

# THE WOODBERRY WORD

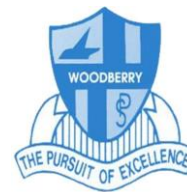
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Term 4, Week 2

Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016

## From the Principal

Welcome back to the beginning of Term 4. I hope that the recent break was relaxing and full of fun too. Transition programs for Kindergarten and Year 7 for 2017 will be important for all our students.

Term 4 is a busy term and we will be keeping the information coming to you through our fortnightly newsletter, Facebook page and Skoolbag app. Please make sure you know what is happening and when. If you have any questions, please contact the office or your child's teacher.

Our focus in PBL for the coming weeks is to be at school on time. All learning time is important. With recent discussions with our Home School Liaison officer it was decided to focus on children who are not at school by 9am regularly. Please try to be on time every day.

Reports for Semester Two will be coming home at the end of this term. Teachers will be having discussions with each other to write reports for each child.

## Important dates ( see calendar of events)

Yr 6 Farewell  
Presentation Day  
Big Day Out  
End of Year  
Reports to parents  
Reading Nooks

## Attendance

In Term 3 we had some wonderful attendance by our students. Even though there was a lot of sickness, 45 of our children attended every day. WOW!!! What great commitment to learning. The pizza lunch celebration for these children will be held on Tuesday 18th. Also, another 51 children achieved our target of having no more than 3 days away all term. Well done Woodberry P.S.  
Mr Emery will be at school this Friday to present his special attendance award for Term 3.

## World of Maths Visit

Mathematics can be fun. Everyone needs to know about maths.

We all use our maths skills at different times during our lives without even realising it. So why not learn the FUN way using WORLD OF MATHS activities.

Solving problems and puzzles with your friends couldn't be more challenging.

Visiting our school on Friday 28th October. Info coming home next week.

Have a great week!  
Ms Taggart

## Calendar of Events

Date	Event/s
20 Oct	Reading Nooks
21 Oct	Responsible Pet Program K-2
28 Oct	World Maths Day
1 Nov	Grandfriends Day
7-18 Nov	Swim School
21 Nov	Stage 3 Restaurant
9 Dec	Presentation Day
12 Dec	Big Day Out
15 Dec	Year 6 Farewell
16 Dec	Last day of Term 4

## PBL FOCUS WEEK 2

BE AT SCHOOL - ON TIME



Here at Woodberry we are celebrating our success in our week 30 K-2 reading, writing, comprehension and numeracy data. Teachers and students have been working extremely hard and the results have shown significant progress. Well done everyone!



## EVERY DAY COUNTS...

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

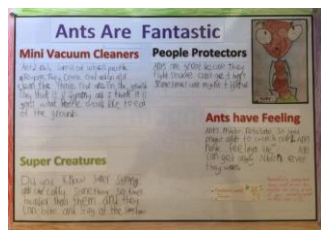
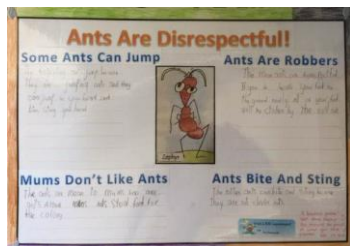
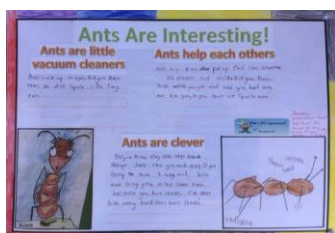
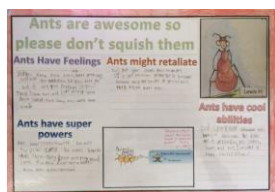
Give your child every  
chance to succeed...

Every day counts!



# 1/2 HP NEWS

Term 4 already, how did that happen! 1/2HP have had such a busy three terms learning and becoming the best version of ourselves we can be! Last term 1/2HP read a fabulous book titled 'Hey, Little Ant'. The book started an engaging conversation in our class about whether it is ok to squish ants. Most of 1/2HP decided that they thought ants were awesome and we should protect them. We created posters to display at school to persuade our friends to help us protect ants. We researched facts about ants using informative texts and used emotive language to persuade our audience. We also practised our computer skills by typing our headings and subheadings. Please enjoy reading some of our amazing posters and decide for yourself, to squish or not to squish.



**\*\* COMING SOON! \*\***

## Stage 3 Garden RESTAURANT

The Woodberry Restaurant is happening on Monday **week 7!** Year 5 and 6 are going to organise and run a restaurant in the garden at school for the **Year 5 and 6 parents and families**. The following groups have been formed to cater for this exciting event.

- Chefs
- Waiters
- Promotions
- Gardeners
- Managers

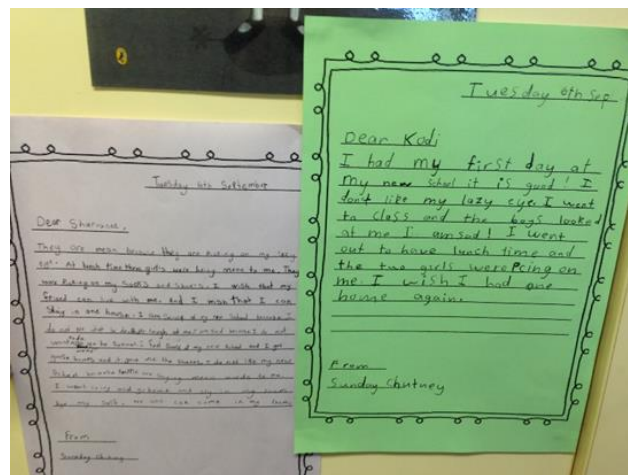


**SAVE THE DATE and STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS.**

Thank you,  
Promotions and Marketing team.

# 1/2L Update

1/2L have come back after the holidays and are excited to start another great term of learning. Last term 1/2L worked very hard on their writing with all students making great improvements. Miss Lambert is extremely proud of all her amazing students!!! 1/2L are enjoying working in their maths groups where they complete fun and engaging activities to improve their number skills. These are some of our wonderful artwork and writing related to the quality text 'Sunday Chutney':



## 60 secs with Mrs Edmonds

1. What is your role at WPS? **Learning Support Officer**
2. Fav music? **I love all music, although I'm definitely an 80's gal at heart!**
3. What is your fav Sport? **Netball or Rugby League**
4. How do you spend your spare time? **Socialising, playing netball, and running around after my kiddies!**
5. Name a person you would like to have dinner with and why. **Jarryd Hayne to ask what was he thinking?!**
6. Tell us something that may surprise us about you... **Played keyboard in a band and performed on TV once. (once lol)**





# Library News

Book club is due back to the school or online ordering by **Monday 31st October**

We encourage all students to borrow and enjoy reading books at home so please return any overdue Library books and checkout all our exciting new books coming into our library!

Borrowing days are every second Wednesday:

Even weeks- KM, 1/2L, 1/2HP, 2/3W

Odd weeks- 3/4C, 3/4H, 5/6M, 5/6T



CANTREEN TERM 4 PRICE INCREASES	
Pizza	\$3.00
Pies	\$3.00
Potato Pies	\$2.00
Lasagne	\$3.00
Smileys	\$2.00
Chicken Tenders	\$1.00 each

## Donna's Meal Deal

Pie  
Smiley  
Sour Ice Block

**\$5**

*Attached to this newsletter is a copy of our updated Canteen Price List.*

## Garden Gossip

with Gazza Galah



Ooooo the aroma's, Arrrrgggh. Those people in the garden thought they were pretty good growing their food. Now they fancy themselves as Master Chef's.

Can you believe at the end of last term they did TWO pots of stew on the campfire on the Tuesday? There was a touch of excitement when the kids saw that the second pot had curried sausages in it. I heard young Lewis calmly exclaim "THIS IS EPIC"!

That Craig fella thought he was pretty clever, taking bows all over the place. But truth be known, all the credit needs to go to young Qwin. I heard him all year in Craig's ear "when are you going to make curried sausages? When are you going to make curried sausages? When are you going to make curried sausages?"

Finally Craig cracked and shot back with "when you bring me in a recipe". And that is exactly what Qwin did. A hand written recipe, courtesy of Qwin's Nana. So Craig uses Qwin's Nana's recipe and thinks he's king parrot. More like gagging goose. Especially when stuffed up the source. Mind you, I have heard some kids ask him to make it again. Arrrrgggh.



## ORIENTATION 2016



It is that time of year again and we are getting ready for Kindergarten Orientation.

Orientation will begin in Week 2, Term 4

Students who are not already enrolled in Early Birds will be contacted by Mrs Jaunalksnis before the end of Term 3.

Orientation will take place over 8 weeks from 9am-2pm during Early Bird days.

During orientation students will engage in Early Bird routines and activities as well as engaging in learning opportunities from 11:30-1:30 in the Kindergarten and Year 1 rooms, in which children will have hands on experiences learning about Kindergarten for 2017.

At the conclusion of Orientation a Graduation BBO will take place in week 9 (with further information to come). If you have any further questions please see Mrs J at Early Birds.

## Grandfriends Day

Grandfriends Day will be held this year on Tuesday 1st November, 2016.

Woodberry Public School will be celebrating this very special day. A flyer has been sent home with all students.

Students and teachers are looking forward to sharing this special day with our valued Grandfriends.



Our Tuesday cooking classes are proving to be a popular and exciting addition to the extra activities provided at WPS. The aim of the project is to give children a love of cooking and eating wholesome, healthy meals. In addition, we hope that participants will gain valuable

knowledge about healthy eating and healthy food preparation. As you can see from the photos, our students are enjoying this learning opportunity – and the taste testing is pretty amazing as well!



**PaTCH**



Parents as Teachers/Community Helpers

**Session 5  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Oct  
9-11am**

## SPORTING LIFE

### Stage 2 Sporting Competition

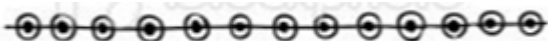
Stage 2 have been lucky enough to be involved in a Sporting event each week. There are about 10 schools across the Maitland area that all come together on a Thursday afternoon to play sport. It has been great so far! The student chose - Touch Football, Soccer, Lawn Bowls, Bootcamp and Zumba. They have been committed to that sport and/or team for 10 weeks. Such a commitment! Well done Stage 2 - keep it up!



### Backyard League

Students in Stages 3-6 are currently participating in the NRL Backyard League program. The program runs for 3 weeks and students learn basic rugby league skills whilst having fun and being active. All students are thoroughly enjoying the activities and learning.

For further information you can visit their Facebook page by searching: PlayNRL CentralCoast/Hunter/Newcastle.



*Hats can be purchased for \$7 from the school office.*



**2PM EVERY FRIDAY  
ALL WELCOME!**



Francis Greenway High school are holding a garage sale and car boot sale as part of the national Garage Sale Trail **this Saturday 22nd October from 8am to 12pm**. Come along and bag a bargain or book your own site by contacting Francis Greenway High School on 49641282. There is no cost involved in booking a site. Items available for purchase will range from household items through to cameras, vintage microscopes and other surplus school items



### Applying for Year 7 selective High Schools 2018

**11<sup>th</sup> October 2016-** Application website opens

**14<sup>th</sup> November 2016-** Application website closes

(late applications will not be accepted)

**23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017-** Test authority letter sent by mail

**9<sup>th</sup> March 2017-** Selective High School placement test

**Early July 2017-** Placement outcome information

## P&C

P&C Meetings are held on every second Tuesday of the month. We would love to see you there!

### READING NOOKS

**Every Thursday  
In the playground  
8:30 - 9am  
Parents welcome!**



Principal:	Joanne Stamos
Assistant Principal:	Cheryl Taggart
Rel. Assistant Principal:	Meegan Kavanagh
Instructional Leader:	Jessie Wright
Phone:	02 49 662 044
Fax:	02 49 641 148
Email:	<a href="mailto:woodberry-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au">woodberry-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</a>
Website:	<a href="http://www.woodberry-p.schools.nsw.edu.au">www.woodberry-p.schools.nsw.edu.au</a>





## School Student Transport Scheme Applications open 10 October 2016

From Monday 10 October 2016 parents, guardians and students over 16 years, will be able to apply for 2017 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel pass by visiting [www.transportnsw.info/school-students](http://www.transportnsw.info/school-students)

### Information for parents and students

School travel passes only need to be updated when a student:

- changes address, or
- changes school or campus.

A new application is required when:

- applying for an SSTS pass for the first time,
- enrolling in Kindergarten,
- progressing from Year 2 to Year 3,
- progressing from Year 6 to Year 7, or
- requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation.

For more information on planning your school travel, visit [www.transportnsw.info](http://www.transportnsw.info) or contact your local operator.



*Relationships Australia*

## Me and My Friend

**Confidence & Self-Esteem Building for Children**

**A fun, eight week program enabling children to grow in self esteem and confidence**

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This is a course for 7-11 year olds to help build confidence and self esteem. The group will assist children in getting to know themselves better, understand their unique qualities, deal with conflict situations, talk about feelings and practise social skills in a safe and supportive environment.

**When:** Tuesday 18 October – 6 December 2016  
**Time:** 4.00 pm – 6.00 pm  
**Venue:** Beresfield Primary School  
 181 Anderson Drive  
 Beresfield

**Cost:** \$0

Parents alone are required to attend an Orientation Session:  
 On: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2016  
 Time: 4.00 pm – 5.30 pm.  
 Parents are also invited into the group for the last half hour of each session to get feedback on progress and to support their child's learning.

**Bookings Essential**  
 Phone 4940 1500 or Email: [hunterrep@rnsnw.org.au](mailto:hunterrep@rnsnw.org.au)  
[www.asw-relationships.com.au](http://www.asw-relationships.com.au)



## Place of Friends

Woodberry Schools as Community Centres (SaCC)  
 Woodberry, Beresfield & Tarro

Woodberry Public School  
 Lawson Avenue, Woodberry 2322  
 Facilitator: Cynthia Jenkins

Ph. 49 642174

Fax. 49 641148

Email: [cynthia.jenkins@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:cynthia.jenkins@det.nsw.edu.au)



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Skoolbag app Woodberry Public School

DATE	SPECIAL DAYS & EVENTS
10 October	Term 4 begins & World Mental Health Day
13 October	Navigator Playgroup AND Child & Family Health Drop-In Clinic begins
17 October	Woodberry Playgroup AND Cert IV in Education Support begins
18 October	MyTime begins
20 October	Computer Lessons for Seniors begins
21 October	Circle of Security begins
23-29 October	Children's Week "A Caring World Shares"
24 October	Cancer Council's Pink Ribbon Day
30 October	Grandparents Day
31 October	Halloween
1 November	Melbourne Cup Day
7-13 November	National Recycling Week
11 November	Remembrance Day
1 December	First Day of Summer
3 December	International Day of People with a DisAbility
16 December	Term 4 ends for students



**Health**  
 Hunter New England  
 Local Health District

### Does Your Child Receive Regular, High Quality Dental Care?

Hunter New England Oral Health provides comprehensive dental care for children under 18 years of age, completely FREE of charge.

**For more information, phone 1300 651 625**

Local clinic locations:

Beresfield, Raymond Terrace, Maitland, Cessnock