Attendance target 94% or better. Last week’s attendance was 94%. Thanks to Bundy Bowl and Leisure Complex for giving the school some awards to promote attendance each term this year (www.bundybowl.com.au).

**Maths Teams’ Challenge**
25 Year 5 and 6 students will compete in the annual Maths Teams’ Challenge tomorrow. This event has been going for over 20 years now in Bundaberg. The questions are always challenging and require some really complex maths calculations and reasoning.

We wish the students all the best as they compete against students from most primary schools in Bundaberg.

**School Fun Run**
This year our school fun run to be held the last day of this term, September 16, is again also a fundraiser organised by our dedicated P&C group. Children can earn some wonderful prizes for collecting sponsors for the run.

So support your kids and support the school to raise funds for some needed resourcing. All fundraising books should have been returned by now!!

It’s that time of term again!

**# DISCO #**

Our second disco for the year will be held in Week 10 of term. Parents are most welcome to attend and only students from Woongarra School are invited.

**Theme:** Bright, Colourful and Sparkly!!

**When:** Wednesday September 14

**Time:** 5:30 - 7:30pm

**Cost:** $2 entry

Food available: Scrumptious sausages $2 each
Chilly cold drinks: $1 Chocolates: 50c

**School Crossing Area**
We have had complaints both by parents and our School Crossing Supervisor that parents are dropping off students in ‘No Standing’ zones near the crossing. This is dangerous and illegal. Please stop doing this.

**Parent/Teacher Interviews**
Parents will be offered interviews again at the end of this term. Teachers will send a note home informing parents of how their class interviews will work and what times are offered. Most teachers will interview later this term. Details of what particular week interviews will be offered are below:

**Prep B and Prep J** Weeks 9 and 10

**1C and 1GM** Week 9

**1L** Week 8

**2KC and 2L** Week 9

**2V** Weeks 9 and 10

**3B** Week 9

**3R** Term 4

(more details next term)

**3W** Weeks 9 and 10

**4E** Week 9

**4H** Weeks 9 and 10

**4/5L** Weeks 8 and 9

**5M** Week 10

**5PR** Week 9

**6D and 6S** Week 9

**6V** Week 10

**ICE CUPS**
for sale at second break on Wednesdays
$0.50
**Living with Magpies**

During magpie nesting season (August to October) some birds certainly cause difficulties for communities. Generally, it is only the male magpie that swoops and this will occur in the area surrounding the nest tree.

- Throwing sticks or stones at magpies and yelling at them are not effective strategies.

**WHAT CAN YOU DO?**

1. Know where a magpie is swooping and, if possible, avoid the area.
2. Move through the area quietly, without running.
3. Be magpie smart and wear a hat.
4. Cyclists should get off their bikes and walk, and fit a safety flag to their bikes.
5. Please be patient … they are only trying to be good parents.

**Prep 2017**

It is getting to that time when we look at Prep for the new year. If you know you have a Prep child commencing next year please let the office know. This will really assist with class planning for 2017. We would like to have 3 Prep classes again but this will mean we need a larger enrolment than this year. Students are eligible for Prep next year if they are born between July 2011 and June 2012. Please let your friends, neighbours and relatives know!!

A Birth Certificate is required for enrolment. Don’t leave it to the last minute - apply for a birth certificate now.

**Dental Van**

The Dental Van is currently visiting our school and is expected to stay until early in Term 4. Parental Consent forms have been given to all students and spare forms are available at the school office. Please complete and return forms to the school office at your earliest convenience.

**P&C News**

**Date Claimer … Family Portraits by Laura Jean**

Saturday 29 October

Only $15 for professional family photos which includes 15 minute sitting and a framed 10” x 13” portrait.

Fantastic Christmas gift idea.

More photos can be purchased for additional cost.

Bookings to be made at the office with payment at time of booking.

**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.

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Quote: “In any sport, the anticipation of what might happen is almost as important as what actually happens.”

Jeff Irwin

**Strings in last week of Term 3**

No morning rehearsal or lessons in the last week of this term as Mrs C will be at the Dolphin Strings Workshop. All ensemble students are invited to attend this amazing 3 day event.

**No Strings in first week of Term 4** as Mrs C is away on LSL.

**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.

Lisa Palmer

- **Special Music Event** –

  Thursday 13 October

  **Best of Brass Concert**
  (in our school hall)
  All students from Prep - Year 6
  Cost: $5 per student

**Mad Hatters’ Music Concert**

(all Woongarra Choir, Strings and Woodwind/Brass/Percussion students)

Tuesday 8 November

3:15pm in the School Hall
A word from Chaplain Paula
THE TRAIN
At birth we boarded the train and met our parents, and we believe they will always travel by our side. As time goes by, other people will board the train; and they will be significant in our siblings, friends, children, and even the love of your life. However, at some station our parents will step down from the train, leaving us on this journey alone. Others will step down over time and leave a permanent vacuum. Some, however, will go so unnoticed that we don't realise they vacated their seats.

This train ride will be full of joy, sorrow, fantasy, expectations, hellos, goodbyes, and farewells. Success consists of having a good relationship with all passengers requiring that we give the best of ourselves. The mystery to everyone is: We do not know at which station we ourselves will step down. So, we must live in the best way, love, forgive, and offer the best of who we are. It is important to do this because when the time comes for us to step down and leave our seat empty we should leave behind beautiful memories for those who will continue to travel on the train of life.

I wish you all a joyful journey. 

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School Athletics News
A couple of Wednesdays ago, a number of our Woonie athletes attended the Wide Bay Schools Athletics trials as part of the Bundaberg District Schools representative team. These trials were held in the very cold and frosty town of Kingaroy.

Six Woongarra students attended and all tried their hardest to do their best. Three of them performed well enough to earn selection in the Wide Bay Schools representative athletics team. They were:
- Taylor S (6D) – 11 years girls’ long jump
- Dakoda F (6D) – 12 years girls’ 100m sprint
- Bill M (6S) – 12 years boys’ high jump, long jump and shot put.

These three students will now travel to Brisbane in mid-October to contest the Queensland Schools Athletics State Championships.

Congratulations, well done and best of luck!

Interschool sports fees of $15 for this term are now overdue. Please attend to payment as soon as possible.

Boys’ T20 Blast Cricket News
Over the past two Wednesday afternoons, a number of boys from Years 5 and 6 have been involved in the Bundaberg Primary Schools' T20 Blast Cricket Competition played at Kendalls Flat - home of Bundaberg Junior Cricket.

In Round One (1), Woongarra defeated Kalkie State School and also Bundy North State School. In Round Two (2), Woongarra scored 208 runs to defeat St Lukes' who made 56 runs. Also in Round Two (2), Woongarra scraped together 90 runs to just edge out Walkervale State School who struck 82 runs.

These results mean that the Woongarra boys are undefeated and will play in a semi-final on the next Wednesday afternoon of the competition (7 September 2026). A win in that game will put them into the Bundaberg Grand Final.

The participating boys are Scott B (6V), Ryder M (6V), Trent B (6V), Keiren S (6V), Jordan B (6S), Bill M (6S), Caleb T (6S), Luke B (6D), Ethan M (6D), Logan T (6D), Shivesh K (5M) and Angus R (5PR).

Well done so far boys - best of luck in the semis!!!

Bundaberg School’s Netball Competition

Last Thursday our Woonettes – Dakoda F, Jasmin B, Bella G, Abbey M, Holly C, Ruby M, Holly A and Hayley J played their final two netball games at the end of a three week competition.

Our first game once again was against Norville and we are happy to report that although the girls were defeated, they played a much better game due to their increased netball skills and teamwork developed over the last three weeks.

Our second game was against St Luke’s and at half time the score was tied. Unfortunately, St Luke’s were too strong this week and won the match. Our Woonettes finished 6th overall out of 13 schools. A commendable effort considering that two of our players had never played netball before this year!

The girls displayed a positive attitude, great sportsmanship and overall love of the game throughout the competition. Of course we were, as always, a visual stand-out in our red and green. Well done girls, you continue to uphold the standards and traditions that make Woongarra a great school.

A big thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came to support the girls over the 3 week competition. Your efforts do not go unnoticed and are greatly appreciated.

Coaches: Tania Collins and Marilyn Rekow

TUCKSHOP ROSTER
Thursday 8 September
Tracy Balto
Fiona Ames
Belinda Loeskov
Leisha Bartholomai (9.00 -11.00)
Leesa Courtice (9.00 - 11.30)

Monday 12 September
Shani Paulsen
Natalie Miller

Thursday 15 September
Tracy Balto
Kelly Hooper (9.00 - 2.30)
Leisha Bartholomai (9.00 -11.00)
Leesa Courtice (9.00 - 11.30)

Thank you all for your support. Please let me know ASAP if you can’t attend your rostered day.

Specials
- Mini Pikelets $ 0.30
- Mini Blueberry Muffins $ 0.50
- Warm Milo $ 1.00
- Vanilla Custard $ 1.30
- Pasta Bolognaise (Homemade) $ 4.00

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For more information, please visit the school website.