local Store:

INSTAGRAM COMPETITION: To be in the running to win the Colonial Cubby House valued at \$599 (Inc. Delivery), post a photo to Instagram showing off your colouring in sheet and tag @bunnings and #colourwithbunnings by Thursday 12th December 2019. Instagram winners will be notified Tuesday 17th December. There will be 5 winners nationally (Cubby Dimensions: 150 x 180 180cm).

IN-STORE COMPETITION: Bunnings is giving you the chance to win \$50 worth of products or branded merchandise in our colouring competition. There will be 3 winners per store for in-store entries. To enter deliver your completed entry to your local warehouse by COB Sunday 15th December 2019. The winners for the in-store competition will be notified Thursday 19th December by phone.

*In-store entries are not eligible to win the cubby house prize unless they are also posted on Instagram.

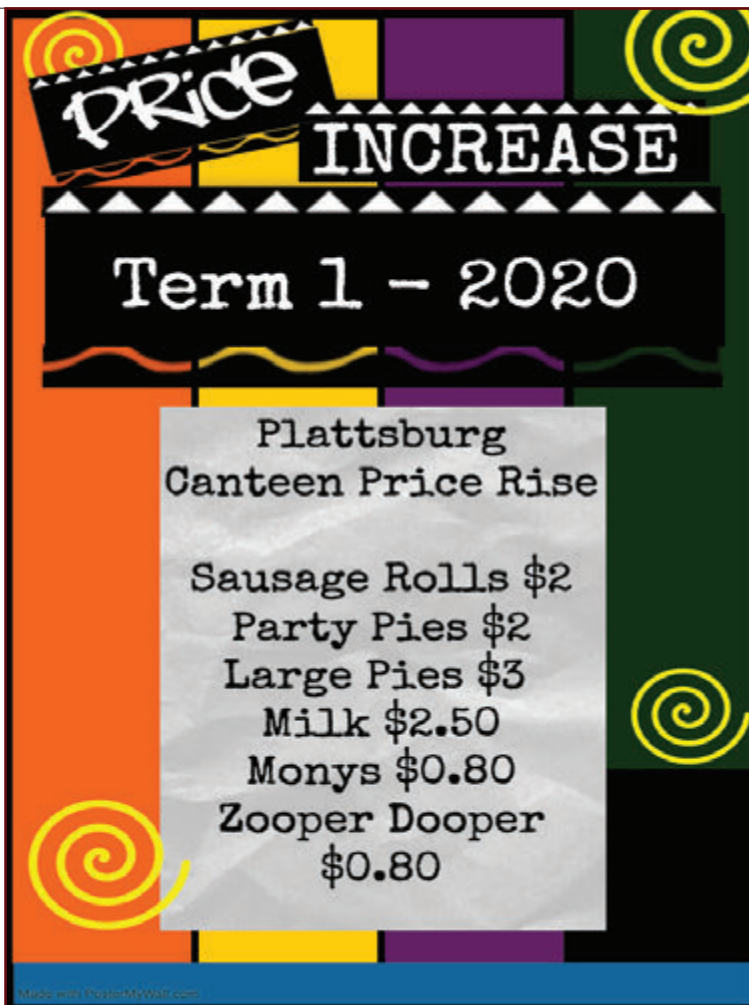
- Competition is open to ages up to and including 12 years old.
- 1 entry limit per person.
- The judge's decision is final & no correspondence will be entered into.
- Bunnings employees, suppliers & their families are ineligible to enter.
- Bunnings collects and manages your personal information in accordance with our Privacy Policy. Our Privacy Policy can be found at <https://www.bunnings.com.au/privacy-policy>. If you have any questions, email us at privacy@bunnings.com.au
- Open to entrants residing in Australia and New Zealand only.
- This promotion is offered by Bunnings Group Limited (In Australia) and Bunnings Limited (In New Zealand), without any endorsement, sponsorship, administration, or association with Instagram.

Not that handy? Don't worry!
In home services now available:



WE WILL ASSEMBLE

BUNNINGS



Price INCREASE

Term 1 – 2020

Plattsburg Canteen Price Rise

Sausage Rolls \$2
 Party Pies \$2
 Large Pies \$3
 Milk \$2.50
 Monys \$0.80
 Zooper Dooper \$0.80

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Christmas Hamper Donations

We are asking for new and non-perishable donations for
Plattsburg Public School's
Annual Christmas Raffle.

We have outlined some suggestions for each class to ensure a variety of donations. Donate as little or as much as you like, every little bit is greatly appreciated. You can drop your donations off to the office or the canteen anytime. This is a P&C initiative and all money raised from the Christmas raffle will go towards the new playground.

Raffle will be drawn during Christmas in the Gully.

- ♦ KJ Lollies, confectionary
- ♦ K1M Christmas items eg Bonbons
- ♦ 1/2A Pretzels, nuts
- ♦ 2A Chips, Cheezles etc
- ♦ 2/3FH Biscuits, crackers
- ♦ 3/4K Soft drinks
- ♦ 3/4C Chocolates
- ♦ 5/6R Christmas items eg Candy canes
- ♦ 5/6H Poppers, pop tops
- ♦ 5/6L Chips, biscuits




Meeting Notice
P&C Meeting
Monday 10th February 2020
9.30am in the library
All Welcome.

Breakfast Club Roster				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2/12/2019 Michelle Baurer Kayla K	3/12/2019 Zac Marshall (Bread Collector) Michelle Baurer Kayla K	4/11/2019 Belinda Amanda Bread Cutter	5/12/2019 Kylie Evans	6/12/2019 Carly Ackerman Melanie
9/12/2019 Michelle Baurer Kayla K	10/12/2019 Michelle Baurer (Bread Collector) Michelle Baurer Kayla K	11/12/2019 Belinda Christina Bread Cutter	12/12/2019 Kylie Evans	13/12/2019 Carly Ackerman Melanie
16/12/2019 Michelle Baurer Kayla K	17/11/2019 Allison NM (Bread Collector) Michelle Baurer Kayla K	18/12/2019 Belinda Shahn Bread Cutter	19/12/2019 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	20/12/2019 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Canteen Roster
Monday Sandra Moriarty
Tuesday Sandra Moriarty
Wednesday Bernadette Jopp Clare Woodrow
Thursday Sandra Moriarty
Friday Sandra Moriarty Amanda Walker (6/12)
Order online at www.quickcliq.com.au

Christmas in the Gully

Wednesday 11th December 2019

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CHRISTMAS IN THE GULLY PROGRAMME

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4:00 p.m.	BBQ
5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities and Inflatable rides will be packed up Class performances commence
6:00 p.m.	Pack up



A vibrant blue poster for a 'Hello Summer' event. At the top, a yellow rubber duck floats in the water. Two beach balls, one red and white, the other yellow and white, are partially visible. The text 'HELLO SUMMER' is in large, bold, white letters. Below it, 'AT WALLSEND SWIMMING POOL' is in smaller white letters. A yellow-bordered box contains 'SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER'. Below that, '1PM-4PM' is in large white letters. A red banner across the middle says 'SPECIAL GUEST: OLYMPIC GOLD MEDALIST IAN THORPE 1PM - 1:45PM'. Below the banner, 'KIDS ENTERTAINMENT', 'INFLATABLE - SPECIAL OFFERS', and 'PRIZES TO BE WON' are listed in white. On the left, a circular inset shows three children playing in a pool. On the right, a circular inset shows a portrait of Ian Thorpe.

HELLO SUMMER
AT WALLSEND SWIMMING POOL

SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER

1PM-4PM

**SPECIAL GUEST: OLYMPIC GOLD MEDALIST
IAN THORPE 1PM - 1:45PM**

**KIDS ENTERTAINMENT
INFLATABLE - SPECIAL OFFERS
PRIZES TO BE WON**



A festive poster for 'Carols Under the Stars'. The background is a dark blue night sky with stars and a bright starburst in the top left. The title 'Carols Under the Stars' is in a large, white, cursive font. Below it, 'PRESENTED BY WALLSEND BAPTIST CHURCH' is in smaller white letters. On the left, 'Kids Activities', 'Glow Sticks', 'Santa', and 'Food Stalls' are listed in white. In the center, there are colorful fireworks. On the right, there are silhouettes of three people on camels. Below the camels, 'Fineworks' is written in white. A starburst graphic in the bottom right corner says 'FREE ENTRY!'. At the bottom, 'Federal Park, Wallsend', 'Saturday 14th December', and '6:30pm - 8:30pm' are listed in bold white letters. Logos for City of Newcastle, WBC, new time, Spencer's, and Hakeke are at the bottom.

Carols Under the Stars
PRESENTED BY WALLSEND BAPTIST CHURCH

Kids Activities
Glow Sticks
Santa
Food Stalls
Fineworks

FREE ENTRY!

Federal Park, Wallsend Saturday 14th December 6:30pm - 8:30pm

City of Newcastle WBC new time Spencer's Hakeke

NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure

Plattsburg Public School

Works notification

4 December 2019

Dear parents/carers,

Upcoming planned maintenance at Plattsburg Public School will require the removal of contaminated material. As a precaution, all these works will be completed during the school holidays. The works require the removal of asbestos containing material and the remediation of lead based paint.

Testing conducted by an independent hygienist has confirmed that the material is bonded asbestos, which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

This material will be removed in accordance with the Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan and Safe Work NSW regulations. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited asbestos removalists, and monitored by occupational hygienists, in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies and guidelines.

The material is scheduled to be removed during the upcoming school holidays. The works will be completed between 19 December 2019 and 25 January 2020. No works will occur during school hours.

Testing will be completed to ensure the site has been fully remediated. We will keep you informed if further material that requires removal is found.

The health, safety, and well-being of the school and the local community is our highest priority. Please be assured that the removal of this material will not pose a risk to the local community.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

For more information contact:

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