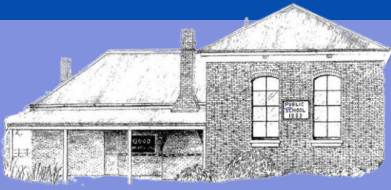


WATTLE FLAT PUBLIC SCHOOL



Newsletter



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Tuesday 8th August 2023

TERM 3

WEEK 4

"You're off to great places! Today is your Day! Your mountain is waiting, so get on your way!" DR. SUESS



FROM THE PRINCIPALS DESK



We have had another great fortnight of learning here at Wattle Flat P S!

I'd like to thank all of the families who came along to our Education Week Breakfast last week. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to share their poetry and writing, and I enjoyed meeting many of you. A highlight of the morning had to be when everyone performed the school song, which was co-created with Sarah and Kris. What a very special song it is!

As some of you may have seen, we have recently moved the classroom learning space over to the hall. This is a larger learning space with a smaller break-out room attached, which enables us to work flexibly throughout the day, as our younger children can engage in rich discussions about picture books, play games, and sing some songs and nursery rhymes without impacting on the primary children's lessons and learning time. The hall is also providing some flexibility during class time as we have space to work at desks, space for circle time, and space to move around for more hands-on learning activities. The original classroom is still being used as an art and music room of an afternoon. The children at Wattle Flat P S certainly have their individual learning needs met, with two teachers for the most part of the day, and Mrs Kristen Clark our fabulous SLSO in this larger learning space supporting the children each day!

This week we have our Stage Two students heading off to Dubbo for their overnight excursion! This will be a great experience for them, and I look forward to hearing all about what they get up to. Mrs Rankin and Mr Cox will be attending the camp with the children. We also have an excursion planned this Thursday to the Bathurst Regional Art Gallery to compliment the 'Home' Art Program the children have been engaging in this year. Students who are not at camp will be able to attend this excursion, and we will continue the art program upon return at school. We will share our learning with the Stage Two students when they return.

Other news around the school includes the commencement of the construction of the shade shelter going up over the outdoor learning area. We anticipate this work will be completed in the next two weeks.

Mrs Rachel McGinn

LIBRARY DAY AND LIBRARY VAN

Library day for the students will resume week 5, on Thursday 17th August and continue weekly for the rest of the term. Please send your children to school with a library bag to put their books in.

The library van will visit our school again on the 6th of September.



SPORTS REPORT

PSSA Soccer update

The girls played in week 1 at police paddock against Perthville PS. The opening stages of the game was an arm wrestle, with the girls displaying fantastic effort in defence. Despite showing terrific resilience, sportsmanship and effort, we were unable to come out victorious and so our run in the competition has ended.

The boys played against Wallerawang today. The first half saw a 1-0 scoreline going the opposition's way. The boys came out firing in second half and nabbed an early goal to level the scores, however Wallerawang were able to score another two goals later in the half.

District Athletics

Well done to all of our students who competed at the District Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to Aden and Israel who made it through to Western!

NAPLAN

Last week, students in year 3 and 5 brought home their NAPLAN results. Teachers will be looking at NAPLAN data to plan for further learning for our students. If you have any questions about your child's NAPLAN results, please get in touch and we can make a time to chat.



student SPOTLIGHT



KEN HOGDEN

WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT SCHOOL?

Seeing my friends and playing with them.

WHAT IS YOUR GOAL FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR?

To be a leader for the kindergarten students.

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROWUP? A Red Bull Racing car driver!

EDUCATION WEEK

Thank you to all of our families who were able to join us for breakfast last Thursday morning for our Education week celebrations. It was a lovely morning, and students enjoyed sharing their writing and work with their families. It was a special treat also, for everyone to hear the new school song the students have been learning and practicing. Thank you to Sarah and Kris for your time and guidance in writing and arranging this song.

WELLBEING

Wattle Flat Public School is a Positive Behaviour for learning (PBL) school, where expectations are explicitly taught to all students and are consistent across the school. PBL helps to improve social, emotional, behavioural and academic outcomes for students. At our school we are Safe, Respectful, Learners. This term students have brainstormed and revised what these expectations look like in the classroom, and on the playground.



Week 6 is book week. This week's theme is 'Read, Grow, Inspire'.

OUR BOOK WEEK CHARACTER PARADE

- Please join us Thursday 24th of August at 2pm.
- Dress up as your favourite character.
- The Book Week character parade will be at 2:30pm and families and carers are invited to stay and read a book with the children.
- Tea and coffee provided



SCHOOL WEBSITE

The school website is updated fortnightly. All newsletters can be found there, and photo albums are updated regularly.

<https://wattleflat-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

Enrollment forms can also be found on the website.



Keep an Eye out for our new enrolling now sign on our front fence in the next few weeks



in the **classroom**



In math's we have been learning some new math games as well as sharing our mathematical thinking during number talks. It is great to hear the students' reasoning skills when they share their answer to some more tricky math problems.

Kinder have been adding smaller numbers together to make bigger numbers and have been exploring all the ways you can make the number 10!



Our primary students have started to read new novels and books this past fortnight and have been enjoying these new stories. Students have also continued with their poetry writing, expanding their skills to Diamante and Haiku poems.

Our youngest students have been reading, writing and drawing about picture books in class, focusing on summarising what is happening at the beginning, middle and end of the story.


















A LOOK BEHIND THE CLASSROOM





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

what's happening

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 4	07/08	08/08	09/08 STAGE 2 CAMP DUBBO 	10/08 	11/08
WEEK 5	14/08	15/08	16/08	17/08 Library Day 	18/08
WEEK 6	21/08 BOOK WEEK 	22/08 	23/08 	24/08 BOOK WEEK PARADE Library Day  	25/08
WEEK 7	28/08	29/08	30/08 Kelso High School ilearn Transition 	31/08 Library Day 	01/09
WEEK 8	04/09	05/09	06/09 Bathurst Library Van Visit 	07/09 Library Day 	08/09
WEEK 9	11/09	12/09	13/09	14/09 Library Day 	15/09
WEEK 10	18/09	19/09	20/09	21/09	22/09 
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS					
	25/09	26/09	27/09	28/09	29/09
	02/10	03/10	04/10	05/10	06/10
					

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