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Dear Parents, Staff and Students:

Attendance target 95% or better. Last week's attendance rate was 91%. So far this year our attendance rate is 94%. Let's together make every day count!! Thanks to Bundy Bowl and Leisure Complex for giving the school some awards each term to promote attendance. Thanks also to Rebel Sports Bundaberg for supplying our annual awards!!

TERM 2

JUNE

WEEK 8

Wed 6 Newsletter  
Student Banking  
Icy Cups  
School Photos  
Thur 7 Breakfast  
Tuckshop  
P-3 Assembly  
Book Club due  
Fri 8 Tuckshop  
Under 8s Morning  
Silver Savers  
Year 4-6 Assembly  
Year 4 - 6 Sports

WEEK 9

Tues 12 P&C Meeting  
Wed 13 Newsletter  
Student Banking  
Icy Cups  
Thur 14 Breakfast  
Tuckshop  
P-3 Assembly  
Fri 15 Tuckshop  
Silver Savers  
Year 4-6 Assembly  
Year 4 - 6 Sports

WEEK 10

Wed 20 Newsletter  
Student Banking  
Icy Cups  
Thurs 21 Breakfast  
Tuckshop  
P-3 Assembly  
Fri 22 Tuckshop  
Silver Savers  
Year 4-6 Assembly  
Year 4-6 Sports  
Subway Day

New Families

It is a great privilege and pleasure to interview new families and introduce them to Woongarra School. It allows me, and Ms Oakley, to concentrate on those things that make Woongarra special. So what are these?

- Our 5 B's (Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be Positive, Be Proud and Be Tolerant)
- Our 3 Step Plan (Tell them to stop and mean it, move away and ignore them, tell a teacher and tell the same teacher if it happens again)
- Achievements (e.g. Instrumental Music and Choir, Sport, NAPLAN, Academic Results, Musical)
- Uniform (worn so proudly and yes Mr Irwin does insist on shirts in!!)
- Great Facilities

But what strikes me the most and is great to share is; yes, Woongarra is a big school but we all care about individuals. It is our kids that make this a great place to be!



Every School Day Counts

Attend today, achieve for a lifetime!

Sports House Shirts

School Sport House shirts can be worn to school on Fridays. Years 4 - 6 may not wear this shirt on interschool sport days as these children leave the school grounds and the Woonie uniform is easy to identify amongst a crowd of children!!

These shirts were a great addition to our uniform and were established by our P&C. If you would like to purchase one, please discuss this with the Administration staff in the office.

Remember our 5 B's

1. Be Responsible
2. Be Respectful
3. Be Proud
4. Be Positive
5. Be Tolerant



Thanks for reinforcing these with your children at home and for school!

## SCHOOL NEWS

### What Does Being a Parent Mean?

It's interesting the number of people both children and adults alike who believe that a Mum or Dad should be a friend in preference to being a parent. The job of being a parent is so much more than being a friend and holds a great deal of responsibility.

- Being there for your children – to talk with them, take them places, stay up late waiting for them to come home to know they are safe, helping them with homework that sometimes is beyond your own knowledge, having school meetings with teachers, preparing lunches for years on end (this alone would test any friendship).
- Being with them to celebrate the good times but also to help them through the difficult times (and at times the difficult times outweigh the good times)
- Even when they say “I hate you” you give them unconditional love by answering ‘I love you’ (not many friends would last the distance if they felt unloved).
- Using tough love when needed (especially if they don't want to go to school).
- Letting them know what they are doing well but also letting them know what they may need to improve on (which they may not want to hear).
- Being honest but not harsh e.g. if an outfit is inappropriate who better to tell them than a parent (a friend most probably wouldn't).
- Being the shoulder to cry on but eager to talk through the issue causing the problem.
- Modelling good behaviour and educating your child with skills needed for them to be ready for living in the community.
- In drastic times - dropping everything and coming to their aid – at these times putting their needs before your own.

It takes more than a friend to be a parent. It takes love, commitment, selflessness, and endurance. You know the funny thing is if you do most of this ok your kids end up your friends **but** not until they are in their twenties!!

Can I personally thank our families for how you “tackle” the above dot points. Parenting is often a thankless job and it never ends....my kids are all in their twenties and still at times I need to be the parent but more so now their friend (grandparent too now)!!

### *Child Restraints in Vehicles*

It has been brought to my attention that some parents are not using correct child restraints in cars ... so I have put together the following taken from the Queensland Government Webpage.



#### **Babies and children - 6 months to 4 years**

Babies and children from 6 months and up to 4 years must be in an approved child restraint that is properly adjusted and fastened. The child restraint may be rear-facing or forward-facing with a built-in harness. However, we recommend babies and children stay in a rear-facing restraint for as long as their size allows.

#### **Children - 4 to 7 years**

Children aged 4 years and up to 7 years may be in an approved child restraint that is forward-facing with a built-in harness that is properly adjusted and fastened. They may also be in an approved booster seat secured with an adult lap-sash seatbelt or a fastened and adjusted

H-Harness. However, research has indicated that the booster seat with a H-Harness option provides a lower level of safety in some types of crashes.

#### **Booster cushions**

A booster cushion is a booster seat without the back and side wings. A child aged 4 years and up to 7 years may use an Australian standard approved booster cushion, secured with an adult lap-sash seatbelt or a fastened and adjusted

H-Harness. Booster cushions are legal to use providing they comply with the Australian standard AS/NZS 1754 at the time of manufacture. The booster cushion should have a sticker showing approval and a date stamp for when it was manufactured. We recommend child booster cushions be less than 10 years old.

#### **Children 7 years and over**

Children who are 7 years and over may sit in a standard seat with an adult seatbelt, or an approved booster seat/cushion secured with an adult lap-sash seatbelt or an H-Harness. Or, they may be in an approved child restraint that is forward-facing with a built-in harness that is properly adjusted and fastened.

### Car Park

I understand that the car park area can be quite frustrating to all drivers. Cars are often lined up out the car park and along Kleins Road. Please if the drop off zone is full then move forward to another car park. Regularly the Drop Off area, which only has 4 parking bays, is full but there are plenty of other car parks. Consider others and move into a car park even if it means you need to get out of your car to collect your children. Patience and consideration are the keys!!!

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Reporting end of this Semester

#### (Prep - Year 6)

In the last week of this term, written Report Cards will be issued for Prep – Year 6.

For children to receive better than a “C” or “working with” they need to be working above the expected standard for their year level at this time of year. In other words a “C” or “working with” means **working at year level** and understandably this is **most** children. So do expect to see “Cs” on Report Cards!

**Our current target is that 70 - 80% of students get a “C” or better in English and Maths. We are also aiming at 85% of students getting a “C” or better in Science.**

#### Prep Reporting

Prep children will also receive a Report at the end of this term. The following is the way students are rated against the National Curriculum. If the child is at the “working with” level, they are at the expected level for Prep at this time.

**Applying:** The student applies a thorough understanding of the required concepts, facts and procedures. The student demonstrates a high level of skill that can be transferred to new situations.

**Making Connections:** The student makes connections using the curriculum content and demonstrates a clear understanding of the required concepts, facts and procedures. The student applies a high level of skill in situations familiar to them, and is beginning to transfer skills to new situations.

**Working With:** The student can work with the curriculum content and demonstrates understanding of aspects of the required concepts, facts and procedures. The student can apply skills in situations familiar to them.

**Exploring:** The student is exploring the curriculum content and demonstrates understanding of aspects of the required concepts facts and procedures. The student applies a varying level of skill in situations familiar to them.

**Becoming Aware:** The student is becoming aware of the curriculum content and demonstrates a basic understanding of aspects of required concepts facts and procedures. The student is beginning to apply skills in situations familiar to them.

#### Scholastic Book Club

- closing 3pm Thursday 7 June -

Book Club catalogues have been distributed to students. All catalogues are available to be viewed on the Scholastic Book Club web site [scholastic.com.au](http://scholastic.com.au). Additional catalogues are available at the Library.



A reminder that payment can be made via the LOOP app (all instructions are on the back of the catalogue) or by credit card over the phone. Alternatively, orders and payment are to be handed in to the school office by 3.00pm Thursday 7 June.

### The 5 Bs

The 5 Bs are five simple expectations we apply with all students at Woongarra State School. Each class will discuss how each of these rules applies to their particular age and year level.

In weeks 8 - 11 this term, we are concentrating particularly on ‘Being Proud’. Children demonstrating this 5B outside in the playground will be recognised with a “Woonie”. All Woonies achieved give the recipients a chance to win an ice block and bookmark at Assembly each week.

#### Electronic Newsletter

From the beginning of Term 3, our school Newsletter will no longer be provided on paper. All parents will be able to access our Newsletter via our school app *Skoolbag* or our website.

#### 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 J	<i>Tyler W</i>		
1C	<i>Lachlan K-C</i>	1L	<i>Summar D</i>
	<i>Rylan L</i>		<i>Emmett F</i>
1R	<i>Delilah F</i>		
2R	<i>Griffin G</i>	2V	<i>Kobie L</i>
2/3B	<i>Koby C</i>		
3B	<i>Jayde P</i>	3W	<i>Allyssa W</i>
4E	<i>Erika E</i>	4H	<i>Alana R</i>
	<i>Anisha F</i>		
4L	<i>Sienna M</i>		
5PR	<i>Matthew S</i>	5/6S	<i>Bree L</i>
6D	<i>Sophie O</i>	6V	<i>Rhianna P</i>

Quote: “If you have made mistakes, even big ones, there is always another chance for you. What we call failure is not the falling down but the staying down.”

*Jeff Irwin*

#### Special band performance on parade!

Our band has a special performance on parade this week so please remind your student to bring their instrument AND music on Friday, and practice this week for it!



*Lisa Palmer*

## SCHOOL NEWS

### UNDER 8'S DAY FOR PREP, YEAR 1 AND 2

WHEN: Friday 8 June 2018

TIME: 9.00 - 10.45 am

WHERE: Prep playground,  
front of the school  
and tennis court

***Students are to wear old clothes on the day!***

Parents, toddlers and grandparents are most welcome.

COME ALONG AND JOIN IN THE FUN

WE HAVE LOTS OF ACTIVITIES PLANNED

playdough   rice play   water play   dress-up  
hoops   music   face painting   skipping ropes  
chalk drawing   marble painting   carpentry  
collage   obstacle course   threading   icing  
biscuits   and lots more!!!!

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Bundaberg Community Kindergarten, 55a Electra Street  
(Phone 4151 2227) is hosting an Under 8's Week

Dinosaur Day on Thursday 31 May

(Bundaberg Show Holiday) from 9am - 12noon.

DINO FUN   DINO MOULDS   DINO DIGS

FIND THE DINOS   FACE PAINTING

AND MUCH MORE ...

### **Tribal Sport AFL Queensland Schools Cup**

On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> of May, Woongarra SS joined with Elliott Heads SS to form a Boys AFL team to compete in the Queensland Schools Cup in Childers. It was a huge learning curve for the boys as they had to get to know their new team mates from Elliott Heads and, for some of the boys, it was the first time they had played competitive AFL.

We played four 25 minute games against some stiff opposition. The team looked great in Woongarra's new AFL jerseys!

While we didn't win any games, having fun and improving skills were the main objectives for the day and the boys certainly displayed copious amounts of both.

Well done Woonie boys (Jake, Freddie, Bailey, Ronan, Matt, Arran, Jackson, Josh, Tom and Elye) and good on you for having a red hot go in all games!

Glenn Vertigan

### **Want to play in an all girls cricket team?**

We're putting together an *all girls team* in the Bundaberg U14s 2018-19 competition

There has been huge growth in girls' cricket and for the first time ever we're hoping to enter an *all girls team* in the Bundaberg U14s 2018-19 season.

Wide Bay has produced a number of outstanding female cricketers, including stars such as Beth Mooney and Holly Ferling.

But in the past, there has not been many opportunities to regularly play in an all girls team.

We're hoping to change that by entering an all girls team in the Bundaberg competition as a precursor to an all girls league in the future.

#### **When?**

The Bundaberg cricket association (BCA) junior competition runs from September to March. Games are played on Saturday mornings from 8am to 12.30pm. In the past there have been some fixtures played under lights on Friday evenings.

#### **What?**

The BCA U14s competition is a mixed competition played on turf wickets on a standard size field and pitch. Games are 30 overs per side and are played between teams of up to 12.

#### **Where?**

The competition includes teams from Bundaberg, Hervey Bay and Maryborough. Games are played in all three cities throughout the season depending on the opponent. The team will be based in Bundaberg and will play most of its games in Bundaberg. Bundaberg teams typically travel to play Fraser Coast teams 4-5 times.

#### **Who?**

We have limited places available but are seeking expressions of interest from girls aged 12-15 years as of Sept 1. BCA rules allow girls of age 15 to play in the U14 competition.

To register your interest, contact Lee Rowlands on 0418 992 781.

### **Silver Savers for Chappies**

During term 2 we are encouraging students to bring in silver coins each Friday to support Chaplaincy in our school. We realise you cannot send coins every Friday but may be able to save some change from the week. The P&C has committed \$1000 to chaplaincy services in our school, whether we raise this or not. Please, if you value the chaplaincy service in our school, send along silver coins on a Friday!! Last year we raised around \$500.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### *A word from Chaplain Paula*

It's not enough to have the right answers; you need the right approach. Good ideas and sound advice are wasted when you use a ram-it-down-your-throat approach. Wisdom means saying the right thing, at the right time, in the right way. 'A man of knowledge uses words with restraint, and a man of understanding is even-tempered.' (quote) Your efforts at helping someone to change will fail, or worse, alienate them, unless you approach them in love and humility. Most people already know what their problem is. Chances are they've been grappling with it for a while, and deep down they want to do better. And unless you're prepared for a 'Who-are-you-to-tell-me' response, you've got to approach them in the right way. 'Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.' (quote) So, if people won't receive the truth in the way you're sharing it, maybe the problem is partially yours. Former U.S. Senate Chaplain Richard Halverson writes: 'You can offer your ideas to people as bullets or as seeds. You can shoot them or sow them. Ideas used as bullets kill inspiration and motivation. Ideas used as seeds take root, grow, and bear fruit in the life in which they are planted. But there's a risk: once it becomes part of those in whom it's planted, you'll probably get no credit for originating the idea. But if you're willing to do without the credit... you'll reap a rich harvest.' So the word for you today is: take the right approach.

Adapted from Word from Today.

### **Student Banking**

Don't forget that WEDNESDAY is School Banking day!

For every deposit made at school, students will receive a cool Dollarmite token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can then be redeemed for a range of great, exclusive reward items in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. Please keep all your silver tokens in your banking wallet. If you have any gold tokens, please remove them from your banking wallet. No gold tokens will be issued this year to avoid confusion.

As part of the Super Savers theme, the following rewards are a great way to keep children motivated and demonstrate the value of saving. The rewards are released throughout the year.

- Glow Light - released Term 2
- Sparkle Glitter Pens - released Term 2

### ***What's new in 2018?***

The Commonwealth Bank has introduced a new and improved School Banking Contributions Program that aligns more closely to the values we're teaching children about developing regular savings habits.

*Our school will now receive:*

- An **Annual Contribution** each calendar year based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.
- A **Regular Savers Contribution** of \$5 for every 10 School Banking deposits processed per student, in line with the existing School Banking Rewards Program for students.

We have decided to conduct an in-school competition whereby two tickets will be issued to students for every ten School Banking deposits made in 2018. Prizes will be drawn at the end of the year. Further details to be advised.

### ***Keep saving for a chance to win a family trip to Hawaii***

This year, School Banking is running a Super Savers Grand Prize competition that will take one lucky School Banker and their family of two adults and up to three children to Hawaii.

#### **The trip includes:**

- Return economy flights to Honolulu, Hawaii plus airport transfers
- 7 nights accommodation at the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel & Resort staying in a Luxury Ocean Room, with beach views and breakfast included
- AU\$2000 spending money.

#### **How to enter**

Simply make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3 2018 to automatically receive an entry into the competition for a chance to win.

*Find out more at [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)*

***Tuckshop will be operating Thursday and Friday this term.***

*Please note that sushi is only available at big lunch on Thursday. The Tuckshop Menu on Skoolbag and our Website have been updated.*

*Tuckshop will only be available at little lunch for Year 4 - 6 students attending Interschool Sport.*

### **TUCKSHOP ROSTER**

#### **Thursday 7 June**

Tracy Balto  
Fay  
Belinda Loeskow  
Belinda Heidke

#### **Friday 8 June**

Fay  
Fiona Ames (11.00am-3.00pm)  
Shandi South

#### **Thursday 14 June**

Tracy Balto  
Fay  
Fiona Ames

#### **Friday 15 June**

Fay  
Shandi South  
Yasmin Turello  
(9.00am—11.30am)

Thank you for your generous support in the Tuckshop. Your help is very much appreciated. Please let me know ASAP if you can't attend your rostered day so a replacement can be arranged.

*HELP is always wanted in the Tuckshop so if you are able to assist in any way, whether it be one or two hours or longer, please contact me.*

#### **Order Tuckshop online**

*- fast and easy -*

Cut off time for ordering each Tuckshop day is 8:45am. Download the **Qkr App** and follow the instructions. Flyers are available at the Tuckshop or from the office foyer.

Lyn Dobbs