

ASSEMBLY Monday 17th November 5/6 Forster Held in The Gym 9am Start

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 14th November	E-2 Rich Task Excursion to Sumsion Gardens
Tuesday 18th November	Foundation 2015 Transition 9:15am - 10:15am
Tuesday 18th November	Year 5/6 Kanga Cricket *(6's Willow Park) & (8's Baranduda) *All Day
Wednesday 19th November	School Council Meeting - 5:45pm Start
Monday 1st December	Head Start Week for Year 6 - 7 Students at WMYC



Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be A Learner

Canteen News

NEW PRICE LIST 2014/2015

If you did not receive a copy I have some extras at the canteen, or you may also get one from the office.

Roster -November:

Wed 19	Help required please
Thu 20	Jill Hedditch
Fri 21	Teresa Booth

Grade 6 Assistants:

17-21 November: Brock Thompson and Jordan Melbourne.

Susan Edwards,
Canteen Manager



Community News

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It's good to remember that good will goes a long way towards getting cooperation, so look for ways of fostering relationships and having some fun with your kids.

As to strategies to get co-operation, here are three ideas I'd like to see you try:

- 1. Give 'divide and conquer' a go.**
That is, ask your children one at a time to cooperate, help you, clean up or whatever it is you want help with. Then show them individually that you value their help. It's often easier to get co-operation one at a time.
- 2. Use five words or less to get cooperation.**
Children often turn off because you get angry and/or overtalk. I always think it's better to go low, not loud when you want to be listened to. Also try to keep messages positive. If you do say "Don't" then end on a positive as kids usually remember the last words you say. (E.G. "Don't shout inside, speak quietly.")
- 3. Use 'nonchalant non-cooperation'.**
This strategy works well with non co-operative children at your children's developmental stage. Let kids know what you expect or want from them, but if they don't help then look to withdraw your help on something they value (maybe they can walk to school rather than you drive them) as a reminder that your family and you will only function well if everyone pulls their weight. BUT it needs to be done calmly, almost nonchalantly so that kids don't think you care either way. Sometimes when you want something more than they do, they tend to hold out.

Not everything works all the time with children so I suggest you experiment with different ideas. Keep things simple rather than trying to do too much.

Michael Gross
Parenting Ideas

Albury Wodonga Health Dental Service

All children 12 years and under - there is currently no charge for this age group (this may change in line with Government policy). Any child 13 -18 that is on a current Health care card/Pensioner concession card. All children eligible for the Child Dental Benefit Schedule.

All adults that hold a current Pensioner concession card/Health care card can also access our service. For all Appointments and enquiries please call Albury Wodonga Health Dental Service on:-

Phone: 0260 517 925

Located: 155 High Street Wodonga



MUSIC Lessons -

Heather Wilson
(Music teacher)

Accordion, Piano, Organ,
Keyboard, Guitar.

Adults and Children

Phone: 02 6025 6480

Learning for Living

Principal's Report.

Dear Parents/ Carers

As we come to the end of week 6 we are halfway through the final term. However, teaching and learning is still our main focus and will continue to be so up till the last day of term.



It is our expectations that classroom programmes continue as normal. Homework and attendance at school continue to be a daily expectation as we strive to be the best learners we can. Teachers continue to assess and use data to plan their weekly and daily teaching programme.

As I'm sure families can relate to, as we approach the festive season it is important to keep children to the normal routine as much as possible as it makes for a happier environment for all.

Therefore we are expecting families will support the school as we keep our teaching and learning program as normal as possible until the last week of school commencing **Monday December 15th.**

Christmas activities will not be occurring until this date in the classroom and we request that students **do not bring and distribute Christmas cards or other Christmas material until Monday December 15th.**

Plans for 2015

A reminder that tomorrow is the last day for families to put in writing to me any placement requests for 2015.

As we plan for 2015 I would also like to be notified by this date if you are re locating for 2015.

Enrolments for all year levels for 2015 are still being taken.
Please contact the office on **60241188**



Regards,
Jocelyn Owen

Proud to be a Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden school



Foundation Transition Session

Last Tuesday we welcomed our Foundation Students for 2015. Assisted by some year 4 students these students enjoyed their first hour at "Big" school. Students were involved in making and decorating their own hat and proudly wore these home.



Next Tuesday we look forward to introducing these students to our SAKG and community garden.

Today and tomorrow our buddies are improving their skills by working with groups of pre-schoolers from nearby Stanley Street preschool who are coming to visit our SAKG. Here is some of the feedback from our buddies from their experiences so far.

Montana Castro

Sometimes you just have to sit with them and talk with them a lot so they stay interested and I had to work a bit harder because my Buddy didn't speak much English.

Kira Shepherdson

Foundation Buddies are shy. I had to talk to them, so they talk back. It was fun.

Louis Perinoni

Being a Buddy was funny and it was good to get to know some new kids. I want to do it again.

Ben Webb

I walked my buddy, Isaac around the garden. I showed him the sugar plant and he had some. We picked some lemons, raspberries. I am looking forward to working with Isaac next year.

Grace Porter-Lloyd.

My buddy's name is Caitlyn and Brylee. We looked at the chooks and they both thought the chooks were interesting. But one of the chooks scratched me.

Josie Fulford

It is great fun being a foundation buddy. My buddies are Matilda and Elza.

Student Wellbeing Report



Walk to school month



Congratulations to Depan Thapa and Nicholas Savy who each won a \$150 voucher to buy a new pair of shoes from Sports First in High Street. Well done boys and congratulations to everyone who walked or rode to school during the month of October.

Fruit Break

I have noticed many classes enjoying their fruit break as I am going through the school. I wish to remind parents and students that as they are having their fruit/veg as they continue to work in the class it needs to be a clean fruit. Packaged items such as fruit bars or two fruits etc. will not be allowed at this time.

Clean fruit/veg examples: Bananas, grapes, small apple, cut up carrot, cut up celery, dried fruit, sultanas, snow peas. Messy fruit/veg – for break times only: Oranges, watermelon, mango, passionfruit, nectarines, peaches.

Please help us by not sending messy fruits that could drip all over children's work.

Melissa Potter

SWPBS

The following people were presented with their SWPBS certificates at the last assembly. Congratulations to them for being spotted making positive choices. Teachers are looking for people having happy faces and playing in a positive way.



Bronze

- Emily Burt-Drennan
- Israel Mbula-Monga
- Tasman Sullivan-Smith
- Montana Castro
- Joshua Ivic
- Jack Wynd
- Radhika Bhandari
- Alexandra Hogan

Silver

- Brandon Sherrred-Brown
- Vivian Viney

Walk-a-thon Update



Wonderful weather and a picturesque park ensured that our Walk-a-thon was a relaxed and enjoyable experience. Children dressed up in some very creative costumes to mimic Movie Characters and many walked a lot of laps. The sausage each child received towards the end of the walk was welcome as most children had worked up an appetite. It was great to see many parents visiting to either support their child or to walk a few laps as well.



Thankyou to all parents who supported their children in obtaining sponsors.



It must be remembered that this is a Walk-a-thon to raise money for the school. Many children have returned their sponsor notes and money to school already. Thankyou for being so prompt. If your child hasn't yet returned sponsor money, please do so before Wednesday, November 19th, so we can finalise the activity. Every child who participated in the Walk-a-thon should be returning some amount of sponsor money, so far we have raised Appro \$1500.00.



At our school assembly on **Monday, November 17th**, we will be drawing the raffle prize.

Children in the draw will be those who raised \$15 or more and returned their money by Friday the 14th of November.

Other prizes for the highest amount raised in each area of the school (F,1,2) (3/4) (5/6) will also be distributed.

Thankyou to the businesses who supported our Walk-a-thon with either prizes or vouchers.
MacDonald's (Homemaker Centre), Bakers Delight, Coles (Wodonga Plaza), Bargain Buys Wodonga, Birralee Newsagency, Wodonga Pizza, Zealous Kids Wodonga, Sports First Wodonga.



DSTA News

Remembrance Day Service



On Remembrance Day 11/11/14 Wodonga West Primary as a school community laid a wreath at the Wodonga Cenotaph. Representing our school were our school captains, Mikayla Ivic and Heath Manglesdorf. These students displayed a maturity and reverence at the ceremony, they were outstanding ambassadors for our school and I was very proud of their contribution.



Liz Haynes
Defence School Transition Aide