

Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be A Learner

Enrolments are Welcome for all Year levels, including Kinder for 2019.
Please come and collect an enrolment form.



PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Dear Parents/Caregivers,
Uniforms for Winter

As the weather has cooled down, could you all please make sure you are organised with Winter uniforms and that they are clearly labelled with names. Children often remove their windcheaters or jackets as they run around at break times, then forget to collect them before going back into class. We want to be able to return clothing to the rightful owners. I would also like to thank Mel Potter, our Primary Wellbeing Officer, for all her work in obtaining some Winter uniforms and shoes for students from State School's Relief. This was a service available for students in Foundation whose family qualified for CSEF (Camps, Sport and Excursion Fund). I am sure those families have really appreciated this help with Winter uniforms.

ANZAC Day March

A huge thank you to our students, families and staff who joined us on ANZAC Day, Wednesday 25th April, to participate in the Wodonga march. Fortunately this year the weather was fine and sunny – a huge contrast to last year when it poured rain. I was extremely proud of the students who marched with commitment and respect behind our banner and giant Australian flag holding their sprigs of rosemary (representing remembrance). I know our Defence Transition Aide, Liz Haynes, who was also commemorating ANZAC Day in France would have been proud of the efforts of our students. Well done to our School Captains, Joyce Evangelista and Judd Gavrilovic, who carried our school banner during the march and also laid a wreath in our school colours during the ceremony. Our Honor Roll for the ANZAC Day march included students from the Kinder right up to Year 6! They included;

Beau, Amber and Talisha Guy
Jordan, Haley, Holly and Jayden Waite
Sharlee and Wyatt West
Blake and Olivia Boon
Emily and Mathew Dykstra
Ngarie, Thomas and Jaxon Bourke
Kiara and Sean Graham
Isabelle and Jordy Nicol
Keyver and Liv Finemore
Logan Field
Gracie Buckingham
Celina Anderson
Amy Miller Hinge
Justin and Juliette Matthias
Macy and Charli Perry



Assembly : Monday
7 May 2018
Assembly In Gym - 9am
Class - 1/2M
All Welcome

SPECIAL DATES

Friday 4 May

- Cross Country - Yr 3 - 6

Wednesday 9 May

- Mother's Day Raffle tickets due back today
- School Council - 5.45pm

Thursday 10 May

- Mother's Day Stall

Friday 11 May

- Mother's Day Stall
- Mother's Day Raffle
- Walkathon

Tuesday 15 May

- NAPLAN - Year 3 & 5

Wednesday 16 May

- NAPLAN - Year 3 & 5

Thursday 17 May

- NAPLAN - Year 3 & 5

Saturday 19 May

- Working Bee - 9am-12pm

Friday 25 May

- Division Cross Country - Yr 3 - 6

Violet Hampson
Indie Hays
Hunter Steff
Mackenzie Jackson
Iffy Mohammed
Khristeen Weatherall
Ryllie and Couper Braxton
Matilda Lester
Nikita Strachan
Judd and Will Gavrilovic
Joyce and Rhon Evangelista
Shamvab Thapa
Kaydence Raynor
Kyron Ward
Ewan Sutherland
Hayley Retallack



Staff included; Fiona Powles , Gemma Puntoriero, Ana Gonzalez, Brad Stagg, Carolle Glitzenhirn, Bec Simboras, Melissa Watson and Sharon Mawby.

NAPLAN Testing

The National Literacy and Numeracy testing of students in years 3, 5, 7 & 9 (NAPLAN) will occur shortly. These tests are spread over three consecutive days from 15 – 17 May. Students will be assessed in Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar (Writing Conventions), and Mathematics. Our wonderful teachers have been providing students with opportunities to practise this style of testing and supporting them to do their very best. Parents can assist by making sure students all have a decent, healthy breakfast and that routines are kept as normal as possible. Parents are encouraged to talk to their child encouraging them to do their best effort and wishing them good luck. Reports will be provided to parents later in the year showing where their child sits in relation to all other students across the country in each of the curriculum areas. I wish all our students every success and know they will try their very best on the day.

School Working Bee – Calling on our Parents to help

On Saturday 19 May we require your help, even for an hour or so. Our School Council will be holding their annual Autumn Working Bee to spruce up the grounds before Education Week. The Working Bee will be from 9am until 12 noon. As parents who want the best for their children, we would appreciate your support. Working Bees are traditionally for Parents/Carers, not school staff, although usually some staff attend. There are several notices around the school advertising the event. Please bring along some basic gardening tools to help us out. Many hands make light work. Thank you in anticipation!

Long Service Leave

I will be taking 7 school days off on Long Service Leave from tomorrow until Tuesday 15 May. During this time Sharon Mawby will be Acting Principal, supported by Anne Shears who often works at our school and has a good knowledge of the staff and students. I am positive they will do an excellent job and I am indeed lucky to have staff who will step up whilst I am away.

Regards
Jocelyn Owen

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Compass

Later this semester, student reports and interview times will be communicated to parents via the COMPASS app. It is essential you ensure your password is current and that you update the app when required so you can receive your report and propose and accept on Parent/Teacher interview time. Please contact Suzanne or Jo in the office if you are experiencing any issues.

NAPLAN

The following information is for parents/caregivers of students in Years 3 and 5.

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2018 for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be held on Tuesday 15 May, Wednesday 16 May and Thursday 17 May 2018. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

The results of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals which can be used to improve student achievement.

All students are expected to participate in the NAPLAN tests. During test week, catch-up tests will be available for individual students who are absent on test days. These students may undertake catch-up tests on the days in the test week after the scheduled test, up to and including Friday 18 May 2018.

Support can be arranged for students with disabilities, if the student regularly uses similar support for classroom assessment tasks.

If your child is eligible for support due to disability or an exemption, you should discuss this with his/her teacher prior to the tests. Parental consent is required before any support due to disability or exemption is granted.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents and carers in consultation with the principal. If, after consultation, you decide to withdraw your child, you must sign a Student Withdrawal form. These forms are available at the school.

Later in the year you will receive your child's personal NAPLAN report. The report will describe your child's particular skills in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The report will also show how your child performed in relation to national minimum standards. These describe the minimum acceptable standards for students across Australia.

For more information about the tests, please visit the VCAA website at www.vcaa.vic.edu.au or the NAP website at www.nap.edu.au.

Reminder:

SAKG money is now overdue for this term. If you have not paid already please pay \$25 to the office asap or come and talk to our office staff about payment.

Enrolment tours for 2019:

It is rapidly approaching the time when families need to look at tour times to visit our fabulous facilities and learn about our programs if they want to enrol either their pre-schooler (3 and 4 year old kinder) or Foundation student for 2019.

During Education Week tours will be held every day from Monday May 21 to Friday May 25 at 9:30 am and 12:15 pm. In addition there will be 4pm tours on Tuesday May 22 and Wednesday May 23.

Alternatively families are welcome to ring the office and organise their own time.

Flyers advertising these times will be available at preschool centres in the next couple of weeks.

Dates to include are: School Council next Wednesday

NAPLAN testing program- 15, 16, 17 May

Cross Country Friday

Walkathon Friday May 11

Mothers day stall

Assembly Monday 7 May

Sharon Mawby
Assistant Principal

STUDENT WELLBEING REPORT

Coles Sports for Schools Program

If you have any final vouchers lying around please return them to school tomorrow morning as I will be sending the last parcel away tomorrow afternoon. The more vouchers the more sports gear we will receive. Vouchers can be left in the box in the front office. Thank you everyone for your support during this program.



PJ dress Fundraising day

Miss Donehue has started to purchase some new books for the library with money raised from the fundraising day. It is very exciting to see the wonderful new books.

Break time programs

<u>Program</u>	<u>Day, time, location</u>
Pom Pom critter making	Monday, lunch, EAL room access via the library, all welcome
Computers	Monday, lunch, Miss Chick's room, see her door for year level rotation
Hoop time	Wednesday, lunch, in the gym - Year 3 - 6
Studio West – back, face and hand massage, foot soak	Thursday, lunch time, Child care room, all welcome, small cost involved 20 or 50 cents

There may be other break time activities that will be announced on the day they happen.

PFF

Mother's Day Stall

Grandparents, Fathers and Carers. There is something for everyone! Beautiful NEW STOCK with the same great prices, starting at as little as 50c up to \$5. All profit made will go into the school. The stall will be held over two days, Thursday 10 May and Friday 11 May, so start saving!

Please note - Re-useable bags are very welcome for children to carry their precious purchases home.

SPORT NEWS

WODONGA WEST CROSS COUNTRY

A reminder that our school Cross Country is on tomorrow Friday 4th May at Willow Park!

Students are encouraged to wear their house T shirt and good running shoes. The first race is at 1:00pm for the Year 9/10 Girls from Mr Stagg's, Miss Chenoweth & Miss Chick's class. Races are approximately 20 minute intervals, but it may pay to be there a little earlier so you don't miss cheering for your child. Students have been training to participate in the 2km(9/10 years) or 3km(11/12 years) distance so we hope they are well prepared. **There are still quite a few permission notes not returned**, so please make sure you get another note and return it to your class teacher, so you don't miss out on a great day!

Thank you to the parents who have offered to help on the day! **If you are able to help and have not yet returned your note, could you please let me know ASAP.**

Susan Macdonald

PE Coordinator



KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Thank you to Fiona Powles (Early Education teacher) and her family who provided free beach sand and topped up the F-2 sand pit.



LOST AND FOUND

Pink square sandwich lunch box has been handed in to the office. There is no name on it. If you are missing this container, please see Suzanne in the office.

ANZAC POEM

They protected our country they cared about us
After a few years there was no need to fuss.
They protected our country with all their care.
There was no need to worry, the soldiers were there.
The country we have now is all we have left.
From the horrible war that has no longer been kept.
The soldiers were loyal, they took a big risk.
They helped protect our country now they no longer exist.

Written by Marly Paton.



MUSIC LESSONS

Piano/keyboard/guitar/piano accordion lessons at school every Thursday during school time. For more information please contact Heather Wilson on Ph 6025 6480.

MESSAGE FROM WODONGA POLICE

Police are regularly patrolling around all schools in Wodonga – particularly at drop off and pick up times. They are targeting speeding and illegal parking. Of particular concern at WWPS is the number of parents/carers who stop/park between the two entrances of the school car park in Murphy Street . **This will incur a fine of \$144 if you are booked.** Police have also warned they will be in marked and unmarked cars and will be regularly monitoring the traffic around schools so that everyone is doing the correct thing and our students and families are safe. A reminder that the school car park is only to be utilised by school staff and tradespeople contracted by the school, or parents with a disability sticker displayed on their vehicle who are able to use the disabled car parking only. There are clear signs informing everyone of this.

STUDENT MEDICAL AMBULANCE COVER

This is a reminder that The Department **does not provide** personal accident insurance ambulance cover for students. Parents/Guardians of students who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs.

The poster for Family Science Nights features a green and yellow background. At the top, the text "Family SCIENCE Nights" is written in a stylized font, with "SCIENCE" in large, bold letters. To the right, the "ECOINQUIRE" logo is shown, featuring a brain with gears and a magnifying glass. Below the title, a magnifying glass and a red Erlenmeyer flask with a red liquid inside are depicted. The text "Open to all ages" is written in a simple font. The event times are listed as "5.30pm - 6.30pm Thursday Evenings (8 week term)". A list of topics follows: April 19th - Squishy Circuits, April 26th - Sound, May 3rd - Magnetism, May 10th - Moon Craters, May 17th - Static Electricity, May 24th - Macroinvertebrates, May 31st - Fossils, and June 7th - Chemical Science. A battery icon is shown to the left of the list. The price "\$160 per family" is displayed in large blue text. At the bottom, the location "Sustainability Activity Centre 1/44 Lincoln Causeway Wodonga" is provided. A black banner at the very bottom contains the text "For more information and bookings visit www.ecoinquire.com.au". A photograph of a young boy in a striped shirt looking through a magnifying glass is in the bottom right corner.

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THE COLOUR CRAZE THAT'S SWEEPING THE NATION™



Dear Parent/Guardian

RE: School Run 4 Fun Colour Explosion

From today, we commence the School Run4Fun Colour Explosion which is as a major fundraiser this term so we do ask for your support. The more money we raise the more we can provide for the students through vital school projects, in particular **school fundraising**.

The School Run4Fun Colour Explosion will be held on **Friday 11 May** starting at 2.30pm. Casual clothes can be worn for the day (but not your best casual clothes). The day's focus is on fun and fitness with the added benefit of raising funds for our school.

Colour Powder

The colour powder used in our event has been sourced direct from India, the home of Holi Powder. It is made of high quality corn starch and permitted food colours. It's non-toxic, biodegradable, skin safe and environmentally friendly. Toxicological Risk Assessment and ingredient listings can be obtained from the School Office upon request. Students with asthma are advised to be careful in their decision to participate.

How Does My Child Fundraise?

Students have now received a Sponsorship Form with instructions on how to raise money and order prizes. Students obtain donations in cash using the Sponsorship Form together with online fundraising.

Students who raise as little as \$10 or more will receive an incentive prize for their efforts. But why not aim higher? You have the option to choose up to five (5) prizes and this will set your fundraising goal. Family and friends are your greatest supporters, so ask them first for your support. You will reach your fundraising goal in no time.

Student Profile Page

Create a Student Profile Page at www.myprofilepage.com.au which is unique to you. There are also some great features like recording your sponsorships and selecting your prize goal.

You can also register for online fundraising. It's the easiest way to help your child raise money and to reach your fundraising goal sooner. The average raised per student using online fundraising is \$120.

WIN A SHARE OF \$70,000 WORTH OF FREE SPONSORSHIP DONATIONS. Create a Student Profile Page at www.myprofilepage.com.au and enter your unique code found on page five (5) of your Sponsorship Form to see if you're an instant winner. Give your fundraising goal a kick start!

How to Order Prizes?

To reward your child for their efforts, they will receive incentive prizes based on the total amount of sponsorship dollars raised in cash, online, and if applicable, any **FREE SPONSORSHIP DONATIONS** won using the unique code on page five (5) of the Sponsorship Form. You have two options to place your prize order:

1. Login or create a Student Profile Page at www.myprofilepage.com.au. Once the fundraiser has finished, click the 'ORDER MY PRIZE' button and then confirm your total amount raised and order your prize/s, **OR**
2. Complete the back page of the Sponsorship Form and return to the school.

Please note, all donations need to be finalised on or before **Thursday 17 May**. Student prizes will be delivered shortly after.

Thank you in advance for your participation, and get ready for a BLAST OF COLOUR! Happy fundraising!

Brad Stagg









PATRIOTIC THEME: Students from Wodonga West Primary School share the responsibility of carrying the Australian flag as they march along.



Could \$500 help you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for school costs.

-  laptops & tablets
-  lessons & activities
-  uniforms & shoes
-  books & supplies
-  sports fees & gear
-  camps & excursions

To join Saver Plus, you must have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, be at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner), and have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself.

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Powerful tips for keeping our children **SAFE**



Join leading expert and international best-selling author of **My Underpants RULE!**, **Kate Power** for an evening that may be the most important of your child's life.

A mother of three and former police officer, Kate has dedicated herself to making the world safer for the next generations by offering **practical solutions** for busy, everyday parents, carers and educators.

A must see for everyone who cares for a child.

Packed full of simple tips, techniques & information to help keep your child safer, including;

- Clearing up myths that get in the way of your child's safety
 - Easy ways to communicate to your child about their private parts
 - How to extend the learning as your child grows
 - How to prepare for sleepovers and playdates
 - Tips on cyber safety
 - How to incorporate things kids **LOVE** leaving them **EMPOWERED** & **CONFIDENT**
- And much more...



@ 7pm
Tues 15 MAY 2018

**Venue: Wodonga Senior
Secondary College -
Lecture Theatre**

HELP AMBER GET TO BAHRAIN MOVIE FUNDRAISER

WHEN : May 19th, 2018, 6:45pm Start

WHERE : Regent Cinema Centre 456 Dean St, Albury NSW 2640

Amber has been offered an amazing opportunity to represent Australia in the IMMAF world championships held on the 11th to 18th of November 2018, this will take place at Khalifa Sport City Arena in Isa Town, on the outskirts of Manama Bahrain.



Come join Amber and the Evolve Mixed Martial Arts crew in a hilariously down right crazy Adventure, Action Comedy movie featuring one of the funniest men alive Ryan Reynolds as they raise funds to help get them across the sea.



MA15+ DEADPOOL 2

Tickets: \$20 per person for more information on purchasing tickets please contact Amber on 0417223884 or the guys down at Evolve Mixed Martial Arts. U1/87 Thomas Mitchell Dr, Wodonga 0412818205



Note : Amber is a parent at our school.
Please support her to achieve her goal.