

ASSEMBLY Monday April 27th Administration Held in The Gym 9am Start

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday 25th April School ANZAC Day March (See Page 3 for details)

Monday 27th April P.F.F. Meeting after Assembly - Held in the Staff Room - All Welcome

Friday 1st May Final Somers Payment Due

Friday 1st May Cross Country Carnival - Rooms 5-29 'Willow Park' Dept 11:15am



Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be A Learner

Private Property Brought to School

Private Property brought to school by students, staff, visitors is not insured and The Department does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage. Personal property is often brought to school by staff students, and visitors. This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. As the Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to school and Wodonga West Primary School does not have the capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property students, staff should be discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.

Student Medical Ambulance Cover :



This is a reminder that The Department *does not provide* personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents / Guardians of students who do not have student accident insurance/ ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs.

P.F.F. NEWS

Welcome back for Term 2. This term we will be holding our Mother's Day Stall and Raffle. I am asking for donations for our Raffle. These can be left at the front office. Next meeting will be after Assembly on Monday 27th April in the Staff room. Everyone is welcome.

Doreen Fulford, P.F.F. President.

Community News

MUSIC Lessons -



Held at Wodonga West Primary School
Heather Wilson (Music teacher)
Accordion, Piano, Keyboard, Guitar.
Adults and Children
Phone: 02 6025 6480
Mobile: 0459 256 480

Somers Camp 2015.

A reminder to all those students attending Somers Camp. All forms and money must be received by Friday May 1, 2015 at the latest to secure their place.

Gilda Nicol, Somers Camp Coordinator



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



Canteen News

Welcome to Term 2!

Volunteer Roster April:

Wed 22nd – Barb Denton
Thu 23rd – Rowena Barton
Fri 24th – Renee Crump



Grade 6 Assistants Roster:

22-24 April: Counter Service – Blake Tanner and Tyrone Burns
Wed 22 April: Stock control – Caitlyn Beaty-Slorach

Susan Edwards, Canteen Manager

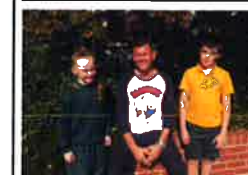
Principal's Report



Welcome

I would like to welcome Mrs Ana Gonzales who will be taking over from Marg Brown in year 1 / 2 in LC3 for the remainder of the term whilst Marg is on Leave. Also, we welcome Ms Olivia Shiel in Year 3 / 4 (Room 6). Both Ana and Olivia will do a terrific job and we are lucky to have them working at our school.

Brett Murray 'Anti – Bullying' Session



Today we were very privileged to host Brett Murray who spoke with all our MYOS students about bullying. Not only did he clarify that not every single incident that happens in their lives is bullying, but bullying is something that happens regularly or repeatedly by a person or group of people. He shared many personal anecdotes about his past and what he has achieved in his lifetime. He also talked about times when he was bullied, and the reasons some people bully others (mostly from having a low self esteem). He had many important and empowering messages for our students to take away and reflect on.

All our students were fully engaged in his very entertaining and interactive performance. Brett will also be presenting tonight at The Cube from 7 -9 pm for parents and their children. Tickets are available at the door and I would encourage you to attend to learn more about this topic and to leave empowered as a parent.

Crazy Hair Day

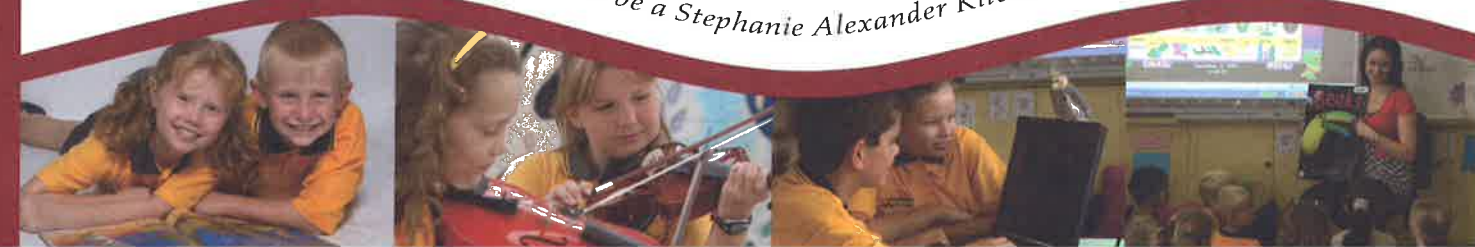
On the last day of Term 1, our fabulous Student Leadership Council students organised a Crazy Hair Day to raise funds for a Memorial Garden and plaque for Adrienne Merrick. Our P.F.F. Committee are also willing to donate some extra funds towards a plaque. I am pleased to announce that we raised \$198.50 on Crazy Hair Day. This will go towards some beautiful roses (Adrienne's favourite) and we will advise you all of a future date that we will hold a small ceremony in her honour. Thank you to everyone for getting behind this and for the weird and whacky hair doos we had on the last day!

ANZAC Day March

On Saturday 25th April, our school once again will be marching in the ANZAC Day march in Wodonga and our School Captains will be laying a wreath on behalf of the school community. I am inviting our students (and parents if they wish) to represent our school and march with us as part of the parade. Students need to be in full school uniform and to meet at 10.15 am near the Huon Hill Tavern – Havelock Street. Many of our school staff will also march with the students on this 100th Anniversary year. Please come along – it is a very significant day and it is important for all our students to understand and respect the significance of this event.

Regards,
Jocelyn Owen

Proud to be a Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden school



Learning for Living

Assistant Principal Report

Homework

This week we have relaunched our homework programme from Foundation to year 6 which fits in with our Homework policy based on current DET (Department Education and Training) requirements. To simplify instructions for homework we have produced a document which clearly shows the similarities across all year levels. There are also ideas and tips for reading and spelling activities.



Students in LC3 will have those requirements in their child's homework folder whilst students in year 2/3 to MYOS will have them pasted in their homework books. All students now have a Reading Log (which is identical across the school) to record their home reading in. If your child has home internet access their 'Mathletics' password is recorded on the Homework Instruction Sheets. All students are aware of homework expectations and we ask parents to familiarise themselves with these and where possible support your child in their home activities which are largely designed to reinforce classroom learning.

If you have any further questions about homework please contact your child's teacher.

Individual Learning Improvement Plans

Over the next 2-3 weeks teachers will be contacting parents to discuss student learning plans for term 2. These plans will be in place for students who are either 6 months or more above or below expected level for Literacy or Numeracy, and/or for those with behavioural concerns or for students funded under the Disabilities and Impairment program. A face to face chat is our preferred method so students and parents are aware of their goals for learning for the term.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Fees Due



A reminder that as it is a new term students are requested to pay the \$25 charge. All students are able to participate in their first garden and kitchen class for the term, however fees need to be paid before their next fortnightly scheduled class. This week years 3/4S, 1/2B & 2/3W have had their sessions.

We are extremely proud of the 99% participation rate we had in the program in term one which demonstrates how highly our school community values this program. Thank you for your support.

Sharon Mawby

Student's Comment From Room 27

'Anti-Bullying' Performance

The Anti-Bullying Performance was very interesting because Brett told us the things about his life. His father did not have a chat with him about bullying, or that he was ever proud of him. Brett was bullied in high school, because he wet the bed. It was his last year at high school and I liked the way he spoke from his experiences of being bullied.

By Grace Porter-Lloyd

The 'Anti-Bullying Performance was very interesting, because Brett showed us a movie about himself in high school. He also spoke about how he was bullied and what he had been doing for the past 11 years. I enjoyed listening to his story and found it interesting.

By Sheridan Viney

The 'Anti-Bullying' Performance today was good. It was good because Brett in year 10 went through being Bullied. He told us about when he was a teenager and how he was bullied at school. He went to a camp on the 1st day of school and wet the bed. It started from there and that was his last year at high school.

I enjoyed the whole talk and found it very interesting.

By Jayda Wood

WODONGA WEST CROSS COUNTRY

A reminder that the Wodonga West Cross Country will be held on Friday 1st May at Willow Park. All students in rooms 5-29 have been training and will participate in a 2km (9/10 years) or 3km (11/12 years) distance.

Permission notes have been given out this week and need to be returned ASAP, so you don't miss out on a great day!

If any parents are able to help, please return your notes ASAP, as we have very few helpers at the moment?

WODONGA DIVISION SELECTION TRIALS

Congratulations to the many students who will be participating in the Division Selection Trials for Football, Netball, Soccer and Basketball next week.

We wish you the best of luck and enjoy the experience.

JUNIOR SWIMMING



All students in LC3 will participate in a daily swimming session for one week beginning on Monday 4th May.

The cost of this program is \$50 and will need to be paid along with the permission note, which went out this week.

Susan Macdonald
P.E. Coordinator

Sport Levy Due:

Years 2- 4 Room 5 & 6 Cost \$5 per student.

Years 4, 5 and 6 MYOS Cost \$25 per student

ANZAC Day March

This year is the 100th Anniversary of the Anzac legend. As a School Community we always lay a wreath at the Memorial at Woodland Grove in Wodonga and March in the procession.

I would like to encourage our Parents/Carers and students of Wodonga West Primary School to attend this year's Anzac Day March.

We will need to assemble near the RSL or Huon Hill Hotel area at 10.15a.m. The March will commence about 10.40 a.m. The students are required to wear full school uniform to walk behind our school banner and Australian flag.

I feel this is an important date in Australian history and it would be beneficial for the students to be part of this rare experience.

Our School Captains are going to lay the wreath on behalf of our school.

I urge everyone to attend this March and Service in recognition of our soldiers who gave the absolute sacrifice in World War 1.

Liz Haynes
DSTA



Student Wellbeing Report



Studio West

Studio West Students will be opening their salon here at school starting today and then every Thursday at recess for the rest of the term. They will be offering:

Hand massages mini	20 cents
Hand massages full	50 cents
Back massage	20 cents
Foot soak	50 cents
Hair	50 cents
Mini face	50 cents

The students gain confidence and practice by operating this studio and staff and other students enjoy the relaxing service. Money raised goes directly back into buying products to use in the studio.



Cold Weather

With the change in weather students are starting to wear jumpers and jackets in the mornings. Currently the weather is still warming up during the day so students are taking off this extra layer and sometimes forgetting to pick them up after play time. Please make sure your child's name is clearly visible on all articles of clothing so they can be returned promptly to students. All un-labelled clothing will be placed in lost property.

Melissa Potter
Student Wellbeing Officer