

**Be Safe**

**Be Respectful**

**Be A Learner**

**Enrolments are Welcome for all Year levels, including Kinder for 2019.**

**Yard focus this fortnight: Being where you should be**

## Principal's report

Dear Parents / Carers,

### WORKING BEE

Recently we held a school working bee to tidy up our Stephanie Alexander Garden in readiness for our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Thursday. A small number of parent helpers turned up and I am pleased to say they achieved a lot in three hours. Pruning, raking, weeding, sweeping and tidying was achieved, leaving our Garden looking amazing. Judy Kenny, our Kitchen & Garden Specialist, was really happy with what was achieved as it is such a huge area for her and our students to maintain. I would like to personally thank the following parents from the school and Kindergarten, staff and students who helped us:

Allan Thompson, Jessica Thompson, Stephanie Grant, Elliot Grant, Anthony Bergagnin, Alex Bulcock, Joseph Bulcock, Shaun Bulcock, Suzanna Reuben Matthias, Juliette Matthias, Justin Matthias, Melissa Watson, Sharon Mawby, Gary Mawby, Jocelyn Owen. At assembly last week we put all the helpers names into a hat and we drew out Jessica Thompson as the lucky winner of a \$50 Target Gift Voucher. Thanks again for the support shown to our school, as many hands make light work!

### SAKG 10<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

This Thursday we will celebrate 10 years of offering the SAKG program at our school which involves the students in growing, harvesting, cooking and sharing great food. We have the CEO of the SAKG Foundation making the trip up from Melbourne, as well as other people who have played a major role over the years. Every child from the school and kindergarten will receive a baked potato and toppings from the wood fired pizza oven, as well as a cake and succulent to take home to look after. Our garden will be open, and each class's scarecrows will be displayed for our guests to vote for. I would like to congratulate our teachers and their classes for all the work that has gone into producing some pretty awesome scarecrows. The winning class will have an extra session in the Kitchen where they all vote on what to make. We will also have a class photo competition highlighting their favourite spots

in the Garden. We will also be unveiling a new sculpture in the garden to commemorate our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Regards,

Jocelyn Owen



### Important Dates

<b>7th June</b>	Conference Bookings open on compass MYOS Winter Sports
<b>10th June</b>	Public Holiday
<b>14th June</b>	MYOS Winter Sports
<b>17th June</b>	Conference bookings close on compass
<b>21st June</b>	Pupil Free Day Student led conferences



# Scarecrow Competition



**Batman**  
By 56C

**Tiny**  
By 01H

**Angel**  
By 4EC

**Rob Bob the  
minion  
scarecrow**  
by 01B

**Dyson Heppell**  
By 34L

**Sunny**  
By 12P

**Unity**  
By Kinder

**Scare-Hopper**  
By 23S

**Super West  
Learner**  
By 12G

**Be Safe**  
• Use equipment as instructed  
• Pack away equipment properly

**Be Respectful**  
• Willingly assist

**Be a Winner**  
• Follow instructions  
• Don't drink, don't smoke  
• Be safe and work together

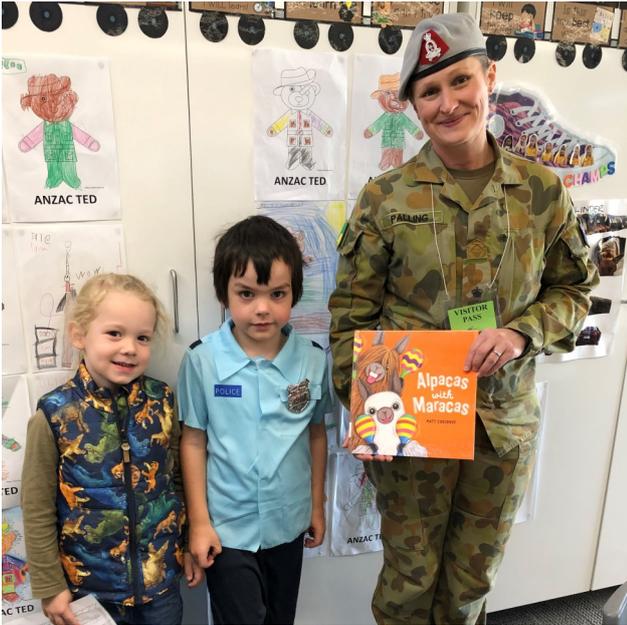
**Be a Winner**  
• Participate

## Assistant Principal's Report

### National Simulations Reading Time

During Education week we also had our two F/1 classes participate in National Simultaneous Reading time. At 11am right across Australia the chosen book was read in many venues. This year's story was "Alpacas with Maracas" by Matt Cosgrove. As the theme for Education week this year was career aspirations we invited student Kynan Holloway's dad Richard and his colleague Officer Jess from the Australian Army to read the story to the students. The students in both classes enjoyed the rhyming in the story and used their home made maracas to join in. After the story reading they were able to ask many interesting questions about careers in the army.

We thank Richard and Jess for doing the reading and enjoying the session with our students.



### Career dress up day.

Mia Vanderwerf in year 5 chose to dress up as a psychologist for her career aspiration during education week. Here is the story she wrote about her future career.

I want to be a psychologist when I am older. I think helping people out with their problems is a very important job to have.

First I wanted to be a primary care doctor, but then I realised how important psychology was, especially since I think there would be more primary care doctors than psychologists.

To achieve this I need to get good grades and good reports. I knew all my knowledge would come in handy!

Psychologists help people with their problems. They do tests and give them the results. Psychology is sometimes a bit like counselling but gives you more money! But also is a bit more complicated.

That was why I would like my future career to be a psychologist. Those were the reasons I will be happy if I get the job when I'm older.

By Mia Vanderwerf

## NAPLAN

Thank you to our students and teachers who prepared and participated in the annual NAPLAN testing program last week. Reports will be available to families around August. This National test is just one small 'snapshot' in a whole range of data collection techniques which teachers do to ensure they have accurate data about each student's current learning needs.

## Masterchef

Our annual Masterchef contest between our MYOS classes was hotly contested last Thursday from 9:15 - 11 am. The three teams were Katherine D, Nancy P, Senghong H, Emily B D from 56G, Shianne W, Menghong H, Cassie M W, Zavier H from 56C and Emily D, Charlee M, Chloe P, Belle M from 56N.

They were required to prepare a main meal in front of our judges: Sarah Kildare ( year 6-7 transition coordinator, WMYC and Mellissa Long - Federation of Government Schools rep, Alison Jess (ABC radio producer) and long term Kitchen volunteer Pat Maddin..

In what was a fiercely challenged cooking competition under pressure the eventual winners were 56G.



## Kinder News

If you are wondering why there was no article from kinder in the last linkletter, it was because the kinder educators were attending a local Early Childhood conference. We were fortunate to listen to Catharine Hydon, a well respected Early Childhood consultant. Catharine has previously completed extensive work with us as we were establishing our kindergarten.



Last week the children found a frog in the playground. A great deal of interest was shown in the frog, which led to great learning opportunities to revise the lifecycle of a frog, after our previous visit from Mrs Watson. A frog habitat was set up, for the children to explore through play. The children also watched a clip which explained the lifecycle of a frog in detail.

Here is what we learnt.....

Lucie – We learned about eggs and frogs.

Nate – The frogs laid the eggs. The mumma frog. The tadpole.

Livv – First legs, then a tadpole with gills, then a froglet, then a frog.

Jess – It grew into a frog.

Lewis – I learnt about when it grows into a frog.



Monisha brought in some oranges for us to squeeze. The children were interested helping squeeze out the juice. We discussed how different fruits looked. Squeezing oranges and lemons strengthens the muscles in our hands which helps us to hold and control our pencils when drawing and writing.



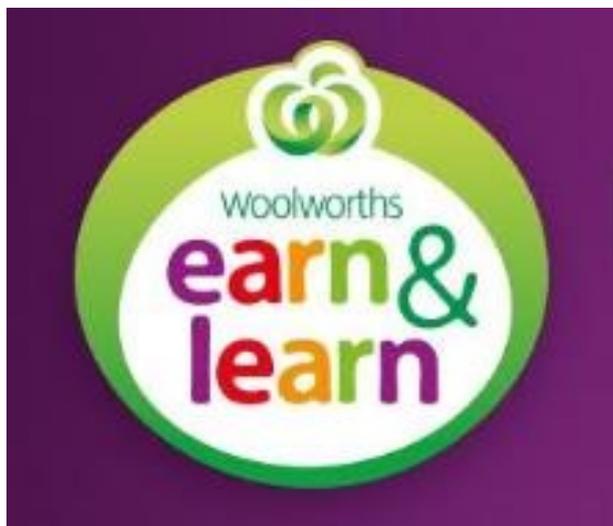
The kinder children have been working hard to create our scarecrow for the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden scarecrow competition. Meet our scarecrow "Unity". Unity represents the learning at Wodonga West Children's Centre. A teacher, School Student, and Kinder Student - Together they learn.



Name and address	Description	Contact	Eligibility
<b>Uniting Care Wodonga</b> Cnr Nilmar Ave and Beechworth Rd, Wodonga PO Box 189, Wodonga	<b>Emergency food parcels*</b> Monday to Friday 9.30am to 12.30pm  <b>Drop in for a cuppa and a chat</b> Thursday 9.30am to 11am	<b>Alison Prenter</b> (02) 6024 2108 mail@wodonga.unitingcare.org.au wodonga.unitingcare.org.au	Available for those with a pension, health care card or those experiencing short term or ongoing financial hardship
<b>Birallee Park Neighbourhood House</b> 39 Emerald Ave, Wodonga Office is within the church building	<b>Our Table to Yours frozen meals for short-term assistance</b> Monday to Friday 9am to 2pm After hours access arrangements can be made by phone  <b>Roast luncheon</b> , once a month on a Monday (please phone for dates) \$5 for a meal and \$5 to take home a meal	<b>Sue Slater (House co-ordinator)</b> (02) 6059 2590 birhouse@bigpond.net.au Facebook.com/Birhouse	Available for short-term assistance
<b>Salvation Army Wodonga</b> 210 Lawrence St, Wodonga	<b>Drop-in cafe</b> Tuesday and Friday Noon to 1.30pm  <b>Warm meals</b> available for \$4.50	(02) 6024 2886	Available to those experiencing short term or ongoing financial hardship

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<b>Carevan Wodonga</b> St John's Lutheran Church 14 Havelock St, Wodonga	<b>Warm meals</b> Friday evening 6.15pm to 7.30pm.  <b>Care packs</b> are also available, just drop in!	0410 771 046 info@carevan.com.au carevan.com.au	Available to those experiencing short term or ongoing financial hardship or in need of a warm meal
<b>Carevan Albury</b> Various locations	<b>Warm meals</b> from 6.15pm to 7.30pm  Monday night St Mark's Church, cnr Corella Rd and Goller St.  Tuesday and Thursday night Tax office car park, Cnr Townsend st, Albury  Wednesday night Westside community centre, Mulga Place, West Albury	0410 771 046 info@carevan.com.au carevan.com.au	Available to those experiencing short term or ongoing financial hardship or in need of a warm meal
<b>St David's Church</b> 593 Olive St, Albury	<b>Food parcels*</b> Monday to Friday 10am to noon	<b>Rhonda</b> (02) 6021 6847	Available to those experiencing short term or ongoing financial hardship
<b>Westside Community Centre</b> 16 Mulga Place, West Albury	<b>Food parcels*</b> Monday to Thursday 9am to 4.30pm  Free Thursday lunch from noon.  <b>Foodshare</b> on Wednesday 9.30am to 2pm  <b>Carevan</b> on Wednesday from 6.15pm to 7.30pm	(02) 6041 2236 staff@westsidecommunitycentre.org.au	Available to those experiencing short term or ongoing financial hardship Bring your own bag or donate shopping bags
<b>St Matthew's</b> Parish office, Kiewa St, Albury	<b>Food parcels*</b> Monday to Friday 8.30am to 12.30pm	(02) 6021 3022 office@stmatthews.com.au	Pension or health care card holders can access every three months
<b>Salvation Army Lavington</b> Cnr Union Rd and Corella St, Lavington	<b>Food parcels*</b> Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9am to noon	(02) 6040 7016 salvos.org.au/albury	Assessment made on individual need

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<b>The River Community Church</b> 524 David St, Albury	<b>Food parcels*</b> Monday to Friday Noon to 2.30pm	<b>Bev Burgess</b> (02) 6021 4047 office@riverchurch.org.au riverchurch.org.au	Available to access once a week identification required
<b>Albury Community Service Centre</b> Cnr Dean and Kiewa St, Albury	<b>Food parcels* and food vouchers</b> Monday to Friday 10am to 1.30pm	<b>Cheryl</b> (02) 6021 5384	Preference for pension and health care card holders but not essential Food vouchers can be accessed every four months
<b>New Life Chapel</b> 1 DeKerleau Drive, Wodonga	<b>Weekly food for registered participants</b>	<b>Pam Schubert</b> (02) 6056 1200 info@newlifechapel.org.au	Phone for registration appointment
<b>St Vincent De Paul North Albury</b> 1091 Mate St, Albury	<b>Food parcels* and food vouchers</b> Monday to Friday 10.30am to 3.30pm (closed for lunch 12.30pm to 1.30pm)	(02) 6048 9530	Pension card preferred but not essential Can access once a week
<b>St Vincent De Paul Albury</b> Ritz Arcade (entry via lane at side of the shop)	<b>Food parcels*</b> Monday to Friday 10.30am to 12.30pm	(02) 6021 2992	Pension or health care card preferred, but not essential
<b>St Vincent De Paul Wodonga</b> 283 Beechworth Rd, Wodonga	<b>Food parcels* and vouchers</b>	(02) 6024 3493	Call and leave message Call will be returned and a home visit organised
<b>St John's Anglican Church Wodonga</b> 225 Beechworth Rd, Wodonga	<b>Coffee and snacks</b> Tuesday 9.30am to 3pm Saturday 9am to 2pm	(02) 6024 2053	All welcome A small donation is requested



Our school is participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. This initiative allows schools and Early Learning Centres around Australia the chance to earn amazing educational resources. You will get one sticker for every \$10 spent. Stickers then need to be placed onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and placed into the school box located at the front office. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit [woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn](http://woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn).

# INFORMATION FOR THE COMMUNITY AUTISM, ASPERGER'S & ANXIETY



**Free session  
Book now!**

## **Do you have a child or young person with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder, Asperger's or Anxiety?**

Wodonga Federation of Government Schools is proud to provide our community with the opportunity to gain an insight into what Mansfield Autism Statewide Services can provide families in our region. Mansfield Autism Statewide Services strive to empower the individual and their families to live an independent, inclusive and productive life through the provision of individually tailored programs.

The session covers:

- What is Mansfield Autism Statewide Services?
- NDIS Packages – how can you access the service?
- How families can support their child or young person with Autism, Asperger's & Anxiety to succeed in school?

### **DATE:**

Thursday 25 July

### **TIME:**

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

### **WHERE:**

Wodonga Senior Secondary College  
Lecture Theatre

For further information and to register please call 0408 675 449

or <https://events.humanitix.com.au/information-for-the-community-on-autism-aspergers-and-anxiety>

Baranduda Primary School  
Belvoir Special School  
Melrose Primary School  
Wodonga Middle Years College  
Wodonga Senior Secondary College  
Wodonga South Primary School  
Wodonga Primary School  
Wodonga West Children's Centre



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*Collectively the same uniquely different*

## Reminders



As the weather cools off please remember to clearly label jumpers and jackets to avoid them being lost.



Stephanie Alexander Kitchen payments are due for term 2.