



DATES TO REMEMBER

Tonight
WACCSO Training
6-9 pm
Waggrakine PS Library

DISCO
21 June



TA 4 Assembly
Friday 28 June 8.45 am

Reports home week 9

End of Term 2
Friday 5 July

Beginning of Term 3
Wednesday 24 July

Check out the school blog at
www.waggrakineps.wordpress.com/

Newsletters can be found at
our website on
www.waggrakineps.det.wa.edu.au

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is with great sadness that we announce the retirement of Mrs Alison Watt from Waggrakine and the Department of Education. Mrs Watt has been with the Department of Education championing the cause of rural and remote education for 38 years and has during this time always been a teacher of excellence. She is certainly one of the most impressive teachers I have had the pleasure to work with and her level of achievement with her Year 1 and Pre Primary students over the years has been staggering, setting them up for continued success in their learning for the future.

A two times finalist as WA Teacher of the Year, and finalist in the ASTL National Teaching Awards in 2012, she will always be our champion!

We wish Alison and her husband Dave all the best as they embark on a new journey to Gidgegannup and leave behind many friends, family and happy memories from Geraldton.

Lis Turner
Principal ☺



TAI 2 and TAI 3 Assembly



This fortnight's
faction results

Winjee 93

Karra 94

Jindarndee 108

Jiddee Jiddee 98

Grasshopper, grasshopper
Leaping ahead
Jindarndee, Jindarndee
Knock 'em dead
Sock it to' em, sock it to 'em
We don't mind
Sock it to' em, sock it to 'em
Doin' fine.

TravelSmart News

Thanks to everyone who has been participating in the Why Not Wednesday program. We have given out an average of 150 tokens each week. Our highest number so far is 174. Let's see if we can beat that this Wednesday. Remember that to get a sticker and token you need to walk, ride, skate, scooter or catch a bus to school on Wednesday.

Last week the team met with rangers from the City of Greater Geraldton to look at congestion and parking signs around the school. They are planning some new signs for Hall Road and Kiss & Drive.

The Travel Smart award winner for the past fortnight was TA I with 42% of their students participating in Why Not Wednesday.

Disco Fever

It's disco time again, put on your dancing shoes and join us for our first disco for 2013.

When: Friday, 21 June

Time: Kindy-year 4
5.15 - 6.30pm
Years 5-7
6.45 - 8.15pm

Year 4 students may go to either disco but not both. Please ensure you are there 5 minutes prior to finish time to pick children up.

Parents are always welcome!



Obstacle-a-thon



On Thursday the 30 May and Tuesday 4 June the Kindy children participated in the Obstacle-a-thon. The afternoon was a great success with students completing many laps of an obstacle course in order to raise money for the Kindergarten area. The obstacle course comprised of many different components and gave the children the opportunity to show their families the many fundamental movement skills they have been practising at school this year. Skills such as climbing, balancing, jumping, throwing and hopping were all on display as well as a range of social skills such as turn taking and following instructions. The response from families and caregivers of the Kindy children was **OUTSTANDING**, with many spectators and significant donations totalling \$2022 to date. Thank you to all of those who came to support the children and donated money. It is greatly appreciated by both the staff and the children!



MATHS GAME: Snap I More or I Less

You need: 2 players, a pack of cards 1-10 **How to Play:** Play as for snap but instead of 'snapping' pairs, players 'snap' a card that is 1 more or 1 less depending on the rule made at the start of the game. If a player 'snaps' incorrectly cards go to other player. If a player runs out of cards they keep putting cards done to be snapped by either player. Continue until one player has all the cards.

Bluff Point Primary School Centenary Celebrations

Bluff Point Primary School will be celebrating their centenary on Friday, 25 October 2013. An invitation is extended to all past staff, parents, students and community members to attend the celebrations consisting of an assembly from 9am-11am, official ceremony and afternoon tea (\$8) from 1pm-3pm on the grassed area, and a sundowner (\$10) at the camp school from 5pm-7pm. Please RSVP for these events by 28 June to the school on 9923 1278.

The P&C is also offering the opportunity to purchase a personally engraved paving brick which will be permanently installed in the Centenary Garden. These are being offered for \$30 or \$70 for a double paver. This offer closes on 2 August.

Punks and Princesses Disco

A fundraising disco for local girl Suzie Turner who lost her leg earlier this year to cancer will be held on Saturday, 15 June and Geraldton Senior Campus.

Pre primary to year 3 - 5.30-7.00pm and year 4 to year 7 - 7.30-9.30pm. Entry is \$5.00 and includes a glow stick. There will be tonnes of prizes for best dressed! Loads of lollies, cool drinks, etc to purchase, as well as amazing fluoro gear to buy! Security will be present

Sunset Beach Community Planning Workshop

Have your say in ideas for future developments at Sunset Beach including:

Chapman Rd North shops and cafes, coastal walk and cycle path, a 'Community Shed', apartments and townhouses on Chapman Rd, town centre on Chapman Valley Road

Monday 10 June 2013 at Geraldton Camp School, 5.15pm – 7.30pm - everyone is welcome

RSVP to: 2029@cgg.wa.gov.au; SMS: 0429 687 037; Telephone: 9956 6963; online: www.2029@cgg.wa.gov.au. Ring Marie Felix on the above number if you have any queries.

Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) Vaccine

The Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine has been made available to all female students since 2007 and is now being offered to male students in years 8, 9 and 10 as part of the National Immunisation Program. In addition, a catch up vaccine is being offered to teenage girls who commenced the HPV course (three doses) while in year 7 but have not yet completed the course. WA Health has produced a short information video on the vaccine for parents which is on the [WA Health YouTube Channel](#).

GNFL Needs You!

Would you like to earn money to boundary or goal umpire football? The GNFL is desperately short of boundary and goal umpires. You can earn \$30-\$60 a game depending on the level. If you are interested, please contact Robert Bennett on 0437 750 733.

Music Concert

John Willcock and Geraldton Senior College Music Departments are combining to present a special concert on **Sunday, 16 June**.

The concert will be held in the Arts Courtyard at Geraldton Senior College (access from Shenton St) starting at 2pm and is a free event!



P&C News

WACSSO P&C Training

WA Council of State School Organisations Inc are conducting training sessions for our parent community and P&C members. This is a great opportunity for everyone to learn about how P&C's work. Get involved - make a difference - help to shape your children's future.

Monday, 10 June (yes, tonight) in the Waggy library from 6-9pm

Tuesday, 11 June at Chapman Valley PS from 11am-2pm

These sessions are open to any parent in the Midwest region who has a child attending a government school and provide a fantastic opportunity to see how P&C's work.