

# WATTLE FLAT PUBLIC SCHOOL



## Newsletter



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TERM 4  
WEEK 6

"Imagination rules the world." - Napoleon Bonaparte

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### FROM THE PRINCIPALS DESK



Dear Families

Welcome to our week 6 newsletter! Our Stage 3 students have returned from a big week away at camp, and sound like they had a great time. I would like to thank Mr Cox for also attending and dedicating his entire week to looking after our students. I am pleased to share with you that we have recently set up online payments through our school website. I am sure that this will make things a lot easier for families, in paying for future school activities. As we turn towards more digitalised features, you may begin to receive more information including school notes, absence letters and other information via email. We are more than happy to still send home printed copies to families who prefer this. Thank you, Mrs Cole for your work in setting this up. I am also pleased to share with you that we have purchased a school mobile phone. This will be able to be used by staff attending excursions, and will be handy for any future power outages, or in the event of any emergency. We have also ordered 12 iPads to be used in the classroom to support student learning. This is exciting, as having the most up to date technology is crucial for student learning. This week we have our Whole School PBL rewards day. Students chose to have a PJ day and movie afternoon. It has been lovely to see the positive influence our gold tickets and weekly draw have had on students at WFPS. Collectively over the last term, they have worked together to fill up our big jar, and earn themselves this rewards day.

Next week we will head into Bathurst on Thursday for our biannual Bathurst Small Schools Creative Arts Festival. The students have been rehearsing the songs they will sing, and the dances they will perform. We are excited to showcase this, alongside the skull artworks we have been making with Mr Leslight. I hope you can all come along.

*Rachel McGlinn*





## MERIT AWARDS RECIPIENTS

Payton, Evie and Ken were our deserving merit award recipients this week. Each working hard to achieve their personal learning goals. Well done to Charli, who was our lucky gold ticket winner. Congratulations.



## WHOLE SCHOOL REWARD

Our Whole School Rewards day took place today. A Pyjama day and movie afternoon. It was lovely to see the kids enjoying the reward that they have worked so hard towards. Well done students!



## student SPOTLIGHT



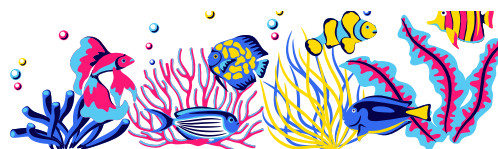
### OLIVE MORRIS

#### WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT

**SCHOOL?** I enjoy playing with my friends.

**WHAT IS YOUR GOAL FOR THE YEAR?** To finish my writing book.

**WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROWUP?** A Marine Biologist



## SPECIAL VISITORS

Last week we welcomed Mr Fairfax and Mr Taylor who were both principals of Wattle Flat Public School in the 1950s and 1960s. They were passing by, and for old times sake, stopped by to reminisce and share some of their stories from their time in Wattle Flat. It was interesting to hear how things have changed over the year.





## CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL

Our students have been working very hard on both the creative and performing arts aspects of the Small Schools Creative Arts Festival. The kids will be performing on the evening of the 23rd November. Invitations to purchase tickets were sent home via Skool Loop this week.

The art exhibition will take place on the 20th of November where our spectacular skull art will be displayed. We look forward to seeing the families at the Creative Arts Festival so we can show off all our hard work.



## BATHURST REGIONAL ART GALLERY TIE DYE ART

We have also been busy working on another artwork that will be on exhibition at the Bathurst Regional Art Gallery. The exhibition starts on the 16th of December. As a part of the HOME art program we have been tie dying and creating a collaborative artwork altogether. Our artwork is inspired by Richard Bells work 'solidarity'. We have enjoyed using different mediums and exploring with our paint pens to create our silhouettes. Stay tuned for more progress.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING LOCALLY?



Always a fun weekend for the family in Sofala along the river.

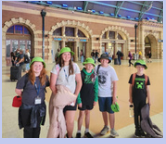
## COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

On the 25th of November, Wattle Flat Progress Association will be hosting a community Garage sale trail, covering Wattle Flat, Sofala Turondale, Peel and surrounding areas. If you are interested in participating in this event please contact Rose [wattleflatpa.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:wattleflatpa.secretary@gmail.com)

## SOFALA FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sofala Hotel Social Club will once again be hosting their family Christmas party on the **Saturday 9th of December at 12pm**. This event is open to all members of the local community. The day will include a free Christmas lunch for the children, kid's games and activities, a visit from Santa, free sausage sizzle for the adults, music, and a friendly family atmosphere. The Social club will send out a flyer soon with more details. Save the date!





# Stage 3 Camp!



## Narrabeen Sport & Recreation Centre



Archery tag and scootering were my favourite things at the camp. It was the best camp I have been on.

**Aden**



Archery tag was really fun. I also enjoyed the games outside before the big storm. Scissors, Paper, Rock Transformation was funny! We didn't get much sleep because the boys were noisy.

**Kara**



My favourite activity was raft building and swimming. I made new friends, and I had the best time of my life!

**Payton**



All of it was my favourite! Everything at the camp was great!

**Israel**

We went canoeing and we did fun night activities. Kayaking was my favourite activity.

**Aiden**





in the **classroom**

# INFANTS

in the **classroom**

We have been busy being little mathematicians. Our favourite game to play right now is The Changing Quantity Game. A game that is not only a race against our classmates to be the first to get rid of all our counters, but it also focuses on us using our fantastic subtraction skills. The students were very excited to explain how the game works with lots of smiles and giggles all round.

"Who ever gets all the counters off wins!" **James**

"I like taking the counters off."

**Olive**

I like Rolling the Dice too"

**Willow**

I like Rolling the Dice"

**Tilly**



## PRIMARY

Books galore! We have all been enjoying reading our novels. A couple of the students shared their thoughts and posters they have created about the novels that have been their favourite over the term and the year, it is great to have such enthusiastic readers in the classroom.

"The twits is our most recent book but my favourite this year is Fantastic Mr Fox." **Aydan**



"The Twits is a bit funny and a bit weird." **Ken**



"The Twits is my favourite. I love the chapter about putting the frog in Mrs Twits bed!" **Charli**

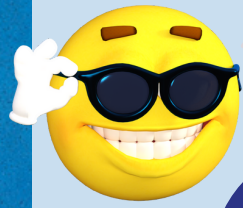


"I made a poster about Matilda. She doesnt live with a very nice family. She has magical powers; she moves things with her eyes. It's a good book."

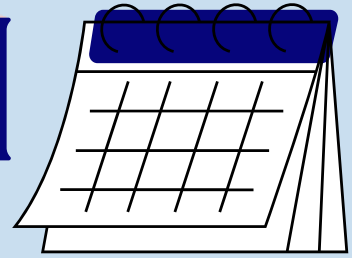
**Evie**












# TERM 4



## DATES TO REMEMBER

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>WEEK 6</b>	13/11	14/11	15/11 PBL REWARD DAY PJ & Movie day	16/11 LIBRARY DAY	17/11
<b>WEEK 7</b>	20/11 VISUAL ARTS EXHIBITION (CAPA FESTIVAL)	21/11	22/11	23/11 BSS CRATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL 5PM-9PM LIBRARY DAY	24/11
<b>WEEK 8</b>	27/11	28/11	29/11 BATHURST LIBRARY VAN  KHS TRANSITION DAY	30/11 LIBRARY DAY	1/12
<b>WEEK 9</b>	4/12	5/12	6/12	7/12 LIBRARY DAY	8/12 PRESENTATION DAY 10AM-11:30PM
<b>WEEK 10</b>	11/12	12/12	13/12	14/12 LIBRARY DAY	15/12 End of term 
   <i>that's a</i> <b>WRAP</b> 