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**Be Safe**

**Be Respectful**

**Be A Learner**

**Enrolments are Welcome for all Year levels, including Kinder for 2020.**

**Yard focus this fortnight: playing by the rules**

## Principal's report

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

### School Review

A sincere thanks to all the wonderful school community who came along to the Open meeting with our School Reviewers last Tuesday morning. It was so pleasing to see such a large group of parents / carers and even some grandparents. We all value your feedback and the time you gave to us speaking with the Reviewers and answering their questions about the school and Kindergarten. Our Reviewers were impressed with the number of people who came along so that the information they obtained was well represented across the school and accurate. Our Reviewers have been working in the school for 5 days as well as our two Challenge Partners and our School Council President, Lauren Barber. Lauren has certainly learnt a great deal by being involved in the Review process, so feel free to approach Lauren at any time to ask her about the experience.

At this stage, we are awaiting a written report from the Reviewer which could take one month. The Reviewers will also make a formal presentation to the school staff and our School Council at a later date. This will include their findings as well as our future goals to work on for the next four years which will form our Strategic Plan.

### Toy Library's 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Last Saturday, the Wodonga Toy Library celebrated their 40<sup>th</sup> birthday here at the school. You might be aware that they operate out of a room near the back of the school and are open every Tuesday and Saturday. This service to families is totally run by volunteers, some who have donated their services for over a decade. Families or groups can join and have access to a wide range of expensive toys and puzzles for little cost. I would like to congratulate the Wodonga Toy Library on reaching this amazing 40 year milestone and wish them all the best for the future. The celebrations included face painting, a jumping castle, free barbecue, fire truck and a delicious chocolate birthday cake. Please see a lovely photo of Quinn English ( and her face painting ) who attended with her grandmother and sibling.



### Important Dates

<b>16th November</b>	SAKG Stall at Farmers Market 9.00am—12.00pm Lincoln Causeway, Wodonga
<b>19th November</b>	Foundation Transition—Day 1 9.30am—10.30am
<b>21st November</b>	Twilight Arts Show 5.30pm—7.00pm
<b>25th-29th November</b>	Dental Van visit
<b>26th November</b>	Foundation Transition—Day 2 9.30am—10.30am
<b>17th December</b>	Year 6 Graduation 6.00pm Wodonga Senior Secondary College

# Principal's Report

## Plastics Education Program for 2020

I am pleased to inform our community that our school has been invited ( as one of only four in Albury / Wodonga ) to be part of an education program about preventing ocean plastic pollution by eliminating single use plastic from our school in 12 months. This program equips students with the knowledge and tools to change behaviour and reduce single use plastic consumption in the school and surrounding areas. As part of this, the school will choose a team of 7 students who will be in year 5 in 2020 to be the ambassadors for this program across the school. They will play an important role and help us to raise awareness. Mrs Kenny, our Kitchen and Garden Specialist is very excited to head up this team and help them and the school to work towards this goal. We will have a special presentation at assembly on Monday.

Regards,  
Jocelyn Owen

## 4th November Assembly

### High Achiever Award

Congratulations to Tessa De Ruiter who competed at the Junior Victorian Gymnastics Championships in Geelong recently. Tessa is to be commended for performing in all four disciplines of floor, vault, beam and bar with the best Gymnasts from all over Victoria. Your high achiever award is well deserved Tessa.



### Class Reading Award

12G wins the Class Reading Award.

### Bill Tilley Visit

Bill Tilley, our local state member came to assembly because he was unable to meet our MYOS students at Parliament House on their trip to Melbourne. Here he is fielding question time!



### 01H Assembly Dance

01H did the Mexican Hat Dance at Assembly

### Smile Squad Visit

At assembly this week our visitors from the smile squad dental team spoke to our students about good oral health.

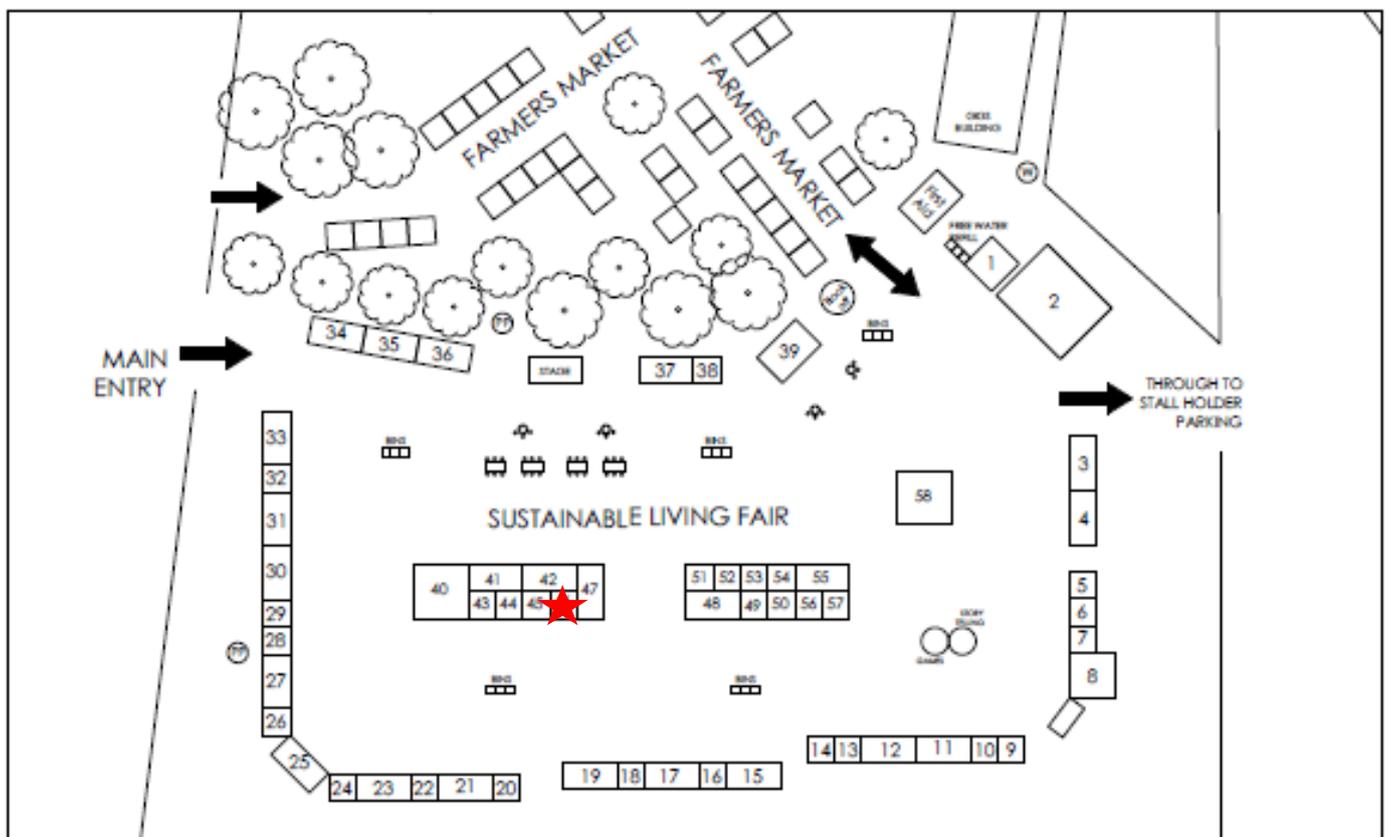




# Albury Wodonga SUSTAINABLE LIVING 2019 FESTIVAL

This Saturday between 9 and 1pm our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program will be having a market stall as part of the 2019 Sustainable Living Festival. There will be approximately 60 stalls including the Farmer's Market regulars who will be exhibiting on the Causeway at Gateway Island. It would be great to see our families come along and join the festivities as we sell our preserves and produce produced by our students and volunteers in the SAKG program. All money raised goes directly into supporting this program back at school.

Below is a map of the fair showing our location with a red star.



### PROBUS CLUB visit to our Garden

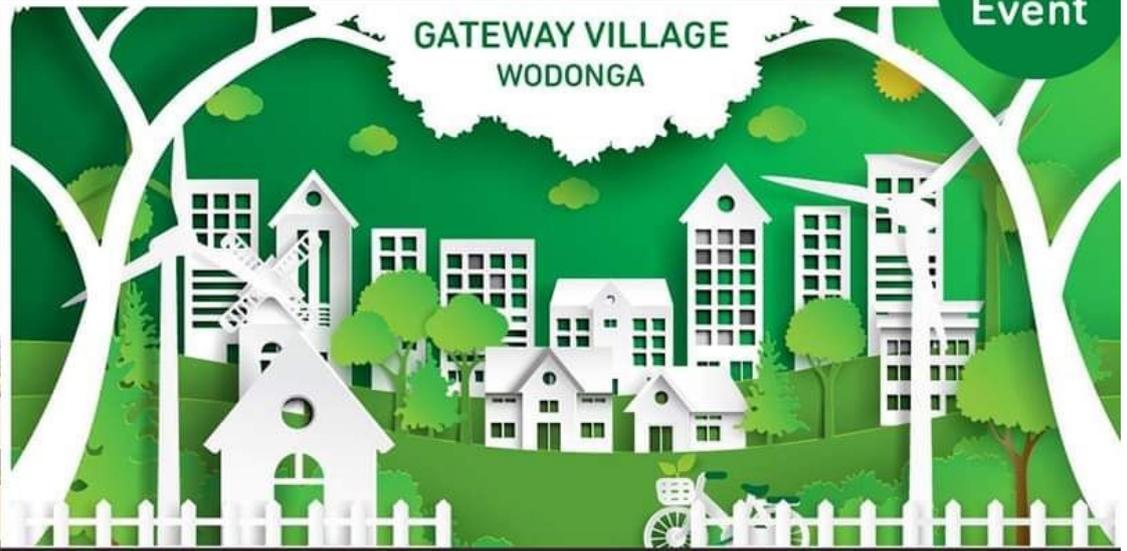
Next Wednesday we are expecting a group from the Albury Probus club to tour our garden. We will have some of our students acting as tour guides and telling them about our garden as well as serving them some of our delicious home made lemon cordial.

Albury Wodonga Sustainable Living Festival presents

# Sustainable Living Fair

Market stalls, exhibits, workshops, activities and information

Free  
Event



## SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2019 8AM—1PM

**16** SATURDAY  
8am-1pm

SUSTAINABLE  
LIVING FAIR

**16** SATURDAY  
1.30pm

Retrosuburbia  
& permaculture

**17** SUNDAY  
1-4pm

Become carbon  
neutral by 2030

**18** MONDAY  
6pm

We Eat Local  
Taste of Wodonga

**18** MONDAY  
10am

Using Cloth  
Nappies

**19** TUESDAY  
10 & 11am

WMYC School  
Garden Tour

**19** TUE & WED  
1pm

Gardening with  
the Sprouts

**19** TUESDAY  
5.30pm

Sustainable  
Fashion Night

**20** WEDNESDAY  
10 & 11am

Waste Management  
Centre Tours

**20** WEDNESDAY  
10am

NSW Energy  
Efficiency

**20** WEDNESDAY  
1pm

VIC Energy  
Efficiency

**21** THURSDAY  
10am

Sustainable  
Cleaning

**21** THURSDAY  
10am & 1pm

Bees Wax  
Wraps

**22** THURS & FRI  
5.30pm & 9.30am

Hot Water &  
Battery Systems

**22** FRIDAY  
11am

Wicking  
Garden Beds

**22** FRIDAY  
7pm

Film night:  
A Plastic Ocean

**23** SATURDAY  
10am-2pm

Farm Tour  
& Feast

**23** SATURDAY  
1pm

Rustic Bus  
Talk & Tour

**24** SUNDAY  
10-11:30am

Waste Wise  
House

**24** SUNDAY  
11am-2pm

10 Star House  
Grand Opening

# Foundation Transition 2019

Next Tuesday November 19<sup>th</sup> is our first transition day. At 9:30-10:30 our excited students will be heading to transition for the first time. We have our buddies ready to step in and assist the Foundation teachers with the transition. They will also be helping at the beginning of 2020. Today they worked with our Kinder students who are transitioning into the school in the Kinder space so the buddies get to know them.

Below are photos of our buddies meeting some of the Kinder students who will be transitioning into Foundation.



# Student Wellbeing Report

## West's Got Talent

We have now had all four heats and the semi finals were held on Monday. The three acts that are going into the Grand Finale will be announced at assembly on Monday. The Grand finale will be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> of November and the winner will be decided by a ballot vote of those that attend. All the performers should be really proud of themselves for getting up and performing, they are all winners in my eyes.



## House Points

**EARTH**

**280**

**FIRE**

**273**

**WATER**

**273**

## News from the P.E. Coordinator

### Ten Pin Bowling

Students from 1/2P and 1/2G have been fortunate to participate in a 'Learn to Bowl' program over the last few weeks. Instructors demonstrated the basics of bowling and then helped guide students to develop their technique. By the end of the sessions, everyone was more confident and scoring many strikes and spares!

A big thank you to Ms. Donehue who assisted with the excursions and especially to Simon and Nancy at 'Twin Cities Tenpin' who allowed us to try such an enjoyable sport.



### Tackers–Discover Sailing Program for MYOS students

Dates are set and permission notes given out, so don't forget to return them on time, or miss out!

It's also very important that students read the information on the permission notes as it may take more time to find appropriate clothing and footwear to wear in the water. Also be mindful that hats will be worn in the water and need a chin strap or something to secure them when wet.

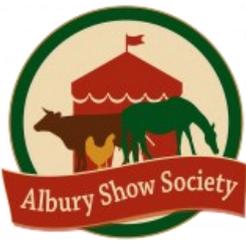


### Kanga Carnival

What a great day last Wednesday, when our six MYOS Kanga teams participated in the District Kanga Cricket Carnival. Great teamwork and sportsmanship meant all teams played well and even enjoyed a BBQ lunch in sunny weather!

Susan Macdonald

P.E. Co-ordinator



# Albury Show

By 4EC

I was very proud of our students in their support of the Albury Show. As a school we entered a number of items, and as a collective we had an excellent result. Thank you to every one who entered, it is wonderful to see you being an active member of our local community. Please drop by the office to see our winning entries.

In **Foundation/One**, the students entered colouring competitions. I am proud to say that Kayli Rapsey Atkin (F/1B) was the lucky winner of a mystery prize, coming in first place.

In **year 3/4**, Sharnaea Hall Bidois (4EC) came in first in the mosaic, with Alexis Pierce (4EC) coming a close second. Ella Buckley (4E) came in second with her political drawing about climate change.

In **year 5/6**, Sarah Peffer (5/6N) draw a close second with her mosaic, and Chloe Pizza(5/6N) came in first with her beautiful computer designed art work. Levi Constable (5/6C) also took out first place with his drawing of a sailing ship.

It's no surprise to say that our **Kitchen Garden** also had fantastic results. Our Lemon Butter is officially the best in the area, not only taking out first place, but also the best exhibit in the section. Similarly we won first for our Lemon and Carrot Marmalade, Balsamic Eggplant Chutney, Green Tomato Pickles and chocolate crackles. We also came second in our Red Pepper Chilli jam, threaded necklace, chocolate crackles and decorated biscuits.

If you would like to own your own piece of the winning products, we will be selling our produce at the Farmers Market on the Causeway on Saturday the 16th of November.

## Allie Robinson and Hunter Steff:

When we were decorating our cookies, I was very nervous because I thought that I was going to muck up the decorating. We baked the cookies in the Kitchen, and rolled them out to 20 grams, we decorated them in the classroom. When we threaded the gummy lollies and popcorn onto fishing line to make the necklaces, it was difficult because we didn't want to tear the lollies.

## Kyron Ward and Sharnaea Hall Bidois:

Both of us made mosaics to enter into the Albury Show.

I love all my work that I did, and I am very proud of myself. And I am very surprised that I won, because I didn't think that I was going to finish it, but Miss Chick let me come in at lunch times all week and I finished it on the Friday.

I was also very scared to talk to the whole school and tell them how I did at assembly, and that was scary. Also I was holding the lemon butter and wearing the winning sash.

I love my work because it took hard work. At the beginning I felt nervous that I would not get it finished but I did at the end.



**FIVE FIRTS, FOUR SECONDS and a BEST EXHIBIT**  
**Sash for our SAKG Preserves!**



## News from the Kinder Room

The children have started participating in show and tell. The children are learning to introduce themselves to the group and to confidently speak in front of their peers. Show and tell is a wonderful introduction to public speaking and it fosters a positive impact it on the child's confidence and communication skills. Children will also become more comfortable contributing in class and asking questions.



This week we made poppy wreaths to acknowledge and commemorate Remembrance Day. We spoke to the children about the importance of this day. A small display was put up in the kinder of the children's artwork to acknowledge Remembrance day.



The kinder children have been learning about ways in which we can reduce waste from going into landfill. We have joined up with Terracycle which is an organisation which recycles objects that are not recyclable.

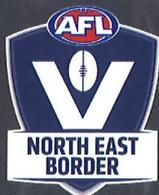
To help eliminate waste we have signed up to the [Bread Bag Closure Recycling Program](#). We have visited all classrooms in the school explaining about this program and have asked the school community to help us to collect as many bread tags as possible. All classrooms were given a container for their collected bread tags. The tags will be put together and sent away to be recycled.

# WODONGA RAIDERS

## COME & PLAY SESSIONS

With the introduction of an U14's competition in 2020 now is the time to give Footy a go no matter your age

REGISTER ONLINE TO RECEIVE A  
FREE FOOTY ON ATTENDANCE!



### SESSIONS -

26 NOV 4:00PM - 5:00PM  
(BIRALLEE PARK WODONGA)

27 NOV 4:00PM - 5:00PM  
(BIRALLEE PARK WODONGA)

3 DEC 4:00PM - 5:00PM  
(BIRALLEE PARK WODONGA)

4 DEC 4:00PM - 5:00PM  
(BIRALLEE PARK WODONGA)

REGISTER ONLINE

- <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HTB8R63>

For more information -  
[zac.hedin@afl.com.au](mailto:zac.hedin@afl.com.au)



## Girls...Come n Try



## REMINDERS



Students must wear a broad brimmed hat at school in Term 4. If you do not have a broad brimmed hat please see the office to purchase one for \$10.00.



All students will need to have their \$25 paid by the end of the first two weeks of Term 4 to participate in the popular Christmas cooking session. Please note it is part of the term program and students who do not participate throughout the term will not have the option of just paying to do the Christmas cooking session.



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