



WAUBRA
PRIMARY SCHOOL



Respect: *Be Thoughtful*

Excellence: *Do your very best*

Integrity: *Do the Right Thing*

Responsibility: *Be in charge of*

Newsletter

Term 1 Week 5 21st February 2023



March

- 1st—Mr Tolliday returns from leave
- 1st—School Council Meeting
- 13th—Labour Day Public Holiday
- 14th—Foundation students start full time
- 22nd—School Council AGM

Waubra Primary School's Vision

To develop academically and socially confident students in an engaging learning environment, where they are inspired to reach their full potential.



Finn Broadbent

*For demonstrating our school value of **Respect** by:*

Demonstrating great leadership skills and always following classroom expectations. You have matured so much in the past 12 months Finn, and you have started 2023 exactly where you left off last year. I look forward to seeing what you can accomplish in Grade 3! Well done!

Awarded by Tim



Peggy Davidson

*For demonstrating our school value of **Respect** by:*

Awarded by Miss Mester



Term 1 Week 3 2023

Respectful Relationships

Award

Congratulations



**Angus Fettes , Jemima Machin
& Amelia Duff**

*Thank you for helping to promote and
model respect, positive attitudes and
behaviours in our school*



Student of the Week

Rose Bourke

*For demonstrating our school value of **Responsibility** by:*

Looking after the fantastic learning spaces and resources we have at our school. Rose always takes great care of the learning resources that she uses in our classroom and around our school, making sure they are used with care and shared with all her peers.

Awarded by Mr B

Alice Mac

*For demonstrating our school value of **Respect** by:*

Consistently sharing your knowledge and modelling positive learning behaviours. Alice, you have grown as a learner and friend to all, and your willingness to create a caring and mindful learning space is to be commended! Well done, and thank you!

Awarded by Ms Hurse



Khloe Fettes

*For demonstrating our school value of **Responsibility** by:*

Being a focused and determined learner in all aspects of your learning. Your dedication to your math's last week was inspirational! You truly are an amazing role model for our school.

Awarded by Ms Mester



Term 1 Week 4 2023

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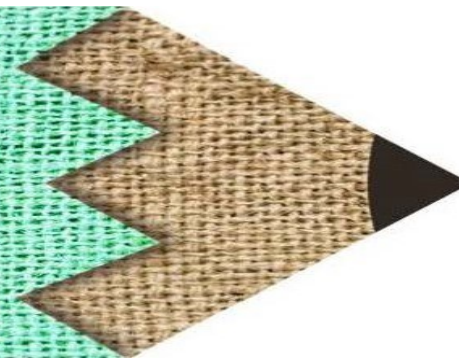
Congratulations

Cooper Ross , Johnny Davidson
& Georgie Koros

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A FEW REMINDERS!



- Parents are encouraged to **report student absences via our Compass App**. If this is not possible contact may be made via the school office or email.
- Students are expected to **attend school in the correct uniform** at all times. If your child does have school uniform they need to have a note of explanation to pass on to their classroom teacher.
- **Water/Drink bottles** are very important, water helps our bodies function and our brains work!!!.
- Please ensure that you child is at school by 8.50am. Children that enter the classroom late disrupt other students learning.
- No heat-ups are available in Term 1

FORMS DUE BACK

- Student Enrolment Information - All Students
- Application for Permission to Travel - Bus Travellers
- Media Permission
- Local Excursions Permission

Annual privacy reminder for our school community

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the [Schools' Privacy Policy](#).

Please take time to read our school's collection notice, found on our website

<https://waubra.ps.vic.edu.au>

We ask parents to also review the [guidance we provide](#) on how we use Microsoft Teams/Google Classroom safely at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information. If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using, Microsoft Teams/Google Classroom please contact the school.

For more information about privacy, refer to: [Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents](#).

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Principal's Report – Week 5

Welcome back to all our wonderful students and families and a warm welcome to our new Foundation students and their families. I hope you all had a great break from school and managed to enjoy a happy and healthy festive season. Sorry I forgot to include a Principal's Report in the previous newsletter, so I thought I better get one in before the big boss is back in the chair in a couple of weeks' time.

As the year begins, I would like to welcome all our new and returning staff to Waubra PS. Welcome to Katie Mester (5/6), Stephen Barrett (F/1), Amanda McDonald (ES employee), Romaine Ball-Vinten (ES employee). We have a fantastic team and are all extremely excited for a great year in the classrooms.

There has already been plenty happening in the first month of school for this year and all staff and students are well underway, learning classroom routines and expectations to make sure they are set up for a successful year!

NATIONAL KIDS IN SPACE PROGRAM

Last week, Mr Williams and I visited VSSEC (Victorian Space Science Education Centre) in Melbourne to participate in the National Kids in Space Program which we were lucky enough to score a spot in late last year. This is going to be a great experience for our teachers and students who are going to use a program called Maker's Empire to learn how to design and build 3D models that can be printed on a 3D printer, which our school received on behalf of the program earlier this year. Students will be working with Mr Williams in STEAM and with their classroom teachers in Term 1 and 2, to investigate something space related. There will then be a group of select students who will be chosen to join myself and Mr Williams at VSSEC in the middle of the year to present their research and findings to all the other schools who are involved. We look forward to getting underway!

SPECIALIST SUBJECTS

During Term 1, all students will participate in the following specialist subjects; Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Maths (STEAM) and PE which will run weekly on a Thursday. Mr Williams will be the teacher for these subjects. Also, on Thursdays in odd weeks, students will have Japanese. Students can wear their sports uniform on these days. On Mondays in even weeks, students will have MARC Van which is also now taught by Mr Williams, which is exciting for our school and the program in general!

NAPLAN

NAPLAN will take place in Week 8 of Term 1 this year (Wednesday 15th March – Friday 17th March). All Grade 3 and 5 students are required to participate in NAPLAN testing. Classroom teachers will be working hard over the next few weeks to prepare our students.

WRAPS AND ROLLS/THURSDAY TREATS

This term wraps and rolls will be on a Tuesday. Please make sure money has been paid to Sue in the office by the Monday before at the latest. [Also](#) the JSC will be selling icy poles on Thursdays this term.

NOT HAT NO PLAY

A reminder to all parents that Term 1 and Term 4 require students to be wearing a wide brimmed school hat when outside. This is a department requirement.

Tim Haase – Acting Principal

Big Talk Homework

So, how are you able to help us to get the most from your children in the Big Write session?

Your child will come home with a slip of paper each week, explaining what their Big Write will be about the next day. This is your child's Big Talk Homework.

Tomorrow Morning, your child will be writing about their chosen Amazon rainforest animal.

Please find time this evening to talk with your child about their plans for this piece of work.

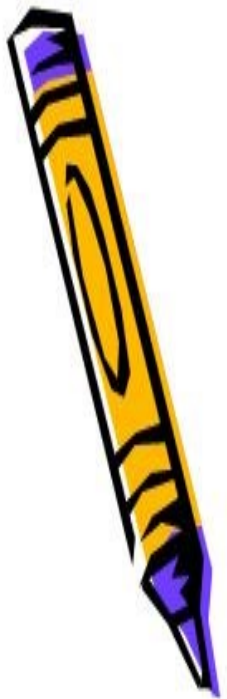
Memories of this conversation will really help your child when completing this task.



Big Talk Homework

Some possible suggestions:

- Use your 'Writing Voice'
- Ask family members to say what they might write about
- Think of 'wow' words that might suit your topic that week
- Try to use the word 'because' to help explain thoughts
- Use 'spare' moments when travelling/waiting to talk about any topic



F/1 classroom

Literacy:

All of the students in our Foundation and Grade 1 classroom have been working very hard to build their writing skills and have been able to use their reading skills and knowledge of letter sounds to produce writing in the form of recounts.

Numeracy:

We have been working together to identify and match numbers to quantities up to and beyond 20. Our students are also working on number fluency and recognising groups of numbers using counting strategies and memory.

Foundation and Grade 1 students have also been practicing their skills to use iPad's and laptops to support their learning and have been taking great care of the technology that we have available at school.



Grade 2/3/4 news

Term 1: Week 3 & 4

Learning Focus:

Reading: During reading lessons over the past couple of weeks, students have continued to work on their ability to read to self as well as learning the importance of reading to a partner. They have also just begun learning how to monitor their understanding as they read and correct themselves when needed.

Writing: For Writing, students are still working on their ability to write a successful recount text. We have broken the text down into parts to focus on the structure and have learnt about the important language features that should be included in a recount text.

Maths: For Maths students have been doing lots of work on number and place value. They have been learning to partition and expand numbers as well as how to identify and complete number patterns by figuring out the rule being used!



Students practising their Read to Someone behaviours in class this week!

What's Happening?

Well done to the students in the Grade 2/3/4 classroom, who have made an awesome start to the year. They are all aware of the classroom rules and expectations, which means things are running smoothly and our classroom is a great place to be! They should be very proud of themselves. Especially seeing I have been in and out of the classroom attending PD Days and completing Acting Principal responsibilities. The feedback from Ms Hurse and the other teachers has been brilliant. Keep up the great work everyone!

Term 1 Important Dates and Upcoming Events:

- Monday 13th March — Labour Day Public Holiday
- Thursday 6th April — Last day of term
- Friday 7th April — Good Friday
- Wraps and Rolls — Tuesdays
- Specialist classes — Every Thursday
- Japanese — Thursday (odd weeks)
- MARC Van — Monday (Even weeks)

Grade 5&6 News!

Maths Memo

We are using written computation to solve whole number problems involving all four operations.

Our regrouping skills are developing well when dealing with multi digit equations. Well done on the focused learning!



Literacy Note

Everyone has been developing their recount writing skills by sharing their holiday adventures. We have been busy publishing these; ready to display!

Whilst in reading, we are learning to summarise our reading and discuss the genre and audience of the books we are reading.

Thankyou everyone for the support you are giving at home with our nightly reading entries!

GEM

Each day we have been practicing mindful moments. Our favourite moment so far has been starting our drawing journals!

Wraps & Rolls

Tuesday Lunch

\$4.00

Orders in by Fridays



Icy Poles

Thursdays **\$1.00**





Lexton Junior Football & Netball Club

Registration Information

Teams For 2023

Football

Mixed U11.5 / U14.5
Boys U17.5

Auskick

Ages 5-12 Boys & Girls

Netball

11 & Under
13 & Under, 15 & Under
17 & Under

Net Set Go

Ages 5-10 Girls & Boys

Training starts Thursday, 2nd March

Auskick & Net Set Go will commence at a later date - details to follow

A return bus will run from Ballarat to Lexton - times to follow

Football Training Times

All junior teams from
4.45pm onwards

Netball Training Times

11&U and 13&U - 4.30pm - 5.30pm
15&U and 17&U - 5.30pm - 6.30pm

The Lexton FNC invites you to come along and meet the coaches, ask questions and register to play with our thriving, dynamic and family friendly club for the upcoming 2023 season.

NEW FAMILIES EXTREMELY WELCOME!

We welcome ALL enquiries, please contact:

Heather Sandlant - 0409 334 826 / heather.sandlant@gmail.com
Jayne Briody - 0417 328 663 / jaynehughbriody@gmail.com
Hugh Briody - 0419 552 329 / jaynehughbriody@gmail.com



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bring your own drink
bottle along to training**

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Hats can be purchased from Beleza in Doveton Street Ballarat or purchased online.

<https://store.beleza.com.au>

WPS BEANIES



Beanies have arrived.

They look great!

They are available to purchase from the office for \$15.00. Or alternatively send money in an envelope marked "Beanie" and your child's name.

JSC FUNDRAISER

Sports Tops



First shirt for each student is
\$20. (New Students)

Second shirt for each student is
\$30.

Available from the Office

WATER AS THE DRINK OF CHOICE

Why?

It can be easy to forget to drink enough water during the day. Water is important for our bodies to work properly and for kids to concentrate during the school day.

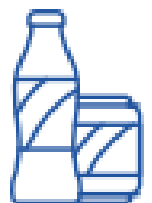
ALWAYS HAVE A DRINK BOTTLE

Have a drink bottle with you at all times. If you like cold water invest in an insulated drink bottle.



LIMIT SUGARY DRINKS

Sweetened drinks contain a lot of sugar and sometimes caffeine, they should be drank occasionally.



ADD FRUIT

If you don't like water try adding slices of fruit for flavour. Strawberries, lemon or orange are great additions.



WATER DOWN

Start by watering down fruit juice and cordials, then slowly increase the amount of water until you can have just water.



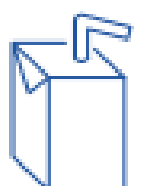
BE A ROLE MODEL

Be a role model and show your kids that you like drinking water too. Avoid buying sugary drinks.



OTHER HEALTHY DRINKS

Plain or flavoured milk or 100% fruit juice that is unsweetened and limit to half a cup.





2023 ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

Enrolment forms for 2023 can be collected from the office.
If you would further information please contact the Principal, Kane Tolliday on
5343-5358
or email : waubra.ps@education.vic.gov.au or check our website out at
www.waubps.vic.edu.au

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How to enrol





How to enrol

What You'll Need:

- Centrelink Customer Reference Numbers (CRNs) for yourself and your child if you would like to claim Child Care Subsidy (CCS). Note that the person completing the enrolment must be the same person linked to the child for CCS
- Bank account details or card for direct debit
- One or more emergency contacts
- Doctor's contact information, management plan for any relevant medical conditions and your child's immunisation record

Steps:

- 1 Scan QR Code above or head to oshclub.com.au/register and click on Get Started to register as a new Kidsoft user
- 2 Validate your registered email address (you will receive an email)
- 3 Create your account password
- 4 Select your service in 'Find a Place'
- 5 Complete the 'Waitlist' form by adding your child's details (separate one for each child)
- 6 Complete the enrolment form and your local service team will be in touch



Tips:

- Please allow 10-15 minutes to enrol, so it's a great time to grab a cuppa!
- Your email address will be your username and the main point of contact.
- Download the Kidsoft app on your mobile to manage your bookings!

We're here to help!

Our friendly customer service team is here to assist with any enquiries.

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☎ 1300 395 735

For service specific information and contact details, head to oshclub.com.au and search for your school.

