Woodhill State School

Term 2, Issue 1 6 May 2022



WOODHILL WHISPERS

Key Dates

Student Council Ice blocks \$1 Every Wednesday

P&C Meeting After parade 13 May

Parent Induction 17 May 2pm-3pm

Crazy Sock Day 18 May – gold coin donation required

Tuckshop \$1 Sausage Sizzle and Icey Poles 20 May

Triple P Seminar – In person 23 May 9am-10:30am

Triple P Seminar – In person 25 May 9am – 11am

Staff and students of Woodhill State School acknowledge the Mununjali people, the traditional custodians of the land on which our learning takes place. We would like to pay our respects to elders past, present and future and acknowledge their ongoing relationship and connection to country.



Welcome back to Term 2

Welcome back to term 2 and what promises to be a very busy and exciting term of teaching and learning. The students have settled right back in to their learning in the first few weeks.

As always, every day counts and student attendance is important. Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time. Your assistance with helping excellent attendance is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to all the families that represented Woodhill State School at the Anzac Day Commemoration Service in Beaudesert. I would like to personally thank Nicole P for the beautiful wreath that you donated for our Anzac Day ceremony.

Prep enrolments for 2023 have opened. Gaining insight into enrolments numbers helps us prepare logistically so I encourage you to complete an enrolment form and send it to us as soon as possible. Please contact the administration team on 5548 9222 if you have any questions.

Regards

Shelly Lucas

BOOKCLUB

Book club orders are due by Monday 9th May. If you wish to order books from the catalogue you will need to do so using the Loop App. Information about the LOOP app is below. Please do not send orders/cash in to school as these will be returned home.



CROSS COUNTRY

Thank you to all the parents and carers who came to our annual Cross Country to support our students. Congratulations to the O'Reilly team on winning the 2022 Cross Country.

CROSS COUNTRY – ZONE TRIALS

Well done to all those students who tried out for the recent trials. Congratulations to Ivy S and Claudia K for making it through to the Pacific District cross country trials.

DANCE FEVER - PAYMENT EXTENSION

Dance fever payment due date has been extended until Friday 13th May. Thank you to those families who have already made payment.

MOBILE PHONES/TECHNOLOGY AT SCHOOL

Students who have mobile phones/technology at school must hand these in to the office each morning when they arrive at school. Phones/technology will be kept safe and secure for students through the day.

NAPLAN

In weeks four and five our students in Years 3 and 5 will participate in the annual National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) to assess their skills and understanding in these areas.

The tests will take place in all schools across the country. An individual NAPLAN report will be sent home to parents and carers later this year. NAPLAN reports provide valuable feedback to teachers, parents and carers in key curriculum areas.

PARENT INDUCTION

Volunteer parent induction Tuesday 17 May, 2pm – 3pm. Please register by phoning 5548 9222 if you wish to attend as numbers are limited (a reminder that this needs to be done every year).

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

The parent-teacher 'interview' is about discussing your shared desire for your child's success, and an opportunity to make plans together towards that goal. Parent teacher interviews are scheduled for week

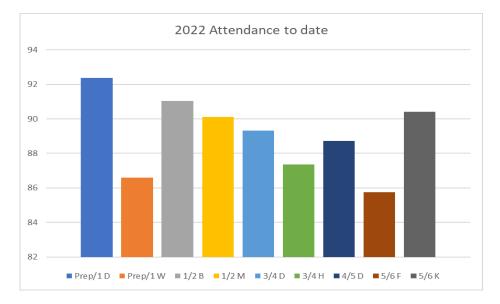
8. More information regarding interviews will be communicated to you via your child's classroom teacher in the coming weeks.

STUDENT ABSENCES

At Woodhill State School our goal is to have 100% of student absences explained. Any student absences or late arrivals must be reported to the administration team so the absence or late arrival is recorded electronically.

If an absence has not been explained by 10am a text message will be sent to the parent or carer seeking an explanation. Parents and carers can respond directly to this text message.

For absences longer then 10 consecutive days, parents must complete an exemption application form.



TEACHER CONTACTS

If you have any issues or concerns regarding your child, your first point of contact will be with your child's teacher. **Any issues that arise will need to be discussed with them first.** Please do not approach them for a 'chat' when they are collecting their class to start the day, as they need to give their full attention to the students. As teachers have very limited time to return phone calls due to teaching and playground duties, we find that email is a good means of communication. Please find below a list of email contacts for our teachers.

Mrs Down	kdown42@eq.edu.au
Ms. Hewitt	<u>phewi4@eq.edu.au</u>
Ms. Devlin	<u>sldev0@eq.edu.au</u>
Ms. Kim	<u>dkim102@eq.edu.au</u>
Ms. Drummond	<u>sdrum25@eq.edu.au</u>
Mr. Mason	<u>tmaso71@eq.edu.au</u>
Mrs Watson	kwats227@eq.edu.au
Ms. Baldock	jxnil0@eq.edu.au
Mr. Francis	<u>mjfra1@eq.edu.au</u>

UNIFORM

All students are required to wear the school uniform, including the school hat. Students are expected to be well groomed at all times. Outlandish hairstyles and outlandish colours are not permitted. If your child has hair that is longer than collar length, please ensure that their hair is tied back. This minimises the potential for accidental hair pulling/entanglement whilst out playing and also assists in minimising the potential spread of head lice.

TRIPLE P PARENTING SEMINARS

FREE PARENTING SEMINAR -Raising Resilient Children – find out more about emotional wellbeing and cyber safety

Monday 23rd May 9am-10.30am OR ONLINE via ZOOM webinar 6:00-7:00pm

Many parents worry about what their kids are doing online but aren't sure how to best protect them. We all do our best to supervise our children's online activities, but there are also other steps we can take. That's why we're proud to be hosting a Triple P Seminar to help families give their children useful skills and strategies to manage their emotions, overcome challenges, and handle situations such as unpleasant online interactions. Whatever stage of life your child is at or what challenges you are facing as a parent, the Triple P – Positive Parenting Program can help make raising kids easier, and help you guide them towards a happy and successful adulthood.

Triple P's Raising Resilient Children Seminar offers tips on how to develop your child's ability to cope with problems, now and in the future, in real-life and online.

HELP YOUR KIDS COPE WITH LIFE'S UPS AND DOWNS - INCLUDING ONLINE

- Problem-solve with your child, to help them stay safe and manage risks online
- Support your child's ability to manage emotional ups and downs
- Manage screen time and set age-appropriate boundaries
- Know what actions to take if your child is being bullied online
- Help your child cope with stress and setbacks and stay positive

The seminar is fun and friendly and it's **FREE**! It'll help kids AND parents take the drama out of family life (and screen time) so everyone can deal with issues calmly and more confidently.

REGISTER NOW FOR THE FREE SEMINAR: visit the Triple P website to learn more. FREE PARENTING SEMINAR - Help your child or teenager prevent & cope with anxiety

Wednesday 25th May, 9am-11am OR ONLINE via ZOOM webinar 6:00-7:30pm

Many parents are coming to realise that their child or teenager is anxious but are unsure of the best way to help them. Often, the ways parents naturally react to having an anxious child can accidentally increase anxiety. That's why we're proud to be hosting a FREE Triple P Seminar to help all families give children useful skills and strategies to prevent excessive worrying and build confidence. These are practical tips and techniques to help you build up your child's ability to handle uncomfortable emotions in a healthy way. You'll learn more about underlying causes of anxiety, and what works to reduce it.

The Fear-Less Triple P Seminar can help you:

- Understand more about anxiety (and how to reduce it)
- Look at different ways to respond to your child when they're anxious
- Give them skills to cope with challenging situations and solve problems
- Teach them a range of strategies based on proven principles

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program can help make raising kids easier, and help you guide them towards a happy and successful adulthood. The seminar is fun and friendly and it's **FREE**! Research shows that Fear-Less Triple P actually helps the whole family feel less stressed. REGISTER NOW: <u>Visit the Triple P website</u> to learn more.



TEAM MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Hi there everyone, I'm Tiger and I'm the school "Grounds Dog" and also the owner/trainer of Dave, our therapy-boy. Every morning, I get ready for work and as soon as I jangle the car keys, Dave's ears prick up and he runs to the car. I love watching him with head struck out the window with his tongue flopping in the breeze. When we get to school, I pop a lead on Dave and we love go down meet everyone at the school gate. It's so funny watching Dave sniff everyone's school bag; looking for bananas. Looking forward to seeing you all around school so make sure you say to Dave "What a good boy!!" and give him a pat.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT WOODHILL

Students from 1/2 B have been very busy creating these wonderful masterpieces.

