

Dates To Remember

Parade - Every Monday 1:50 - Hall
Wednesday - 2:45 - 3:30 Good Start Family Fitness - Hall
5 February - Parent Information Session - Hall - 1:50pm
13 February - Book Club Orders and Money Due

From The Principal

We are very pleased to be able to welcome several new staff members to our awesome WNSS School Community. Parents/caregivers who are able to come to the meet the teacher session on Thursday commencing at 1.50 pm in the Hall, will have the opportunity to meet our new members.

Welcome back to those who were part of our school community last year. It is great to see everyone again. We are blessed at our school, to have great volunteers and external organisations as well, who help us to support our students, staff and families.

2015 is going to be a really good year. I guess we will still have our ups and downs, but the great thing about WNSS is that its people care about and help each other when this is needed. Parents, please get your children to school Every Day and On Time. Being on time sets them up for the day. Being here every day will help their learning by ensuring the continuity of their learning experiences.

Assemblies are now on Monday afternoons. If you have not already met Gary Boobyer, our great new deputy principal, pop into one of our assemblies.

If you know of any parents in this area who have not yet returned their children to school or who have yet to enrol a new student, please remind them that if they are not enrolled over the next couple of days, our school will not receive the funding they attract to support their schooling.

Looking forward to our best year yet and to our continuing partnership in providing the best possible educational opportunities for your children.

Warm Regards to All,
Muriel Collings
Principal

Community Hub News

Welcome back for 2015 from the Community Hub!

We have some exciting programs coming this year, and this term for you all.

Our regulars are our **ENGLISH CONVERSATION GROUP** on Mondays at 9:30am. **PLAYGROUP** on Tuesday mornings at 9am, and a **CRAFT GROUP** straight afterwards. **GOODSTART FAMILY FITNESS** is on again on Wednesday afternoons in the hall (don't forget your towel, running shoes and water bottle).

Our exciting new program is the **KNIT PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT** Program. This program is on once a week on Wednesdays 9:30 – 11:30am for this term. These sessions are all about YOU, and what strategies that we can all use in our everyday lives to enhance our day to day life. The sessions will be run by Roger Marshall from Logan East Community Centre, where it has been running successfully for some time now. If you would like to register please contact Shelly at the Community Hub, or pop into the office for a flyer.

We are looking forward to seeing you down at the hub this term

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From The Deputy

Welcome to WNSS

I'd firstly like to welcome back everyone from holiday. I'd like to thank everyone for the warm and friendly welcome that I have received over the few days that I have been at Woodridge North State School. I feel really accepted, and I look forward to the busy year ahead.

Before coming to Woodridge North State School I was the acting Deputy Principal for 12 months at Ormiston State School, a school of approximately 600 students. Prior to that I was the acting Principal of a small school located 20 minutes south of Toowoomba.

My priority this year is to assist the Principal to maximising learning opportunities for every child at Woodridge North State School. I will be focusing on:

- encouraging high student attendance,
- promoting positive behaviour for better learning and,
- building the skills, knowledge and capacity of all staff.

I cannot achieve these priorities alone, so I am seeking parents and carers to be in partnership with myself and the school in this important journey.

If you have a concern, question, suggestion or some feedback, then you can get in contact with me by contacting the office on 3380 6333 or by emailing me directly at the.deputyprincipal@woodnortss.eq.edu.au

Every Day Counts..

The message is simple, the more a child attends school, the better they will do! Our attendance target is at least 95%. Some of our students achieve a 100% attendance rate. We would like this to see more of our students achieving this. The law states that children are required to attend school unless they have an acceptable excuse. The staff at Woodridge North State School actively monitor every student's rate of attendance. If a child is unable to come to school, then parents and carers can contact the office, or email absences@woodnort.eq.edu.au

Before School

School starts at 8.30am. Students are encouraged to come to school between 8.00am and 8.20am where they will be asked to wait quietly on the seats near the tuckshop. Parents and carers are welcome to wait on the seats with their child.

Sun Safety

Every year students will have approximately 400 play breaks and about 60 outside sporting lessons or activities. It is an expectation that students will bring a sunsafe (bucket or legionnaire) hat to school every day in order to be allowed to participate in these outside activities. Hats can be purchased from the tuckshop everyday for a cost of \$9. Parents and carers are strongly encouraged to place on the hat their child's name and class, so we can return any lost hat to its owner.

Assemblies

This year assemblies will be held on Monday at 1.40pm in the hall. Term 1 assemblies will be for students in Year 1 – 6. Prep students and teachers will join our assemblies beginning term 2. Assemblies are a great opportunity to celebrate student achievements, while also sharing important information about upcoming school and community events. I encourage parents, carers and community members to join us.

Gary Boobyer
Deputy Principal

YMCA Breakfast Club

Inviting Parents to be Breakfast Mentors

The school is seeking some friendly parent helpers from 8am until 8:30am one or two mornings per week, to provide breakfast to children. No cooking is required! If you are able to volunteer for a couple of hours per week please contact school reception for more information 3380 6333.



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School Crossing

Parents: We are lucky enough to have 3 supervised crossings around our school, please set a good example for your children by using the crossings and following the supervisors instructions. Road safety is an important lesson for everyone.

Prep News

We would like to welcome everyone back to school, in particular our lovely new group of prep students. We have had a fabulous first week and look forward to watching your children learn and grow throughout the year.

Please remember to name all personal items, pack a healthy lunch and have a water bottle every day.

Every Wednesday morning from 8:30am, Prep students will be at the main school for Music and P.E. If you arrive after 8:30am, please **do not** bring your child or their belongings down to their classroom. You will need to come to the office for a late note and then take your child to their specialist lesson. Thank you for your co-operation.

Logan Hockey

SIGN ON DAY

Date: Saturday February 7th
Location: Meakin Park
165 Meakin Rd, Slacks Creek
Time: 9am - 11am

Come on down and have a social game of hockey. Enjoy a sausage sizzle after the game.

Sign your kids up for junior hockey.

Logan Hockey Club has women's Turf and Grass Hockey.

With Turf teams in both Brisbane and Gold Coast competitions, and opportunities to play dual competitions.

For more information:
loganhockey@hotmail.com

Host An Exchange Student



Experience The Magic Of Hosting



" In July our exchange student, Toon, joined our family. And when I say joined he literally did that. He has become my teenage son. Our experience as a family has been amazing and unforgettable.

Toon is leaving this week and I feel like my son is grown up and leaving home. There is nothing negative that I can say about our time with Toon. Toon has been through all sorts of things with our family. Through good times, like the birth of our new daughter, and not so good times (but nothing bad).

I would like to say my respects to Toon's parents. They have done a wonderful job raising such a courteous, well mannered, well balanced son. We have so many fantastic stories from this exchange experience. We have enjoyed it so much that we are hosting again next July. We will have a friend for life and will never forget Toon.

Thank you WEP for the chance to meet Toon. It wouldn't have been possible without the WEP team. Only a quick few words to show my appreciation in meeting Toon and to WEP.

Enrich your home with a curious exchange student in July 2015

Request student profiles now to find out more!

www.wep.org.au 1300 884 733 info@wep.org.au

AFL Auskick



Where: Springwood JAFC
When: First session and sign on Saturday 14th February
Time: 8:30-9:30am
Length of program: 6 weeks*
Cost: \$70

When you participate in Auskick you also receive your very own football, draw string bag and much more!
For more information call 3394 2198

School Watch

POLICE: 3826 1888 or 3807 7790 SCHOOL WATCH: 13 1788

STATE GOVERNMENT SECURITY: 3224 6666