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Dear Parents, Staff and Students:

Attendance target 94% or better. Last week's attendance rate was 94.5%.

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Kids come to school to learn in a safe, supportive and challenging school environment and no one has the right to make others frightened, uncomfortable or unhappy.

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Bullying Behaviour... Part 2

These are some of the strategies used to combat bullying behaviour at Woongarra State School.



MARCH

WEEK 6

Mon	29	Tuckshop
Tues	1	Gismos Gadgets & Machines
Wed	2	Newsletter Student Banking Easter Raffle tickets to be issued
Thur	3	Tuckshop Year 4-6 Swimming P-3 Assembly
Fri	4	Year 4-6 Assembly Breakfast

WEEK 7

Mon	7	Tuckshop
Tue	8	P&C Meeting 7:30pm
Wed	9	Newsletter Student Banking
Thur	10	Tuckshop Year 4-6 Swimming P-3 Assembly
Fri	11	Year 4-6 Assembly Breakfast

WEEK 8

Mon	14	Tuckshop
Wed	16	Newsletter Student Banking
Thur	17	Tuckshop Year 4-6 Swimming P-3 Assembly Easter raffle closes
Fri	18	Year 4-6 Assembly Breakfast

- “Bullying” is defined so that kids and parents know what it is that we are trying to prevent. Not all incidents are bullying. Most are “one-offs” but still need to be dealt with!
- “Bullying” is a topic of conversation at parades
- Kids inform us of poor behaviour.
- Kids are encouraged to be assertive and to have a positive and robust self-esteem.
- Teachers are responsive and follow-up “bullying” and other poor behaviour instances that are known.
- Consequences occur for students who exhibit bullying behaviour (e.g. Student Reflection sheet).
- Kids are taught a range of strategies e.g. confront and tell them to stop.... move away tell an adult
- Parents are informed of significant incidents or repeat incidents through phone calls to parents.
- Staff are always “out and about”, observing.
- School Chaplain is available.

Please encourage your children to make positive choices, as we encourage them too!

At parade this week we will discuss the “Cool and Right Way” to solve incidents in the playground. Please reinforce this at home. The “Agro Way” doesn’t solve your problems. It often only inflames the problem or as I often speak to kids about ‘it is like pouring petrol on a fire’.

The cool and right way is to:

- Ignore their behaviour
- Tell them to stop annoying you.
- Speak in a firm, not angry voice and stand tall
- Look in their eyes firmly (but not in a threatening way).
- Stay in control of yourself.
- Walk away from them.
- See an adult
- If it continues see the same adult (Tell your class teacher).

The agro way is to:

- Push, punch, trip or kick another person.
- Speak discourteously.
- Use insults and put-downs.
- Call people names, make blaming comments
- Shout or Swear
- Stand close to the person and act in a threatening manner
- Lose control of yourself

SCHOOL NEWS

Helping with Reading

To get your child interested in reading, it's important to vary the books you read together and to talk about the types of material you read each day.

Our school encourages parents to work with us to develop children's reading skills. Here are a few tips to get you started:

- ✦ Play number-plate games in the car by making sentences starting with the same letters as on different number-plates.
- ✦ Encourage children to re-tell stories they have read and to share these stories with other family members.
- ✦ When reading to your child, stop and ask, "What do you think will happen next?" and occasionally ask, "Why do you think the author included that part in the story?" This will be a check to ensure they understand what they are reading.
- ✦ If your child makes a mistake when they are reading aloud, give them time to correct the mistake themselves.
- ✦ Encourage your child to read every day and ensure they see you read as well.

Parent Teacher Interviews

The school will have parent/teacher interviews later this term. Interviews will be conducted as follows.

First Parent Teacher Interviews will focus on "**Where Your Child Is**". It will be a short interview of approx. 10 to 15 minutes. It will focus on reading ability, number aspects of mathematics, writing ability, behaviour, work habits, social interactions and areas of focus/goals. A second interview is available in September, with written reports in June and December. This interview will be very important as it will provide parents with information about critical areas of the curriculum. At these interviews, no written proforma/summary will be presented to parents. The offering of 2 interviews and 2 written reports will give comprehensive detail of where your child is. These interviews are important and we expect everyone to attend. A note will come home very soon with offers for interviews at the following times:

Prep B - week 8 and early week 9

Prep J - week 8 and early week 9

Year 1L- week 8

Year 1C- week 9

Year 1GM - week 9

Year 2KC - week 8

Year 2L- weeks 8 and 9

Year 2V - weeks 8 and 9

Year 3B - week 8

Year 3W - week 8

Year 3R - weeks 8 & 9

Year 4E - weeks 8 & 9

Year 4H - weeks 8 & 9

Year 4/5L: week 8

Year 5M - week 8

Year 5PR - week 8

Year 6D - week 8

Year 6S - week 8

Year 6V - week 9

Please make every effort to attend this first interview.



Drop and Go Area in our Car Park

The Drop and Go area in our car park is to be for exactly that; drop and go. When dropping off or collecting children ***you may not leave your vehicle if parked in this area*** defined with a yellow line. If the drop and go parks in front of you are free then ***move forward*** so more cars can fit in here. ***Please do not park in this area if you wish to have a chat with friends, before or after school, as this area is only to drop off or pick up!!!*** So please, do the right thing in this area, as it helps everyone and moves traffic along especially at 3pm, the busiest time!!!!



P&C Meeting

The next P&C Meeting for our school will be March 8 at 7:30pm in the staffroom. Looking forward to seeing many faces! This meeting will also be the Annual General Meeting.

Student of the Week

This section will appear every week in the Newsletter and provides the students with a chance to shine. Students are awarded a Student of the Week Certificate for displaying high achievement levels or efforts in the classroom and quality behaviour and positive attitudes.

Prep BK	<i>Isabelle S</i>	Prep J	<i>Willow Q</i>
1C	<i>Bailee M</i>	1GM	<i>Eva D</i> <i>Olivier M</i>
1L	<i>Katie B</i>		
2KC	<i>Liam H</i>	2L	<i>Eva J</i>
2V	<i>Edmund D</i>		
3B	<i>Jade G</i> <i>Phoebe H</i>	3R	<i>Sienna E</i>
3W	<i>Jack A</i>		
4E	<i>Baylee H</i>	4H	<i>Coco S</i>
4/5L	<i>Lily M</i>		
5M	<i>Kayde B</i>	5PR	<i>Ashlynn C</i>
6D	<i>Michael B</i>	6V	<i>Ryder M</i>
6S	<i>Ryan H</i>		

Quote: "*Laughter is the brush that sweeps away the cobwebs of the heart.*"

Jeff Irwin

Instrumental Music Notices -

Don't forget before school **Band Rehearsals** started this week and weekly rehearsals will continue each Monday at 8:10am.

Strings Orchestra Rehearsals also commenced this week and weekly rehearsals will continue each Tuesday at 8:00am.

Band students playing on assembly

Make sure you bring your instrument to play on assembly this Friday and start setting up in the hall straight after morning tea.

SCHOOL NEWS



EASTER RAFFLE

The annual P&C Easter Raffle is on again this year. Donations of Easter goodies (chocolate eggs, bunnies etc.) can be left at the school office.

Tickets will be sent home on Wednesday 2 March with the eldest in the family. Please return all tickets and donations by Thursday 17 March. The raffle will be drawn on Monday 21 March and winners contacted and advertised in the Newsletter.

Thank you
P&C

Brisbane Lions AFL Visit

Thursday last week saw Woongarra SS receive a visit from the Brisbane Lions AFL team on their annual regional tour. Visiting our school was Lion's assistant coach, former Collingwood player Ben Hudson, Lions 60-Ganer Ryan Lester and Lions Number 14 draft pick-up Eric Hipwood. Accompanying them was Wide Bay AFL President Mark Mason and assistant AFL development Officer Bobbie.

Approximately fifty students from across all year levels headed out to the oval at big lunch time. The students got to ask the Lions players some interesting and investigative questions. All of the children got an opportunity to be involved in some AFL mini modified games and skill drills. This lunch time session was then rounded off with the players signing some autographs. Once again our visitors commented on how well behaved and well mannered our Woonie students were. Thanks very much Brisbane Lions for visiting us and thanks a lot to Bundaberg/Wide Bay AFL Coaching and Development Office Shaun Stone for organising the visit for us. Everyone had a great time!

A word From Chaplain Paula

A true friend sticks by you through the bad times. True friends are honest with you. True friends forgive each other. A true friend looks past the outside to what is inside. It's not about the outward appearance that matters but the heart.

A friend loves at all times.

Bargara Little Athletics

Winter season commences Sun 3 April 2016.
Come 'n' Try Day: 20th March from 9am.
Bargara Sports complex, Fred Courtice Ave
(past Neilson's Beach Caravan Park)

Sign up online:
www.bargaraathletics.org.au



**- WANTED -
Sponsors for our School
Newsletter**

Once again, it is time to find sponsors for the next twelve months supply of newsletter covers. If you wish to be a sponsor for the next order, please phone Chris on 41506333. Each 'block' will cost approximately \$110.

SPIN OFF - SPIN BIKE

CHALLENGE

"A CHAPPY FUNDRAISER"

10 people / 1 x Bike / 30 minutes
Saturday March 12 3:00 - 6:00pm
YMCA

- Primary section year 5 & 6
- High School section
- Open Section

*Please see Paula Dalrymple
for more information*

Interested in Playing Hockey?



Raiders Hockey Club are looking for more Junior & Senior Players to play fixtures in Bundaberg each weekend from March to September.

All players welcome – old & new!

Raiders Hockey Club has:

- Cheap, subsidised fees
- Competitive Teams
- Accredited Coaches
- Regular training & fitness
- New junior players receive a free stick, shin pads & ball to keep & uniforms supplied

RAIDERS AIM is to provide fun, social but competitive hockey at a reasonable cost.

Enquiries:

Latoya Larsen (President) 0437 576 178
Tarina Gordon (Secretary) 0438 576 283

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

Thursday 3 March

Shani Paulsen
Tracy Balto
Kelly Hooper (11:30 - 2:30)
Leisha Bartholomai (9.00 - 11.00)
Leesa Courtice (9.00 - 11.30)

Monday 7 March

Melissa Griffiths
Belinda Loeskow
Mattie Neil
Juanita Ryan (11:30—2:30)

Thursday 10 March

Shani Paulsen
Tracy Balto
Leisha Bartholomai (9.00 - 11.00)
Leesa Courtice (9.00 - 11.30)
Natalie Miller

Thank you all for your continued support. Please contact me ASAP if you are unable to attend your rostered day so a replacement may be arranged.

Specials

Mini Pikelets \$ 0.30
Jelly Cups \$ 0.50
Sultanas (Little Box) \$ 0.50

Help wanted in the Tuckshop

Lyn Dobbs

*Convenor
(H) 4152 6381*



**Come &
Try Day**

Come and try sessions to be held at our club on the 8th & 10th of March 5pm-6pm & on the 12th of March 9am-10am. The Club is located at Faircloth Crescent Bundaberg.
Contact: Jeff Watson
0400 308 763