

Dates To Remember

June 27th - Last Day of Term 2

July 14th - First Day of Term 3

August 5th - Mabel Park State High Open Day for Yr7 students

August 7th - Mabel Park State High Open Day for Yr6 students

August 7th - Kingston College Transition Day for Yr7 students

August 8th - Kingston College Transition Day for Yr6 students

Community Hub News



It is nearly the end of term, and that means school holidays! There are lots of free activities and events happening in Logan. Make sure to check out the Logan Central Library and what they have happening!

A reminder that our Tuesday playgroup does not run during school holidays, but will be back in week one.

Next term we have some exciting projects starting in the hub including a weekly craft group, English conversation classes for parents and another playgroup for families, so stay tuned for more info!

For parents of year six and seven students, on Friday 25th July (week two of next term), I have invited a couple of our local high schools to spend some time in our



Community Hub. They will be available for you to come and speak to and find out information about their schools for next year. They will also have their enrolment forms available for you on the day. An invitation will be sent home with your children before the day.

Community News

There are a number of community organisations that are available to families in need.

Family Support:

YFS (Youth & Family Services) - 3826 1500
HOF (Helping Out Families) - 3270 6400
Grandparents Program - 1300 135 500
Logan Family Relationship Centre - 3442 1500
Lifeline - 13 11 14
Raising Children - 1300 301 300

Food Banks & Parcels

Loaves & Fishes - 3808 5713
Tribe of Judah - 3290 3610
Adra Community Centre - 3290 3011

Vol 7 - 25 June 2014**From The Principal****Best Wishes to our WNSS School Community**

Best wishes to all for a safe and fun-packed holiday period. This has been a really busy year with the added complexity of the fire in C Block. Thank you to the many people who have let us know they are thinking of us at this time. Local schools, both state and Catholic, have offered sympathy, support and resources. Communities like ours really pull together when things get tough.

C Block

Because of the very quick response by the Fire Brigade when the fire was called in, the damage has been contained to the northern end of the building. Our thanks to the alert person who called the fire brigade on Sunday evening. While all classrooms have had to be evacuated, Years 5B and 6F should be back in their rooms for the start of Term 3. Major repairs have to be done to the stairwell, storage area adjacent to the 7C area, the 7C and LOTE classrooms and to 3/4R. The external passage way in that area also suffered significant damage.

If the repairs cannot be completed by the end of the holidays, 7C and 3R will continue to be located in other areas such as the Science centre and the Library. LOTE classes are only one day a week and can be conducted in regular classrooms until the LOTE room is again available.

Teachers were allowed to enter the construction site on Monday and it was many hands on deck to help move resources from one area to the temporary teaching spaces. The EQ Facilities people, police, forensic teams, fire brigade, construction teams as well as our own community have all helped to get us through with a minimum of disruption to learning programs. I would like to congratulate all on the superb teamwork and support provided in dealing with this situation.

Incentive Days

These are going ahead as usual on Wednesday and Thursday this week. These events give recognition to those students who are following the school's behaviour expectations by Being Safe, Being Respectful, Being Responsible and Being a Learner. These students have not been suspended throughout the term and have demonstrated positive behaviours, which enable them to attend the celebrations. We encourage students who had to miss the events because of behaviour, to strive in Term 3, to change the actions which got them into trouble so they too, can attend the next incentive day events.

Reading, Reading, Reading

The best way to help your child's learning is to get them to read over the holiday period. Ask them questions about what they are reading. Ask what the key messages are that the text is conveying and whether they agree or disagree with what the author is saying. Texts are everywhere – in the wider community, at home, on the media. The Logan City Library is a fabulous resource for holidays as well as during term. They offer a wide variety of activities for children. Please encourage your child to access the Library by taking them there to see for yourself.

Community readers from the Quokka program will commence working with children in Year 2, in Term 3. The Logan readers will move from Year 2 to Year 1. These people are volunteers who give up their own time to read with children to support the development of good reading skills.

Parent Support

Thanks again to our wonderful P&C team and tuckshop and breakfast club volunteers. The commitment these people show towards the school and its students is wonderful. Please know that we really appreciate all that you do. Lots of positive feedback about the awesome discos you organised for last week. Heartfelt thanks to staff who stayed to help with these events.

Muriel Collings
Principal

NOTICES

From The Deputy

NAIDOC and Multicultural Day

Our NAIDOC and Multicultural Day celebrations will be held on Friday July 18th. All students will be involved in a variety of activities including art, dance and cultural enrichment. At 1:15pm, a concert will be held in the hall. All year levels will be participating, so please bring your cameras and a smile. We have an amazing depth of cultural diversity at Woodridge North and we look forward to seeing our school community sharing our strong school spirit.

Our Learning Journey

We really have an amazing team to support your child's learning. Reading has been the major focus this semester and we are seeing some amazing results and levels of improvement across all year levels. Our 'Fly In Squads' work alongside classroom teachers and have provided extra support in classrooms during reading time. Due to the hard work of our teachers and aides, our students are benefitting and continue to improve their reading levels. Special mention must go to our Acting Head of Curriculum, Mrs Amber Cottrell, for leading this learning journey. Our school is a great school.

Report Cards

Report cards will start arriving home today. Your child's grades are formed according to the Australian Curriculum's Achievement Standards. Please take the time to read through these reports carefully. If you have any questions arising from these reports, please feel free to contact your child's teacher. Parent-teacher interviews have not been scheduled as these were done last term, however teachers have requested parent-teacher interviews for some students. Please see the last page of the report card to determine if you are required for an interview. Please contact your child's teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Keep Our School Safe

Please parents, keep an eye on your children over the holidays and explain to them that our school is not a playground. After this week's fire, we want all of our students to stay safe and out of harm's way. Not only is being on school grounds after hours trespassing, it also implicates any individual should something go wrong. Thank you to our alert school community who keep us informed. If you witness any suspicious activity, please contact the police immediately.

Dave Hartley
Deputy Principal

Indigenous News



Woodridge North State Schools **Multicultural Concert will be held on Friday 18th July, at 1:15pm.** Please come and support your children as they perform a variety of culturally inclusive performances to coincide with NAIDOC in Community. Below is a list of community events that are free and run during our school holidays. We hope you take your children along and learn about Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Culture and Heritage. These events are free for everyone to come along for a fun filled family day.

Gunya Meta Family Fun Day Saturday 28th June, 9.00am—12.00pm 4 Jacaranda Cres, Logan Central

NAIDOC Week 6-13 July

This year's NAIDOC theme honours all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and women who have fought in defence of country.

Logan Gardens NAIDOC DAY 9TH JULY, 10AM -3PM

Musgrave Park NAIDOC DAY 11TH JULY, 10AM -5PM

Lastly stay safe and see you next term from Mrs Bell Indigenous Perspectives in School.

School Watch

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

STATE GOVERNMENT SECURITY: 3224 6666

NOTICES

Library News

A big thank you to everyone who supported our Book Fair this term. It was very successful generating \$520 in commission to be used to purchase resources to support our Woodridge North State School Reading Program. We also purchased \$800 worth of resources from the Book Fair which was made possible through the generous support of Desley Scott MP, Councillor Lutton and Mayor Parker. Their support is much appreciated.

The students had an exciting time during the Book Fair meeting Clifford the Big Red Dog with some lucky students also winning some of the many prizes that were on offer for those who visited the library during Book Fair or the month of May. Please find below a list of the lucky winners.

We Read - We Win!

Poster Winners

Pule 7C
Marlene 6B
Jemima 4B
Taylah 1S
Izaah 5H
Jesikah 4H
Chris 7H
Jade 4A

Metua 3O
Isabella P1
Mele 1G
Patricia 6B
Marja 5C
Margaret 5C

Voucher \$15 Winners

Charlie P1
Kayla 5C

Read more in May \$25 Voucher

Raha 1S

Variety Pack Winners

Taylah 1S
Andy 3O
Melanie 4A

All student loans are now due back in the library. Please check that your child has returned their library book to the library. Become a member of the Logan City Council (which is free to join) and you will have access to books and free activities over the school vacation period. Reading every day will help your child keep up their reading skills over the holiday period and return to school ready to start term 3.

On June 12 five students from Woodridge North State School travelled to Algester State School to participate in the annual Reader's Cup competition. This involved reading six books and attending meetings in the library once a week to practice the quiz type questions. Our students competed strongly and whilst they did not win they enjoyed the experience. Congratulations to Re Na Moo and Faith from 7C and Solomone, Tahu and Emma from 6B. They learnt valuable skills from this experience.

Have a safe holiday and happy reading,

Mrs Tighe and Mrs Elkington (teacher librarians)



Thank you to everyone who supported the Book Fair!

Logan City Council - Russell Lutton
and Mayor Parker - \$500
Desley Scott - \$300