Welcome to week 6 of term 1!

Last Friday School Leaders were inducted in a badge ceremony, unfortunately I was unable to attend as I needed to return to my former school for a funeral. During the ceremony I asked Sarah Ramsden Deputy Principal to read the following speech to the student leaders about the qualities of a good leader from the book ‘The Leadership Challenge’ by Kouzes and Posner.

The qualities of a good leader are qualities that guide all in being the best they can be. These qualities are:

- Honesty
- Forward Looking
- Competent
- Inspiring
- Intelligent

I challenged each of the leaders to ask themselves:

- Are you honest with yourself and others?
- Do you look forward to the future and what could be?
- Are you competent or good at and doing the best in all that you do?
- Do you inspire other people to do the right thing and follow you?
- Do you make smart or intelligent choices in what you do?

The students of Wondall Heights SS have the qualities it takes to be leaders and be the best they can be, the challenge is to let those qualities shine through. At Wondall Heights SS ‘Strive to Excel.’

Students in a number of grades are undergoing PAT-R testing. PAT-R testing is a standardised reading test. Teachers analyse the test for their class and work to developing areas of weakness in reading according to the results of the test. Each student receives a staine – reading level. The test is repeated later in the year and students are able to gauge their rate of improvement. Younger classes focus on the PM benchmarking for reading. Please discuss with your child’s teacher.

Attendance continues to be an ongoing issue across the school. If your child is away it is essential that you contact the school explaining the reason for your child’s absence.

A reasonable explanation for absence includes illness. Research shows that students who have a good attendance record are more likely to achieve high results. Going shopping, visiting family, staying up late, being tired or extending school holidays are not acceptable reasons to be away from school. Every day at school counts!

Majella Frith

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DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S NEWS:

STUDENT LEADERS FOR 2014

Last Friday, our student leaders were presented with their badges at our Student Leader Induction Ceremony. We look forward to seeing the great work our student leaders will do in 2014 as they Strive to Excel in leadership. Congratulations to the following students who will be part of our student leadership team at Wondall this year:

**School Captains**
- Mitchell T, Tiarna M, Kurt M, Ashleigh B, Arseny L, Emma A

**House Captains**
- Romans – Brendan S & Ethan W
- Vikings – William C & Latisha A
- Spartans – Bridget L & Dariush N
- Trojans – Brooke A & Kynan B

**Prep Representatives**
- Serraya A, Emily R, Ameka E, Khloe L, Coen W

**Japanese Captains**
- Holly W, Abbey J, Jordan B

**Library Monitors**
- Mary V, Allison B

**Band Captains**
- Elizabeth B & Tracey L

**Choir Captain**
- Lucy O

**Dance Captains**
- Laine L & Lilian E

**Student Council Representatives**
- 4AH – Olivia S & Hayslee C
- 4BH – Cayman P & Dynasty T
- 4BP – Angus R & Ezra N
- 4D – Olivia D & Jay H
- 5B – Charlie W & Chloe I
- 5KS – Cameron D & Ary W
- 5W – Kaiyla S & Harrison F
- 6H – Brock R & Annika P
- 6L – Lily P & Fletcher D
- 6/7S – Romani B & Lachlan W
- 7H – Abbey H & Patrick N
- WHISP – Daniel Z

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our School Photos will be taken next Wednesday 12 March. Please ensure that all students are dressed in their full school uniform.

Sarah Ramsden
Next P&C meeting and AGM
Tuesday March 18th
@ 6:30 pm in the staff room.
All are welcome.

This year is FETE year so mark in your diaries now.
July 26th - "Grease is the word".

**Uniform Shop**
The Uniform Shop is now open Tuesday and Thursday from 8.00am - 9.15am.

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**School Photos**
**Wednesday 12th March 2014**
Please ensure all students are dressed in full school uniform on this day. A payment envelope is required for every student. Sibling envelopes are available at the office.
PAYMENT ENVELOPES ARE ONLY TO COME BACK TO SCHOOL ON PHOTO DAY NOT BEFORE.

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**Music News!**

**CHOIR**

“Singer of the Week”
Senior Choir – Josie B. 4BH
Intermediate Choir – Indiana K. 3T

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**Dance News!**

Our Wakakirri dance team is searching for any builders/carpenters who can assist us with building three large moving props. Please contact Miss Ellis if you are able to help… aelli119@eq.edu.au

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**Instrumental Music**

J-Band/Beginning Students:
All students should now know how to set up their instruments and make a sound on them.
We are now commencing the process of reading music and learning to clean the instruments correctly.
Most students have all their equipment for this but there are a few who still need to get it.
Please make sure your child has the “Tradition of Excellence” book for their instrument as well as cleaning equipment.
These items are required immediately to make sure no one gets left behind.

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**WONDALL PE/SPORTS NEWS**
**Week 6 Term 1**

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**Swimming Timetable Term 1, 2014**

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**AROUND THE SPORTS**

Well done to Brendan S. & Mitchell T. who competed for Lytton in the Met East Swimming Carnival on Tuesday.
Congratulations to Emma A. who made the Lytton Netball team. I look forward to the results of their games as Mrs Black (Coach) has indicated that the team is strong this year.
Good luck to the 11s/12s students involved in Lytton Rugby League trials this week.

**INTERSCOL Sport Training**

Several teachers have commenced training sessions with the various sports associated with interschool sport. It is great to see initiative in building sports skill sets prior to trials and competition. Please remember these teachers
have given up their own morning, lunch & afternoons to run these sessions so it is within the best interest to a student to build their skills prior to end of term trials (from Week 8) for the best chance of making a team. Sports this interschool sport semester are Rugby League, Soccer, Netball & Volleyball. Notes will go home at the end of/start of Week 8/9.

Our school wants as many students to represent Wondall as possible so if you find that you don’t make one sport, check the others to see if you can be a part of their team. Teachers will monitor academics, attitude and behaviour when choosing their teams on top of skill and best team fit. Students need to show that their attitude towards all facets of schooling is positive in order to represent a Wondall team in interschool sport.

SCHOOLS WITH POOLS FRIDAY MARCH 14
Training will continue on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7.50 am. If you have choir or soccer you are to go to that practice instead. However, next week (carnival week) I would like full participation to practice relays.

SENIOR X COUNTRY FUN RUN FUNDRAISER
Last year we had some success with the fundraiser associated with our YRS 4 – 7 X Country carnival. All teachers of these grades have received the sponsor forms and letters explaining the process for this fundraiser. All money collected is to be returned to the office and not to the teacher by Tuesday April 1 (Race Day). The carnival will run during our regular morning session from 9 – 10.50am. The junior carnival will be on Wednesday April 2 from 9 – 10.50am, weather permitting.

Starting Tuesday March 18 I will be offering morning x country running training to Years 2 – 7. This will run for two weeks on Tuesday & Thursdays ending 27th of March as an extra lead up to the carnivals. Students will meet at the oval gate at 8am for stretches.

AASC (Active After School Communities)
A quick reminder that parents/carers need to be on time for collection of students at 4.15PM. As both days are conducted on the oval, parents are required to pick up their students from this destination. Please be prompt.

Strive to Excel in Sport
Stephen Bloxsom
Sports Coordinator/HPE Teacher

Gotchas

Jemimah N   Cienna F
Ryan L       Nathan H
Sophie L     Eli J
Shelby R     PJ G
Indiana K    Emanuel K
Katelyn L

Don’t forget to go to Tuckshop to claim your prize.

Great Work!!

TUCKSHOP
Trading hours: Tuesday – Friday
8.30am – 1.30pm
Current menu is on YELLOW paper effective October 2013

Thank-you to all our helpers last week: Oriana, Martha, Peta and Carolyn H. Welcome to new volunteer Rebecca P.

Grey shading below indicates Tuckshop needs your help! Please let us know if you can assist on a particular day.

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Unable to attend your rostered day? Please text or ring me asap!

Please help our volunteers sort through orders by including Name, Class, Break and items needed (including correct prices and totals). Smaller change is appreciated. Please no large notes or foreign currency. Orders will be adjusted if pricing or payment is incorrect.

If you have any questions, please see us at the Tuckshop.

Suzette Beveridge 3906 6412

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