

## Vol 11 - 22 July 2015

### Dates To Remember

Wednesday 29 July - P&C Meeting -1:45pm - All Welcome  
Wednesday 5 August - Prep Open Day - 9-10:30am  
Wednesday 7 August - Jeans For Genes Day - Gold Coin Donation  
Monday August 10 - Logan EKKA Holiday

### Indigenous News

Welcome back to term 3, we are excited about learning something new each and every day. Last Friday was our NAIDOC / Multicultural Day in which we proudly displayed our school's diversity and talent on stage. We had Deadly dancing and a Deadly Yugambeh Choir performing the Australian Anthem in Yugambeh language. Thank you to those students participating,

Mrs Bell would like to remind parents that the Homework Centre now operates on a Monday from 2.30pm- 4.00pm in the school hall, if you would like your child/ children to participate in this please see the administration ladies for a permission slip.

**The Yugambeh word for week 1 was charara (footprints) and week 2's Yugambeh word is mobo (tomorrow).**

In Spirit

Sharon Bell - Indigenous Support Teacher Aide



### From The Deputy

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

In our first newsletter since term three commenced I would like to thank everyone for my warm welcome to Woodridge North State School. In such a short time I have been able to experience and observe some of the wonderful things that take place day-to-day, including our magnificent Multicultural/NAIDOC Day in week 1, and can see why our staff and students love coming to our school.



In the tradition of Mr Boobyer and Mr Hartley, I look forward to working with the school community to continue the improvement journey for our students. In order for our students to thrive as learners it is essential that they are at school every day, that they give 100% effort to their subjects, and their behaviour meets our school-wide values. At this early stage of semester two I would like to commend Ms Dixon and the students of 1D for the commitment they are showing to attendance having won the 'Every Day Counts' trophy for two weeks in a row.

Please remember that parents and caregivers are welcome to attend assemblies every Monday afternoon from 1:50pm in the Hall. This is our weekly opportunity to celebrate the successes within our school and provide a clear focus for the following week. If you would like to become more involved with WNSS there are additional opportunities via volunteering for tuckshop or breakfast club or by joining our P & C. Please contact the Office for more information.

#### DP NOTICE BOARD:

~ A reminder that parents sitting with students in the mornings are asked to wait in the D Block end in the undercover area. Thank you for supporting the supervision and safety of our students.

~ If your student is away please provide an appropriate explanation to the office or respond to the sms.

Sincerely,  
Michael McMahon

# NOTICES

## From The Principal

### Introducing Michael McMahon

We welcome Michael to our school as our substantive Deputy Principal. He has already established himself as a key leader at WNSS and has met with many parents as well as our students and staff. He brings significant expertise with him as he has worked in other Queensland schools as well as overseas.

### School Opinion Surveys

If you have not yet completed your on-line survey, could you please do that as soon as possible. We have computers at the school if you do not have access to the internet at home. Every family was sent home a letter with a personal code attached to provide them access to the survey site. We need high participation to get an accurate picture of how we are doing at the school and or how we can improve. Your information is valued.

### Multicultural/NAIDOC Day Celebrations

What a great day we all had in spite of the bitterly cold westerly wind. Thank you to everyone who helped make it such a success, with particular mention of Elizabeth Hancock, Sharon Bell and Hannah White who all put in many, many extra hours pulling it all together and organising both internal and external workers and participants. We take great pride in our cultural diversity and the respect our school community demonstrates to the wider community.

### Waiting areas before school

A request to those parents/carers who wait with their children in the mornings until first bell. Could you all please wait in the undercover area adjacent to the junior toilets rather than going around to the area near the ESL and Year 1 rooms. We have concerns about children making a lot of noise in that area when teachers are preparing for the day's activities and some children are running around, including on the stairs, which could result in an accident. Thank You.

### Breakfast Club

We would like to continue the Breakfast Club and would like to extend it to every morning, however, **we need parent/carer volunteers**. YMCA is the organisation through which the program is run. They will continue to provide the food for the breakfast program but they are unable to provide volunteers and the school now has to find volunteers itself. The program will not be able to continue unless we can get adult volunteers. If you can roster yourself for one morning a week, please let us know at the office as soon as possible. It requires the volunteer to come in at 7.30 am for one hour to set up, run the program and tidy up afterwards. It is good to have two adults for each breakfast. Students can be used to help with cereal if necessary. Instead of having breakfast at home on that morning, perhaps you could consider helping out and having breakfast here. Parents who come in and wait in the morning with their children could consider helping out so this program can be maintained and hopefully extended.

Thanks for your support.

Muriel

## Prep News

Our prep excursion to Queens Park is on the 27<sup>th</sup> of August. You should have received a letter detailing the excursion. Please return the permission slip to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible. The lunch pack payment (\$5) is due by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> of August. Please see your child's classroom teacher if you have any questions. Due to our generous and amazing prep families we have raised enough money to cover the large expense of the bus. Thank you again for your generosity, it has made this excursion much more affordable for students to attend.

Warm regards,  
The Prep Team

## Community Hub News

Next term the Hub will have a scrapbooking and craft group run by Miss Jocie from our C&K.

The activity will cost a gold coin donation from each participant.

For more information please contact Miss Shelly in our community Hub:

**mobri159@eq.edu.au or 3380 63337**

## Community News

Career Keys will be holding courses at the St Francis Community Hub (Crestmead) soon. Certificate III in Education Support and Certificate III in Aged Care will be available, for those with a concession card the courses will be \$50 each. For more information please contact tusher@bne.catholic.edu.au

## School Photos

If parents wish to view the Sports Excellence or Choir photos before purchasing online you can see them in the office.

## Student Council News

Drawing competition 3/08-24/08. The student council will be providing more information soon about a drawing contest they are running. Get those pencils ready!

## School Watch

**POLICE: 3826 1888 or 3807 7790 SCHOOL WATCH: 13 17 88 - STATE GOVERNMENT SECURITY: 3224 6666**

# NOTICES

## Woolies Earn & Learn

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July to Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit [woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn](http://woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn)



### BPoint

BPoint is a new way to pay for your student's invoices. On the bottom of an invoice is a BPoint number and invoice number. When paying for an invoice you can log on to the website and use a Visa or Mastercard, your CRN and Invoice number to pay. Each invoice must be paid for separately using the unique invoice number.

### HPE News

**Athletics:** Congratulations to all of the students who competed at the Logan District Athletics Carnival at John Paul College last week. Our team performed very well with the following 5 students gaining selection in the Logan Regional Team to compete at the Metropolitan East Carnival at the State Athletics Centre on September 3 and 4.

**Zion - Shot Put**  
**Melani - Long Jump**  
**Britney - Long Jump**  
**Elenoa - 800m**  
**Tyrone - High Jump**

**Year 3 Swimming:** Year 3 learn to swim lessons have been booked for the last 2 weeks of this term. These lessons will be held at the Gould Adams Aquatic Centre at Kingston starting Monday 7 September. Information notes and permission forms will be sent home with year 3 students shortly.

**P-3 Sports Day:** Our junior sports day will be held on Wednesday 12 August from 8:45am - 12 noon. Children will participate in running events and a variety of rotational sports activities. Further information can be found as an insert within this newsletter.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Mr Gillam.

**Tony Gillam - HPE Teacher**

### C&K 2016

**Woodridge North  
 Community Kindergarten**  
 Creche & Kindergarten Association



## Kindy 2016

Children born 1/7/11 – 31/7/12

**DON'T MISS OUT  
 SPACES ARE BEING FILLED RIGHT NOW**

**HCC & Concession Holders** **\$1.96 p/day**

Subsidies all other children

\*\* Fees are current at 13 July 2015, subject to government funding  
 \*\*Registered Care Rebate available from Family Assistance Office

Current national rating  
**EXCEEDING NATIONAL QUALITY STANDARDS**

- Qualified and experienced Early Childhood teachers and assistants
- Government approved curriculum "Building Waterfalls"

Call us, or come in to visit. We look forward to meeting you soon!

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