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Term 4

NOVEMBER

WEEK 6

- Mon 7 Tuckshop
Year 1 - 3 Swimming
- Tues 8
3.15pm *Mad Hatters' Music Party*
7.30pm *P&C Meeting*
- Wed 9 Newsletter
Student Banking
- Thurs 10 Tuckshop
P - 3 Assembly
G'Day Asia
- Fri 11 Breakfast
Year 4 - 6 Assembly
Year 4 - 6 Sports (last week)
Year 6 Pizza Day Orders due

WEEK 7

- 14 - 17 *Year 6 Camp*
- Mon 14 Tuckshop
Year 1 - 3 Swimming
Book Club due
- Wed 16 Newsletter
Student Banking
- Thurs 17 Tuckshop
P - 3 Assembly
- Fri 18 Breakfast
Year 4 - 6 Assembly
Pizza Day Orders due

WEEK 8

- Mon 21 Tuckshop
Year 1 - 3 Swimming
- Wed 23 Newsletter
Student Banking
- Thurs 24 Tuckshop
P - 3 Assembly
- Fri 25 Breakfast
Year 4 - 6 Assembly

Yr 3 Musical 'The Wizard of Oz'
(on Assembly ... parents invited)

Pizza Day

6 December Year 6 Graduation

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

Staffing Class Formations: 2017

Schools are staffed using an Education Department model that allocates Teachers and Support staff according to the number of students enrolled. For example, the ratio of teachers to students in the P - 3 years is lower than the ratio in the 4 - 6 years.

At the moment we are unsure how many classes we have in 2017. It will either be 19 or 18 classes. Between now and the Official Census Day - Day 8 of schooling in 2017, we may have an influx of new enrolments or, alternatively, a number of families may move out. That would influence whether we retain the staff we have or gain/lose staff members.

Families Relocating in 2017 School Year

As we approach the end of the year we will be organising class formations for 2017.

If you know for certain that your children will be attending a different primary school to Woongarra in 2017 please pass the information on to the office.

Have Your Say - Comment

As people are aware "Have your Say" was last week. "Have your Say" was about your child's needs, not about a particular teacher.

I explained in an earlier Newsletter that at times we would like particular teachers to teach our children but this is not always possible. People may be disappointed if they asked for a particular teacher. "Have your Say" is just that - have your say - not "have your way". A school has to take into account many factors when forming classes and one of these is definitely "balance". Balance between boys/girls, between abilities, between needs and these things are not easy to balance!

Please understand a lot of thought and time goes into forming classes and teachers have to "juggle" these balances.



Year 3 students present songs from

'The Wizard of Oz'



Performance for parents and P-2 students on Thursday
24th November at 2:15pm in the hall

With a repeat performance at Yr4-6 parade on Friday
25th November 11:30am in the hall

Thursday 10 November 2016

Prep - Year 6 \$5.00

*A vividly colourful, very hands on,
Asian experience.*

In this engaging introduction to Asia, students are encouraged to participate in both traditional cultural ceremonies and colourful contemporary celebrations, determining whether there are special clothes to wear, flags to fly, protocols to observe or huge dragons to manipulate. Traditional puppets and masks bring to life much older tales from an Asia past.

As is usual with school performances, the curriculum is supported (particularly History and Geography), and it is expected that all students will attend to learn and enjoy.

SCHOOL NEWS

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>Taylor B Marley W</i>	Prep J	<i>Ava I</i>
1C	<i>Bailee M</i>	1GM	<i>Talitha T</i>
1L	<i>Riley B</i>		
2KC	<i>Maya G</i>	2L	<i>Charlotte M</i>
2V	<i>Cooper M</i>		
3B	<i>Evelyn J</i>	3R	<i>Bailey L</i>
3W	<i>Freddie C</i>		
4E	<i>Shayleigh S Braiden H</i>	4H	<i>Jordan H</i>
4/5L	<i>Elissa S</i>		
5M	<i>Aayush F</i>	5PR	<i>Daniel C</i>
6D	<i>Ethan L</i>	6V	<i>Trent B</i>

Quote: *“As the fire burns, a true hero emerges from the depths of determination.”*

Jeff Irwin

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.



Instrumental Music - Ms Palmer

Instrumental Music has now finished for the year. Thank you for your student's participation in the program this year. If you have a school instrument on loan, please return it to Ms Palmer 9.00am next Monday.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC - ENROL NOW FOR 2017

Woodwind / Brass / Percussion

The school band instrumental music program is inviting students *currently in Years 3, 4 & 5* to apply for enrolment for 2017 (Lessons are available on flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, bass guitar, drums. Some school instruments are available for loan). Learning an instrument promotes creativity, confidence and improves class learning.

Please ask at the office for an 'Invitation to Apply' letter from Ms Palmer if you haven't received one. Applications close Friday 18 November.

Lisa Palmer



Strings



The school Strings instrumental music program is inviting students currently in Years 2 - 6 to apply for enrolment for 2017. Lessons are available on *violin, viola, cello and double bass*. Some school instruments are available for loan.

Application Forms have been sent home with current Year 2 students. **Please ask at the office for an Application Form from Mrs C if you require one. Applications close Tuesday 1 November 2016.**

Mrs C

Summer Safety Message

With summer's swimming season well and truly here, it's a timely reminder for parents and carers to talk about pool safety with their children. With more than 300000 residential pools in Queensland, drowning is one of the leading causes of accidental death in children aged five and under.



Some of the causes include lack of swimming competence, levels of supervision and the use of floatation devices. To help lower the risks of these tragedies occurring, parents should follow the ABCs of pool safety:

- **Always** supervise your child near a pool.
- **Begin** swimming lessons as early as possible.
- **Close** the pool gate and keep your fence maintained.

Remember please Prep parents to take the opportunity to take your child to swimming lessons before they do swimming in Year 1 in Term 4, 2017.

Student Banking - Term 4 Competition

Don't forget that WEDNESDAY is School Banking day!



Each time you bank in Term 4, a raffle ticket with your name and class will be put into a box and prizes will be drawn in the last week of school.

- One prize of a \$10 gift card will be drawn for each year level.
- One prize of \$5 cash (sponsored by a Woonie parent) will be drawn for each year level.

So student bankers ... the more times you bank, the better the chance you have of winning. You need to be in it to win it!!

Tracy Balto, Student Banking Coordinator



SCHOOL NEWS

Year 4 - 6 Sports Money Owing

We have approximately 45 out of 200 Year 4 - 5 students still owing their Friday afternoon interschool sport fees. That is almost one-quarter of this cohort of students! This payment was due by Friday 28 October. **The fee of \$15 is now overdue.** Please check with the school office if you are not sure if these fees have been paid.

With over \$600 still owing, we would appreciate prompt payment as we will have bus bills to pay very shortly.

This is close to the cheapest form of regular competitive sport your child can play. Our school subsidises the cost of your children attending school sport. So, please be fair and get this bill paid off quickly.

Thank you so very much to all of the 150 students / parents / families who have already paid - it's greatly appreciated.

Jason Shears, P.E. Teacher



**Scholastic Book Club
closing 3pm
Monday 14 November**

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. 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 Monday 14 November.

A word from Chaplain Paula

Being kind to myself means
looking after my body.
I look after it by eating healthy food,
exercising every day
and getting lots of sleep!
When I'm feeling kind
I find it easy to be polite
and have good manners.
When I ask for something
I always say ...
PLEASE
and when someone gives me something
I always say ...
THANK YOU
Kindness is something that makes
everyone feel really good ...
especially me!
*Excerpt taken from When I'm Feeling Kind,
Written and illustrated by Trace Moroney*

Girls' Cricket News

Congratulations to Taylor S (6DR) for being selected in this year's Queensland Schoolgirls' Under 12 representative cricket team.



This selection comes about after Taylor's performances for Wide Bay at the recent State Championships held here in Bundaberg. There were 120 girls trying out for the Queensland team and only 12 girls were selected. Taylor was lucky enough to become one of them.

Taylor also made this team last year as a 10 year old and she has now made it again as an 11 year old. She is eligible for this team again next year as a 12 year old.

Taylor will now travel to Canberra in early January 2017 to contest the School Sport Australia National Under 12 Schoolgirls' Cricket Championships against other State and Territory teams from all over Australia.

Well done Taylor! Best of luck! Woongarra is very proud of you!

Wide Bay-Burnett Youth Parliament



On Thursday, 27 October Woongarra's Year 6 Literacy Extension students participated in Bundaberg's first Youth Parliament. Organised by the Queensland Parliamentary Office, students from 12 schools in the area created speeches on a range of locally relevant issues which they then presented in a mock parliament forum. Presided over by actual members of the Queensland Government, not only did each student write and present *their* speech, but sat politely through the other nearly 90 speeches! Ms Oakley and Mrs Driver were very proud of the efforts and presentations of the Woonies, a credit to their school.

BUCCA RETREAT UPGRADE CAMP YEAR SIX STUDENTS

9, 10 and 11 December 2016

Cost \$130

ACTIVITIES - waterslide, swimming,
canoeing, games.

See Paula Dalrymple for more details!



TUCKSHOP ROSTER

Thursday 10 November

Tracy Balto
Nicole Warnes
Jane Howard

Leisha Bartholomai (9.00 -11.30)

Monday 14 November

Shani Paulsen
Kelly Hooper

Thursday 17 November

Tracy Balto
Jane Howard
Juanita Ryan

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

Specials

Frozen Wedge of Orange	\$ 0.20
Mini Pikelet	\$0.30
Mini Blueberry Muffin	\$ 0.50
Pizza Subs (Homemade)	\$ 2.00
<i>Ham & Cheese;</i>	
<i>Ham, Cheese & Pineapple;</i>	
<i>Chicken Cheese & BBQ Sauce)</i>	
Pasta Bolognaise (Homemade)	\$ 4.00
Mini chicken nugget wrap	\$ 2.00
<i>(lettuce, 2 nuggets, mayo)</i>	

Lyn Dobbs

Convenor

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1-2-3 MAGIC & EMOTION COACHING for parents

*Learn to manage difficult behaviour
in children 2 - 12 years old*

A three-session program for
parents and carers at **Engaging
Early Learners** - Woondooma
Street (opposite the Library) on
**Wednesday 16, 23 and 30
November 2016**

Time: **9.30am - 12.00 noon**

Childcare available ...
*(please indicate when registering
name and age of child).*

Max : 20 participants

For more information call
Amanda Ericson
on 0448 197 075
(8.00am—5.00pm)