

THE WOODBERRY WORD

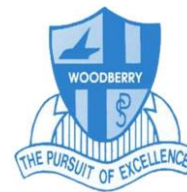
RESPECT, COMMITMENT, RESPONSIBILITY

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Term 1, Week 5

Monday, 22nd February 2016

From the Principal...

Welcome to our second edition of our new school newsletter!

Thank you to all the families that came to our PLP afternoon. I love seeing so many faces in our school. It is brilliant that our families and staff work closely together to enable the students to have the best possible learning outcomes. If you didn't get to speak to your child's teacher please contact them to arrange a time. Each teacher has been allocated time to complete all PLPs and they have sent out notes with dates and times. I look forward to reading them when they have been completed.

Wow! What a fun, fantastic swimming carnival. It was great to see the students have a go and have fun. Thank you to Miss Clarke for all her organisation and the teachers who assisted on the day.

I am devastated that I will be missing the infant's water carnival. The day will be so much fun. I hope that we can get as many families to this event as possible. Be prepared to get wet! I cannot wait to see some photos. Last week surveys were sent home to each family (sorry about the confusion). It is not too late to send these in. Surveys returned by 24th February will go into the draw to win a \$100 gift voucher from Big W.

Until next week,
Joanne Stamos

P&C

A reminder that our AGM will be held on the 8th March. All positions will be declared vacant and nominees will be called upon to fill the positions. The positions are as follows:

President
Vice President 1
Vice President 2
Secretary
Treasurer
Public relations Officer

To stand for a position, you must be a current financial member of the P&C, and must have paid your fees by last week's meeting. This is in accordance to our constitution and by-laws.

P&C team

Calendar of Events

Date	Event/s
23rd February	Water Carnival (Kindergarten – Yr 2)
24th February	Mums and Bubs sewing group
24 th February	Surveys due back
26 th February	Parent Team Meeting
26 th February	Clean Up Australia Day
8 th March	P&C AGM

Parent Team Meeting

Friday 26th February @ 230pm – 3pm
in the Library.

We will be discussing 2016 at WPS,
and PBL Values and Expectations.

Please come along and be part of this
great initiative! ALL WELCOME!



Infants Family Picnic and Water Carnival

On Tuesday 23rd February Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students will be participating in a 'water carnival' which will involve a round robin of fun water activities.

The carnival will start with a picnic with families, to be held on the silver tables outside the canteen area from 130pm-2pm. Parents and caregivers are welcome to join their children to sit and eat recess together before the carnival begins.

The water carnival will be held in the playground from 2pm-2.45pm.

The students will most likely get a little wet, so if you would prefer your child to not go home with wet clothes on, please pack a change of clothes and a plastic bag in their school bag with everything clearly labelled. Your child must wear covered shoes such as school shoes or joggers to participate in the carnival. Students are not permitted to wear thongs or sandals.

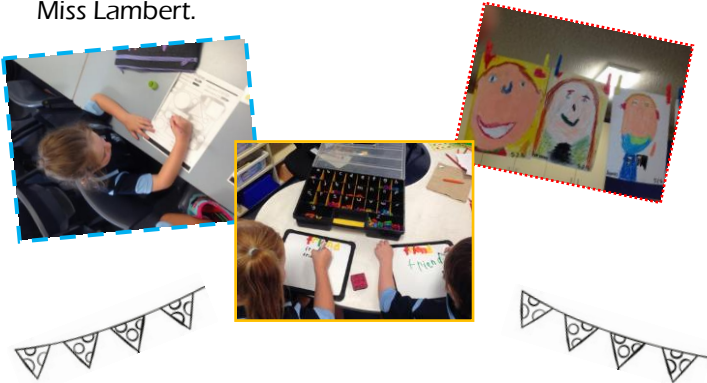
If you have any questions
about this fun event, please
do not hesitate to contact
your child's classroom
teacher.



1/2L News

1/2L has had a fantastic start to the year. In literacy we have been busy working in groups enhancing our handwriting, reading, writing and sight word skills. We have just started learning the strategies 'Read to Self' and 'Read to Someone' which we will incorporate into our literacy sessions as part of the Daily 5. In maths 1/2L has been learning about number, as well as 2D and 3D shapes. Miss Lambert looks forward to meeting the parents and caregivers of the lovely students of 1/2L on Monday 29th February to discuss students' progress.

Miss Lambert.



60 secs with Mr Mandas

What class are you teaching this year? **5/6M**

How long have you been teaching for? **11 years**

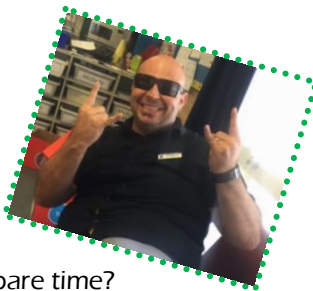
What's your favourite sport?
Ice Hockey

What food you dislike the most?
Salmon

What type of music do you listen to? **Rock n Roll**

What do you like to do in your spare time?
Hang out with my boys

Tell us something we may not know about you.
I'm a musician – and play the drums



Library news

Library borrowing commences Wednesday 2nd March. Our school Library Bag is a fantastic way to keep our awesome library books safe and can be purchased at the office for \$10.



5/6 M News



This week 5/6M have been learning about commitment and what it looks like in our school. 5/6M have defined commitment as 'trying your best and never giving up.' After a class discussion each student created a mini-poster identifying what commitment meant to them.

"Commitment is staying on task and doing your best."
Marnie Bell-Chambers.

"Commitment is staying connected to your work."
Thomas Stephenson.

"Commitment is making progress." Latifah Osai.

Mr Mandas.



Values Awards

WEEK 4

KM – Emily McLaren Cortney Price

1/2H – Danielle Nash

1/2L – Chloe Radnidge

2/3W – Kirra Duley

3/4C – Joseph Dallen

3/4H – Dakota Bowden

5/6F – Dylan Tranter

5/6M – Dakota Duley

Congratulations to ALL our Award winners!



2016 CAREERS THROUGH READING

During term 1, our Year 5 students will be participating in the *Careers Through Reading* program run through Newcastle University.

The program is people-rich, delivered over multiple weeks, and aimed at building literacy while developing a deep understanding of specific areas of socially constructed knowledge.

The program involves university students reading to small groups of primary school children, books that are related to the Key Learning Areas students are studying.

Students and teachers always participate enthusiastically in each of the program activities, and we are excited to be given the opportunity to be involved again in 2016.



Child Dental Benefits Schedule

The Child Dental Benefits Schedule provides eligible children with a \$1000 dental benefit to be used over a 2 calendar year period and covers selected services including: examinations, x-rays, cleaning, fissure seals, fillings, root canals and extractions.

Visit pacificsmilesdental.com.au to check eligibility.



PBL Week 5 Focus



**HIGH
EXPECTATIONS**

Mara Boolang News

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. ALL Welcome!

Garden Gossip

with Gazza Galah



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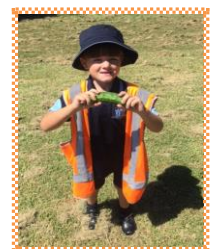
There's more colour in that garden than in a flock of Eastern Rosellas!

Apparently it's thanks to the generous donations of flowers from Heritage Gardens Nursery at East Maitland. Some of those hard working kids are even taking flowers home to brighten their yards. Next time I pass through that nursery I will give those folks a pat on the wing. I reckon you should do the same.

I have had an epiphany. I often thought I was as cool as a cucumber. Now I know why cucumbers are cool. Some of those crazy kids were eating chillies the other day in the garden, when before you could say "holy hot chops" they chewed on some cucumber and the heat was gone. No sweating brows or panting kids anywhere - just kids being as cool as cucumbers.

Those year 5/6 kids are a clever bunch. They are building a six foot fence so the chooks can have a big range to live in all the time. As a fellow bird I like when the humans look after my flightless cousins, the chickens. Watch those master builders go. There is also talk about building a monster!

Now that sounds scary!



Written by Craig Manhood



SWIMMING CARNIVAL FUN!




 WOODBERRY WARRIORS JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE
We Want YOU!
 Sign-Up Now

PLAYERS NEEDED FOR ALL AGES TO COME SIGN UP NOW AND BECOME A WARRIOR FOR 2016

REGISTER ONLINE AT [SPORTING PULSE](http://SPORTINGPULSE.COM.AU). REGISTRATION OR GO TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE: [WOODBERRY WARRIORS](https://www.facebook.com/Woodberry-Warriors) JUNIORS AND CLICK ON THE LINK.... WE WILL ALSO BE AT WOODBERRY OVAL EVERY SATURDAY IN FEBRUARY 10AM TILL 1 PM FOR SIGN UPS...

COST: \$120.00 INCLUDES SHORTS AND SOCKS.....
 PAYMENT PLANS AVAILABLE OR DEPOSIT AT THE GREATER BANK BERESFIELD .. WWJRL- BSB -637900 ACC NO: 719185428
 (Don't forget to add Full name of player at the bank)

Please if you have any question don't hesitate to contact us on
 0422703970


 The Thornton Beresfield Rugby League Club invites you to
Be a Bear in 2016

With rules to suit Mini (Under 6 to Under 9), Mod (Under 10 to Under 12), and International (Under 13 to Under 17) players, our club provides a positive and inclusive opportunity for kids to play the great game of Rugby League.

*** All registered players receive a FREE Bears Polo Shirt ***
*** Under 6's also receive FREE registration, player shorts and socks ***

We are a local club with a great community spirit. We encourage children to be active and have fun while learning the skills and importance of being part of a team.

For more information, find us online at
www.tbrc.leaguenet.com.au or
www.facebook.com/ThorntonBeresfieldRugbyLeagueClub

Register online anytime at
www.tbrc.leaguenet.com.au
 or come to our
Meet the Coach Day
 from 10am on
Sunday 28 February 2016

For all enquiries, contact Shelley on
 0411 279 982 or via email at
registr@tbrc.com

Merit Awards



Values Awards



Principal's Award - Meila Sutton



Medallion Recipient - Niamh Cluer



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