



Wodonga Primary School

Newsletter #16

Monday 24th of June

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Semester 2 Reports
24th of June

NAIDOC Dance Party
28th June

Last Day of Term –Finish
at 2.30pm
28th June

First day of Term 3
Monday 15th July

HELPFUL LINKS

FACEBOOK



COMPASS



WEBSITE



Federation Conference

Pupil Free Day
Friday 2nd August

Principal's Message

Damian Duncan

Welcome to Week 11,

Our long term draws to a close this week, our students will be ready for a bit of a break. Be safe and have a wonderful winter rest from school.

Thanks to all our families for connecting with school last week at the mid year Student Led Conferences. We trust you got an insight into the achievements of your children and you enjoyed hearing about their learning. If you feel you require more time with your child's teacher, or a time with the teacher without your child present, you are welcome to book a time this week or early next term.

Our Semester 1 reports go live on Compass today. The reports are a progressive representation of you child's education journey. As mentioned in a previous newsletter, the Mathematics progression point does not demonstrate the increment in learning due to the revised Mathematics curriculum. This is a statewide process for this reporting cycle only.

We are currently hosting your year level assemblies today and tomorrow. Another great opportunity to connect with the school and to enjoy insight's into our classrooms. Due to the Year Level Assemblies, we did not host a Monday morning Whole School Assembly today.

We look forward to the **NAIDOC Dance Party** this Friday (see Flyer at the end of the today's newsletter). Student can wear indigenous colours or the colours of all three of our Nation's flats (Australian flag, Indigenous Flag or Torrent Straight Islander flag) to celebrate NAIDOC week which occurs over the holidays. There will be a formal Acknowledgement to country, Indigenous art space and Koorie dance groups performing.



Staffing Update:

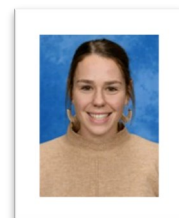
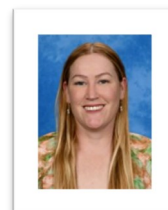
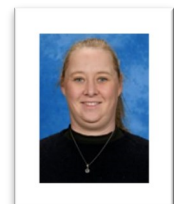
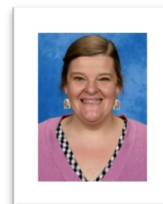
This week we farewell permanently to some staff and others for a short period of time. We thank and wish our colleagues well.

Mrs Molly Hari is relocating to Queensland. This Friday is her last day.

Elyssa Webster commences family leave. This Friday is her last day for a while.

Lauren Donohue has commenced her family leave. Her bundle of joy is due soon.

Laura Darmody commences 12 months leave this week, enjoy living in Europe Laura.



- Engage Learning -
- Expand Minds -

F-3 Water Safety Program - Term 3

Our F-3 Water Safety Program commences in Week 2 next term. The Water Safety program is \$11.00 per student which is subsidised by DET. Compass Event notice prompting consent and payment was **posted last week**. Please do this as a priority so buses and swimming instructors can be booked. All F-3 water safety lessons are conducted in the Leisure Centre indoor pool. Here is the schedule for the program.

WPS F-3 WATER SAFETY TIMETABLE - TERM 3 2024

Monday, Wednesday & Friday

SESSION 1			SESSION 2		
Bus Departure: 12:00pm			Bus Departure: 1:00pm		
Session Time: 12:30 – 1:30			Session Time: 1:30 – 2:30		
WEEK	DATE	Bus Return: 1:45pm Funded Students		Bus Return: 2:45pm	
2	22/7 24/7 26/7	CH1 & BR4		MI & OS2	
3	29/7 31/7 1/8	CH2 & BR1		MI2 & OS1	
4	5/8 7/8 9/8	CH3 & BR2		MI4 & OS3	
5	12/8 14/8 16/8	CH5 & BR6		OS4	
6	19/8 21/8 23/8	CH4 & BR		MI5 & OS6	
7	26/8 28/8 30/8	CH6 & BR5		MI6 & OS5	

Our vision
principles
are...

Culture

Curiosity

Collaboration

Challenge

Community

Have a great week, and restful holiday!

Damian

ENROLMENTS 2025

Christine Forrest, Assistant Principal

Parents/Carers/Guardians, in early May, existing families who have another student starting school in Foundation 2025, were given enrolment forms to complete.

Due to our school being such a large school and high enrolment numbers, we are wanting to confirm if you still require this enrolment.

Even though you have until the end of July to return your completed enrolment form, an idea of your intentions would help with future planning of tours and enquiries.

If you could get this completed enrolment form back into the Admin office asap, that would be greatly appreciated.

If you no longer require this enrolment, please email, or ring the school to advise. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

2 Minute Parking

Families, please adhere to the 2 minute parking zones on Mitchell and Brockley Street please.

Mathematicians' Corner ...

Maureen Murray and Shelley Gilbert, Numeracy Leading Teachers

Fun Holiday Maths:

Holiday travel time can be a good time to engage in Maths with your children.

A game of car cricket gets adding happening

You may have played 'signpost alphabet' where you find all the letters of the alphabet in order on the signs you pass. You could make up a similar game with numbers - find all the numbers from 0 to 10 or higher depending on the ages of your children.

If you are going to be hanging out by the heater, a pack of cards and games like Yahtzee, Monopoly or Sequence might make the time fly by. If you want to learn some new games that stretch mathematical thinking, jump on the Love Math website <https://www.lovemaths.me/games> - there are videos that make it easy to learn the games.

For little people, games like Snakes and Ladders help with counting and adding skills (encourage working out what number you will land on rather than counting on each time as a token is moved); Fish or Memory builds number recognition skills and can encourage counting by two.

Mid-Winter Maths Festival:

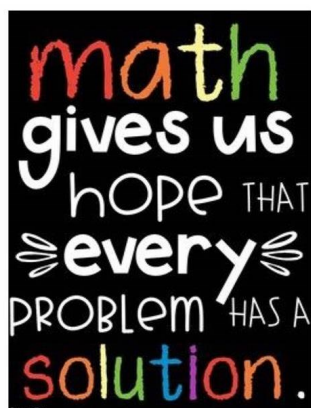
We are excited to start Term 3 with four weeks of amazing Maths in our *Mid-Winter Maths Festival*.

Week 1 will include lots of connections between our specialist subjects and maths - maths in the world outside of maths lessons.

Over the following three weeks, students will have the opportunity to play and create games that support development of mathematical skills in engaging ways.

There will be Maths mysteries for students to work on at home and at school.

LET THE FUN BEGIN!



Wellbeing...

Cara Pfeiffer & Chris Moxey—Wellbeing Leading

The Resilience Project is based around the idea of Gratitude, Empathy and Mindfulness, and practising these skills daily to support positive emotions. Each week the students at WPS participate in a Resilience Project lesson, as well as engage in GEM chats. GEM chats allow the students to practise gratitude, mindfulness and empathy and provide a regular wellbeing check in and strengthen the connections to school.

Each week at assembly students and teachers will have the opportunity to participate in a GEM chat and share their thoughts. You can find today's GEM chat here.



EVENT NOTIFICATIONS

Stay in touch with Events / Activities – using Compass as your information base

Event / Activity	Event Date	Who	Information on Compass	Consent / Payment Due Date
NAIDOC Silent Disco	June 28	Whole School		N/A
Last Day of Term	June 28	Whole School	Finish at 2.30	N/A
First Day of Term 3	July 15	Whole School		N/A
Swimming Water Safety	22, 24, 26 July	CH1 & BR4	Compass Details	19/07
Swimming Water Safety	22, 24, 26 July	MI1 & OS2	Compass Details	19/07
Swimming Water Safety	29, 31 July 1 Aug	CH2 & BR1	Compass Details	26/07
Swimming Water Safety	29, 31 July 1 Aug	MI2 & OS1	Compass Details	26/07
Swimming Water Safety	5, 7, 9 Aug	CH3 & BR2	Compass Details	02/08
Swimming Water Safety	5, 7, 9 Aug	MI4 & OS3	Compass Details	02/08
Swimming Water Safety	12, 14, 16 Aug	CH5 & BR6	Compass Details	09/08
Swimming Water Safety	12, 14, 16 Aug	OS4	Compass Details	09/08
Swimming Water Safety	19, 21, 23 Aug	CH4 & BR3	Compass Details	16/08
Swimming Water Safety	19, 21, 23 Aug	MI5 & OS6	Compass Details	16/08
Swimming Water Safety	26, 28, 30 Aug	CH6 & BR5	Compass Details	23/08
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WODONGA PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS



NAIDOC DANCE PARTY

KEEP THE FIRE
BURNING!
BLAK, LOUD
AND PROUD



FRIDAY

28TH JUNE 2024

SILENT DISCO

DJS

INDIGENOUS ART SPACE

WAGARRA DANCE GROUP

NO COMPASS CONSENT OR FEE



DRESS IN THESE FLAG COLOURS!

