



**WAUBRA**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



Respect: *Be Thoughtful*

Excellence: *Do your very best*

Integrity: *Do the Right Thing*

Responsibility: *Be in charge of yourself*

# Newsletter

Term 4 Week 8 21st November 2023

## Important Dates and INFORMATION

### November

24th—School Captains Pancake Day

28th—Swimming Ballarat

30th—Science Day—Ballarat

### December

5th—Swimming Ballarat (Last session)

6th—School Council Dinner Meeting 6pm  
(Springs Hotel)

7th—Grade 6 Graduation Dinner 5.30pm Staff &  
Students Springs Hotel

7th—Grade 6 Graduation speeches and  
presentation 7 pm at school

8th—Grade 6 Celebration Day

11th—Celebration of Learning Day 2.15pm-5pm

12th—Statewide Transition/Orientation day

13th—Whole School End of Year Celebration Day

### 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.



## FORMS DUE BACK


- Science Day Excursion Form **(No later than Mon 27th Nov)**
- Grade 6 Celebration Day **(No later than Monday 4th Dec)**

School Captains are organising a whole school FREE pancake breakfast to celebrate the student's and families efforts towards our fundraising for the year. The breakfast will be on Friday 23rd of November at 9am.

We will be welcoming eight new Foundation students and their families to our school. The day will begin with a whole school assembly, following this students will spend until 1.30pm in their grades for 2024. Grade 6 students will be spending the day at their chosen Secondary School. Students will be advised of their 2024 classes when they are finalised very soon.

Waubra Primary School is a Sun Smart School during Term 4 we encourage parents to apply sunscreen to their child/children prior to coming to school each day. Children will be encouraged to reapply sunscreen throughout the day. All students are expected to wear a broad brimmed school hat. See our [Sun Protection Policy](#)

SUN PROTECTION and the UV INDEX									
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<b>SUN PROTECTION NOT REQUIRED</b>  Unless outdoors for extended periods, or near reflective surfaces such as snow or water.		<b>SUN PROTECTION REQUIRED</b>  Wear sun-protective clothing, a broad-brimmed hat and sunglasses. Apply SPF30+ sunscreen to any unprotected skin. Seek shade.							



## ***Angus Fettes***

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

Making some excellent spelling attempts during his cold write last week. Recently Angus has been working hard to build sentences in writing tasks, and it was great to see his success when he was challenged with an independent task. It was great to see Angus confident in his writing and proud of what he produced. Awesome work, Angus!

***Awarded by Mr Barrett***



## ***Molly Arvidson***

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

Completing her best piece of writing EVER, during last weeks cold write. You wrote a recount all on your own, by sounding out the words and attempting all spelling, even if you weren't sure. You were then able to read the recount to the whole class and work with the teacher to edit and up-level as required. We are very proud of you, Molly!

***Awarded by Tim***



## ***Tom Arvidson***

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

By approaching our big write session this week with confidence and focus. Tom, you settled into writing your recount with a positive determination! Your handwriting style continues to be neat which allows me to really enjoy your creative and cleverly written recount! Well done, Tom!

***Awarded by Ms Mester***





# Respectful Relationships

## Award

*Term 4 Week 6 2023*

## Congratulations



**Ashley Goodman**

**Emmett Duff & Khloe Fettes**

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



## ***Jack Soulsby***

*For demonstrating our school value of Integrity by:*

Jack has made great progress this term when working on his stamina for learning. It has been great to see Jack's effort in the classroom, he has been checking his reading in independent sessions and using his reading skills to help his writing in all writing sessions including Big Write. Amazing work Jack!

***Awarded By Mr Barrett***



## ***Alleah Duff***

*For demonstrating our school value of Integrity by:*

Working very hard during class time this week and making sure you are giving your best effort towards all tasks. You have made some great progress throughout Semester 2 Alleah and should be very proud of yourself.

***Awarded By Tim***



## ***Georgie Koros***

*For demonstrating our school value of Integrity by:*

Having the courage to listen! Georgie, Your ability to take on feedback and willingness to keep learning shows what an amazing person you are! You were fantastic during our transition session, your kind, caring and respectful nature really shone! I hope you keep looking for leadership opportunities next year!

***Awarded by Ms Mester***



# Respectful Relationships

## Award

*Term 4 Week 7 2023*

## Congratulations



**Cullen Martin**

**Grace Molloy & Maggie Bourke**

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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to week 8. We are well and truly in the back half of the term, with plenty of assessment and learning still going on. With our upcoming Celebration of Learning Exhibition on Monday 11th December, all families are invited to come along and have a look at the wonderful work completed by our students. Thanks to Ms Hurse for her hard work in organising this event.

Next Thursday our whole school is off to Australian Catholic University for our Science Day. This will be an incredible experience. The day will include a provided lunch and morning tea. Thanks to Jayne Briody for all of her hard work organising this day.

## **SCHOOL CAPTAINS PANCAKE BREAKFAST—Change of Day—FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER**

On **FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER**, our School Captain's Nelly and Georgie will host our first ever School Captains Pancake Breakfast. This event will be free to all students with our Captains and other student leaders preparing, cooking and serving up pancakes for the whole school. Thanks to Nelly and Georgie for their preparation. I can't wait for a Pancake on **FRIDAY**.

## **GRADE 6 GRADUATION**

Thursday 7th December will be our Grade 6 Graduation. The students have chosen to enjoy a meal with Waubra PS staff at The Springs from 5:30pm. They will then make their way to school where we will host the graduation ceremony at 7:00pm. As we are not catering for the graduation ceremony, there is no limit to guests at this stage. We do ask that families don't go over the top, taking into account the size of the space.

## **2024 STAFFING**

I am pleased to inform our community of our classroom structure for 2024. Our 3 classrooms and their teachers will consist of:

4/5/6—Ms Hurse

2/3/4—Tim

F/1—Ms Mester (TBC) - We are currently waiting on direction from DET regarding Ms Hepburn's appointment at Natte Yallock PS for 2024. As soon as I am informed, I will inform the community. We will then be able to confirm our final classroom teacher.

## **2024 BEFORE AND AFTERSCHOOL CARE**

Thank you to all of our families who have completed the survey. The results are positive. The feedback is also a great way to build a better service for our school community. I can confirm that this is 100% happening. We have a lot of work to do in the next 4 weeks but I am looking forward to having this service up and running for our 2024 school year. If you haven't completed the survey and need to, jump on the link sent out on Compass last week and complete the survey.

# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

## GRADE 5 FISHING KITS

Minister for Outdoor Recreation Sonya Kilkenny has announced 60,000 kits will be made available to grade five primary students in more than 1,900 Victorian schools later this year.

The kits will set families up with everything they need to wet a line including a fishing rod and reel, line, tackle box, some tackle and a *Kids' Guide to Fishing* that includes information and links to educational resources to learn the basics such as fishing safety, knots and rigs.

The kits will help youngsters get active, learn about the aquatic environment and have fun in the great outdoors whether they be down the coast, on Port Phillip Bay or by a river in regional Victoria. Last week we received our fishing kits, and as you can see, our anglers are excited to throw a line in.



Principal - Kane Tolliday

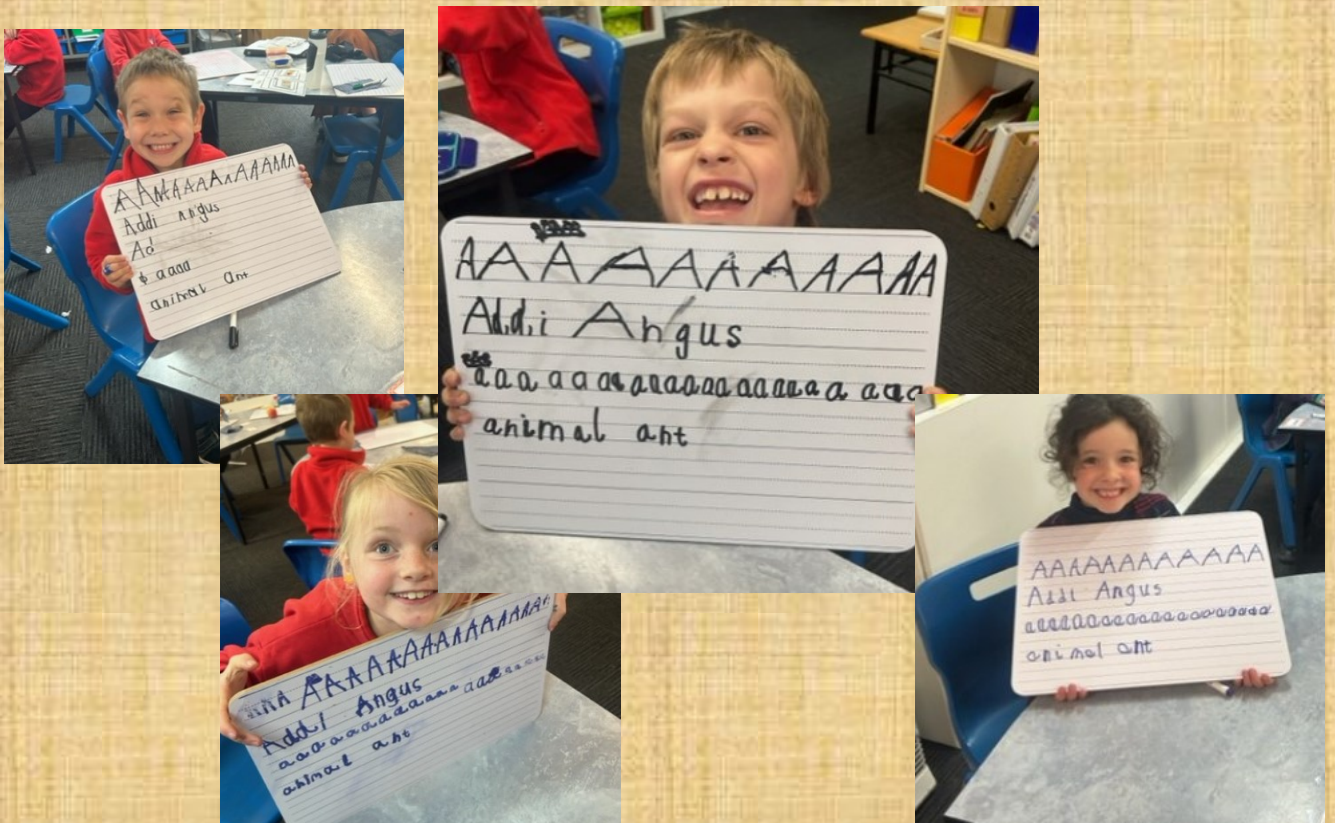


# F/1 Classroom

Our F/1's continue to amaze us with handwriting skills and work on letter formation. It has been a big focus for us this term and all our kids have been producing some excellent work.

They continue to build their skills to add and subtract numbers and have developed some great skills to measure objects informally to compare their mass.

The junior cohort continues to represent our school brilliantly at swimming and we will certainly miss the gymnastics moving forward.



# Grade 2/3/4 news

Term 4 : WEEK 7 & 8

## Learning Focus:

**Reading:** During reading, we are re-visiting summarising. Students are going over the importance of summarising and what needs to be included when summarising non-fiction texts.

**Writing:** In writing, students are learning about text/film reviews (response to literature). They are learning how to critique and analyse a text/film by discussing what happened in the text/film (summary) and discussing what they like and dislike about it (opinion).

**Maths:** For number, students are continuing to work on patterns and algebra. We have learnt that all number patterns have a particular rule that they must follow. These rules could use different operations such as addition subtraction, multiplication and division.

In Measurement, we have finished learning about mass and are beginning to learn about geometry, and location and transformation.



**The students have been learning and playing number games such as 'BUMP' and 'Smash It' during maths time!**

## What's Happening?

I would like to celebrate the wonderful learning that the Grade 2/3/4's have been doing over the past couple of weeks. Students have been busy completing assessments for reading, writing and maths, and the results so far have been impressive!

In week 6, students completed a personal recount for their Cold Write. I really enjoyed reading these pieces of writing and seeing all the progress the students have made since the start of the year. Keep it up everyone!

### Term 4 Key Dates

- Swimming - Tuesdays (Finishing Week 10)
- MARC Van - Mondays (even weeks)
- Japanese - Mondays (odd weeks)
- Science Day in Ballarat - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November
- Grade Up Day - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December
- Reports Go Home - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December
- Last Day of Term 4 - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December



# Grade 5&6 News!

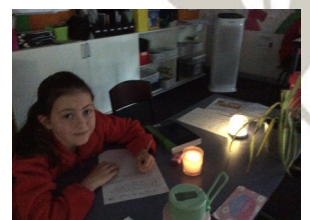
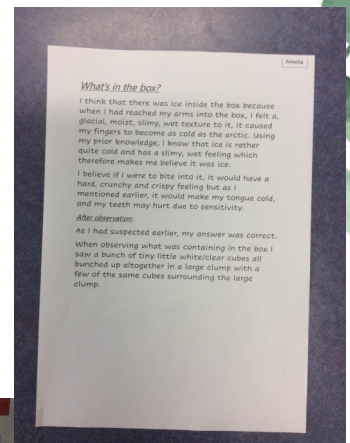
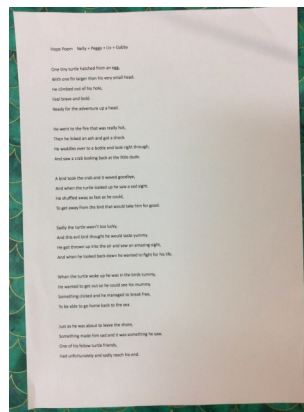
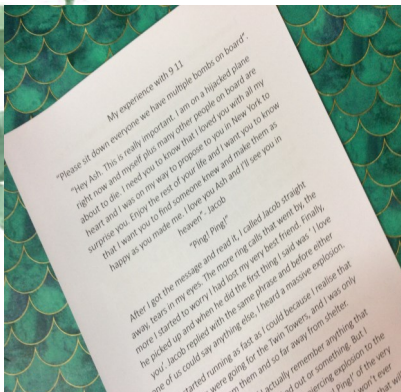
## Science!

Williams Windmill has been an inspiring example of using science to solve problems in our lives. William created a windmill out of scraps to water his family's crops during a famine! We have also been investigating how electrical energy can be formed from a variety of renewable energy sources, such as biomass and wave movements!



## Writing!

We have been working on lots of writing pieces, showing off our talents during Cold Writes, Recounts and poems! During our writing time we have been creating a recount that has a historical setting of our choice and a fictional character. Here are some excerpts from our stories.



## Up Coming events!

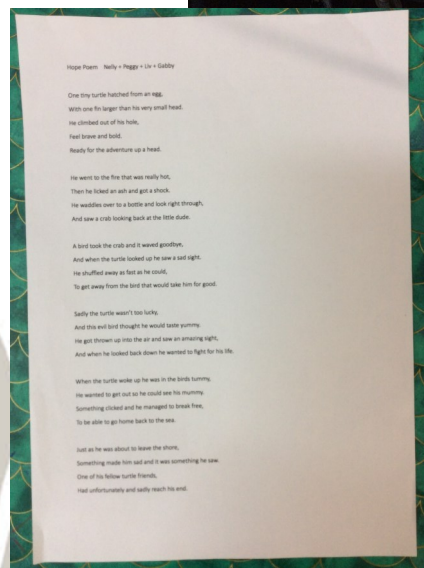
20/11/23 Wonder Movie Day for Grade 5&6

7/12/23 Grade 6 Graduation

8/12/23 Grade 6 Celebration Day

12/12/23 Statewide Grade up Day

13/12/23 Whole School Celebration Day





# Let's CELEBRATE Learning

WAUBRA PRIMARY SCHOOL INVITES  
YOU TO JOURNEY THROUGH OUR ART  
AND LEARNING EXHIBITION



Where: At Waubra Primary School in the BER Building, The Creation Station, and the foyer of the office building.

When: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December, from 2:15pm - 5:00pm!

Please, come and celebrate our learning and creativity with us! Don't miss out!

# Icy Poles

## Tuesdays \$1.00



# Wraps & Rolls

## Wednesday Lunch

## \$4.00



Orders in by Tuesdays Starts 18th October



# WPS BEANIES



Warm up for Winter

Get your WPS Beanie!

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



*Sports Tops are*

*Available from the Office*

**\$30.00**





**SUNSMART**

## We are SunSmart - a note for families

Too much of the sun's ultraviolet (UV) radiation can cause sunburn, skin and eye damage and skin cancer.

UV damage accumulated during childhood and adolescence is associated with an increased risk of skin cancer later in life. Skin cancer is the most common cancer in Australia. It is also one of the most preventable cancers.

**You can't see or feel the sun's UV. Whatever the weather, if the UV levels are three or more, it's important to *Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide*!**

### Sun protection times

Don't just wait for hot and sunny days to use sun protection. Check the sun protection times each day so your family can be protected when they need to be.

Daily local sun protection times and weather details are available from the SunSmart widget on our school website, in the weather section of the newspaper, on the SunSmart website at [sunsmart.com.au](http://sunsmart.com.au) and as a free SunSmart app. Sun protection times can also be found at the [Bureau of Meteorology website](http://Bureau of Meteorology website) and live UV levels are available from [ARPANSA](http://ARPANSA).



### SunSmart membership

Our school is a registered member of Cancer Council Victoria's SunSmart Schools Program. We aim to protect children and staff from too much UV.

Sun protection and skin cancer prevention is a shared responsibility. Please help support our SunSmart membership and sun protection efforts by ensuring your child follows the SunSmart measures included in our policy at school and at home.

During the daily local sun protection times (usually from mid-August to the end of April), **use these 5 SunSmart steps – even if it's cool and cloudy.**

#### 1. **SLIP** on covering clothing

For free dress days, ensure your child wears clothing that covers as much skin as possible (e.g. elbow length tops with a higher neckline or collar and longer style shorts or skirts). Densely woven fabrics are best.



#### 2. **SLOP** on SPF30 (or higher) broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen

Apply a generous amount of sunscreen at the start of the day and make sure children have sunscreen in their bag ready to reapply throughout the day. Sunscreen should be reapplied every two hours. Please ensure children get plenty of sunscreen application practice at home so they'll be all set when they are at school. Under supervision, ask children to put a dot of sunscreen on each cheek, nose and chin and rub it in (avoiding the eye area) and sunscreen squiggles or dots on the back of the neck, arms and legs to cover these areas.

#### 3. **SLAP** on a hat that protects the face, neck and ears

Choose a wide-brimmed, legionnaire or bucket hat. Peak caps and visors do not offer enough UV protection so please leave them at home. Please help your child remember to bring and wear their approved **school hat**. Please keep this at school so they will always be ready for outdoor activities, outdoor learning and play during school days. For the walk to and from school and weekends, please have an extra **home hat** to help keep children protected at home.

#### 4. **SEEK** shade

Choose shady spots for learning and play whenever possible.

#### 5. **SLIDE** on wrap-around AS1067 sunglasses

When appropriate and practical, help protect the eyes with sunglasses.

*Need information in another language? Call 13 14 50 and ask to be connected to Cancer Council Victoria in your language*



**SLOP!**

on some  
sunscreen

**SLIP!**

on a  
shirt

**SLAP!**

on a  
hat

**SEEK!**

shade

**SLIDE!**

on some  
sunglasses



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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](https://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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