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**Important School Dates - Term Three**

- **15th Sept.** - P&C Meeting 3.15pm – agenda home today
- **16th Sept.** - Book Fair & Parade, author visit: RA Spratt
- **16th Sept.** - Birdwatching – **8.20am**
- **18th Sept.** - Break for School Holidays – **Mufti Day**
- **29th Sept.** - Kangaroo March stopping in Wingello
- **6th October** - Return to School

**Book Parade and Book Fair**

To celebrate Book Week, we will be having a Book Fair in our school library on Wednesday (16th September).

Students are invited to dress up as their favourite character for the book parade (10am). Prizes will be awarded to the K-2 and 3-6 best dressed.

All parents/family are welcome to attend our celebrations from 10-11.30am. Morning tea will be provided after the parade, but if any families wish to bring something along to contribute, it would be very much appreciated.

After morning tea, we are very excited to have R.A. Spratt, author of the Friday Barnes and Nanny Piggins Series visiting our school to speak to the students. She is happy to sign books and we will have some of her books for sale on the day.

We are all looking forward to a great day!

**Premier’s Spelling Bee**

Thank you to our Wingello spellers who made it to the Premiers Spelling Bee and represented our school.

Our spellers and their cheer squad.

Bella and Tain were among forty students from across our region (including Goulburn, Wollondilly and Nowra) who competed in the junior division. They reached the fourth round and made the top ten. Well done!
Goulburn Eisteddfod

Thank you to all our students who sang in the Goulburn Eisteddfod. You represented our school really well.

Our senior singers came third in their division

And our junior singers came second. Well done everyone!

Senior singers with their medal

Junior singers with their trophy

Aboriginal Cultural Experience

It has been a great pleasure to have Wendy Lotter, of Platypus Dreaming Cultural Tours, delivering an Aboriginal Cultural Program at our school each Monday for the last few weeks.

In our final session we headed down to the reserve and cooked some sausages – see the pictures over the page.

*If you have not handed in your $3 towards the cost of materials, you can still do so.*

Thank you!
Reticulated Python Expedition

On Monday 14th September 2015, the Wingello Public School students embarked on a Reticulated Python Expedition. This unique activity was designed to promote scientific exploration and environmental awareness. The students were equipped with necessary tools and knowledge to safely engage with the species, fostering a deeper understanding of wildlife and conservation practices.

The expedition was led by experienced educators who provided guidance on handling the pythons safely. Safety protocols were emphasized throughout the day, ensuring the well-being of both the students and the animals.

This educational initiative was an excellent opportunity for students to apply theoretical knowledge in a practical setting, preparing them for future careers in fields related to biology, conservation, and wildlife management.

In conclusion, the Reticulated Python Expedition was a remarkable success, instilling a sense of wonder and respect for nature among the Wingello Public School students. It is anticipated that this experience will inspire a lifelong commitment to environmental stewardship and scientific inquiry.
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**K-2 News**

**Home Readers:** Could all home readers be returned on Thursday this week as it is the last day of term on Friday and all books must be returned for sorting back into their sets.

Thank you!

**Birdwatching Group**

Early Bird Start 8.20am to road-test our new binoculars. Could the children in our bird watching group please come ten minutes earlier this week, as we would like to test out our NEW BINOCULARS purchased with the Wingecarribee Environmental Levy Grant of $600.

**Online Payments**

From today, we will be introducing online payments for excursions. A parent information pack is enclosed, but please ask at the office if you have any questions.

**School Holiday Activities**

We have a number of school holiday activities available in Wingello these holidays. Please see the attached flyer for details.

Supporting these events means that organisations, like the WVA, are more likely to organise further events in the future.

We have received so many flyers about school holiday activities, that, rather than sending them all home, we have made a folder in the office where you can look at them all if you are looking for something for your children.

**Kangaroo March**

In your folder is also some information about the Kangaroo March coming through Wingello on the 29th September. Some of our students will be marching within the 50km zone and some will be taking part in the ceremony. Please consider attending this historic event.

**Prospective Enrolments**

We are receiving applications and enquiries about enrolments for Kindergarten next year. If you know someone who may be interested in enrolling here next year, please encourage them to contact us, or fill out a Prospective Enrolment Form.

**Earn and Learn**

Please drop any stickers you may have into the box in the office foyer, as we need to return them mid-October.

**Uniform Reminder:**

In the last week we have had a number of comments from members of the public about how lovely our children look when they are in full school uniform. Wearing neat and tidy, full school uniform not only looks great, but it lifts the whole image of our school.

We have a ‘no hat, no play’ policy in term four. Children need to be wearing hats every day. School hats are available from the P&C for $9 and come in various sizes to fit all children.

From time to time children may contract nits at school. The easiest way of avoiding this is to ensure children’s hair is tied up every day.
**Steptember**

Mrs Irvine is taking part in Steptember to raise money for Cerebral Palsy. Her Team is registered as Team “HUFFANDPUFF”. If you would like to support this worthy cause, please go to the Steptember webpage and donate under her team.

**Library**

Please remember to bring back your library books on Wednesday. Overdue notices are being sent home today, so please check at home for any outstanding books. Thank you!

**From the office:**

Please return News-wallets to the office for re-use each week.

**School Contribution**

Voluntary School Contributions can be paid any time throughout the year, if you have not paid already this year. It is $40 per student or $50 per family.

**Family Details**

Please make sure you notify the office with any changed details—phone numbers, Doctors, a new allergy or illness, or emergency contact changes. This is very important as we need up to date details if we need to contact you about your child – Thank You!

**Roster** - Children’s Hand towels:

- 18th September - Martin family
- 9th October - Russell/Randall family

Thank you!

**RFS Colouring In Competition**

Thank you to all the students who entered the colouring in competition and attended the Open Day on Saturday. The winners of each division were:

- 5-6 years: Kingston
- 7-8 years: Hunter
- 9-10 years: Grace
- 11-12 years: Roy

Roy received his prize on the day, but someone from the RFS will be presenting the remaining prizes on Tuesday.
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Monday 14th September 2015

**Week Eight Awards:**

**Student of the Week:**

[Photo of Grace holding an award]

**Merit Certificates:**

[Photo of students holding merit certificates]

**Week Nine Awards**

**Student of the Week:**

[Photo of Madison holding an award]

**Merit Certificates:**

[Photo of students holding merit certificates]

Lily, Hunter, Connor, Josie, Olivia, Sasha, Emma, Grace
**Happy Birthday Kingston!**

Thank you Kingston for the birthday cupcakes and treats – we hope you had a great day!

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**School Website – feedback needed:**

We are always looking at ways to enhance the quality of communication between our school and our parents. One of the key communication channels is our school website http://www.wingello-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/.

The department is looking at enhancing the quality of our school website and would really like to get your feedback as a parent about the type of functionality on the website that would help improve the communication between the school and you.

We would really appreciate if you could take a couple of minutes to complete the following online survey.

The survey is located at: - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WSVSCXG

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**FREE fun program to help kids become fitter, healthier and happier!**

Do you have children 7 to 13 years old? Are you worried about their weight?

To find out more contact 1800 780 900 or Leah Choi Tel: (02) 97802811 or visit www.go4fun.com.au where you can also register.

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**Wingello Village Association**

**Meet and Greet**

Join us for coffee/tea and a friendly chat  
**Tuesday 6th October**  
At 2.30 pm  
Wingello Mechanics Institute Hall

A gold coin donation would be appreciated

**All Welcome!**  
Wingello Village Association  
for enquiries  
Ph Carol on 4884 4312
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**Bowral Little Athletics:**
Ages 6 to 17
Eridge Park Bowral Friday afternoons from 5pm
Season Starts October 9th 2015 to March 18th 2016
Registration will be taken from 4pm on October 9th or you can register online at bowrallittleathletics.org.au

**ImaginArta**
the Australian Puppet Centre Inc.
at Sutton Forest Hall,
Illawarra H’way, SuttonForest

SPRING PROGRAM: Regular Sunday Family Performances, Every Sunday at 11am
September – “Oh Rats!” by Sydney Puppet Theatre
October - “Once Upon A Time Cafe” by Sydney Puppet Theatre
November - 1, 8 and 15 - the world famous “Bradshaw’s Shadows”
November 22 - “Oh Rats!” returns after representing Australia at the World Carnival of Puppetry in Sarawak, Malaysia.

September School Holiday Puppet Making Workshops
My Hand Puppet – create a hand puppet during 3 intensive morning workshops - Sept 21, 22 & 23
My String Puppet - create a marionette - Sept. 28 all day workshop.

For more details and a registration form visit www.imaginarta.com.au

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**SCHOOL HOLIDAY GYM CLINIC**
WEDNESDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER AT THE SHOWGROUND - 10AM – 1PM
$25 PER CHILD (SCHOOL AGE )
OPEN TO MEMBERS AND NON MEMBERS.
BRING A DRINK AND MORNING TEA. BRING A FRIEND. WEAR CLOTHING SUITABLE FOR GYMNASTICS
FOR BOOKINGS PHONE KIM ON 0412635680

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**BBT Bike Ride 2015**

**Sunday 20 September**

As part of NSW Bike Week come along and join in the free cycling event
The ride is a 9km return course for bike riders of all ages and abilities along the beautiful Bong Bong Track, the Southern Highlands shared pedestrian/cycle path.
FREE ENTRY - Register on the day at 10am
Southern end Railway Road, Burradoo (just past Oxley College)
PRIZES & GIVEAWAYS,
SAUSAGE SIZZLE, FACE PAINTING.
TREASURE HUNT FOR THE KIDS!
Register and receive a FREE Bike Week Water Bottle and Snap Band
Bring - Your own bike in good working condition, helmet (compulsory).
For more details and a registration form visit www.wsc.nsw.gov.au

Free talk by Susan McLean
Thursday 17th September 6pm-7.30pm
Mittagong RSL Club Auditorium

Drinks and Refreshments
RSVP 9/9/15 lyndaparry@bigpond.com
Enquiries: Cath Brennan 0401 500 340
Supported by BDCU Children’s Foundation, BDCU Alliance Bank and Rotary Club of Berrima District

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**Wingello Playgroup**
Starting Term Four
Monday 9.30-11.00 am
Wingello Hall Meeting Room:
contact Cassie for more info: 4884 4217