



WALLINGTON Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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FAIR

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CALENDAR EVENTS

Thu-Fri 1st-2nd Sep	Fathers Day Stall
Fri 2nd Sep	Footy Colours Day Special Lunch
Tues 6th Sep	Debating Team (Note change of date)
Wed 7th Sep	Strawberry Fair Meeting 7 pm
Tue 13th Sep	Yr 3-6 Division Athletics
Thu 15th Sep	P & F Meeting 9.15 am Elkhorn
Fri 16th Sep	End of Term Dismissal 2.30 pm
Mon 3rd Oct	START OF TERM 4
Wed-Fri 5th-7th Oct	Yr 3/4 Camp
Wed 19th Oct	Geelong Cup Holiday

PRINCIPAL NEWS

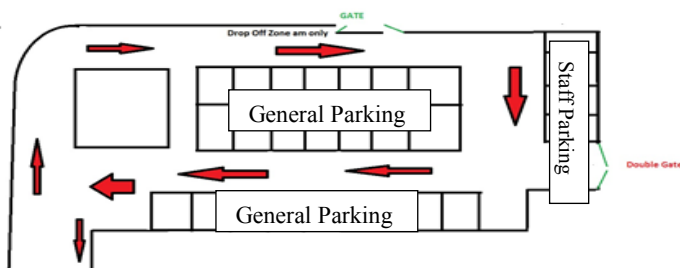
Time is passing very quickly and we only have 2 weeks of term 3 remaining. The last few weeks at Wallington have been very busy, but also very exciting. Thank you to our staff for providing our students with lots of special events which promote a love of school and learning, and also ensure a high level of engagement from the moment students walk through the front gate. A highlight from last week was Friday's Book Week celebrations. Creative juices were certainly flowing with costume preparation, and students and staff looked fantastic. Well done to all!

PFA

Our Parents and Friends Committee have also been very busy this term. Thank you to the many parents and families who supported the PFA disco last Friday night. This event was an enormous success, and students had many experiences to share at school on Monday morning. Our Father's Day stall operates from Wednesday to Friday this week, and tomorrow is our Footy Colours Day, where students are encouraged to dress to reflect their favourite team. On this day, any profits made from the special lunch orders will be donated to the 'Fight Cancer Foundation'. Thank you to the PFA who continue to provide opportunities for our students and school.

Car Park

We have had some feedback in regard to car park concerns this past fortnight. Parents are asked to please park in designated areas. The drop off zones and parking along the school fence at the front of the school (see plan) are not available for parking in the afternoon. This inhibits the flow of traffic in and out of the area and puts students safety at risk. Always ensure that you follow the signs for correct traffic flow, and please do not cut to the right of the gate when entering the school car park. This practice is dangerous and unnecessary. For the safety of our students, we ask all parents and visitors to please ensure that they drive at walking pace only.



Toni Scott
Acting Principal

Social and Emotional Learning

Our staff have been collaborating to develop consistent language to be used across the school, which reflects the social and emotional learning that takes place in our classrooms. Accompanying this newsletter is a vocabulary and strategies list, which identifies the language and strategies that our staff use when supporting students with social and emotional learning. We encourage you to talk to your child about these words and supports. We see great potential in building the school/home connection with the implementation of this language and learning at home too!

In addition to this, we are implementing a consistent approach when responding to the student management issues that arise from time to time. Staff have developed a 'True Apology Script' for situations where there has been a disagreement between students. We aim for all students to be aware of a restorative approach to resolving problems through powerful words, acknowledging mistakes and communicating feelings.

Classroom learning time is sacred. We assure students that any incidents that occur during break time will be followed up, but not necessarily until the next break in the learning program. I do need to emphasise that the behaviour and social capacity of Wallington's students is of a high level. We see evidence of inclusive, cooperative play in our yard every single day. We have developed appropriate structures so that when those rare playground issues arise, we are able to respond in a fair and consistent manner.

Year 3/4 Camp

Log Cabin Camp will be held in the first week of term 4. Final permission and medical notes have been sent home, and will need to be returned to school with full payment by **Friday September 9**. Payment can be made via EFTPOS, QKR, BPay, Cheque or Cash.

Sun Smart

Victoria's peak UV months are from September to April when UV Index levels average 3 (moderate) and above. **From next Monday**, all students will be required to wear a wide brimmed hat when outdoors during school hours. Students who do not have their hat will be required to stay in the shade area outside the staff room during breaks, and will also need to sit in the shade during sporting sessions. We currently have Wallington hats for sale through the office at a cost of **\$10.00**.

Staff Leave

Mrs Murray commences 2 weeks Long Service Leave from next Monday. We wish her a very safe and happy holiday break. Mrs Marino will be covering Mrs Murray's class next week, and Miss Grace Robinson in week 10.

Strawberry Fair Roles

Please see information on next page in regard to vacant Strawberry Fair roles. It would be lovely to have these filled prior to the end of this term.

Strawberry Fair

A reminder that we have placed a suggestion box in the foyer area, and encourage input from staff and families as to how we might best utilise monies raised from the 2017 Fair for ongoing school improvement. Slips for suggestions are located beside the box, and your input is greatly appreciated.

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS

2017 Strawberry Fair – Are you able to support?

The final term of the school year is almost upon us and the **Strawberry Fair Committee** continue their planning for the Annual Fair on **Sunday March 5, 2017**.

We are so grateful for all the previous years' support from several key individuals and families (many who will be leaving our school at the completion of this year). THANK YOU from the school community.

The roles below are **now vacant** on the **Strawberry Fair Committee**. We have put together a general outline of what is involved but roles can be developed or adjusted depending on suggestions and ideas discussed with the **SF committee**.

Roles could be shared between 2 individuals or undertaken as a team if preferred. A handover meeting can be arranged, together with notes, past correspondence & processes to follow.

Areas of Interest

1. Entertainment – co-ordinating the line up of entertainers for the main stage and the grass arena. This area is involved in sourcing potential entertainment (with support from the committee), confirming, ensuring payment, general correspondent & communication with all the entertainers.

2. Marketing – this area is responsible for contacting local newspapers, magazines, radio stations and media businesses to help promote the fair. This role works closely with the Graphic Design role as well as the Social Media co-ordinator.

3. Graphic Design – this role requires graphic design skills to assist with producing Strawberry Fair Newsletter, posters, banners, newspaper advertisements and the event program.

4. Market Stalls – Administering & co-ordinating the communication with all stallholders before, during & post the event.

5. Catering

- Pre-event: supporting the Event Manager to ensure all food quantities and cooking equipment are booked / ordered in time for the fair.
- Event Weekend: be available to assist with the Saturday set-up and oversee food preparation. On the event day, check that food is distributed and enough is on hand.

6. Event Signage – co-ordinating and ensuring all coreflute signs & vinyl banners are located around the Geelong & Bellarine Peninsula.

7. Ponies – booking, co-ordinating set-up/pack-up & supervising volunteers.

If you have any questions regarding these roles or want to know more, please feel free to contact Kerri Wrench on 0410 508 922 or klwrench@bigpond.com. Everyone is welcome to come along to our next meeting on **Wednesday 7th September at 7pm** in the Staffroom.

Last Week's SUPER STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

PREP D Duckett	OTIS P For practising your reading strategies and improving your reading skills. What a Star!
PIN Norris	WILL H For doing a wonderful job in improving your handwriting. You have done a great job at keeping your letters clear and neat. Keep it up!
I2S Stevens	NYLAH R For your great result in the Subtraction assessment on Tuesday. Well done Nylah!
2V Vaught	ZANDER Z For using good eye contact and recognising other people's personal space around them. Well done in the school yard, Zander.
3O O'Brien	MALA K For demonstrating an improvement in all learning areas. Keep working hard, Mala.

PARENTS & FRIENDS

Thank You

A huge special thank you to all the parents who have volunteered at our activities over September.

We have had frog in pond making, disco, football lunch, some morning teas, family portraits and Fathers Day stall. Without wonderful volunteers these events wouldn't be possible.

Fathers Day Stall

The last Fathers Day stall will be open from 3.30 – 4pm. This will be the last chance to grab that special gift for dad!

Next Meeting

The next Parents and Friends meeting is on **Thursday 15th September 9.15am at Elkhorn Roadhouse**. We have Xavier Sheehan from the Bendigo Bank coming as well as a special health and well being speaker Anne Lane – Reflexology. All welcome to come along for a casual coffee and chat to plan the rest of the year's activities.



SUSHI

Please note that there will be **NO SUSHI ORDERS on the last week of term 3 (Thu 15th Sep) and first week of term 4 (Thu 6th Oct)**.

Sushi orders will resume on Wed 12th Oct.



Year 6 FOURTH & FINAL DEBATE DATE CHANGE VENUE: Wallington P.S.

Please note: The final debate has been changed from Wednesday 7th September to Tuesday 6th September.



Cricket is back!!

Come and join us at Wallington Cricket Club for our information & sign up day.

Joey's – Age 5+ fun skill building sessions for boys and girls

\$50 (includes 11 sessions, club shirt, hat & drink bottle)

Juniors – U11's, U13's, U15's, U17's

Junior membership \$80 (includes club shirt & hat)

Sunday Sept 11th

Junior sign up 10am-12pm

Senior sign up 12pm-2pm

2nd chance sign up Sunday Sept 18th 10am-12pm

At WCC we pride ourselves on being an inclusive, family oriented club. We may be small but our spirit and club pride is plenty. We encourage and nurture our junior programs with a positive future of the club in mind.

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Social and Emotional Vocabulary List

<p>PREP</p> <p>Making good choices Making bad choices Angry, sad, frustrated Personal space/personal bubble Bubble/self control Give me 5: Eyes looking, ears listening, mouths closed, hands in lap, legs crossed Respect Listening Bucket filler Hurting or helping? What should you be doing? A strong choice would be to Stop! The rule at school is hands to ourselves Stop it! I don't like it! Bumping my words</p>	<p>YEARS 1&2</p> <p>Showing respect Role Models Personal bubble Resilience 'Have a go' classroom We're all different Emotions Thermometer Different Rooms 3 before me Personal Strengths</p>
<p>YEARS 3&4</p> <p>Balloon breathing Count first Go to quiet place Glass of water Hands in pockets/sit on hands Squeeze fists Have a plan Emotions Thermometer I say sorry</p>	<p>YEARS 5&6</p> <p>Keep trying/stick at it Tried your best Personal strengths Positive self talk Negative self talk Even if you don't get a good mark, at least I tried hard I might be lonely first, but I will soon settle in Calming: drawing, calm space</p>

Strategies Years P-6

<p>Sing a happy song Go to quiet place Balloon breathing Cuddle your teddy Spray the imaginary monster with magic potion Imagine yourself on a cloud Articulate how you are feeling Move away What have you tried? Talk to a friend/teacher Stop it! I don't like it! Tell yourself your fear will go away</p>	<p>Ask for help Walk away Make a plan Fill lungs like a big balloon Deep breathing Recognise emotions and how others are feeling (cues) Focus on personal strengths How can I use personal strengths to help others? Positive self talk Avoid negative self talk Get involved in sport Shift in attention Getting organised (make a list, make a plan)</p>
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