

WATTLE FLAT PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter



Wiradjuri
Country



Wednesday 6th September 2023

TERM 3

WEEK 8

"If you get a chance, take it, if it changes your life, let it." DR. SUESS



FROM THE PRINCIPALS DESK



Dear Families

Welcome to the week 8 edition of our school newsletter.

This week is SASS Recognition week. Thank you to Janell, Hayley and Kristen for all of the work you do every day! Our school wouldn't function without your dedication and hard work and I am grateful for everything you do at WFPS!

I mentioned last fortnight we are beginning to revise our whole school wellbeing practices. So far, we have begun going over the whole school expectations for Positive Behaviour for Learning. We are starting to actively reward appropriate behaviour, and alongside this we are looking at how we respond to inappropriate behaviours. A consistent whole school approach to supporting student wellbeing is important so that students feel cared for and valued at school. I would be grateful for your feedback around this.

In other news, Mrs Rankin will be reducing her teaching days at WFPS. We will look forward to still seeing her each Tuesday! I am also happy to let you know that I will continue to relieve as principal in Term 4 until the end of the year.

I hope you are enjoying seeing all of the wonderful things your children are getting up to at school! I am sure you would agree that Hayley has been doing a fabulous job putting together our newsletter this term.

Thank you all.

Rachel McGlenn

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ENROLMENT INFORMATION FOR 2024

KINDERGARTEN

Our new banner is up and on the front fence of the school and looks fantastic. It is time to enroll at WFPS. If you have a preschooler at home, who will be starting school with us next year, simply log onto our school website and select the 'enrolments' tab. Please ring Janell in the school office if you have any questions or require support. We will be sending out information about our 'beginning school' program later this term. We will be planning for preschool students to have some sessions where they visit our school in Term 4.

<https://ehub.enrol.education.nsw.gov.au/schoolenrolment/?schoolCode=3402>



SCHOOL GATES

A friendly reminder that our gates are locked during the day for the safety and security of all students. Please contact the office if you need to attend to, drop off or pick up your child during school hours.

YOUTH OFFICER VISIT

We are fortunate to have Senior Constable Youth Officer Skye Davies visiting our school on Friday 15th September at 10am. Families are welcome to join us for this informative session. Skye will be presenting a cyber bullying talk that will cover topics such as safety and respect. This talk will be appropriate for children K - 6 and we encourage parents to join us as well.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

We have begun to revamp PBL at Wattle Flat Public School. We are rewarding positive behaviours with 'gold coin' tickets, which go into a weekly prize draw. Hayley has done a beautiful job of designing new posters that clearly outline the expectations of different areas around the school. We are planning to teach all of these expected behaviours to all students for the remainder of the year



MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to our recent merit award winners. Ken and Tilly have both been working hard in class and are very deserving of their awards.



student SPOTLIGHT



EVIE CLARK

WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT SCHOOL?

Seeing my friends and skipping!

WHAT IS YOUR GOAL FOR THE YEAR?

I really like Math and I would like to get better at fractions.

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROWUP?

A Kindergarten teacher



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Students did a brilliant job creating gifts for our dads. We hope our dad's had a lovely Father's Day! Thank you to the P & C for putting on breakfast on Monday morning.



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WATTLE FLAT PUBLIC SCHOOL



Please follow the Wattle Flat Public School P&C Facebook page to keep up to date with upcoming meetings and events.



in the *classroom*

HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION DAY RECOUNTS



My highlight of transition is making new friends and doing food tech. In food tech we made mini pizzas, and they were delicious!



I really enjoyed going to the canteen and doing food tech. We made little pizzas and learnt how to wash up. When I go to High School, I am looking forward to doing agriculture and sport.

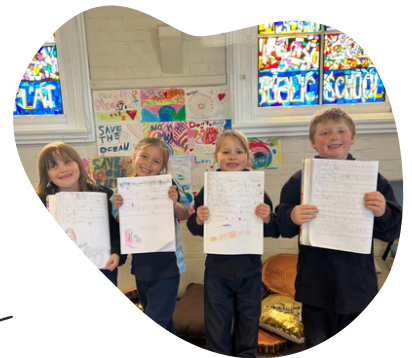


I really enjoyed English where we learnt lots about Ned Kelly. We did foot tech, music and we got to write a letter about ourselves for next year. The canteen was good, but I enjoyed English the most.



INFANTS

Our infants' students have been doing more awesome writing in class. They are blowing us away with their clear sentences and spelling!



PRIMARY

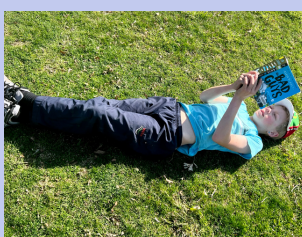
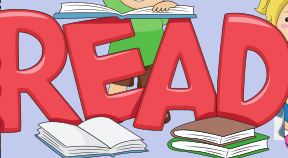
Our primary students have now begun to work on persuasive texts in class. We have been discussing what vocabulary is needed to support a strong argument. We plan to begin creating some advertisements, brochures, speeches and reviews in the coming weeks!



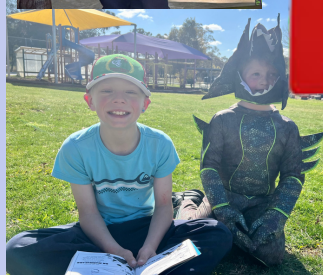


BOOK

WEEK



LEARN



BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our book week celebrations. We had a lovely time reading in the sun. The students looked fantastic! Well done to all.

REGISTER NOW



SLOW SUMMER FAST FACTS

UPDATED DAY AND TIME

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

SUMMER FUTSAL U13s

- 18 week season + 2 week finals
- Starting on October 11
- 40 minute games
- Tuesdays - 6:40 or 7:20pm kickoff
- \$130/player
- 9-team division with maximum 10 players per team

QR CODE: facebook.com/futsalbx

ACTIVE KIDS, TALK WITH YOUR FEET UNDER 13s PLAY WITH YOUR HEART

SPORTSBLOCK, Charles Sturt University, deploy FOOTBALL, GIOCA

OUTDOOR CLASSROOM SHADE STRUCTURE

We are all very excited our new shade structure for the outdoor classroom has been completed. This will provide a great outdoor space for us to learn during the warmer months. What a great addition to our school this is!



STUDENT LEADER NEWS

Our student leaders, Payton, Aden and Israel are running a guessing competition. Can you guess how many Lollie's are in the jar? 50cents a ticket. Payton, Aden and Israel will be taking the guesses every morning before school. All money raised will go towards end of year celebrations to be decided on.



DATES TO REMEMBER

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 8	04/09	05/09	06/09 Bathurst Library Van Visit	Library Day 07/09	08/09
WEEK 9	11/09	12/09	13/09	Library Day 14/09	15/09 Youth Officer Visit 10am Parents Welcome
WEEK 10	18/09	19/09	20/09	Library Day 21/09	22/09 End of term



STUDENTS RETURN FOR TERM 4, 9TH OF OCTOBER 2023
 PLANNING AHEAD.....

6TH OF NOVEMBER - STAGE 3 CAMP AT NARRABEEN, 21ST OF NOVEMBER - PARENT INFORMATION SESSION KELSO HIGH CAMPUS, 23RD NOVEMBER - BATHURST HIGH PARENT INFORMATION DAY, 23RD NOVEMBER KELSO ORIENTATION DAY YEAR 7
 23RD OF NOVEMBER - BATHURST SMALL SCHOOLS CREATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL BMEC,
 15TH OF DECEMBER - LAST DAY OF TERM 4



Behaviour code for students

NSW public schools

NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students.

In NSW public schools students are expected to:

- Respect other students, their teachers and school staff and community members
- Follow school and class rules and follow the directions of their teachers.
- Strive for the highest standards in learning
- Respect all members of the school community and show courtesy to all students, teachers and community members.
- Resolve conflict respectfully, calmly and fairly
- Comply with the school's uniform policy or dress code.
- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Respect all property.
- Not be violent or bring weapons, illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco into our schools.
- Not bully, harass, intimidate or discriminate against anyone in our schools.

Schools take strong action in response to behaviour that is detrimental to self or others or to the achievement of high quality teaching and learning.

Behaviour Code for Students: Actions

Promoting the learning, wellbeing and safety of all students in NSW Public Schools is a high priority for the Department of Education.

We implement teaching and learning approaches to support the development of skills needed by students to meet our high standards for respectful, safe and engaged behaviour.

Respect

- Treat one another with dignity
- Speak and behave courteously
- Cooperate with others
- Develop positive and respectful relationships and think about the effect on relationships before acting
- Value the interests, ability and culture of others
- Dress appropriately by complying with the school uniform or dress code
- Take care with property

Safety

- Model and follow departmental, school and/or class codes of behaviour and conduct
- Negotiate and resolve conflict with empathy
- Take personal responsibility for behaviour and actions
- Care for self and others
- Avoid dangerous behaviour and encourage others to avoid dangerous behaviour

Engagement

- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Arrive at school and class on time
- Be prepared for every lesson
- Actively participate in learning
- Aspire and strive to achieve the highest standards of learning

The principal and school staff, using their professional judgment, are best placed to maintain discipline and provide safe, supportive and responsive learning environments. The department provides a policy framework and resources such as Legal Issues

Bulletins, access to specialist advice, and professional learning to guide principals and their staff in exercising their professional judgment. In this context the NSW Government and the Department of Education will back the authority and judgment of principals and school staff at the local level.