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**School News**

- **Parking or Dropping off in the Bus Zone**
  - Please do not use the bus zone to collect or drop off children. There are some vehicles in this area but they are either Childcare minibuses or family day-care vehicles. Only these vehicles and our school buses may use this area.
  - When everyone follows the rules it makes things a whole lot better!!!

**Bullying Behaviour - Part 4**

- Kid’s 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.

- Our school has a consistent whole-school approach to ensure that kids are able to come to learn in a safe, supportive and challenging school environment. Our approach to Bullying Behaviour has been outlined in the Newsletter over several weeks and I hope parents draw confidence from what has been explained.
  - I believe that Woongarra’s Code of Student Behaviour leaves no doubt about our commitment to provide a positive school and learning environment. With about 460 students at Woongarra, some form of bullying behaviour occurs and students, teachers and parents all have a responsibility to respond positively and consistently.

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**Disco**

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**Theme:** Your Idol

**Time:** 5:30pm to 7:30pm

(But no leaving until parents/carers come to collect you)

There will be a scrumptious sausage sizzle $2, chilly cold drinks $1 plus chocolates 50c available for sale at the Tuckshop. Glow Sticks will be on sale too – 50c and $1. Parents can choose to stay (we have plenty of chairs!!) or leave but please don’t be late to collect your children. It’s a $2.00 entry fee for Woongarra School children and adults are free. So if you want to come, join the fun!

Please note this disco is for current Woongarra students only.

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**Tuckshop News**

- **Attendance target 94% or better. Last week’s attendance rate was 95%. Let’s together make every day count!!**
  - Thanks to Bundy Bowl and Leisure Complex for giving the school some awards to promote attendance (www.bundybowl.com.au).

- **Dear Parents, Staff and Students:**
  - I am currently discussing this on parades, reminding students about what to do when they meet bullying behaviour i.e. the approaches, I have outlined over the last few weeks. Teachers too, provide time for classes to discuss issues especially after lunch breaks. Teachers do take this very seriously and follow through on situations, reporting to each other things that have been reported to them at lunch times. Please continue to support the school by, like us, saying “NO TO BULLYING” and not choosing to ignore it.

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**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: “If you wouldn’t write it and sign it, don’t say it!”

Jeff Irwin

**Tennis News**

Congratulations to Ethan M (6DR) for being selected in the Bundaberg District Schoolboy’s Under 12 Tennis Team. Ethan made this team as a 10 year old last year and has made it again this year as an 11 year old. This is a top achievement considering he was also up against 12 year old boys. Ethan will now travel to Hervey Bay in early May to contest the Wide Bay Regional Trials. Well done Ethan and best of Luck!

Jason Shears  PE Teacher

**School News**

**Year 6 German Class Karneval**

As a conclusion to the Karneval Unit of work in German Term 1, each Year 6 class will hold a small fancy dress class carnival during class time on Tuesday 22 March. Karneval is a time of fun and celebration in Germany, before Lent, in the lead up to Easter. There are huge processions through the streets, and people dress up in costumes especially colourful. They sing and dance and generally have fun. Karneval has a very long history with lots of cultural traditions. Students are encouraged to participate in the festivities by adding some colourful accessories, eg mask or hat, to their uniforms for the lesson.

Frau Alison Kindt
German Teacher

**A Word From Chaplain Paula**

I heard of the story of a man who had invented some very powerful explosives and had made a fortune selling these. His name was Alfred Nobel.

When a newspaper reporter printed an obituary notice about this man, mistakenly believing that he had died, Nobel felt quite ashamed at the realisation that he would be remembered for his contribution to death and destruction.

Turning from his old way of life, he used his fortune to establish the Nobel Peace Prize, through which people are honoured for their contribution to peace and human achievement and that is indeed what the world now remembers Alfred Nobel for.

Ask yourself this—if an obituary notice was wrongly printed for you, and it gave an accurate account of how you lived your life. Would you be ashamed to see it in print? If your answer is yes, then maybe it’s time to make those changes now, while you still can.

**No Strings Orchestra Rehearsals or Lessons**

will be happening on Tuesday the 15 and 22 of March - Mrs C will be away with some of our Woonies at the Strings Starfish Workshop and then on Leave.

**SPIN OFF NEWS!**  Last Saturday March 12, 4 Student teams represented Woongarra in the 2016 Bundaberg Spin Off Gym Bike Challenge in support of SU Bundaberg School Chaplains at the YMCA. The Woonie spirit was electric as we gathered to cheer our teams on a 30 minute non stop bike ride. All teams clocked well over the 13km mark with our ‘Woonies Spin Year 6 Team’, Isabel S, Michael B, Logan T, Grace B and Bella D clocking in at 18km to put them in first place. A huge congratulations to all our other participants who also put in a mighty effort, Elise D, Chloe H, Tyerra T, Jordyn F, Dallas P, Taishi Y, Lily M, Daniel C, Hella S, Melody H, Logan M, and Rubie H. You are all champions! A massive thank you to all our parents and supporters who attended and Well Done Woongarra for bringing home the trophy. A Big Thank you to our Student Council for sponsoring the students to participate in this event.
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INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS

At this time each year we invite parents to consider nominating their children in Years 3-6 to compete in ICAS. The competitions form the largest independent assessment program for schools available in Australia, Asia and the Pacific region.

All competing students receive a certificate and result sheet. These certificates, result sheets and test booklets are distributed to individual students when results are returned to the school. Each competition costs $8.00.

Science: Tuesday 31 May
English: Tuesday 2 August
Mathematics: Tuesday 16 August

Parents interested in registering students are asked to forward money in an envelope with competitions clearly indicated and your child’s name and class. Nominations will be accepted until Friday 24 March.

OVERTURE SWIMMING MONEY

All Year 4-6 swimming fees ($55) for this term are now overdue. We did ask for all fees to be paid up by Thursday 25 February 2016.

Please be aware that, for your child/ren to participate in the fun day at swimming on the last day of term (Thursday 24 March 2016), FEES MUST BE PAID IN FULL.

NO PAYMENT IN FULL = NO FUN DAY for your child/ren.

GET THE WHOLE FAMILY ACTIVE AND EATING WELL!

The PEACH (Parenting, Eating and Activity for Child Health) program is now open for registrations.

The Program covers:
♦ Nutrition—Lunchbox and snack ideas, reading labels and ingredients, dealing with fussy eaters.
♦ Physical Activity—benefits of exercise, how to be more active as a family
♦ Parenting—setting boundaries, planning for change

Last opportunity to access the FREE program

Free Call 1800 263 519 or www.peachqld.com.au

SCHOOL NEWS

On Wednesday the 9th March Grace came home and asked if she could participate in the World’s Greatest Shave. She informed us that her inspiration for this was her friend Rhiannon who had experienced Leukemia. She was challenged to raise over $200 so she could get it done. In true Grace style she raised $320 with in 2 hours and now has raised $488 in total. She had a great support crew of family and friends and Grace is very proud of what she has achieved. If people would like to donate you can via the “World’s Greatest Shave” website and look up Grace Bushell.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

Thursday 17 March
Shani Paulsen
Tracy Balto
Kelly Hooper (11.30 - 2.30)
Leisha Bartholomai (9-11)
Leesa Courtice (9.00 - 11.30)

Monday 21st March
Melissa Griffths
Belinda Loeskow
Ashika Kumar
Juanita Ryan (11.30 - 2.30)

Thursday 25 February
Shani Paulsen
Tracy Balto
Leisha Bartholomai (9-11)
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
Sultana Packs $ 0.50
Blueberry Muffins $ 0.50

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