

THE WOODBERRY WORD

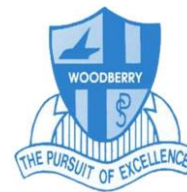
RESPECT, COMMITMENT, RESPONSIBILITY

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WE MEET AND LEARN ON WONARUAH COUNTRY

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Term 1, Week 7

Monday, 6th March 2017

From the Principal

Wow, we are half way through Term One already! I know we say it every year but each year seems to be going quicker and quicker.

Infants Water Carnival

Thank you to Mrs Hainsworth and her team, for organising a super fun afternoon. There was so much joy and happiness had that it made my heart melt. It is wonderful to have times like this in schools to make us stop and remember that life can't always be so serious. I have made a note to self though, that on occasions like this I need to ensure I have a change of clothes with me!

Dental Clinic

Last week we had a free dental clinic in the school that we had over 100 students attend. With such big numbers, we are hoping to have them come back next year.

Canteen

As you are aware the canteen has reopened under new management. For now the canteen is opened Monday, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. You will notice that there have been some significant changes to the menu. Yesterday the Premier of New South Wales, the Hon Gladys Berejiklian and the Minister for Education, the Hon Rob Stokes, announced that there will be an updated Healthy School Canteen Strategy. With around one in five NSW children between the ages of 5 and 16 being overweight or obese, the Premier has set a target to reduce childhood overweight and obesity by 5% by 2025 as one of the Government's priorities. In response to this, the Department has updated its Nutrition in Schools Policy to include a revised Healthy School Canteen Strategy. The revised Healthy School Canteen Strategy aims to increase the availability of healthy food and drink options by adopting the 2013 Australian Dietary Guidelines and including the use of the Health Star rating for packaged foods. If you have any questions please come and see me.

School Photos

School photos will be on the 14th March. Please ensure that your child is in full school uniform on the day. This means our school shirt and navy bottoms. If you need assistance with this please do not hesitate to come and see me. We will always work something out to assist you.

Until next time

Joanne Stamos



DATES TO REMEMBER...

Date	Event/s
14 March	School photos
5 April	School Fun Run
6 April	Easter Hat Parade

Values Awards

Class	Term 1 Week 4	Week 5
KM		Hallie Westbury
KJ	Makaylah Swain	Kaiden Ure
1/2HP	Anton Dean	Shavarnee Wiggins
1/2W	Maddalyn Pinter- Sandner	Andre Hinds-Anderson
3/4L	Levi Hawkins	Kaydence Fuller-Lilley
3/4B	Rohan McLaren	Joshua Hardy
3/4H		Selina Crossley
5/6M	Marissa Rinkin	Michelle Ryan
5/6K	Bowdi Rinkin	Aleisha Ryan

Congratulations to ALL our Award winners!



PBL WEEK 6 FOCUS



Woodberry Public School Behaviour Matrix



	Class
Respect <small>Speak Appropriately Follow Instruction</small>	- Let others learn - Care for equipment
Commitment <small>Do Your Best</small>	- Here to learn - Persevere
Responsibility <small>Hands and Feet to Yourself Right Place Right Time</small>	- Be prepared - Ask for help if you need it

Peek at our week in 1/2HP

What a fabulous start we've had in 1/2HP! Our Daily 5 Literacy groups are in full swing with everyone independently moving through work on writing, work with words, read to self, read to someone and listen to reading and then of course visiting Mrs Philip and Mrs Hainsworth in the Engine Room. We've also been writing and publishing some amazing persuasive letters based on our quality reads. Our TEN groups in Maths are also up and running with everyone enjoying the hands on activities which are based on individual student needs. It's definitely going to be a fabulous Term and an amazing year here in 1/2HP!



Students have received photo envelopes this week. Please return envelopes with the correct money on the photo day, or alternatively order online and note down your reference number in the space provided on the envelope.

If you would like sibling/ family photos, envelopes are available at the office.

All students are reminded to please wear full school uniform, and have your best smiles ready on this day.

If you require any further information, please see our office.



Peek at our week in KM

Wow! KM has really settled beautifully into big school! We are making friends and we are already learning how to read, write and count. The children love making art and drawing pictures to tell amazing stories. They have enjoyed singing, dancing and making music using instruments. They especially had a wonderful afternoon at the water carnival!



60 secs with Ms Blackwood

1. What is your role at WPS? *Place of Friends, Schools as Community Centre Facilitator*
2. How do you like to spend your free time? *I love reading, having snuggles and playing with my dog, horse riding (dressage), and working in my garden*
3. Favourite song/ book/ movie? *Top Gun (tragic I know) lol*
4. Favourite holiday destination? *Wurzburg in Germany is a very dear place to me; hope to go back for a holiday soon!*
6. Best piece of advice you have been given?
"The only difference between a dream and reality is a plan" for me it means I can achieve anything if I set realistic goals in the direction of my dream and take action to make them happen.
7. Tell us something that may surprise us about you.
I am a cancer survivor and a fire fighter - Go girl power!





SCHOOL FUN RUN /CROSS COUNTRY

Get excited! It is that time of the year again, our School Cross Country! This year it will be held on the school grounds on the 5th April 2017. It will be a fun filled morning with a big blow up starting line, ice blocks for all students involved and prizes to give away.

A part of this we will be fundraising for the school to be able to purchase more technology. To make this happen we ask you for your support!

The fundraiser is all about participation! Students raise funds and are rewarded with fantastic incentive prizes. Family support is key to our fundraising success and we encourage all students to participate

How Does My Child Fundraise?

Students have now received a Sponsorship Form which will assist in raising funds for the school. Please read through the Sponsorship Form and get familiar with the five steps to supercharge your fundraising.

Students who raise as little as \$10 or more will receive an incentive prize for their efforts. There are over 70 prizes on offer, so best to select your favourite and make this your fundraising goal.

Student Profile Page

Create a profile page at www.myprofilepage.com.au and you're in the draw to win an APPLE WATCH. It's that simple! There are also some great features like recording your sponsorships and selecting your prize goal. You can also register for online fundraising which is the easiest way to boost your funds raised and to achieve your fundraising goal sooner.

Simply raise \$30 or more in donations and one lucky family will WIN a \$5,000 Cruiseabout Gift Voucher.

How to Order Prizes

As a reward for your efforts, each child will receive an incentive prize based on the total amount of sponsorship raised. Please complete Step 5. on the back page of the Sponsorship Form and return to the school in a clearly marked envelope with your child's name and class. Student incentive prizes will be delivered shortly after the fundraiser has finalised.

Thank you for your support and happy fundraising!

SAVE THE DATE



EASTER HAT PARADE Thurs 6th April

Garden Gossip

with Gazza Galah



Aaaaaarrrrrrrrghhhhhh, I'm FREEKING OUT! Maggie Magpie overhead a teacher talking about putting a dinosaur in the garden. I said to Maggie, "Don't be a goose Dinosaurs are extinky." And she says to me "haven't you heard of DNA Gazza". "Yeah" I says, "that's your disease Maggie - Don't No Anything". It's hard to soar like an eagle when you're surrounded by Geese like Maggie.

Whatever the case, I hope they get a carnivorous Dinosaur. We don't want an herbivore eating the vegetables. Speaking of vegetables, we're coming into a good season now. The gardens are full of yummy compost, the nursery is full of seedlings and the rain is here. The only problem is that stick in the mud Craig. "Don't pick anything unless you ask me first blah blah blah!" It's all he ever says.

Well Bazza Butcher bird and I have a plan. Where gonna put green ants in his hat when he's not looking and while he cools his head in the pond we're gonna steal a pumpkin. Not just a pretty bird hey Arrrrrrgggh.



Our school canteen is now open on **Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays**. Breakfast club will also restart on these days starting at 8.30am providing toast, cereal, fruit loaf, seasonal fruit and milk.

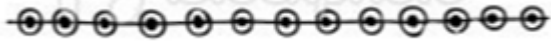
We would welcome any volunteers to assist on these days. If you are interested in volunteering in our canteen you must have a Working With Children Check for Volunteers clearance first. You can apply for this on-line at:

<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe.../working-with-children-check>

MORTELS BIG UGG BOOT COMP



Shhhhh, we have a very exciting competition coming up with all of our local schools! Make sure on your travels you take a look at the "Big Ugg Boots" at Mortels! More information will follow very, very soon!



Library News

The students borrowing days are fortnightly on Wednesdays.

We have lots of exciting new books in our library. As we like our books to stay nice & protected please pack library bags on borrowing days, students without a library bag cannot borrow.

We sell WPS library bags in our front office for \$10 each.

Even wk- start 15 Feb
KJ

1/2W
3/4H
3/4B
5/6K

Odd wk- start 22 Feb
KM

1/2HP
3/4L
5/6M

Thank you
Leah Mitchell



Our next P&C meeting is on 14th March at 9.30am in the P&C room.

Our annual AGM is being held on the 4th April at 9.30am. It is important to know that in order to vote or stand for a position at the AGM you **must be a fully paid member by the meeting on the 14th March.**

The P&C are holding an Easter Raffle. We are asking for Easter egg donations from our school community. Anyone who would like to donate any Easter items please hand them into the front office. All donations will go towards awesome prizes for our raffle. Thank you for your support.



To make our Easter Raffle bigger and better than ever, we are asking each child at our school to provide a donation of Easter eggs.

The eggs will be used to make up 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize with left over eggs used as individual prizes.

THE MORE EGGS THE MORE PRIZES SO START DONATING!



Please bring the eggs to the office.
Thank you



OPAL (Bus Travel) PASSES

As you are aware there have been changes to free school transport. All students must apply and hold an Opal card to travel by bus to school.

Who can apply:

Years K-2 are eligible for FREE school travel (still must apply online for card)

Years 3-4 are only eligible if you live 1.6km straight line distance or 2.3km walking. (Must apply on line for card and can purchase term passes at a cost to student if ineligible).

For more information: contact 131 500 or go to:
www.transportnsw.info/school-students



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



AWARDS TIME!



Swimming Carnival Ribbons

SWIMMING CARNIVAL (Year 3-6)



FAMILY PICNIC/ INFANTS WATER CARNIVAL



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A massive thank you to FOOD FOR LESS for their support and generous contribution to our Crunch n Sip program.



If you are interested in playing SOCCER
for fun on Saturday mornings

BERESFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB

Still has vacancies for 5 to 12 year olds

Registrations are done on line at www.myfootballclub.com

For further information call Denise 4966 1192
or Sue on 49 664018

Good for Kids good for life

TRADITIONAL INDIGENOUS GAMES

Looking for fun activities for the kids?

Try **Yulunga: Traditional Indigenous Games**

Taktyerra - The activity is named after the word 'to fight' (taktyerrain) in the Wembawemba language of Victoria.



Two players stand on small mats (2m²) facing each other about 4m apart. Players have a soft ball in each hand and attempt to hit their opponent without being hit themselves.

Players may move around on the mats: dodge, jump, bend or fall to avoid being hit, but must remain on the mat.

Source: Yulunga Traditional Indigenous Games 2009

http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/resources/indigenous/full_resource



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