

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

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| 25th November Monday | MYOS Bonegilla Excursion | Departs 9:30 am |
| 2nd December - Monday 6th | Swimming - Rooms 4, 5 & 6 | |
| 20th December Friday | End of Term 4 - SCHOOL FINISHES at 2:30pm | |



Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be A Learner

Canteen News

Canteen Manager: From the 21st of Nov to the 2nd of Dec Doreen Fulford will be taking the reigns as Canteen Manager. Please make sure that all required information is on lunch orders, especially room numbers and, for students in LC3, the teacher's name. I'm sure you will all help to make it an enjoyable experience for her, and thanks Doreen, for making yourself available!

Availability of stock: As the year comes to an end, the stock at the canteen will gradually run down. As items run out, there will be a notice on the canteen window informing you of this, and students will be assisted in choosing an alternative. At present the only item that is no longer available is chicken noodles. (beef still available).

Roster November/December:

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| Wed 27 | Help needed please |
| Thu 28 | Sharee Warhurst |
| Fri 29 | Teresa Booth and Katie Testa |
| Wed 4 Dec | Samantha Beard |
| Thu 5 | Rhonda Strauss |
| Fri 6 | Doreen Fulford |

Grade 6 Canteen Assistants

25-29 November: Kaitlyn Clift and Britney Coleman.

Susan Edwards,
Canteen Manager

Community News

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Learning for Living

Principal's Report

Dear Parents / Caregivers



Wodonga West Primary School is proudly an AVID school but you might be wondering what this means. AVID stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination. AVID is all about learning and implementing strategies to assist with learning in any area. These can be organisational tools or approaches to activities.

In the Foundation to year 3 area this is incorporated in a number of different ways. To start you will see a daily schedule up in these classrooms letting everybody know what is happening. The classrooms are set up in a strategic manner, with clearly labelled subject areas. The resources students will need in different subject areas are found together e.g. a word wall, writing pencils, alphabet or word charts publishing materials and sharpeners can all be found in the write area. At the end of a lesson the class discusses if they were learning to **Write**, learning to **Inquire**, learning to **Collaborate**, learning to be **Organised** and learning to **Read** during the lesson. (WICOR)

AVID also promotes giving students a range of different strategies to assist them with problem solving. This can be solving problems within the classroom e.g. a student might tell a teacher "I found this toy" and the teacher would respond with something like "Where do you think that goes?" This would be

done after an orientation of where things belong in the classroom. After a large amount of prior work on other strategies that students could use problem solving can also be used in social situations such as disagreements.

Foundation Transition



Our first of four transition sessions was held on Tuesday for our beautiful Foundation students for 2014. I am thrilled to report that every one of them were very eager and excited to have their first try at 'big school', and they all participated in some story time with the Foundation teachers, and made a special hat to proudly wear home. Parents / caregivers enjoyed a cuppa and biscuits in the Staffroom, giving them some time to meet and chat together. It was a very friendly and positive experience and I have had feedback that everyone was made to feel most welcome. As you can see by the happy faces, our Foundation students are confident and ready to make the next big step in their learning journey at Wodonga West PS. Our second session will be next Tuesday from 9.15 – 10.15am and we once again encourage full participation, where they will all be introduced to their special Buddies from year 5!

Regards,
Jocelyn Owen

Proud to be a Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden school



Foundation Transition



If you have a Foundation Student for 2014 please remember the dates and times for our forthcoming transition program.

Tuesday 26th November; 9.15am – 10.15am

On this day the children will visit the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden with their buddy and each child will plant sunflower seeds to bloom to welcome them back to school in 2014.

Tuesday 3rd December; 9.15am – 10.15am

The children will have a school walkabout opportunity. They will visit the Art studio and continue to our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen to make some edible food art with seasonal produce.

Tuesday 10th December; 9.15am – 10.15am

Classroom time for children and morning tea in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen for parents. At this session parents will be able to view a slide show of their children's transition to school. Tips for parents to a successful start to school will be provided by key staff personnel.

** Please ensure your child has a hat for any outside activity**

Our Teachers and Buddies are looking forward to greeting our newest Wodonga West Primary School members over the next few weeks.

Jocelyn Owen
Principal

Remembrance Day Ceremony



Rhiannon Lak and Jack Clapson attended the Remembrance Day Ceremony at the Wodonga Cenotaph on Monday 11th November.

They laid a wreath on behalf of the Wodonga West Primary School community. Rhiannon and Jack are Defence students and therefore realise the importance of remembering the fallen soldiers on this solemn occasion.

I was very proud of Jack and Rhiannon. They were respectful and dignified and were a credit to themselves, their family, and their school. Thank you to those Parents who attended on the day.

Next year on Anzac Day 25th April our school is going to march in the parade with the other local schools. We have a flag that we are going to march behind. The students and staff of Wodonga West Primary are encouraged to attend the parade and the ceremony in 2014.

This is a sign of respect and gratitude for the soldiers who sacrificed their lives during the various wars that Australia has participated in.

Liz Haynes
DSTA

ROOMS 4, 5 & 6 SWIMMING

The Middle Years Swimming program will be held at the new Waves Outdoor Swimming Pool, beginning **Monday 2nd- 6th December.**

Our program runs for one week with each class having a 45 minute session with qualified instructors. **Permission notes and money need to be returned ASAP** (If you have not already done so), if your child is attending the program.

If you have any further questions please ask your class teacher or Susan Macdonald.

Susan Macdonald
P.E. Co-ordinator



Wellbeing Report

Student Wellbeing Report



Baby Photo Guessing Competition

The guessing board of photos has had quite a work out this week with students putting a lot of thought into their entries. The winner of the \$20 gift voucher will be announced at assembly next.



Lunch time activities

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| Monday | Colouring/games/craft | room 8 |
| Tuesday | Skipping | Gunya |
| Wednesday | Studio West | room 8 |
| Thursday | Games | oval |
| Friday | Colouring/games/craft | room 8 |

Training for Trades

Training for trades has now finished for the year with the students making an impressive bird feeder. We are hopeful this program will run twice next year allowing more year 6 students the ability to participate. I wonder what students next year will get to make.



Melissa Potter
Wellbeing

Last Chance !

WWPS Photography Competition
"My Modern Family"



First Prize: Professional Sitting for Family Portrait
By Christina Marcuzzi Photography
Enter by 20 Nov. Winner Announced 25 Nov Assembly

How to Enter:

- Get your immediate/extended family together
- Take lots of photos
- Select the best one ... print a copy
- Put your name on the back and put it in the Red Box at the office
- OR Email to obrien.brendan.p@edumail.vic.gov.au
- Good luck!

Brendan O'Brien M.Ed
Family Engagement & ICT Officer |
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| 9am | Block One Commences |
| 11am | Supervised Lunch Eating |
| 11.10am | Lunch Play |
| 11.40am | Block Two Commences |
| 1.40pm | Supervised Recess Eating |
| 1.50pm | Recess Play |
| 2.20pm | Block Three Commences |
| 3.20pm | HOME TIME |