

THE WOODBERRY WORD

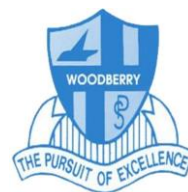
RESPECT, COMMITMENT, RESPONSIBILITY

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WE MEET AND LEARN ON WONARUAH COUNTRY

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Term 4, Week 6

Monday, 13 November 2017

From the Principal

I cannot believe we have only four weeks of this year to go. With only 42 days till Christmas!!!

YEAR 5 LEADER SPEECHES

I cannot begin to tell you how proud I was to see our year 5 students stand up in front of their families, peers and teachers to make their speeches to potentially become a school leader for 2018. Each person should be very proud of what they achieved. It is a huge thing getting up in front of a large crowd and speaking, something that doesn't come very easy for most.

SCHOOL PLANNING

The staff have been very busy planning for the 2018-2020 school planning cycle. Unfortunately, the parent session didn't have anyone attend which means I have to think outside the box in order to have input from our families.

Our vision for 2018-2020 is 'creating a supportive learning culture which instils core values and empowers the individual learner.'

We have simplified our strategic directions into three words - LEARNERS, WELLBEING and COMMUNITY.

A survey went home today. I would appreciate your input. If you could please complete & return survey to the front office by FRIDAY 24th NOVEMBER.

I will keep you informed when we complete the next steps. If you would like to discuss this with me please don't hesitate to come and see me.

SCHOOL STAFFING FOR 2018

We are still in the planning stages for classes and teachers for 2018. An expression of interest is currently in the process for temporary teachers to apply for positions available. I will let you know who is teaching what classes hopefully in the next couple of weeks.

Until next time

Joanne Burrell

DATES TO REMEMBER...

Date	Event/s
6-17 Nov	Swim School
20 Nov	Stage 2 Excursion
29 Nov	FGHS parent info night Yr 7 2018
5 Dec	Early Birds Graduation
5 Dec	Yr 7 Orientation FGHS
6 Dec	Stage 3 Big Day Out
8 Dec	Presentation Day
12 Dec	Infants Excursion K-2
14 Dec	Year 6 Farewell
15 Dec	Last day of Term 4

Values Awards

CLASS	T4 WEEK 2	T4 WEEK 3
KJ-	Kaiden Ure	Shelby Skinner
KM-	Lisa Jordaan	Lewis Stephenson
1/2HP-		Alecia Storey
1/2W-	Isabella Gardiner	Jasmine Hardy
3/4B-	Oliver McCarthy	Mia Pirecca
3/4H-	Selina Crossley	Abbey Harris
3/4L-	Jaiden Cooper	Kaydence Fuller-Lilley
5/6K-	Tiffany Bell	Bowdi Rinkin
5/6M-	Marissa Rinkin	



CANTEEN

WPS Canteen is back to normal
& opens on
MONDAY AND FRIDAYS
(Not open Thursdays)



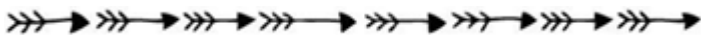
KJ have been moving well through term 4, we are becoming extremely good writers and have had great fun with our directed drawings. KJ are getting excited for Christmas and looking forward to our Christmas craft & end of year activities.

We are also doing well in reading and maths, with choosing our own learning activities and learning well as a team.

Keep up the hard work & learning KJ. It has been an amazing year watching you all grow and learn!

You still all amaze Mrs J everyday!!

Well Done.



This week in PBL we are focusing on how to be responsible and safe when walking around the school.

Next week we are focusing on how to be responsible and safe when using bikes and scooters. As well as behaviour expectations when using the bike cage.



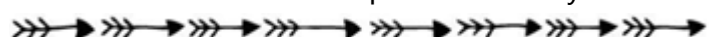
Wow, what a year we have had in 3/4H. We can hardly believe it's nearly the end.

Coming up on November 20, Stage 2 is visiting Rumbalara Environmental Education Centre.

Wyrrabalong National Park is a spectacular and important area of land for plants and animals.

Students will be guided through the geography inquiry process to answer questions about the Park's history and features, observe how the Park is used by different people and discuss why this park should be protected. Students will use a map to follow their path through Wyrrabalong National Park and use other geographical tools diagrams to collect data about the natural features of the park and how animals and people use the park. The walk allows students to locate different habitats and record tracks and traces of animals. They will investigate the beautiful coastal heathland and compare this to Eucalypt Forests. Water colour pencils, scratch art and diagrams will be used to observe the different types of plants. From the 'look out' students will make a sketch and use a map to determine location. Crackneck is great point to observe migrating whales during the winter. Students will be shown how to identify the difference between Humpback Whales and Southern Right Whales and use binoculars to hopefully make a sighting. Students will collect man-made and natural items from the beach and make their own map of where they walked in the park. They will also discuss how Aboriginal people used the natural environment, discuss human impacts (stormwater) and see a natural spring.

We are so excited to visit Rumbalara and can't wait to share our experience with you.





INFANTS EXCURSION

Hunter Valley Zoo

On Tuesday 12th December our K-2 students will be rewarded for their amazing year of learning with a trip to the Hunter Valley Zoo, we will be enjoying a day out learning & seeing some unusual animals.

The cost of the excursion will be \$36.00 per student and will need to be paid to the front office with returned permission by Fri 1st December.

STAGE 2 EXCURSION

Rumbalara Environmental Education Centre

On Monday 20th November Stage 2 will be venturing to Rumbalara Environmental Education Centre as a part of our Geography unit. Students will visit Wyrrabalong National Park, which is a spectacular and important area of land for plants and animals. Students will be guided through the geography inquiry process to answer questions about the park's history and features, observe how the park is used by different people and discuss why this park should be protected.

Payment is now closed for this excursion.

STAGE 3 BIG DAY OUT

Reading Cinema and Aquatic Centre Maitland

On Wednesday 6th December Stage 3 will be heading to Reading Cinema Maitland and Maitland Aquatic Centre.

The students will be watching a PG-rated movie called 'Wonder' followed by the students walking from the cinema to Maitland Aquatic Centre.

The bus will be leaving WPS at 9.15am & returning at 2.30pm.

Please complete and return permission note & payment of \$20.00 to the front office by FRIDAY 1st DECEMBER.

EARLY BIRDS GRADUATION

On **Tuesday 5th December 2017** we will be holding our annual Orientation/Graduation Presentation BBQ.

Venue: Woodberry Public School Hall

Time: 11:30am – 1:30pm

A small presentation of children's Kindergarten packs and Certificates will take place.

All family members are welcomed to attend this exciting event in our Early Birds education.

Please complete & return form to Mr B or Mrs Pirreca in Early Birds by **30th November 2017** to allow for catering numbers for our BBQ.

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

The Year 6 Farewell will be held on **Thursday 14th December, 2017** in the Rainbow Room at Beresfield Bowling Club.

- 5.15-5.30pm- Arrival and Photos
- 5.30-6.00pm- Presentation of graduation certificates
- 6.00pm- Dinner
- 6.45-8.30pm- Disco (year 5 will be joining in)

Year 6 students DO NOT have to pay for their own ticket!

Each student in year 6 will be able to bring TWO adult family members. The cost per person is \$15 each to cover the cost of their meal.

Please RSVP to the front office by returning permission note and \$15 payment per person by FRIDAY 8th DECEMBER 2017.

YEAR 7 2018 FGHS INFORMATION

Week 8, 29th November- Year 7 2018, Parent Information evening at FGHS, 5.15-7.00pm.

Week 9, 5th December- Year 7 2018, Orientation Day at FGHS, 9.20am- 2.30pm.

Year 7 2019 Selective High School Placement

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for year 7 entry in 2019?

An information booklet is available at the school office.

Applications are available online until 13 November, at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

the SPORTS REPORT

CRICKET

Two weeks ago Woodberry Public School played their last game in the Reg Kelly Cup cricket competition against Largs. Although we were not successful this time the boys put in a spectacular effort and represented the school with pride and respect. All the boys played extremely well. Our team captain Connor Hungerford was our man of the match with one wicket and also retiring on the bat with 25 runs. Largs were a great team to play and both teams displayed excellent sportsmanship. Well Done!!



GLC ENRICHMENT DAY

On the 1st November Banjo, Bradley, Deegan and Jazmin went to the GLC Enrichment Day at Thornton Public School to program and colour code Ozobots! Programming is not that hard, you just need to think. Before we could colour code the Ozobots we needed to calibrate the Ozobot named EVO. To calibrate EVO you have to use the black marker that comes with Ozobot and make a black circle a little bigger than EVO.

At the end of the day each school got to take back two Ozobots to continue their learning. EVO is the smartest and most educational robot to be alive. We can't wait to use Ozobot at school.

HEAD LICE

There have been reports of head lice in the school. We need all families to check their child/ren hair and if head lice are found to carry out the necessary eradication procedures. Please regularly check and carry out treatment on hair, remembering to wash all bed linen, towels, hair brushes, combs etc. if head lice are found. Only when all families are vigilant can the problem be solved.



canteen NEWS

Canteen Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed in the Canteen on Mondays & Fridays between 8.30 - 11.30am.

Even 1-2 hours of your time would be much appreciated.

Please see Julie in the Canteen or the ladies in the front office.



Canteen Special
Cheesy Nacho's ONLY \$1.00
Get in quick, while stocks last

CANTEEN IS OPEN
Monday and Fridays ONLY



LIBRARY NEWS

As it is the last term for the year we must have all overdue Library books returned to the library or front office by Friday 8th December.

The students borrowing days are fortnightly on **Wednesdays**. This week being an even week

Even week-	Odd week-
KJ	KM
1/2W	1/2HP
3/4B	3/4H
5/6K	3/4L
	5/6M



Assembly Times
2.15pm EVERY FRIDAY
ALL WELCOME!

AWARDS TIME!

VALUES AWARDS



PRINCIPAL AWARDS



SPECIAL AWARDS



WOODBERRY FAMILY PRACTICE

Shop 5/34 Kookaburra Parade, Woodberry, NSW

ACCEPTING NEW PATIENTS

We have one male, one female doctor and a full time staff nurse

**TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT
CALL US ON 02 4966 2222**

**We bulk bill all Pensioners, Health care
card holders and Children below 16.**

Donations
of items
to sell
welcome

Please support our Place of Friends Family
fundraiser for the end of year Christmas
Excursion to Oakvale Farm!

Date: Thurs 16 Nov 2017
Time: 1 - 3.30pm

Grab yourself a bargain!!

Nothing over

\$10

Place of Friends Mini Markets

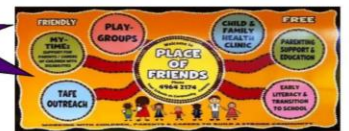


- Garage Sale
- Art and Craft
- Novelty items
- Clothing
- Plants

Place of Friends
Woodberry Public School
Lawson Ave, Woodberry

Phone: 4964 2174

**50c Ice blocks
for the kids**



Principal:
Assistant Principal:
Assistant Principal:
Rel. Assistant Principal:
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Health
Hunter New England
Local Health Network

4 YEAR OLD KIDS HEALTH CHECKS

Dear Families,

Woodberry Public School - Place of Friends and Hunter New England Health Service are doing 4 year old kids health checks as recommended in the "BLUE BOOK".

Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd November
9.15am - 1.00pm

Please contact Amy at Place of Friends (ph. 49642174) for an information pack and return the 3 forms no later than **FRIDAY 27 October 2017**. Parents will be advised of the date and time of their child's appointment.

Checks will include:-

- Eyes (no drops will be used).
- Teeth
- Hearing / Speech
- Height
- Weight

Immunisations can also be arranged if needed – please advise Amy when returning the forms.

Who will check your child?

Child and Family Health Nurses and other specially trained Community Staff will be doing the checks. It is recommended that all children be tested so any possible problems can be detected and treated as soon as possible.

After testing the results will be sent home to the parents.

If a problem is identified the family will be contacted by the nurse screener to discuss any follow up or referral for treatment required. Forms about oral health problems will be faxed immediately for prompt attention to the free oral health service.

Please complete and sign the three attached forms

1. Consent for screening & Health questions
2. Oral Health referral form in case of a need for referral
3. Orange PEDS response form

Return to Place of Friends

Parents or guardian to accompany all children, please bring the child's **BLUE BOOK** so that it can be completed on the day.

For further information please contact Amy Blackwood on 49 642174 or the Nurse Unit Manager at the Family Care Cottage on 49 392530.

Age 18mths +

Free

HAPPY LITTLE YOGIS

Yoga, Health & Mindfulness for Kids

Places limited!! Book now!



Wednesdays (5 weeks)

18 Oct - 15 Nov 2017

1 - 2pm

**At Place of Friends,
Woodberry Public School**

By Aimee Angelique



To book go to www.stickytickets.com.au/59561
or call 02 4964 2174

Happy Little Yogis is a 5 week dynamic, vibrant, fun-filled yoga class for kids!

KIDS YOGA WITH AIMEE ANGELIQUE @Place of Friends!

Aimee a passionate Yogini and heart-centered Mama. She believes that yoga has something to offer everyone and kids are no exception! Yoga has not only changed her life, but has been a source of great joy and nourishment for her children. In Aimee's experience, the earlier we get on the mat, the better!

The benefits of yoga for children are abundant and include:

- Gentle guidance to help them live in their truth, from the heart
- Encouragement of mindfulness in daily life
- Simple strategies for slowing down and unwinding
- Easy, fun tools for grounding and centering
- Socialising with other kids and families in a nurturing environment

With all this in mind, Aimee created 'Happy Little Yogis'; a dynamic, vibrant, fun-filled class for children from 18 months (and their parents, too!)

Happy Little Yogis classes are designed to help your little ones develop self-confidence and self-love through self-awareness.

The classes are physically energetic and animated to begin, incorporating exciting elements of music, dance, drama and lots of active imagination!

The class then slows down the flow to emphasise breathing, relaxation and intuition.

Happy Little Yogis classes are full of fun, profound lessons on love, respect and connection with people, nature, animals and our beautiful world.

Because yoga isn't just for grown-ups!

Call Place of Friends on 024964 2174 for more info

Foster Kinship OOHMC Adoptive Family Placement Carers

As ONE

Carer Connections

Free

"The child is a product of what happened to them"
Anon

Facilitated by Newcastle Family Support and Place of Friends. 'As One' is a safe space to connect with others and support each other when caring for a child unable to live with their birth parents.

"Sharing what works"

The 'As One' group determine topics to be discussed, share experiences, solutions, strategies and networks.

Guest presenters may also be invited to share information about particular topics when requested by the group.

At
Place of Friends
Schools as Community Centre
Woodberry Public School
Lawson Ave
Woodberry 2322

Inspired by participant experiences

- Negotiating the OOHMC System
- Managing behavior
- Sharing wisdom
- Getting through the tough times
- Understanding the effect of trauma

Time
10am - 12pm

Dates
Wed 13 September 2017
Wed 11 October 2017
Wed 8 November 2017
Wed 13 December 2017

To Book Child Care
Call 4964 2174

Find us on
 Facebook

Family Support Newcastle
02 4964 2174

The Family Relationship Skills Project is funded by the Australian Government and auspiced by Family Support Newcastle.