

# WestNews

A Journal of Westfields Sports

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I have just returned to the Principal's chair after five weeks of leave and would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank Andrew Rogers for doing such an admirable job. It is good to know that the school continues to run effectively and efficiently in my absence.

On Wednesday morning I had the privilege of joining the CEO of Cricket NSW, Andrew Jones, to jointly launch the partnership between the NSW Sports High Schools and Cricket NSW. The highlight of the day was the announcement that Westfields has been fully endorsed as the first "High Performance" cricket school in NSW. In addition, Cricket NSW has promised to assist us with an upgrade of our cricket nets, which is wonderful news for our cricket program.

On Thursday we had the site meeting for the extensions to our strength and conditioning facility. Work is scheduled to commence next Tuesday and should be completed for the first day back at school next year. Of course we will need to purchase additional equipment to fill this new area so we will be in contact early next year with details of a tax deductible donation program to help us to outfit the new weights training area.

By the time you read this newsletter, we will have commenced our annual rollover to the 2017 timetable, which means that all students are promoted to next year's classes. This is done to ensure that meaningful work continues right up until the last day. This will have a significant impact on Year 9 students as they become Year 10 and therefore join the senior school. As seniors, Year 10 will commence classes at 8.20 am each day and on Monday, Thursday and Friday, complete their school day at 1.15 pm. It also means that they will commence wearing the sky blue shirt. An important step in the rollover process is the official signing out of each student's current year. Unfortunately, there are a number of students who have not completed the sign out process. If your son or daughter has not done so already, they must return all outstanding textbooks and school resources and pay any outstanding fees and charges prior to complete the roll over process.

Our final P&C meeting is on Wednesday 23 November. As it is the last meeting for the year we hold our Christmas Function at Canley Heights RSL commencing at 6.30 pm.

The coming few weeks are a very busy time for our school. Following are some important dates for your diary - Tuesday 6 December is Year 7 Orientation Night and Tuesday 13 December our Annual Academic Presentation Night at Club Marconi. Our Year 12 students receive their HSC results on Thursday 15 December and their university ATAR results on Friday 16 December. We will be holding a morning tea for Year 12 at 10.00 am on Friday 16 to enable them to come back to school one last time to share their results with staff.

*Mr R. Davis*  
*Principal*

18 November 2016

### IMPORTANT EVENTS

**21.11.2016**  
*2017 Rollover  
Commences*

**23.11.2016**  
*P&C Meeting  
Canley Heights RSL  
6.30pm*

**13.12.2016**  
*Presentation Night  
Club Marconi  
6.30pm*

**International  
Olympic  
Committee  
Sport and Youth  
Trophy 2008**



## REMEMBRANCE DAY 2016

I would like to share with you all how well our Captains and Vice Captains represented Westfields Sports at last Friday's Remembrance Day Ceremonies at Smithfield RSL and Canley Heights RSL. Members of both clubs commented on how impressed they were with our students and the manner in which they participated in the ceremony.



**Ms K. Padovan**  
SRC Coordinator

## TRAVEL PASSES FOR 2017

### Opal Network

Students are to keep their School Opal cards for travel in 2017. These cards will be automatically deactivated for school holidays and then reactivated for school travel in Term One. Current School Opal cards can be updated with changes of school, home address or operator.

**Ms D. Zanet**  
Deputy Principal

## PRESENTATION NIGHT

Each year Westfields Sports acknowledges and celebrates its high achieving students at the school's Presentation Night. This year we will gather for this grand event on Tuesday 13 December at Club Marconi. The evening is especially organised for a group of high achieving students from Years 7 to 11 and their families. Recipients must be in attendance and seated by 6.30pm for the evening to commence promptly.

Students will be recognised and awarded for excellence in one or more of the following areas: academic studies, sport, debating, public speaking, performing arts, citizenship and scholarship.

### Years 7 and 8

#### First in Class

An academic excellence award is given to the student placed 'first' in the class for the subject. Awards are given on class basis.

#### Teacher's Award

An academic achievement award is given to students who were consistently conscientious in their efforts throughout the year.

### Years 9, 10 and 11

There are two awards presented to students in Years 9 to 11, First in Course and Second in Course. These awards recognise academic excellence and are awarded to students who are placed first and second in the subject across all classes.

### Dux

The prestigious Dux Award is presented to the student who is placed first consistently across a number of subjects in each year. There is a Dux Award for each year from Years 7 to 11.

Invitations to Presentation Night will be given to students in the coming weeks and it is hoped that all recipients will be able to attend to collect their awards.

We hope you can join us for this special event.

**Ms K. Burt**  
Relieving Head Teacher Welfare



Fairfield Local AECG is holding a logo design competition  
It is open to all students

The winning logo design will be used to represent the Fairfield Local AECG in all correspondence

- The logo should reflect the values of the community
- The proposed logo should be original and the result of the student's own work
- The logo should fit nicely into a square or circle shape;
- The logo can be either hand drawn or designed using digital media
- It must incorporate the text Fairfield Local AECG

Please include name, class and school on the reverse of the design

DUE to janene.m.mpherson@det.nsw.edu.au BY 20.09.16

## FOLLOW US ON TWITTER

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@WestfieldsSport.



## TROLLEY DRIVE

The SRC has been collecting food for the Fairfield Uniting Church Christmas Trolley Drive. The support from both staff and students has been outstanding. There is still one more week of collecting to go and the SRC would like to encourage all students to donate food products to this worthwhile cause. Non-perishable foods such as canned foods, pasta sauces, cereal are all suitable. Collections will continue until the end of Week 7.



*Ms K. Padovan  
SRC Coordinator*

## LIBRARY MATTERS

On Wednesday 9 November, I was very proud to present 46 students from Years 7, 8 and 9 certificates for successfully completing the 2016 Premiers Reading Challenge (PRC).

Of the 46 students, 8 students qualified for a gold certificate for completing 4 years of PRC; 6 students qualified for a platinum certificate for completing 7 years and 1 student qualified for a medal for completing 10 years - a fantastic effort by all!

Congratulations and well done to all students who participated.



*Mrs Zaccheo  
Teacher Librarian*

## UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is open every Thursday during Term from 8:00am to 11:30am.

In addition to these times the shop will be open on Tuesday 6 December from 2:30pm to 5:15pm for Orientation Night.

The shop will also open next year on Thursday 19 and Friday 27 January from 8:00am to 1:00pm.

*Mrs J. Stickler  
Uniform Shop*

## STUDENT RECORDS

In cases of emergency it is very important that Student Records are accurate and up to date.

If you have changed your address or telephone number, or wish to update your emergency contact person, please advise the Administration Office as soon as possible.

*Mrs M. Edwards  
School Administration Officer*

## HOMEWORK CENTRE - SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS

The homework centre, based in the school library is available for all students from 3.15pm to 4.15pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during the school term. Teaching staff are available to assist students with homework, research and study. Whilst attendance is voluntary, students may need to make alternate arrangements to travel home as they will not be dismissed from the homework centre until 4.15pm on these days. If your child requires assistance with homework or is just looking for a quiet place to study please encourage them to attend the homework centre.

*Mr C. King  
Head Teacher Pedagogy*

## EARLY LEAVERS

If a student needs to leave school early they should;

- bring a parental note stating why and when the student is required to leave school
- show the note to the Deputy in Charge of their year and receive an Early Leavers Pass
- show their classroom teacher the Early Leavers Pass when leaving class

All appointments should be made outside of school times.

**STUDENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO LEAVE THE SCHOOL GROUNDS WITHOUT PERMISSION**

*Mr D. Barrett  
Deputy Principal*



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## RUGBY LEAGUE PRESENTATION NIGHT

The annual Rugby League Presentation was held at Cabramatta Leagues Club on Wednesday 9 November. It showcased the highlights of the season and recognised individual achievements.

Representative Awards were presented to *Tuimavave Afualo & Sean Keppie (NSWCHS & Australian Schoolboys)*, *Jayke Lealuga-Puhotau*, *William Saunders*, *Alex Seve*, *Filia Utoikamanu*, *Ratu Vesikula*, *Mosese Vuki* and *Brandon Wakeham (NSWCHS)*.



Individual Awards were presented to :

**Under 13s** - *Terrell Kalo Kalo (Best Back)*, *James Malauulu (Best Forward)*, *Henry Alesi (Coaches Award)*

**Under 14s** - *Gordon Chan Kum Tong (Best Back)*, *Trey Mooney (Best Forward)*, *Jordan Tapusoa (Coaches Award)*

**Under 15s** - *Ratu Vesikula (Best Back)*, *William Saunders (Best Forwards)*, *Keanu Chatters (Coaches Award)*

**Under 16s** - *Jake Averillo (Best Back)*, *Lindsay Smith (Best Forward)*, *Matthew Doorey (Coaches Award)*

**Opens** - *Tuimavave Afualo & Alex Seve (Best Backs)*, *Sean Keppie & Filia Utoikamanu (Best Forwards)*, *Noel Aukafolau (Coaches Award)*

**Clubman of the Year** - *Matthew Vidal*

**Player of the Year** - *Brandon Wakeham*

Congratulations to all students on a very successful year.

*Mr G. Boulos*  
Rugby League Convener



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## SMS MESSAGING

On receiving a message parents/caregivers can reply by pressing the reply option and providing the following information **student's full name, year, roll call, date of absence and the reason for absence or lateness.**

eg. Shauna Smith 07R01 sick 13/3  
Please do not use abbreviations or preferred names

The school expects parents/caregivers to contact the school in advance if they know their child is to be absent and to ensure the current mobile numbers are provided to the school.

Thank you for your assistance and co-operation

*Miss R. Freeman*  
Head Teacher Administration

## PDHPE AND SPORT REMINDER

During PE and Sport lessons students need to be properly prepared with hat, drink bottle and sunscreen. In extreme weather, lessons will be modified with adequate rest and drink breaks provided.

Whilst it is commendable for students to be looking after their hygiene and want to use a deodorant after PE or Sport, it is important to remember that the spray can variety is not suitable to use in the school environment. Roll on deodorant is the most suitable and should be the only method used.

*Mr A. Larkin*  
Head Teacher PDHPE

## UNIFORM SHOP

If you have articles of school uniform no longer required and would like to donate them to uniform shop for emergency loan clothing please bring them to the Uniform Shop on Thursdays or the School Office.

Thanking you in anticipation

*Mrs J. Stickler*  
Uniform Shop

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