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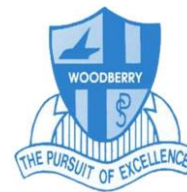
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Term 4, Week 6

Monday, 14th November 2016

From the Principal

Coming back from my long service leave made me, once again, realise how much I love my job but more importantly how much I love Woodberry Public School and all that it encompasses. Walking around the school and seeing and hearing all the amazing things that have happened while I was either on my LSL or in Sydney for work always brings tears to my eyes. I am so proud.

I would like to publicly thank Mrs Taggart and the amazing team of teachers and support people that ensured that Woodberry Public continued to be awesome. It's amazing to know that I can take some well-deserved time off and know that learning will continue to take place. Thank you Mrs Taggart.

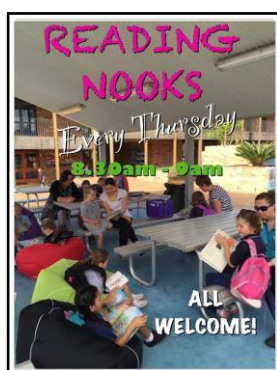
Since being back I have had to attend professional development in Sydney a lot. I have learnt heaps but am now glad that things can get back to 'normal' for me at school.

I'm looking forward to reading the reports that our teachers are currently writing for each child. While they are doing that I am busy working out a plan for us for 2017. If you have any ideas or suggestions please come and see me.

I would like to welcome all the new families that have recently joined the Woodberry Public family. I believe that you will love every moment of it. It is exciting to see our school growing and changing.

Until next time

Joanne Stamos



Calendar of Events

Date	Event/s
7-18 Nov	Swim School
21 Nov	Stage 3 Restaurant
8 Dec	Reports go home
9 Dec	Presentation Day
12 Dec	Big Day Out
15 Dec	Year 6 Farewell
16 Dec	Last day of Term 4



PBL FOCUS WEEK 6

DO YOUR BEST IN THE CLASSROOM



Term 4

Values Awards

Class

Week 4

KM	Hannah Maere
1/2HP	Kiara Rowsell
1/2L	Declan Zaniol
2/3W	Mia Pirreca
3/4H	Darnel Silva
3/4B	Tiffany Bell
5/6M	Melissa Duffield
5/6T	Seth Porter-Fortune

Congratulations to ALL our Award winners!

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Newcastle Permanent Primary Maths Competition

Last term Year 5 and 6 students participated in the Newcastle Permanent Primary Maths Competition. Congratulations to all students who participated.

A special congratulations to the following students who achieved outstanding results and were awarded a Merit Certificate from the competition.

Year 5

Soko Tupou
Steve Nash
Thomas Stephenson
Michelle Ryan

Year 6

Latifah Osai
Angelyka Penera



5/6M NEWS

5/6M has been writing recounts about the World of Maths event that took place at school last Friday. The recounts include the purpose of the maths day and the activities they found the most interesting. Some of our students had the opportunity to assist the younger classes during the middle session which helped build their leadership skills. Here are some samples of our students work.

World of maths

ON FRIDAY, I WAS FORTUNATE TO PARTICIPATE IN A PROGRAM CALLED WORLD OF MATHS. THIS EXCELLENT PROGRAM WAS LED BY A MAN NAMED MR ED. THE HALL WAS FILLED WITH MANY CHALLENGING GAMES, QUIZZES AND PUZZLES.

Mr Ed introduced himself and asked everybody how maths is used. He explained how maths is used everywhere. He also explained to the group the activities to have fun with.

There were many activities such as post box, snakes, tower buildings, games, through the forest and many more. I found most of the activities very interesting.

My favourite activity was the Post box activity, because it was fun trying to find out the girls post box. I really enjoyed it so much I think I could do it over and over again but it's good to try other activities.

After lunch I got asked to go back to the hall to instruct the k-2 kids. Every group leader had 4 kids in each group and every activity took 20 minutes each.

My favourite activity from the k-2's games and puzzles would be the fishing one because it was fun fishing for fish!

By *Sake TUPOU 5/6M*

World of Maths

On Friday 28th October year 5 and 6 had an opportunity to participate in a program called World of Maths the program was led by a guy named Mr Ed. At the program there were a lot of activities that were a bit challenging which made them even funnier.

The program was held in the hall and there were about 14 activities to choose but first you had to get yourself in a group of 3 or 4 so I got into a group with Soko and Latifah.

The first activity we went to was post box its where you have to try and figure out which was the right number and our second activity we went to was called through the forest where you have to try and get the tiny ball to one side to the other side.

But my personal thought about World of Maths is it was fun it was a good way to learn maths is used everywhere and that it can be fun.

Dakoda Duley

World of Math

On Friday I was fortunate to participate in a program called World of Maths. This excellent program was led by Mr Ed the hall was filled with many challenges, games, quizzes and puzzles.

Mr Ed introduced himself and asked everybody how math I used everywhere. He also explained to all the group of who fun math activities are to have fun.

There were many activities such as the post box, snakes, tower buildings, by the way, post box and making more we had a sheet of paper to fill in the activity that we have done.

After lunch I was asked to help Mr Ed with the infant's classes. I explained to the group of who fun math activities are to have fun. I was given a group of four kids and I led them through a variety of activities. The infant's kids/classes had whole lot different activities to stage 3 with I really like because I got to see different games and puzzles.

My favourite activities were treasure hunt and post box. I enjoyed them because they were my favourite games and there really fun.

I REALLY ENJOYED WORLD OF MATHS DAY BECAUSE I GOT TO PARTICIPATE IN MANY ACTIVITIES THAT USE MATHS. I THOUGHT MR ED WAS VERY HELPFUL AND TAUGHT ME A LOT ABOUT HOW MATHS CAN BE FUN AND USED FOR EVERYTHING.

WORLD OF MATHS

Today we participated in World of maths. We learnt how maths can be fun. Mr Ed showed us something to do with maths. We played game, solved puzzles and quizzes that we did like into gear, dimers ions, by the way, build and more.

My group did not get through all of the activities because there was not much time. But we still had fun. I like it today. I learned that we used maths in every day life.

I like see double because we had to build something beside a mirror would show the objects double.

By *Trishia*

Stage 3 parents are invited to:

The Garden Restaurant

WHEN: MONDAY 21st NOVEMBER 2016
WHERE: WPS GARDEN
TIME: 11.30AM FOR 12PM
COST: YOU TELL US HOW MUCH (DONATION)
DRESS: SMART CASUAL
RSVP: 11th NOVEMBER (WEEK 5)

Stage 3 have been working hard in our sustainability, customer service, chefs and promotions groups, and are excited to cook and serve you in our Garden Restaurant.

The Woodberry Restaurant is just around the corner! Monday 21st of November to be exact!

Please return your RSVP's to the office or your child's classroom teacher so we can best cater for the function.

3/4H UPDATE

This term 3/4H has been looking at recycling. We have made our own worm farms that we are taking care of in 3/4H. The students have had to take responsibility of their worm farm and this is done by them watering and putting fresh food scraps on them every day or two. Throughout the term we have also enjoyed going to Maitland Park each Thursday to compete against other schools in our region. Students have had a great experience meeting and playing against other schools. We are looking forward to having a fantastic end to 2016.



60 secs with Aunty Dawn

1. What is your role at WPS? **Aboriginal Education Officer**
2. What was your first job? **I worked at KFC**
3. What is your favourite movie? **National Velvet**
4. Who would you like to have dinner with and why? **Barrack Obama because he is cute**
5. What are you scared of? **I'm terrified of storms**
6. Tell us something that may surprise us about you... **I represented the state in netball, basketball and water polo.**



Library News

BOOKCLUB- Our last book club for the year is out with loads of cool Christmas gift ideas! Please return any orders to the office or online by Tuesday 28 November.

PLEASE return all overdue library books by the end of the year.

Overdue notices go home with your child every fortnight so please check their bags!

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



Mara Boolang

Mums & Bubs Sewing Group

Come and join us every Wednesday 9.30am - 12.30pm.

Meet other mums and enjoy each other's company and do some sewing at the same time.



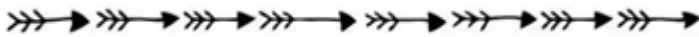
P&C

It's been a while since our last P&C News update and a lot has changed. The P&C committee are now Ben Rowsell, President, Donna Shepherd, Vice President, Tammy McLaren, Treasurer and Cindy Baker, Secretary. We would like to thank Stratco at Thornton for their donation to our Fathers' Day Raffle. We would also like to thank Tanika Neate for her continued support with major donations for our Fathers' Day, Halloween and upcoming Christmas raffles. We all need to thank Stratco for their donation of paint to repaint the interior of the canteen. If anyone has any new, but unwanted rollers and brushes etc, you can leave them at the school office. **P & C Meetings are held on every second Tuesday of the month. We would love to see you there!**



IS COMING!

Notes were sent home last week that included all you need to know about our annual Big Day Out. This year we are heading to Speers Point Park, and then to the Glendale movies. Cost: \$17. To ensure your child's spot on the bus, all notes and money must be returned to the office by.... 25th November.



Stockland Stars

Shop, Vote & Win!

KM and 3/4H have been busy creating a star for the Stockland Greenhills Stars competition, with the chance to win some great prizes for our school.

How to enter:

Go to stocklandgreenhillstars.com.au and register. Then follow the prompts to upload your receipt. Make sure you read the terms and conditions and vote as many times as you can for Woodberry Public School!

Remember, if you don't have access to the internet you can still vote by taking your receipt to the Customer Care at Stockland Greenhills.

Voting: Monday 7 November - Sunday 4th December



COOKING WORKSHOP

Please pick up a note from the office if you haven't had a turn in the cooking workshop (or if you'd like another turn).

We'll be learning how to make some edible Christmas gifts, as well as some tasty summer food to share. Students attending:

15th Nov 9-11am – Trisha Horder 5/6M
Cortney Price KM

12-2pm – Oliver McCarthy 1/2H
Malakai Latham-Skelly 1/2L
Nate Porter- Fortune 2/3W

22nd Nov 9-11am – Kaleb Fuller 5/6M
Kiesha Fuller 3/4H
Levi Hawkins 3/4B

12-2pm – Hailey Price 3/4B
Jaiden Cooper 3/4B



Garden Gossip

with Gazza Galah



Arrrrrrgggggh, it's hotter than a turkey's toosh out here in the garden. My advice to all those kids who like to visit the garden is grab your hat, grab a water can and spread some of that liquid gold around the garden. Those vegies will grow quicker than a sunflower in a sauna. Crikey there were some people in the garden the other day. Grand-friends day they tell me. And food! There was horses doovers, chicken curry, pumpkin soup and even some desert pizza. Once again those stage three kids took over the cooking. I heard all these nice people say "what's the recipe for the chicken Craig?" and Craig is all like "if I told you I'd have to kill you, bla bla blah." Well fear-not folks, I am a very observant bird and I will disclose this top secret recipe for you:

1 bucket of water
3 banksia men
1 whole kookaburra plucked and gutted
1 cup of dirt
Some coriander
And 16 eggs

Bon-appetite people. Enjoy. I look forward to your feedback. Arrrrgggggh.

NOTE FROM CRAIG

Dear Woodberry families, please ignore Gazza Galah. He is an idiot. He sits around eating fermented fruit all day. The real recipe is:

Chicken Curry

1 tablespoon of cooking oil
3 brown onions sliced,
6 cloves of garlic diced
2 teaspoons of grated ginger
2 teaspoons of ground coriander
2 teaspoons of ground cumin
1 teaspoon of turmeric
2 teaspoons of curry powder
Chilli to taste
1 kg chicken thighs halved
½ kg of carrots
½ kg of potatoes
1 sweet potato
1 Large tin of tomatoes
2 cups of chicken stock

Fry the onions and spices in a large pan with the oil. Add the chicken stirring until the meat turns white all over. Add the tomatoes stock and vegies. Simmer for at least an hour. You can substitute the meat. Lamb works well. Feel free the experiment. Coconut milk will make it sweeter, most verges will work. E.g. broccoli, beans, cabbage etc.



WORLD OF MATHS DAY



K-2 ATHLETICS

Students in K-2 have been participating in athletics every Thursday. We are very lucky to have Dennis from the Sporting Schools program come to our school to share his knowledge and expertise with teachers and students. Each week students participate in a range of activities to increase their skills in athletics. So far we have learnt skills in sprint running and long jump. Students look forward to every Thursday and enjoy improving their athletics skills.



canteen
SPECIALS

Donna's Meal Deal

Pie

Smiley

Sour Ice Block

\$5

WETLANDS EXCURSION

K-2 students had a fantastic time learning about the Hunter Wetlands in week 4. We got to experience all kinds of hands on activities such as dip netting, using microscopes to look closely at the animals found in the ponds and using binoculars to look closely at the birds living at the wetlands. We learnt that biodiversity can inform us that our waterways are healthy. We also learnt that birds such as the magpie geese used to be a good source of food for local Aboriginal people. In the last two hundred years however, they have been wiped out due to human activity. Thanks to the Hunter Wetlands breeding program, the magpie geese population have been restored and there are hundreds of these birds living in the area. What a great example of how people's interactions with the environment can have a negative and positive impact. What a great day of learning and discovery! Thanks Hunter Wetlands!



AWARDS TIME!



A special congratulations to Steve Nash; earning a Medallion for his outstanding commitment to our school values.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL STUDENTS!



STOP PRESS!

How exciting, our school office now has EFTPOS facilities. You can now pay for everything by Saving, Cheque, Credit or Debit card. We can even do Paywave.



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Grandfriends Day

What an awesome day we had! This year's Grand friends Day saw a record number of family and friends come to our school and celebrate this special day. The students loved showing our special visitors their learning in the classroom, however, the biggest buzz would have to be lunch and reading in our garden. Our loved ones spent some quality time reading and chatting whilst dining on the yummy food prepared by the Stage 3 Restaurant chefs. Well done to everyone involved and a special thanks to Craig and Lisa who helped prepare the food. Thank you to everyone who came along!



Applying for Year 7 selective High Schools 2018**11th October 2016-** Application website opens**14th November 2016-** Application website closes

(late applications will not be accepted)

23rd February 2017- Test authority letter sent by mail**9th March 2017-** Selective High School placement test**Early July 2017-** Placement outcome information*Hats are available to purchase from the school office for \$7.*

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

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

This is a course for 7-12 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 11th 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@rns.org.au
www.nsw.relationships.com.au



Dear parents / carers

You are invited to an orientation to school **Healthy Lunch Box** session

The program was developed by the Cancer Council NSW and participants will be given a show bag to take home.

The Healthy Lunch Box session offers practical information to parents to build on their existing skills in preparing healthy lunch boxes for Kindergarten.

Healthy Lunch Boxes will be held at **Place of Friends** (next door to Early Birds) on the following dates/times:

Session 1: 1.00pm on Tuesday 22nd November 2016

OR

Session 2: 9.00am Wednesday 23rd November 2016

It's free and runs during Early Birds to make it easier for parents/carers to attend.

Choose the session you want to come along to by putting your name down on the registration form in the Early Birds room or ring the school office to register (49 662044) **no later than Friday 18th November.**

We look forward to seeing you there



Beresfield LEGO® Club
Starts Friday 22 July

FREE EVENT

Do you love LEGO®?

Join us every Friday afternoon during school term at:

Beresfield Library from 2:30-4:30pm for construction fun and challenges.

This activity is open to children of all abilities in school years K-6. All LEGO® provided.

For enquiries please call 4974 5300.

Bookings not required, just drop in.
www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/Library/What-s-On

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