We have some baby dust floating around our school at present. Again congratulations to Mr Wood, and we also wish Mrs Duss all the very best as she will not be returning next term and will be commencing maternity leave. We also wish Mrs Clinch and her husband all the very best as they are also expecting later in 2013.

Warmest Regards,

PJ Harris
Principal

From The Deputy

Hi Everyone,

Our students are looking well and rested after their four day break. Towards the end of term our students may need to check that their school supplies are not running out. It is a good time to check schoolbags, replace items, return library books and check that names are still on items of clothing.

Remember, good reading habits can be reinforced during the school holidays and local libraries can be an interesting and informative trip for families.

Do we have your permission to take photographs of your child? With exciting events like our recent Easter Hat Parade and Yellow Safety Day it is important that permission is provided. Send a note to school or ring the office to ensure records are complete with regards to your wishes.

School attendance has been steady and our students always benefit from regular attendance. If you have any outstanding notes explaining absences for your child please send them to school as soon as possible.

Let’s look forward to a couple of busy, happy weeks of teaching and learning as we come to the end of the term with hard-working teachers and students making Walters Road a great school to be at!

Dawn Walker
Deputy Principal
Swim School 2013
Once again our involvement in the School Swimming Scheme has been a huge success. Over a two week period, approximately 120 students from Years 2-6 attended lessons at Mt Druitt pool. During the program students were able to gain confidence in the water as well as develop their freestyle and backstroke technique.

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Mrs J Grennard
Swim School Co-ordinator

Other Items

Early Stage 1 News
What a wonderful Easter Hat Parade the K-2 students were involved in last Thursday. We would like to thank everyone who attended and shared the parade and picnic with us and hope that you also enjoyed the long weekend.

The students have been busily learning many concepts in Mathematics this term, such as halves and sharing, some different shapes (triangles, circles, rectangles and squares) and about the numbers 1 to 10. They have also started to attend the computer lab once a week and have now learnt how to log onto the computers and are beginning to use the online Mathletics program.

At Walters Road we promote positive behaviour and the students receive a Wonder Award each week for appropriate positive behaviour. We will be acknowledging the first of our Bronze Award recipients early next term at a special assembly.

Kindergarten will attend their first Walters Road ANZAC Service on the last day of term (10am on 12th April). On this day, students are encouraged to bring in some flowers or green foliage from their gardens to contribute towards a class wreath. Parents and caregivers are invited to attend this very special service.

During the holidays, we would like to encourage parents to continue to read with their child and to perhaps practise some other things like sight words and counting. We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a happy, safe holiday.

Mrs G Grant
Assistant Principal- Early Stage 1

Stage 1 News
Can you believe we are in April already, Easter has come and gone, and the first school holidays are almost upon us?

The students in K-2 celebrated Easter with a wonderful hat parade last Thursday. Thank you to those families who worked with their children to create a colourful hat. It was wonderful to see them parading with pride. Thanks also to the host of teachers involved in putting the parade together, especially to Mrs Grant for her organisation of the event.

Next week we have our usual K-2 assembly on Friday afternoon, from 2.35pm. 2S will be hosting the assembly and I am sure their item will be very entertaining.

I’d like to wish everyone a safe, happy school holiday period.

Mrs T Harris
Assistant Principal - Stage 1
Stage 2 News
We are just a week away from finishing Term 1. Stage 2 students have been working hard and it is great to witness the progress they have made.

By now you would have received a permission note on Stage 2 camp in Term 4. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to experience. Please give your consideration to this activity as I am sure it will be an enjoyable time.

Stage 2 teachers wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing everyone in Term 2.

Mrs S Maack
Assistant Principal - Stage 2

Stage 3 News

High School Applications
Any outstanding high school applications must be returned immediately as there are dates that our school must adhere to in this process. Please contact Mr Dyer if there are any problems.

Year 6 Shirts
Orders have closed for the 2013 Year 6 shirts. I would like to thank all those families who have purchased one (or two) for their support.

Stage 3 Camp
A note will be going home this week for the 3 day/2 night Stage 3 camp to Canberra, taking place from September 2-4 during Term 3. This is a fantastic opportunity for your child and I hope that all of our Stage 3 students are able to attend.

Year 6 Parent Meeting
Just a reminder that there will be a Year 6 parent meeting starting at 3:40pm on Friday 5th April (tomorrow) in Mr Dyer’s room.

Mr M Dyer
Assistant Principal - Stage 3

Office News

Stage 2 Camp - deposit of $35 is required by 11/4/13 to secure a place for your child.
K-2 Dance2Bfit - payment of $25 is required by 11/4/13 for your child to participate in the program.

Just a reminder to parents that there will be no banking on Friday 12th April, the last day of term.

All payments need to be made on or before 9.30am on Thursday 11th April.

We hope all the students have a safe and happy holiday.
Thank you,
Mrs K Wright
School Administrative Manager

Cross Country
The Cross Country Carnival will take place on Thursday 11th April at Bungarribee Reserve (Alberti Drive, Blacktown). Students turning 8-10 this year will compete in a 2km run and students turning 11+ will compete in a 3km run. Students will be required to wear their school sports uniform (including appropriate footwear and school hat) and bring sunscreen, lunch and drinks. Permission notes for this event need to be returned by Friday 5th April (tomorrow).

ANZAC Ceremony
As ANZAC Day falls during the school holidays this year, our school ANZAC ceremony will be held on the last day of term, Friday 12th April. It will be held in the hall and commence at 10.00am. The Walters Road community always shows strong support for this occasion and we again ask that you send some flowers or greenery for classes to lay during the ceremony. As always, parents and guests are welcome to join us for this special event.

Mini Fete
The Computers and Technology committee will be running a mini-fete on Wednesday 10th April. Please note that the mini-fete starting time has changed due to the change of bell times. It will start at 1pm and conclude at 2.35pm.

Donations of cakes, toffees and items for the white elephant stall would be greatly appreciated. Further details about the mini-fete are in the note that went home on Wednesday. Funds generated will go directly towards purchasing equipment for our students to use in the computer room.

Woolworths Earn & Learn
Walters Road has once again registered to be a part of the Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion. When you shop at Woolies, you will receive one sticker for every $10 you spend. Simply place the stickers on the sticker card and drop it into the box in the Office when complete. Don’t forget to pick up a new one each time you complete a card. There are also Walters Road PS boxes at Woolworths, Westpoint in Blacktown and in Prospect. We had such a great response to this promotion last year and we were able to redeem our stickers for many useful resources for our students. Thank you once again to our school community for its continued support of our school and its students.
P & C News
Congratulations to all the Easter Raffle prize winners. We hope you all enjoyed your prizes!

The next P & C meeting is on Wednesday 15th May.

The P & C will be holding a Mothers Day Mufti on Monday 6th May.

Stewart House
Stewart House is a respected charity that has been helping Australian school children for many years. As part of their yearly donation drive, Stewart House is offering each person who donates $2 or more, a chance of winning a family holiday to the value of $4000. For your chance to win follow these three easy steps.

1. Take home the envelope and write your name, address, phone number and school on it.
2. Insert a donation of $2 or more in the envelope and seal it up.
3. Return the envelope to school. Put it in the money slot in the office.

Please return your envelope to the office by Friday 10th May 2013. Entries will be drawn on May 24th and the winner will be contacted by mail.
Thank you

Mrs J Cox
Stewart House Co-ordinator

Canteen Meal Deals
Monday 1st April to Friday 12th April
Hot Dog (100% chicken) $4.00
+ Packet of chips + Popper juice or Water bottle

Canteen Meal Deals
Monday 29th April to Friday 10th May
Pizza – Cheese & Bacon or Ham & Pineapple $4.00
+ Brownie + Popper juice or Water bottle

For every $25 you spend at The Good Guys at Prospect and mention the school’s name we get $1 back in vouchers. Please don’t forget to mention Walters Road Public School

ST MARYS CORNER
LEGO ROBOTICS
With Fizics Education
Monday 22 April

Using laptops and the new NXT Lego Mindstorms robots, find out how a robot really works. You will be guided step by step in pairs to program your robot to perform precise movements and operate environmental sensors such as light and sound.

Workshop is for 8-15 year olds
10:00am - 12:30pm
Tickets: $12 per child
Only children need to pay.

Tickets for activities at St Marys Corner can be purchased from any Library Branch. However the ticket cannot be used up from library branch. Tickets are not

St Marys Corner
28 George Street
St Marys