



THE WOODBERRY WORD

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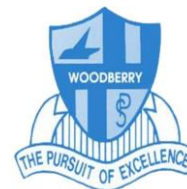
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Term 4, Week 10



Thursday, 15th December 2016



From the Principal

I cannot believe that this is the last newsletter for 2016. The years just seem to fly by so quickly and what a year we have had!

Thank you to the 57 families that returned the survey and congratulations to (insert family name) who won the \$100 voucher for Big W.

I am excited to say that 98% of the surveys returned indicated that we are doing an amazing job at Woodberry. Thank you!

At this time of the year my head is in two places

1. Reflecting on 2016 and
2. Planning for 2017

While reflecting on 2016 I have come to realise (even more than I already did) that Woodberry Public School is an amazing place to be. We have a diverse range of amazing people who make up our school and I couldn't imagine the place without any of them. I want to say thank you. Thank you to:-

Our students

Each and every one of our students holds a special place in my heart. I am proud of each and every one of our students - even though some have tested our limits. Each student has grown as an individual, they have learnt, they have reflected, they have achieved.

Our parents and community

I am proud to be part of a community that is passionate about their children. I have developed and grown a huge amount of relationships with so many special people and I look forward to the potential of 2017.

My staff

EVERY member of my staff goes above and beyond to make the students time at school successful and happy. They are an extremely dedicated group of people whom the community should be proud to have on their side.

Staffing for 2017 has been tentatively set. Bearing in mind that everyone that anyone of the staff could leave us over the holidays, especially those that win the lotto!

KM – Miss Casey (Monday) and Mrs McGrath (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)

KJ – Mrs Jaunalksnis (Mrs J)

1/2HP – Mrs Hainsworth (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) and Mrs Philip (Thursday, Friday)

1/2W – Ms Webber

3/4B – Mrs Bee

3/4H – Miss Hermans

3/4L – Miss Lambert

5/6M – Mr Mandas

5/6K – Ms Kavanagh

Some farewells

Two of our staff members will not be returning in 2017. Mrs Wright our Instructional Leader has taken on a lead training role. Mrs Wright has lead our staff in monumental change in the time that she has been with us and she will be truly missed.

Mrs Jenkins our SaCC facilitator is leaving us for retirement. Mrs Jenkins has worked within our community for many years and has helped an uncountable amount of families. She will be truly missed.

To our Year 6 students leaving us for high school I wish you all the luck in the world. Be awesome, aim high, be the very best version of yourself you can be. We will miss you.

Until next time
Joanne Stamos



Calendar of Events

Date	Event/s
12 Dec	Big Day Out
15 Dec	Year 6 Farewell
16 Dec	Last day of Term 4
30 Jan	Year 1-6 students 1st day of Term 1
31 Jan	First day Kindergarten 2017
16 Feb	Swimming Carnival

PBL FOCUS WEEK 10



RESPECT FOR OTHERS



Term 4 Values Awards

Class	Week 8
KM	Kobi Ferguson
1/2HP	Reece Clarke
1/2L	Joel Gibson
2/3W	Mia Pirecca
3/4H	Ryan Jordaan
3/4B	Bowdi Rinkin
5/6M	Soko Tupou
5/6T	Shayarla Smith

Congratulations to ALL our Award winners!

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60 secs with Mrs Jenkins

1. What is your current role? My role is Facilitator at Place of Friends

2. What is the best piece of advice you have been given? The best advice I was given is to try to place yourself in the other person's shoes and try to understand what it's like to be them and what they are going through. Then ask yourself how you would want to be treated if you were in their place.



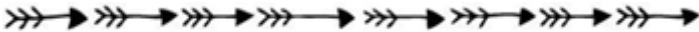
3. What would be your perfect day away from work? Indulging in a good book and not feeling guilty for ignoring the house work!

4. What is one thing you cannot live without? My family would have to be the most important thing in my life.

5. What is your favourite meal? A traditional roast dinner cooked by my husband.

6. What is your favourite joke? Why did the turkey cross the road? To prove he wasn't chicken.

7. Tell us something that may surprise us about you... I share the same birthday as my daughter.



**There will be NO
School Assembly
for the remainder of the year.**

**All awards will be held until the
commencement of Term 1 2017**

Thank you



A HUGE congratulations to all of our K-2 teachers and students! Our teachers have submitted their final data collection for 2016. I couldn't be prouder to see the positive growth in our student data from the beginning of the year - all due to your hard work and dedication!! I have been blown away by how our students have taken ownership for their learning to be the best possible readers, writers and mathematicians in 2016! Well done everyone!

Congratulations!

Garden Gossip

with Gazza Galah



Aaaaarrrrrrrrrrghhhhhhhh....it's the end of the year. Holiday time. A time when families come together to celebrate and rejoice for the year that was. Also a time when I get some flaming peace and quiet in the garden. Not that I'm complaining. I like kids. I just couldn't eat a whole one.

I have to take this opportunity to reflect on the highlights of the year. Like that time I dropped a steamer on Craig's hat....arrrrrghh. Laugh, I nearly fell off me perch. Then there was the time Felicity Frog landed smack bang in the middle of Mr Mandas's head and he ran through the school screaming like a cockatiel. Bazza Butcher Bird kept us entertained for months swooping the kids. Only the kids.

I'm looking forward to next year. All those fruit trees are starting to bear fruit. I'm really looking forward to the limes, the almonds and the guavas. Not to mention the oranges, mandarins and passionfruit. I just have to make sure my friends and I get the fruit before those pesky humans. Have a safe holiday people and don't eat too much fermented fruit. Arrrrrrgh.



Library News

We have lots of overdue library books and would appreciate any of our overdue books be returned to the Library or front office ASAP.

Thank you



P&C

Congratulations to all our Christmas Raffle winners last Friday. Stay tuned for more P&C information in early 2017.



Hats are available to purchase from the school office for \$7.

the year it was...

Here is a snippet of the year it was at WPS.



Presentation Day



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Congratulations to all our award winners!



Thank you & Goodbyes...

We have a number of staff moving onto new adventures in 2017, and on behalf of the staff at WPS, we would like to wish you all the best in your new adventures. You will be missed. Also, to those parents, families, friends and community members who have given of their time in order to make our school an even more amazing to be...thank you from all of us. The programs and activities we hold are far more effective and special with your participation. Bring on 2017!



FREE ABORIGINAL

BIKE SAFETY PROGRAM

- Participants receive a FREE helmet & basic bike service.
- FREE snacks and refreshments.
- Just bring your bike and wear comfortable clothing.

Woodberry Public School
Monday 19th December, 2016
1.30pm to 4.30pm

For bookings or further information: Email
info@bikeandfitness.com.au
Or call 0411260 735



Woodberry Warriors Junior Rugby League

2017 REGOS

Registrations for 2017 are NOW open.

All you need to do is go to :

Click Here
to Register

OR GO TO
www.playnrl.com and click 'registration now'

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**FREE REGO FOR
U6'S AND U7'S**

COME AND BE A WARRIOR

