**DIARY DATES**

**Term 1**

**MARCH**

- Thurs 6: School Assembly 2.30pm
- Thurs 6: Hunter Swimming Carnival
- Fri 7: Brush Cross Country
- Wed 19: Zone Winter Trials
- Thurs 20: School Assembly 2.30pm
- Thurs 20: School Disco
- Fri 21: Harmony Day
- Tues 25: School Photos

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**MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations to all students who took part in our Mufti-Day in support of School Aid – Kids Helping Kids. We raised $244.60 in support of children suffering due to bushfire devastation. It was wonderful to see so many students involved and showed the caring nature of the students at Wingham Brush Public School.

Each year the school asks for a small contribution towards the resourcing of the school. This year the voluntary contribution is $23 per child or $28 per family. This goes towards stationary items and curriculum resources and is excellent value for money as well as significantly assisting the school. Your payment of this contribution can be made at the front office between 8-45am and 1-30pm.

What is bullying?

Bullying is repeated verbal, physical, social or psychological behaviour that is harmful and involves the misuse of power by an individual or group towards one or more persons. It can have long-term effects on those involved. Bullying can happen:

- face-to-face (e.g. pushing, tripping, name-calling)
- at a distance (e.g. spreading rumours, excluding someone)
- through information and communications technologies (e.g. use of SMS, email, chat rooms)

Identifying bullying can sometimes be difficult. Bullying is often conducted out of sight of teachers and children may be reluctant to report bullying. If you have concerns regarding these behaviours, please contact the school to make an appointment to see your child’s teacher in the first instance. Together, we can work towards resolving these issues.

March 21 is the National Day Against Bullying and Violence as well as Harmony Day. Our school has registered for both days and more information will be in future newsletters regarding our participation in both activities.

Regards,
Liz Newman, Relieving Principal

**P&C**

**NEWS FROM THE BRUSH TUCKERBOX**

**Specials**

- Garlic Bread 30c
- Paddlepops 50c until sold out

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

In order to keep our canteen functioning we need more volunteer helpers for Tuesday and Friday each week. We also need emergency volunteer helpers who would be able to help out on days where rostered volunteers are unable to attend. If anybody is able to help out could you please phone Sara 0431 376 059.

**CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS ROSTER**

**MARCH**

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Mr Phil Rees  
Principal  
Isabella Street  
Wingham  
Phone: 65534443  
Fax: 65570322
WINGHAM BRUSH CROSS COUNTRY
The Wingham Brush Cross Country will be taking place this Friday March 7 commencing at 9.30am and concluding by 1.05pm with the Presentation from 2.40 - 3.10pm. Children are encouraged to wear House Colours and Sun Smart Hats and to bring lots of water. Parents are most welcome to come and cheer on the children. Looking forward to a very enjoyable day!
The program is as follows:-

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SCHOOL DISCO
The first disco for this year will be held on Thursday March 20 in the school hall.
K-Yr 3 4.30pm - 5.45pm
Yrs 4-6 6.00pm - 7.30pm
Cost is $4.00

ATHLETICS FIELD EVENTS DAY
On Monday April 7 children turning 8 to 13 years old will be taking part in the Field Events Day where the Long Jump, Shot Put, High Jump and Ball Games will be conducted. Children are encouraged to wear House Colours.
The organisation is as follows:

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WINGHAM BRUSH ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
On Thursday April 10 Wingham Brush will be conducting their annual Athletics Carnival. We are hoping for lovely Autumn weather to enable the children to have a wonderful day competing in running races, ball games and novelty events. The Autumn sun is still very strong so hats, sunscreen and appropriate clothing would be a great idea. Remember, be proud of your House and wear House colours. A program for the day is below but the times are only “approximate”.
Looking forward to a very enjoyable day and an excellent opportunity for the children of Wingham Brush to showcase their “athletic prowess” and disciplined behaviour.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL PROGRAMME
9:45  MARCH PAST
10:00  200M – JUNIOR, 11YR, SENIOR
11:00  FRUIT BREAK
11:10  INFANTS NOVELTIES
11:45  RECESS
12:00  JUNIOR AGE RACES (8YR, 9YR, 10YR) INFANTS BALL GAMES
1:30  DRINK BREAK
1:40  AGE RACE FINALS
1:55  PRESENTATION

COMMUNITY NEWS
JNE - JAYEM NATIONAL EDUCATION
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COMMUNITY NEWS
WINGHAM SOCCER CLUB REGISTRATIONS
Last chance to register for Wingham Soccer Club. Held at Wingham Bowling Club on Friday March 7 from 4-6pm and Saturday March 8 from 9am – noon. Specially targeting under 10’s (Year 4) and those players registered online, but not yet paid. Teams to be finalised after that. Contact 6553 5123 for more information.

OCHRE COTTAGE
Proudly presents: A free seminar
ADD and ADHD in children and adults: Surviving and Thriving
Tuesday March 11at 7.30pm at Ochre Cottage, 22 Isabella St, Wingham. Free of charge (gold coin donations welcome)
Patricia Preston Developing attention and reducing distractibility
Bek Walker The role of diet and naturopathic therapies
Karen Jenkins Bodywork to calm a restless system
Mike Levine Pharmacological therapies
Enquiries phone Trish 0448 973 994 or Bek 0427 674 297 or Karen 0422 303 429