A message from our principal team

Hello from the principal’s desk.

What a busy time we have had at WPPS this term. It is hard to believe we are already past the half way mark of this term. The students have achieved some amazing things so far. The Grade 5&6 students involved in the Kids Thrive Project have been out into the community supporting a range of groups including the Wyndham Park Men’s Shed and Karingal. I am so impressed with our new garden planted by the students near the entrance of the school…well done to everyone involved.

What is happening

There are also so many things coming up in the next few weeks. We currently have the Scholastic Book fair, next week we have the school Athletics Carnival, the week after is Literacy and Numeracy Week and then we have Book Week. There are special events on the 30th of August with the Mathematics Fun afternoon, the 1st of September with the “Party in the Precinct” from 3pm – 5pm, and the Book Week parade on the 2nd of September. Our final event is the school wide Olympics Day on the 6th of September. With so much on it is important that families keep an eye out for notices, SMS’s, newsletters and social media posts to ensure you don’t miss out in joining in the fun.

Also let’s not forget that the grade 3&4 camp is on the 7th of September and the swimming program start Monday 12th September.

School Review & Self Evaluation

While all of these exciting activities are happening at WPPS the staff and I are working with the Department of Education to complete a very important strategic review of the school. We are looking at what our school has achieved over the past 4 years and then planning how we will continue to grow and improve over the next 4 years. To do this review we are seeking feedback in two forms from the parents and community of WPPS. the first way is via a series of three online surveys that ask parents & community a range of questions about the school. If you have time to take these surveys we would be very grateful. Each survey can be reached using the following website addresses

School Culture : https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8W87LYD
In the Classroom : https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/839D32D
School Curriculum : https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/83HX8TQ

If you do not wish to complete these surveys you are more than welcome to answer the 3 questions on the next page and either send your responses back to your child’s classroom teacher or drop your response off into the feedback box located in the school office.

Thank you in advance for helping our school be the best it can be.

Kind regards

Laban Toose
Principal
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PE NEWS from Mr Coles

On Monday 15th August our netball team travelled to Whitton Oval to represent the school in the State Netball Championships. Competing against the very best was a huge challenge for our girls, who battled courageously through six tough matches, winning two and losing four.

They played with a great spirit, and were fair and respectful throughout. Congratulations we are all really proud of you!

SAVE THE DATE

SCHOOL ATHLETICS
GRADES 3-6

On Tuesday 23rd August the grades 3-6 students are travelling to VU Werribee Athletics Stadium for a special day of House Competition. Students will compete in 8 athletics events, which will determine our school athletics team for the District Championships the week after.

We are looking for volunteers to assist with judging and scoring.

Please let Mr Coles or Louise Holley know if you can help. Any help would be appreciated, and you are welcome to come along and support your children!

VU Wyndham Sporting Complex Hoppers Ln, Werribee VIC 3030
Louise Holley Community Hub Coordinator 0422906133
Wes Coles PE Coordinator Wyndham Park Primary School
We are practising our visualising skills to understand how to make connections by using a variety of strategies. Visualising makes us use our senses: sight, sound, taste, touch and hearing. This helps us create meaning about what we are reading to develop our understanding. We have been drawing story maps to make sense of what we think we can see when pictures are not shown by listening to the words in a story. This helps us to focus our thoughts and think about our thinking. Asking ourselves questions such as: What do I feel? What can I see? How does it sound? How would it smell or taste? Simple steps help us to deepen our understanding and encourage us to read and learn more.

We were listening to ‘The Bear Hunt’ and these are some story map images we created.

Our show and tell is developing our creativity with some amazing moving toys to share. I’m sure you’ll agree we are very talented. With ice-cream robot by Olwyn, scary crocs by Ella, Zephaniah’s Toll truck and many more.........

We have been learning hambone with our 3/4 buddies to develop rhythm, concentration and resilience. Even our attendance mascot Mu Nay Htoo which means golden days, joined in whilst being a visitor in OOD to reward our excellent attendance at school last week. We are having so much fun.

Reminders:

Our Toy technology workshop has been booked for Tuesday 30th August so please return all permission forms and payments by Friday 19th. This workshop is designed to foster students Science and Technology skills of predicting, observing, describing and constructing which we will continue to explore in our Inquiry sessions.

Library and reading books MUST be returned before a new one can be issued. Please remember to complete your child’s home reader diary so we can see how well they read at home too.

Please name ALL uniform items so that they can be returned if lost.

We are collecting clean little boxes and milk top plastic lids so we can build moving objects in our inquiry sessions. Please bring them to the Foundation portables.

Thank you for your support. Foundation Team.
Individual Learning Plans (ILPs) will be available to parents/carers to access on our parent portal from 26th August.

If you do not have internet access at home or need help logging on to the parent portal we can assist you in the Community Hub.

Wednesdays 2:10 – 3:10 Louise and DahMoo

Thursdays 2:20 – 3:10 Louise

An ILP or Individual Learning Plan is written by a teacher to help students who are experiencing difficulties, to improve their skills and knowledge at their own pace. It is a tool to help plan for meeting the special educational needs of a child and to aid effective teaching and learning. ILPs are used where a child needs something extra or different from others in the class. Teachers set achievable, short-term Goals and give feedback on progress.

ILPs are also mandatory for all PSD, Koorie and Out of Home Care students.

Parents are encouraged to access these documents online now.

We have access to computers for this in the Community Hub, if families do not have access to the internet at home.

Mathematics Afternoon for Families

Come join us and have fun learning mathematics together in your child’s classroom

Tuesday 30th August 2:10-3:10
Our Student Leaders have been working on their philanthropic projects with Kids Thrive

The Elderly Protectors formed a community partnership with The Men’s Shed and Heathglen Retirement Village. The students presented a carpet bowls stand to Heathglen, played some carpet bowls with the residents and provided a wonderful afternoon tea. Excellent work by The Elderly Protectors.

The 4 Seedlings formed a community partnership with Karingal and last week planted a wonderful new garden at the entrance to our school. They also provided a delicious afternoon tea. Excellent work by The 4 Seedlings.

44 Diversity formed a community partnership with Heathdale Kindergarten and last week facilitated a cultural games day at the kindergarten. The students planned and prepared the cultural games and played with the kindergarten students, presenting a book and games as a gift. Excellent work by 44 Diversity.

The Phenomenal Animal Rescuers have been working hard sewing labels on the blankets donated by our school community. They will deliver them to their community partner The Melbourne University Veterinary Hospital. Excellent work by The Phenomenal Animal Rescuers.
If you would like to join these programs please see Louise at the Hub upstairs.

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Sunday’s 8:45am |
| Fit Club<br>6.15-7.30<br>Hub 1 and 2 | Weightless Challenge<br>7.00-8.15<br>Hub 1 | |

Saffron Kitchen Canteen (help prepare food for school canteen)<br>M-F 9:00-2:00 CANTENEEN

Sharing Cultures Cooking Classes Wednesday 3:30-5:30<br>July 20th, August 24th, September 7th.

For more information please contact Louise Holley WPPS Community Hub Coordinator 0422 906 133

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**SHARING CULTURES FAMILY COOKING CLASS**

**WEDNESDAY 24th AUGUST 3.30pm-5.30pm**

Only once a month! Come and join us and learn a new recipe.

Louise WPPS Community Hub Coordinator 0422906133
Fathers Day Stall and Raffle

Our Fathers Day stall will be held on Thursday 1st of September and Friday 2nd of September for student who missed out on Thursday. Gift prices range from 50c to $5.

Raffle tickets will be sent home today and will need to be returned by 31st August. The raffle will be drawn on Friday the 1st September.

Thank you from the Fund Raising committee

WERRIBEE CHURCH OF CHRIST
COMMUNITY EVENTS

LADIES’ NIGHT OUT - Ladies, you are invited to an inspiring evening of great food, fun and friendship on Saturday, 27th August 2016 from 6:30-9pm @ Werribee Church of Christ, 200 Tarneit Road (Cnr. Purchas Street) Werribee 3030. This is being put on by the Werribee Church of Christ, Melbourne Praise Church and Chinese Methodist Church. This is an opportunity for women to connect and be inspired. This is a FREE event. For more details please contact Garry on 040 616 7884 or on 9741 6051.

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LET’S TALK CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH - Every Saturday 10:00-11:30am. Practice and develop your English speaking skills in friendly small groups. Werribee Church of Christ, 200 Tarneit Road, (Cnr. Purchas Street) Werribee 3030. Contact 9741 6051 for more details.

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PLAY GROUP - Every Wednesday morning from 11am -1pm for Mums with Children aged between 6 months and 5 years. This is a time where Mums can connect and make friends and children can play with various activities every week. Cost: 1st visit is free, $5 registration (once) and $3 weekly per child. Werribee Church of Christ, 200 Tarneit Road, Werribee 3030. For enquiries, contact 9741 6051 (and leave a message if necessary).
BOOK WEEK PARADE 2016

Come along dressed up as a character from a book. This year's theme is Australia! Story Country.

FRIDAY 2nd September
9:00am on the soccer pitch

PRIZES will be awarded.

Parents are welcome to join in the adult parade with staff.

HeALTHy & aCTiVe EXPO

4-30 September 2016

Register online at: www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/healthyandactiveexpo

Want to be more active or try a new activity?

The Healthy & Active Expo is all about getting people more healthy and active, by promoting a diverse range of local recreational activities across Wyndham.

Individual activities will be run by local recreation providers for all age groups.

Come along and get involved in this year's Expo!
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From Ashanti 5/6P

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**Sleep Time for Kids**

**Why kids need sleep:**

Sleep is good for kids, students, adults and even new born babies. It helps your child grow, have good health, improve concentration, be ready to learn, answer questions and helps them heal and fight off diseases and viruses. It also makes them go into a more positive and polite mode.

**What happens when you don't have enough sleep?**

If your child does not get enough sleep he/she could feel very tired, grumpy, hungry and restless. They could find it hard to concentrate and won't get the best out of their learning.

When you don't get enough sleep you could get droopy, bloodshot eyes and black bags under them too.

**How can you help your child sleep well?**

- Warm glass of milk before bed
- Going to bed at the same time every night
- Making their room cool and dark
- No sodas or lollies before bed

Our 5/6 students have been focusing on the importance of sleep. Here is an article that they have written as part of their investigation. Armin Paravlic - Brooklyn Karaka 5/6P
2016 TERM DATES

Term 1
29 JANUARY TO 24 MARCH

TERM 2
11 APRIL TO 24 JUNE

TERM 3
11 JULY TO 16 SEPTEMBER

TERM 4
3 OCTOBER TO 20 DECEMBER

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Canteen is open on every day for a delicious morning snack and lunch all for $5.00 you can print our menu from the school website.
www.wyndhamparkps.vic.edu.au