



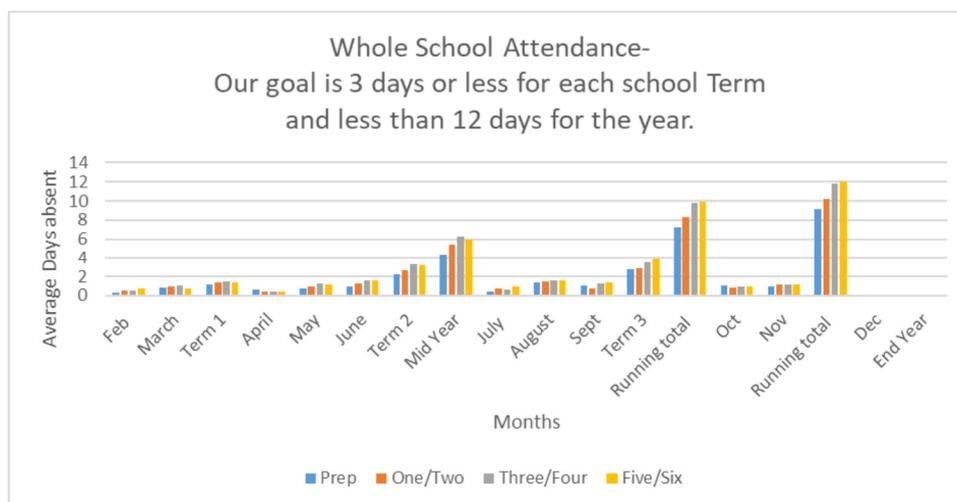
# Newsletter - 2018

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## *From the Principal*

Dear Parents & Guardians



Is there anyone else who is asking how we are in December and the school year has a little over 2 weeks to go? 2018 seems to have flown by with so many highlights to be celebrated. I will begin with our attendance goal, which has been at the forefront of each newsletter. At the pointy end of the year the following are our current results; year 5/6 are on 12 days average absence, 3/4 on 11.8, 1/2 on 10.2 and Preps on 9.1 which is an excellent result. Our goal was 12 days average for the whole school so this places us at 10.8 days which is a massive achievement and way below the goal we have set. With 13 school days to go, we can do it! Well done.

We have successfully met or exceeded our annual student learning outcome goals. NAPLAN results continue to validate our improvement efforts and it is worth mentioning that 80% of our Year 3 students are in the top 2 bands for reading which is outstanding. Year 5 NAPLAN spelling was a highlight with 48% in the top 2 bands, which is proof that our focus of developing student capacity to use 5 strategies, is working. We are also celebrating that our students in Year 7 are maintaining their top 2 band outcomes across all areas from year 5 to 7. All of our outcomes are a huge validation and strong indicator that our school is high performing with teacher practice having a wonderful impact.

We commenced the year with 67 Prep students and 14 grades. The library was moved and a lovely new classroom was created by installing glass walls. The Harvest Market was again a success, despite 4 seasons in one day and as a community we raised \$28,000. Amazing! Profits went back into purchasing netbooks, iPads and e-books.

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The Twilight Sports was a success and our new House and School Captains led the four houses, Wellington, Sebire, Victoria and Bailey through fun activities. It is great seeing the older students taking care of and guiding our new preps which introduces them to what we refer to as 'The Wandin North Way.' We kept our kids moving with interschool sports, surfing, snow skiing, orienteering, cross country, athletics, basketball, fitness laps and the introduction of new sports through the Sporting Schools Program. Many of our students achieved regional levels of competition and represented Wandin North proudly.

I believe that students and staff peaked this year in the category of Free Dress Days. Mr Langley is a very enthusiastic participant and the Senior School team have impressed us with their coordinated efforts! What is wonderful to see is participation from Prep - 6 and students enjoying the fact they can come to school dressed up as Captain Underpants, Mr Bean, a giant plum or a potato, have fun and raise money for our charities. Staff out did themselves as a collection of Where's Wally's and the students reaction was priceless. Our sponsor child, Yanarius Like has turned 7 and he is enjoying the cards we send to him as a reminder of our support and connection.

I annually mention the generosity of others and this year is no exception. Free Fruit Friday, Basketball, Book Fair, classroom helpers, Harvest Market, Mothers & Father's Day stalls, shopping tour, camping programs, excursions and overnight sleepovers are a few examples. Our volunteers go above and beyond our expectations and contribute to the wonderful culture we have at Wandin North.

We look forward to hosting a family picnic this year on the oval as a change to having a formal concert. There are no ticket limitations (there are no tickets!) and all families need to bring is a picnic rug and dinner. All of the grades are busy rehearsing their Christmas song and Santa will be making an appearance at the end of the night. This event is smoke, alcohol and pet free.

To mark 100 years since Armistice Day, I applied for a Federal grant to install a memorial garden and glass panel. It was a little like 'The Block' to get to the finish line however, what resulted was one of our most memorable events yet. Supported by our local RSL, Don and Tom led us through very poignant moments including a beautiful poem and the playing of The Last Post and Reveille. As Tom turned to salute the Australian Flag and a tear was seen to be rolling down his cheek, there were not many dry eyes. I asked the students a simple question about what peace means to them and their responses were incredible. We selected some to read out on the day and I personally experienced goose bumps as they were read aloud. They were simply, brilliant.

Thank you to all School Council members who have continued to support all of the school community through their commitment to council meetings and their interest in making Wandin North Primary School the best it can be now and into the future. We farewell Mr Mark Southall who has made valuable contributions to our school and thank him for the time he has spent as a school counsellor. I once again acknowledge the incredible time and effort School Council President, Mrs Katie Carr puts into our school. Katie spends countless hours in our uniform shop ensuring that supplies are ordered and student uniform requests are filled. Katie epitomises our school culture with her warmth and friendliness. Thank you Katie and Theo, whom we have the pleasure of watching grow up and who keeps us on our toes from the uniform shop!

I would like to thank all of my wonderful staff. They work tirelessly to ensure each child is growing and learning. This year we have worked on Growth Mindset and continued with a focus on developing mathematical mindsets. Paul Bailey has worked on a 3 year ICT plan and has initiated a fantastic vision for our school in this space. Paul continues to work with and support all families and I am very grateful for his passion and commitment to Wandin North. To succeed in any area, it is the passion, commitment and work ethic of staff to implement practice change. We are very fortunate that at Wandin North, not only are our students curious and continuing to learn, so are our staff. Their impact is the greatest on student outcomes and I always celebrate that I am surrounded by such great people.

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In 2019 we farewell Miss Burnage and Mrs Smith and wish them all the very best for the year ahead. Mr Pickett is also enjoying life and is continuing leave. We warmly welcome back Miss Johnson and Mrs McArdle and would formally like to introduce Mr Nick Syme who has worked at Wandin North for the past two years as an Education Support staff member, and who has successfully completed his Bachelor of Education. Our teaching staff for 2019 are; Miss Wilcox, Miss Allen, Miss Moore, Mrs McArdle, Mr Langley, Miss Abbruzzese, Ms Burrows, Mrs Salvitti, Miss Johnson, Mr Syme, Mrs Grisold, Mrs Clarke, Miss Bell, Miss Hoehne and Miss Wilkinson. Our specialist staff are Mr Marikar, Mrs Bailey, Mrs Gibson and Mrs Kennedy. Education Support staff are John Hagen, Liz Young, Caitlin Deklijn, Lachlan Gibbons, Kiera Rankin and Teagan Campbell. Office staff, whom you probably speak to the most often are, Lyn O'Regan and Rachael Edwards.

On behalf of our school staff, I would like to thank all of our families for their ongoing support and wish everyone a safe, happy holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone in the New Year.

Regards, Dee DeKlijn Principal Wandin North Primary School

## *Diary Dates*

- **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December** - Melbourne Museum Excursion Gr 1/2.  
- Full Steam Ahead – Technology Incursion Gr 5/6.
  - **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December** - Working Bee #11.
  - **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December** - Harvest Market Meeting 9:00am.  
- School Council 7:00pm.
  - **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** - Prep Transition #5 9:15 - 11:00am.  
- Christmas Family Night. 5:30pm – Picnic Tea / 6:00pm - Concert commences. (Back-up: Tuesday 18th).
  - **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December** - Melbourne Zoo Excursion Preps.
  - **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Major Assembly at 9.00am :**  
Presentation of awards for our Academic, Rotary, Young Leaders and Most Improved for the year. We will also be announcing the 2019 School and House Captains.
  - **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December** - Grade 6 Graduation.
  - **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December - Last day Term 4 Dismissal 1:30pm.**
- 2019 :**
- **Sunday 27th January** - Working Bee #1.
  - **Tuesday 29th January** - Uniform Shop Open 10:00am - 2:00pm.  
- Teachers resume.
  - **Wednesday 30th January** - Students resume Grades 1— 6.
  - **Thursday 31st January** - Preps commence.
  - **Wednesday 6th February - 6th March** - No Preps at school.
  - **Monday 18th February** - Harvest Market Meeting 9:00am
  - **Tuesday 19th February** - School Council.

A Special Note about ...

### ASSEMBLIES ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Each Friday at 3:10pm, weather permitting, an assembly is held outside on the central quadrangle.

The following items are announced:

- National Anthem
- Forthcoming events
- Thank you messages to the community
- House Points
- Stars of the Week
- Messages from our Captains (or nominated student)
- Special Presentations (if applicable)

## *Berry Sales*

Fridays 3:00pm - 4:30pm.

Outside the Prep building, next to the stairs.

Cash & Eftpos accepted.

## *Thank You*

We wish to thank  
**Hillndale  
Orchards**

for their continued support with our Free Fruit Friday program.

Hillndale Orchards  
120 Quayle Rd,  
Wandin Nth.

## *Stars of the Week*

Prep A	Miss Allen		RYDER BOMBINSKI / BEAU DELANY / ADRIAN MITCHELL / LARA TUNNECLIFFE
Prep B	Miss Burnage	.....	OLIVER LAMPKIN / CHASE GLENN / VIPER WALSH / TILLY JOHNSTON / TAHLIA KRAUS
Prep M	Miss Moore		CODY ARMSTRONG / LUCY ROBERTS / PHOEBE O'ROURKE / LUCY KILLIN / ALEXAH DE KONING
Prep W	Miss Wilcox	.....	KOBI EMERY / VIOLET NOLDER / VIOLET RUSCITTI / EVA VAN GRAAS
Grade 1/2B	Miss Bell	.....	
Grade 1/2G	Mrs Grisold	.....	NAYSA SANAZ / RIVER HOYNE / IZZY HUME / JOSH JACKSON / LUCCA SMITH
Grade 1/2L	Miss Leonard	.....	
Grade 1/2S	Mrs Smith	.....	ALEX BARNARD / KYAN BRAY / SCARLET HOYNE / ELLA FREAM
Grade 3/4B	Ms Burrows	.....	COOPER AITKINS / EMILY OLIVER/ ANNABEL SARGEANT / ALBY SCHIPPER
Grade 3/4H	Miss Hoehne	.....	ISAAC ARMSTRONG / MAX DELACY / PIPPA HARTNETT FREEMAN / CRYSTAL HOOD / MIA JEF COTT / HARRY TREVILLYAN
Grade 3/4S	Miss Wilkinson	.....	
Grade 5/6A	Miss Abbruzzese	.....	CALEB BROADBENT / JOSH HOOK / DYLAN PETERSON / BEN SPERL / LATISHA TUNNECLIFFE
Grade 5/6L	Mr Langley	.....	
Grade 5/6S	Mrs Salvitti	.....	KYAH BYNE / TOM CALKIN / RANI CLARK / ALEX HALL
GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP	Mrs Gibson	.....	
ART	Mrs Attrill Mrs Gibson Ms Kennedy	.....	
P.E.	Mr Marikar	.....	AVA GODALY / ISIS DEWHURST-SIBLEY / BRAYDEN DAVIES / CODI HIBGAME / KAYLA CISILIN / JAMAL NJERI / ALYSIA TODD / HUNTER KIRKWOOD

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# Value Awards

## GOLD AWARDS

CAMERON BUSSE / ZEKE DEWHURST SIBLEY / SOPHIE SOUTHALL / LUCY ROBERTS / CASEY ROBERTS / ALYSIA TODD / PHOEBE O'ROURKE / LUCAS DYER / JAYLEN KNIGHT / VIOLET RUSCITTI / BROCK TAYLOR / EVA VAN GRAAS / TILLY JOHNSTON / TILLY LODGE / MCKENZI WHEELER / TAHLIA KRAUS / CHASE GLENN / BLAKE FOX / AMITY BLYTHMAN / HARPER DOUGLAS / AALIYAH LEARY / HARPER MCKEOWN / ADRIAN MITCHELL / JOSH OLIVER / AYALA BASSETT / RIVER HOYNE / JOSH JACKSON / KOBY RUTLEDGE / ISAAC / ARMSTRONG / CRYSTAL HOOD / ARWEN JOHNS / MAISON RUNDLE / NASH RYAN / CHLOE WILSON / JEANNE SCORIOT-OSTLER / ISABELLE U'REN / CAITLIN VAUGHAN / COOPER AITKINS / ABBY AKERS / WILL HOILES / EMILY OLIVER / ANHAD PANCHHI / DYLAN POLLOCK / COTTIA SIKHALI / AVA UPTON / LACHLAN FRASER / ELISSA CARROLL / ISLA CARR / JAYLEN SUPPLE / LATISHA TUNNECLIFFE / EVIE AITKINS / ALEXANDER BARNARD / MATILDA HILLS / BAANI PANCHHI / LILLY KITTO / LUCY PANETTA

## SILVER AWARDS

TYLA CUMMING / JOEL FREEMAN / CODY ARMSTRONG / DIESEL GRAHAM / HARRY PANETTA / ASTRID MUNRO / BLAKE RICHARDS / OLIVIA BRENT / MASON CLEMENTS / KOBIE EMERY / NOAH FARROW / PHOEBE FISHER / MAX ROBERTS / LOGAN WEIR / BRAYDEN DAVIES / BENJI HENSKENS / NIXON CAINES / BEAU DELANY / BRADLEY HIBGAME / ALANA LINLEY / KADE MOLLIKA / PATRICK SARGEANT / JETT WEBBER / CHELSEA TANNER / ADA AULICH / DEKLAN DIVOLA / MIA JEFFCOTT / CHARLIE AULICH / JAYDON DUNCAN / DEEGAN MOLONEY / SAMUEL ROBINSON / CONNOR JEWELL / OLIVER NATHAN / NOAH VINCENT

## BRONZE AWARDS

BEN SPERL

**Last day Term 4**

**Friday 21st December 2018**

**1:30pm Dismissal**

A Special Note about ...

### LATE PASSES AND ABSENCES –

DET accountability practices insist that every child is marked on the roll each day, both morning and afternoon.

Children must be signed in by their parents and obtain a yellow "late arrival" card from the office before going to the classroom.

Children must also be signed out if they are departing early.

Also, a reminder that all absences must be accounted for via FlexiBuzz from the parent to the class teacher explaining what date the child was absent and stating the reason why.

Flexibuzz is a convenient way for parents to notify the school of student absences.

In the interest of every child's safety, we ask for your cooperation.

### VISITORS TO SCHOOL –

All visitors, including parent helpers, are required to sign in and collect a 'VISITOR' lanyard at the office upon arrival. Please return the lanyard and sign out when departing.



Some children at this school are allergic to nuts. We urge you to refrain from sending food containing nuts to school.

## *Sports Update*

### **Fire Safety Incursion :**

On Tuesday 27th November, the children in F-1 had a Fire Safety incursion that was organised by the Wandin Fire Brigade. The children took part in three activities, ranging from a fire safety race, an interactive theory session and a practical exercise with the Wandin fire tanker. It is safe to say the children are now well equipped to manage their way out of a fire at school/home and ring 000. I was very impressed to see how much knowledge our children already knew about fire safety, especially with regards to being safe at home.

A highlight of the activities was the fire safety race. The children were asked to test a smoke alarm, call 000 and crawl low to escape smoke, unlock a deadlock and finish at a letter box signifying a meeting place. I did however have to laugh as the children were asked to dial/ring 000 using an old corded phone. The confused look on their faces as they saw the phone connected to the dial was absolutely priceless! Thank you 'Gen Alpha' for making me feel very old. Despite the fact, the children were beautifully behaved and looked to have really enjoyed the incursion!



The children should have also received a showbag to take home with information regarding fire safety. Please take time to go through some of the information with your child/ren and talk to them about how you and your family can be 'fire ready' for this summer. If you would like further information regarding any of the information that was provided to your child/ren, please go on the following link attached below.

<https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare/fire-ready-kit>

Finally, a huge thank you to Wandin Fire Brigade for setting up and organising the incursion for us, free of charge.

Mr Marikar, P.E. Coordinator

## *PassTab - 2019 System Update*

In accordance with our school's Emergency Management procedures, the Passtab security sign-in system will be updated over the Christmas holidays, before students return in 2019. New information will be required by all parents, volunteers and visitors, even if you have already have previously entered your details and set up a quickpin. We ask that you re-submit your information and re-enter your existing quickpin at the start of the year. Please ensure that you have your Working With Children Check number available. Once your quickpin is recreated you will not need to go through this process again.

**Please allow extra time for this process to be undertaken by coming in during the day or a few minutes earlier to avoid a queue at the office.** Please see the office staff for assistance if needed. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

# 2019 Subject Contributions

**\$280 per student - Early bird fee of only \$260 per student, if paid before the start of Term 1— 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019.**

Please note that excursions/incursions/sport and uniforms are an additional cost. If payment places undue financial pressure on your family, please contact the Principal who will treat any requests for payment variation arrangements with total confidentiality.

**DIRECT DEPOSIT DETAILS :** Account Name: Wandin North Primary School BSB: 633 000 Account Number: 127483352  
Family Identification Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please state family name and what payment is for when using the internet or making a payment directly at the bank, and email receipt confirmation number to : wandin.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au**

## *No Smoking*

Smoking is NOT PERMITTED at any time on school grounds or the surrounding areas, including the car parks.

## *Extend - OSHC*

**EXTEND OSHC AT WANDIN :**

**Operating Hours:** 6:30am - 6.00pm **Day Fee:** \$70.00  
(before any CCS has been applied).

**How To Book:** Please register and book online via [LookedAfter](http://www.lookedafter.com/).

Kind Regards,  
Extend Support

Enrol in Out of Hours School Care – Enrolling is quick and easy! Simply set up your own account online via [LookedAfter:https://www.lookedafter.com/](https://www.lookedafter.com/)



## *Working Bees*

A hard copy of the 2019 Working Bee Roster will be sent home next week.

**Future Working Bees : 9:00am - 12:00pm Families will be contacted prior to the day.**

12. Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Craig McEvoy Mel Smith Nick Syme	Carter Creed De Jager Farrow Henskens/Van Dreumel Jefcott Kearney Norman Penrose Peters Piper Rainbird Roberts (Max) Tunnecliffe Walshe Wray
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**OH&S :** To ensure the safety of our volunteers, an OH&S briefing is conducted at each working bee. Please read the "Volunteer Induction Handbook" posted on our school's website under 'Working Bees': <http://www.wandinorthps.vic.edu.au/parent-involvement/>

1. Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Paisley Thomas Lyn O'Regan	Akers Gale Sargeant (Chloe) Reid/Schultz
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A Special Note about ...

OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

Please visit the website

[www.wandinorthps.vic.edu.au/](http://www.wandinorthps.vic.edu.au/)

for :

- Newsletters / Weekly News
- What's On - classroom news
- Working Bee Roster
- Lunch Orders
- Uniform Orders
- Enrolment Form
- Excursion Permission Form
- WWCC Application Link

# WANDIN NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

## CHRISTMAS FAMILY NIGHT

*Tuesday 11th  
December 2018*

*BYO Picnic Tea  
5:30pm*

*Concert Starts  
6:00pm*

*BYO Picnic Blanket  
& Cushions*

*Seating in selected  
areas only!*



*All welcome!*

*See you on  
the oval!!*



\*\*\*\* This is a pet-free, smoke-free and alcohol-free event! \*\*\*\*