### Dates To Remember - Term 3

- 10 August - Junior Sports Day
- 22-26 August - Canberra Camp
- 26 August - Prep Excursion
- 31 August - Family Maths Quiz Night
- 2 September - Book Week Parade
- 8 September - Multicultural Day
- 15 September - Year 3 Swimming Begins

### C&K News

Woodridge North Community Kindergarten
Kindergarten News

**ENROLLING NOW - 2017**
ONLY 10 spaces remaining

Children born between 1/7/2012 – 30/6/2013

Pension & Health Care Card Holders **$4.36 per day**
Fee subsidies also available for all other families

**Daily Fees current at 11 July 2016**

Visit us soon to collect your enrolment pack

15 Mawson Street, Woodridge  PH: 3208 5435
http://www.candk.asn.au/woodridgenorth

### Road Safety

We have noticed that parents have not been using the zebra crossing on Arthur street when collecting their children. We ask that parents and carers set a good example for our students by following the road rules and our school rule of “Be Safe”.

Also, cars are dropping students off in the middle of the Arthur and Philip streets intersection. This is very dangerous and we ask you park and drop your children off at school safely.

Have you seen anything strange or suspicious in our school grounds after hours? If you see anything or anyone in our school grounds when we’re not here we would appreciate it if you could report this activity to:

School Watch - 13 17 88
Thank you
Dear Parent & Caregivers,

Our school had the absolute pleasure of meeting parents and family members of our 2017 Prep group during our Open Day. Our committed team of early years staff, which included our Community Hub leaders, spent Wednesday morning outlining what Prep looks like at WNSS and strengthening the understanding of how we can help our littlest learners succeed in their future learning environment. I would encourage every family with a child turning 5 before 30th June, 2017 to get to know their school as soon as possible. This is also a good way to become informed about Prep expectations and changes such as compulsory attendance in 2017.

Things to do at home …

Finally, our school’s NAPLAN results for 2017 were released this week and individual NAPLAN reports for students have been sent home. We will be looking at this in the coming weeks to identify our potential strengths. At this point in time we have recognised:

- In Year 3, we have seen an increase in the percentage of students achieving the National Minimum Standard in 4 out of 5 strands.
- In Year 5, we have seen an increase in the percentage of students achieving the National Minimum Standard in 3 out of 5 strands.
- Since 2012 we have reduced the percentage of students in both Year 3 and Year 5 in the Bottom 2 Bands, as well as seen an increase in the students reaching the Upper 2 Bands across the majority of the strands.

Overall, when we compare our school’s performance since 2014 we are closing the achievement gap in Years 3 & 5 for all strands.

Kind regards,
Michael McMahon
It is an exciting time of year in our school. We have just had our Prep 2017 open day where we were able to meet some of our students who are enrolling for Prep next year. These students will be able to start our “Get Ready for Prep” program next week and will enjoy many activities with Miss Dee, including visiting our prep classrooms each week. If you know of any 2017 prep students who have not contacted the school, please let them know we are organising interview times now.

This week we have our Junior Sports Day and our year one students are looking forward to a visit from our local Firefighters from the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services. Next week sees some of our year 6 students who excel in maths, compete in a Maths Day of Excellence at Woodridge State High School and on the same day selected students in Years 3 and 5 will be taking part in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) Fair.

Congratulations to 5F, 6E, 6A, 4C, 3T and 2G. Each of these classes have had outstanding attendance in this term. A rewards afternoon for the class with the highest overall attendance for this term is up for grabs. Looks like it will be a close competition.

Kind regards
Elizabeth Hancock

I would like to thank those parents who have been turning up to practise on a Friday for cultural dance, your presence is much appreciated. During the September holidays a Murri Carnival for Juniors in Netball and Rugby League will be delivered by Deadly Choices. This carnival will run over 2 massive days. If you would like your child to participate please follow this link http://www.vision6.com.au/em/forms/subscribe.php?db=370367&s=103219&a=62167&k=9b6dc6b or go on the Deadly Choices website and search for the event. If you would like assistance in registering your children for the event Mrs Bell is more than happy to help. Also look out for the Murri Carnival info as teams are already putting in their applications to represent. Ages for the Juniors are as follows U10’s, U12’s & U14’s.

In Spirit
Sharon Bell
District Athletics
On Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th July, Mr Gillam (Ms Munro) had the privilege of supervising 20 students from WNSS at the Districts Athletics Carnival at JPC. Throughout the two days, the students participated in their chosen events, and were fantastic ambassadors for our school. Whether they participated in their chosen events, each and every one of them gave 100%, both on and off the field. A huge congratulations to Chris, Paki, Sam, Elenoa, Leila, Shontelle, Loreanna, Lavinia, Rebekah, Silia, Tiriti, Lualua, Neta, Poesit, Zion, Darius, Jeremiah, Javonne, Jade, and Melani, on making the WNSS team. They showed their true sportsmanship whether winning or losing and I was extremely proud of them all.

Congratulations to Rebeka, Zion, Loreanna, Neta and Elenoa who were selected to compete in the Logan District Athletics Team. These Students will now aim for selection in the Metropolitan East Team at the Regional Carnival on the 1st & 2nd September at the Qld Sport and Athletic Centre. Thank you also to the parents who supported our team at the District Carnival.

Junior Sports Day—Wednesday 10 August
We hope to see lots of family and friends supporting our Years Prep to 3 students at our Junior Sports Day. This day will begin at 8:45am and finish at Midday. The P & C will be operating a canteen under the shed next to the oval.

Rugby League  Congratulations to Loreanna and Melani for their selection in the Logan District Girls Rugby League team. Good luck girls at the Regional Carnival.

Touch Football
Well done to the Year 6 girls Touch Football team who competed at the Woodridge SHS Carnival last Monday. The girls played extremely well to finish in 3rd place at the carnival. After playing 5 round robin games the girls went down in overtime in their Semi final. A special mention to Elenoa who was awarded most valuable Player at the Carnival.

Year 3 Swimming
Our Year 3 swimming program begins on Monday September 5 at Gould Adams Aquatic Centre. Final payment to participate in Year 3 swimming is AUGUST 12. Due to the need for buses and swimming instructors to be booked on this date NO late payments will be accepted after August 12.
Canberra Camp 2016

Students from our school will be undertaking an education tour of our national capital from August 22-26. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognise the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government has contributed funding of $60 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards the costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school on completion of the excursion.

Finance News

Woodridge North recently introduced BPoint payments as an alternative payment for Parents when paying Invoices. We have included a step by step process for you to follow any other inquiries please contact the office.
NOTICES

Multicultural Day
On Thursday the 8th of September we will be holding our Multicultural Day. During this day students are afforded the opportunity to learn about other cultures. In the afternoon session every year level will present an item on parade. If there are any family groups who would like to present a concert item could you please contact me at the office or phone on 3380 6333.

Library News

Library Newsletter
The library has been a busy place as usual this term ..... Especially on cold winter days when students like to escape to a warm place at lunch time. It will be getting a lot busier in week 8 from August 29 – September 2 when we will be celebrating the joy of reading with Book Week activities running each lunch time. The theme for Book Week this year is “AUSTRALIA – STORY COUNTRY.” The library will be having guest readers each lunch time and students who attend will collect a token to go into a draw to win a fabulous book to be awarded on assembly the following week.

The final activity will be a DRESS UP PARADE for Prep – Year 3 on Friday September 2 commencing at 8.45am and finishing at 9.45am. We would love as many students as possible to dress up for this parade. The students choose a book character and this can be costumes that you already have at home. (Spiderman, Batman, Cinderella, Pirates, cowboys, princesses, witches etc) Parents are welcome to come along and join in the fun and stay for the literacy parties that will follow the parade. If you have any questions about this please ring the library on 33806333.

Pictures from 2013 Parade

BOOK WEEK DRESS-UP PARADE
Where: The school hall
When: Friday 2nd September (8.45-9.45am)
Who: Prep to Year 3 students

Community News

GET READY FOR PREP
5 WEEK PRE-PREP TRANSITION PROGRAM
15TH AUGUST - 12TH SEPTEMBER
WHERE: WOORDRIDGE NORTH COMMUNITY HUB
TIME: 9:00-11:00

Register at Woodridge North State School office/Community Hub or call 3380 6333

Parents - School Info, Music Therapy, Speech Therapy, Dental Health
Child - Class visits, Music Therapy, Activities, Exploring the School