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Dear Parents, Staff and Students:

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Attendance target 95% or better. Last week's attendance rate was 94.5%. (So far this year our attendance is 95.2%). 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 A-Mart Sports Bundaberg for supplying our annual awards!!

TERM 2

MAY

WEEK 7

Mon 29 Book Club due
Tues 30 Tuckshop
ICAS Science
Wed 31 Newsletter
Student Banking
Thur 1
Bundaberg Show Holiday
Fri 2 Breakfast
Silver Savers for Chaplaincy
Under 8's morning (Prep - Yr 2
Yr 2 - 6 Gabriel Evans visit
Year 4-6 Assembly
Year 4 - 6 Sports
Sports \$\$ due

JUNE

WEEK 8

Tues 6 Tuckshop
Wed 7 Newsletter
Student Banking
School Photos
Thur 8 Tuckshop
P-3 Assembly
Fri 9 Breakfast
Silver Savers for Chaplaincy
Year 4-6 Assembly
Year 4 - 6 Sports

WEEK 9

Tues 13 Tuckshop
7.30pm P&C Meeting
Wed 14 Newsletter
Student Banking
Thur 15 Tuckshop
P-3 Assembly
Fri 16 Breakfast
Silver Savers for Chaplaincy
Year 4-6 Assembly
Pizza Day



Every School Day Counts

Attend today, achieve for a lifetime!

Show Holiday

Tomorrow is the Bundaberg Show Holiday so there is no school on this day. Please if your children go to the show and buy some new "treasures" don't allow them to bring them to school as this often leads to the "treasures" being loved to death!

School resumes on Friday June 2...remember every day counts!!

Religious Instruction Records

We are currently updating our religious instruction records. A form has been sent home with each student for completion and return to the school office at your earliest convenience.

Things to do before reading

It is important to make reading aloud to your child part of your daily routine when possible. Set aside a regular time every day, find a comfortable place without any distractions, and choose something interesting to read together.

Things to do before reading

- Encourage your child to select the book. Give them a pile of well-known books so they can choose which one will be read aloud.
- Take a minute to look over the book before you share it with your child.
- Settle your child down and talk a little about the book.

Department of Education WA 2013

Paint Bundy REaD is an early literacy community program that encourages the whole community to read, talk, sing, yarn, rhyme, draw and move with children from birth, so that they will be ready for reading and writing at school.

Proudly supported by Bundaberg Regional Libraries, First 5 Forever and FAB (Family & Baby Network).

Silver Savers for Chappies

This term 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 whatever this raises. Please, if you value the Chaplaincy service in our school, send along silver coins on a Friday!! Last year we raised around \$500.

Let's all support our Chappy programs at school!!



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## SCHOOL NEWS

### **What Makes a School Great?**

How does this acronym resonate with your thinking about effective schools and why you send your child to a certain school? (I know this has been in our Newsletter before but I love it!!)

**S** .... **Safe, supportive** and challenging school and learning **environment**.

**P** .... The **performance** of the school and its staff.

**A** .... The **appearance** of the school.

**C** .... The **comfortability** of the school i.e. how you feel when you walk around the school.

**E** .... What will it cost me in time and money to send my child to that school i.e. **economy**.

**D** .... How long have the key people been at that school and how long do they intend to stay i.e. **durability**.

In summary, parents send their kids to a school to learn in a safe and supportive environment where beliefs and values are matched by actions. This then is all about relationships especially involving teachers and other adults, relationships between students, students and teachers, teachers and parents, and parents to parents. I love the meeting and quiet chat at 3.00pm with parents. Sometimes just a wave or a hello but always a friendly greet.

What do you say is great about our school? What do you say to others? There are no doubts parents and students are our greatest advertisement. It is often said to me by new parents that they heard from "others" what a good school Woongarra is. Let's together continue to speak positively and supportively of Woongarra and focus on how we together let all our children have that "moment to shine".

### **Making a difference, Valuing Learning, Together!!**

#### **Reporting end of this Semester (Years 1 - 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 standard for their year level. 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! **The standard expected "at year level" is certainly higher with the National Curriculum.**

**Our current target is that 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.**

#### **National Consistent Collection of Data on Disability**

Woongarra SS collected and reported on the National Consistent Collection of data on disability for the first time in 2014 and we will again this year. This data collection has a much broader definition of disability that includes any emotional, thinking/learning, physical or sensory need.

All Australian governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students who have ongoing difficulties. The extent to which these difficulties affect a student's wellbeing and learning potential, indicates they might well be described as having a disability. We will collect this data late this term and early next term.

### **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 7 - 10 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.

**Last week's winners were (from Prep to Year 6):**

*Riley J, Sophie S, Olivia A, Ella H, Mitchell W, Asher M and Keely R-D.*

#### **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.

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### **NRL Development News**

Last Wednesday (24 May), The Woongarra Wizards Under 12 Rugby League team played a curtain-raiser game to the Bundaberg Grand Final of the NRL Development Cup primary school rugby league competition. The game was at Salter Oval, under lights, against the Bargara / Elliott Heads SS Bullets.

Bargara scored the first try of the match which was converted. The Wizards hit back with their own 'meat pie' five minutes before half-time through left centre Darcy P. Izzi G converted the try. Half-time score was 6 - all.

The second-half saw Bargara score another converted try but the Wizards showed great resilience in scoring two tries through five-eighth and skipper Izzi G. Half-back Jordan H converted one of these tries. Full-time score: Wizards 16 defeated Bullets 12.

The Player of the Match for Woongarra was Izzi G.

Well done to all 17 players who pulled on the boots. They all tried hard and improved as the games went on, particularly in the second-half of the game against the Bullets.

Thanks so much to all of the families and friends who came out to support the Wizards - the encouragement and cheering was inspiring.

Many thanks to Mr Irwin ('The Waterboy - I just love my H<sub>2</sub>O!'). He clocked up a heap of steps on his fitbit!!!

Thanks to Addison G for running the kicking tee at our first game and to the injured Logan M who did a great job running water.

Finally, thanks to Tammy Gill for washing the jerseys / shorts / socks - your efforts are appreciated!

Jason Shears - High Performance Manager

### **School Photos - Wednesday 7 June -**



*Please ensure students are wearing correct school uniform.*

Each student has received an envelope from our school photographer *Queensland School Photography*, outlining the photo packs available and the price. Please write your child's name on the envelope. *Each child requires a separate photo envelope.*

**Sibling Photos** are available and will be taken at **8.30am** on the same day. If you want to have your children photographed together, a "SIBLING ENVELOPE" must be collected from the office and returned with payment before 7 June. Online orders for sibling photos are closed off at 4pm the day before photography. Please note that Sibling Photos are for *enrolled siblings only*, no other family member's photos will be taken.

**All envelopes are to be returned to your class teacher as soon as possible, even if you are not purchasing any photos.** All orders are pre-paid and must be received by 7 June. *Please have correct money as no change is given.* If you have any questions please feel free to contact Queensland School Photography customer service department on 07 3216 6777.

### **Parents of Friday Interschool Rugby League Players**

Just a heads up to all of the parents of any of the players who play Friday afternoon interschool rugby league at Salter Oval. *The Grand Finals for this particular season will be played on Thursday afternoon / evening 15 June at Salter Oval.*

If any of our teams happen to qualify for any of these Grand Finals, the times of the games are listed below:

Year 4 Competition	-	4.40pm
Year 5 Competition	-	6.00pm
Year 6 Competition	-	6.40pm

It will be up to parents to transport their own child/ren to and from the venue if need be. There will be NO bus running.

There will be NO cost to play in the game.

A canteen will be in operation for the night.

Please remember that Salter Oval is a NO SMOKING venue.

More information will be distributed closer to the date if we happen to qualify for any of the games.

Jason Shears (Rugby League Coordinator)

### **Table Tennis News**

Last Saturday, six (6) of our Year 6 students attended the Queensland Schools Table Tennis Championships for the Bundaberg area. They were held at the Bundaberg Table Tennis Centre.

Whilst none of our Woonies placed at this event, they all had a great time, displayed excellent sportsmanship and improved their table tennis skills whilst playing against some very proficient players.

- Our **Year 6 boys' team** was Daniel C and Angus R (both 5/6S).
- Our **Year 6 girls' Team 1** was Zandah S (6D) and Mikaela D (6V) who placed fourth overall.
- Our **Year 6 girls' Team 2** was Ashlynn C (6D) and Rubie H (6V) who placed fifth overall.

Well done boys and girls!

Thanks so much to Mrs Cavanagh and Mrs Chapman for supervising the teams for the vast majority of the day.

Jason Shears, P.E.

### **Life Education**

**Harold Products** arrived last Friday and have been distributed to classes.

Purchasing these products contributes towards maintaining Life Education in the Bundaberg District. Thank you for your support.



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>Cohen B Lincoln C</i>	Prep GM	<i>Ruby-Jae F Charlotte G</i>
Prep J	<i>Kain P</i>		
1C	<i>Ryden S</i>	1L	<i>Demi D Marley P</i>
1/2KC	<i>Allyssa W Callum B</i>	2L	<i>Heath H</i>
2V	<i>Olivia A</i>		
3B	<i>Bridget M</i>	3R	<i>Aaliyah I</i>
3W	<i>Lukkah R</i>		
4E	<i>Ronan A</i>	4H	<i>Aylah G</i>
4L	<i>Pearl C</i>		
5M	<i>Tyler W</i>	5PR	<i>Amelia W</i>
6D	<i>Natasha M</i>	6V	<i>Tanika H</i>

Quote: *“If it takes a lot of words to say what you have in mind, give it more thought.”*

Jeff Irwin

**Tuckshop Convenor**

You may have noticed that Mrs Dobbs has not been working in Tuckshop lately. She has had an unfortunate accident and will be away until the end of this term. We welcome Mrs Balto to the position of Tuckshop Convenor and wish Mrs Dobbs a speedy recovery.

**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



**Years 2 - 6 Friday 2 June \$ 4.50**

Gabriel Evans is a children's book illustrator - and occasional author - of over eighteen books. The presentation is interactive, energetic and informative and provides an insight into the processes taken to produce illustrations. Students role play the profession of an 'illustrator' through creative activities and by working to a 'publisher's brief'. Students look at interpreting text visually and the tools used in creating art for children's books. This includes examining the readers' engagement with a book character including the emotion conveyed to the viewer through posture, facial expression and situations.

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

**A word from Chaplain Paula**

LOVE is little deeds we show,  
LOVE will make my spirit grow,  
Grow in peace, grow in light,  
LOVE will do the thing that's right.  
-Charles Dakran



**Grace Grace MP visits Woongarra**

On Wednesday 17 May, Woongarra was honoured to have been chosen to launch the State Government's Farm Safety Calendar competition. The Honourable Grace Grace, Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations, Racing and Multicultural Affairs, accompanied by Leanne Donaldson, Member for Bundaberg, joined the Years 5 and 6 students to introduce the calendar competition and discuss the serious issue of farm safety. This issue is, of course, very relevant to our school community, with many of the children either living on properties, or having family connections to rural life.

After the launch, all four of our School Leaders were interviewed by Channel 7 and appeared on the news that night, acquitting themselves proudly.

Workplace Health and Safety sponsor the competition in which students can illustrate an aspect of farm safety and submit it to be considered for a page in the 2018 calendar. Details about how to enter can be found at this web address: [www.worksafe.qld.gov.au](http://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au)



**TUCKSHOP ROSTER**

**Thursday 1 June  
BUNDABERG SHOW  
HOLIDAY**

**Tuesday 6 June**  
Tracy Balto  
Natalie Miller  
Jane Howard  
Anthony Williamson  
(9.00 - 11.30)

**Thursday 8 June**  
Tracy Balto  
Belinda Loeskow  
Fiona Ames  
Hayley Gough  
Leisha Bartholomai  
(9.00 - 11.00)

**Specials:**  
Meat Pies \$4.30  
- until end of term  
Chocolate Muffins \$0.50

Thank you everyone for your support. Your help is very much appreciated. Please let me know ASAP if you can't attend your rostered day.

**HELP IS ALWAYS WANTED  
IN THE TUCKSHOP.**  
Please contact me if you can assist in any way. Thank you.

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