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Newsletter - 2023

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* *Last Day Term 1*

*Thursday 6th April
2:30pm Dismissal*

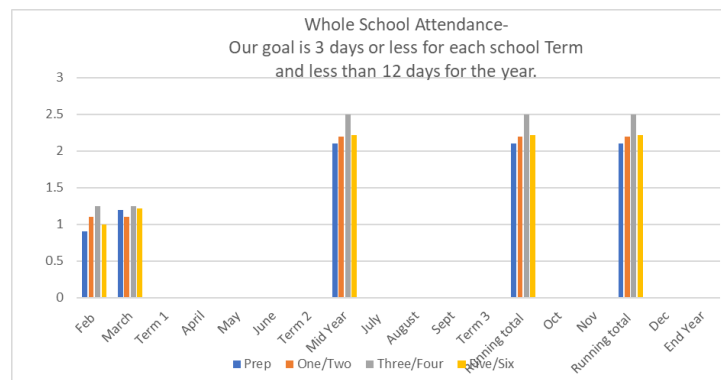
* *First Day Term 2*

Monday 24th April

* *ANZAC Day
Public Holiday
Tuesday 25th April*

From the Principal

Parents/Guardians,



It is hard to believe that we are in the last week of Term One. We successfully achieved our target of 3 days or less absence average. Our Foundation students lead the way with an average of 2.1 days. Well done to our Prep students however, Grades 1/2, 3/4 and 5/6 are not far behind. Keep up the great work and remember that 'every minute matters.'

Now that the dust has settled from Harvest Market, I can proudly announce that our wonderful community raised an outstanding \$40,641.73. As mentioned at our assembly, a power of work goes into our Harvest Market behind the scenes to bring the day together from parents seeking donations for silent auction, children bringing in goods for mystery bags, parents co-ordinating food stalls, second toys being donated for the toy stall, the time our parents and staff commit to ensuring our grounds look amazing, setting up stalls and marques and the pack up. Without the support of our community, the Harvest Market wouldn't exist. We will be using the funds raised to contribute to our assembly area upgrade.

On the 21st of March we had our School Council Annual General Meeting. It was at this time we farewelled Fiona Berryman who has been on School Council for 6 years. We thank Fiona for her contributions and support. I would like to introduce our 2023 School Council members to our community, President Craig McEvoy, Vice President Ben Caines, Treasurer and Community Member Megan Gibbons, Sheridan Piper, Simone Fraser, and Sandra Mayes. Our Department of Education members are Leigh Hallett, Teresa Savitti and myself.

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Our goals for council in 2023 are to complete the upgrade of our assembly area, build a case with the Department of Education to refurbish our toilet block and continue to look at ways to ensure the students at Wandin North have a stimulating learning environment and feel safe and secure.

Our Daylight Sports carnival is tomorrow at the new time of 2:45pm. We invite family members to come along, set up a picnic rug on the boundary of the oval to enjoy the event. Our Twilight Sports is normally a great community event where new families can interact whilst watching their child/ren. Children are encouraged to attend tomorrow in their house colours. If you are unsure what house your child is in, please contact your classroom teacher.

In 2023 we have partnered with The Resilience Project to add another layer to our well being approaches. The Resilience Project's key pillars gratitude, empathy and mindfulness connects strongly to work we have been doing regarding growth mindset and bouncing forward. I would like to set a gratitude challenge for families to participate in during the term break.

Gratitude Scavenger Hunt

As a family create a scavenger hunt list of things that make you happy or you are grateful for, you can make your own list or use the examples below:

- ◆ Something that makes you happy.
- ◆ Something you love to smell.
- ◆ Something you enjoy looking at.
- ◆ Something that is your favourite colour.
- ◆ Something you like in nature.
- ◆ Something that is useful for you.

Each member of the family uses the list and has to find as many things as they can. You can hunt for things inside and outside, or both. You can hunt for real things, or you can also do this using magazines or pictures from the internet. After a set amount of time hunting, come back together, have a look at what each person collected and let them explain why they are grateful for each item.

We hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable break.

Yours sincerely, Paul Bailey
Principal - Wandin North Primary School.

Diary Dates

- Wednesday 5th April - Daylight Sports – All Students 2:45pm to 4:15pm
- Thursday 6th April - Last Day Term 1 2:30pm Dismissal
- Monday 24th April - First Day Term 2
- Tuesday 25th April - ANZAC Day Public Holiday
- Friday 28th April - Free Dress Easter Hat Gold Coin—RCH Good Friday Appeal
- Tuesday 2nd May - Athletics Grades 3-6
- Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th May - Camp Howqua Grade 5/6
- Sunday 14th May - Working Bee # 3
- Tuesday 16th May - School Council
- Thursday 18th May - Open Night
- Sunday 18th June - Working Bee #4
- Tuesday 20th June - School Council

OPEN NIGHT

Thursday

18th May 2023

**5:30pm –
7.30pm**

Come and see our
school at work!

**Tours Available
5:30pm, 6:00pm
& 6:30pm**

Bookings Essential

Stars of the Week - March

Prep A	Miss Abbruzzese	.....	<i>Mia / Cooper / Zara / Bodhi / Layla / Braxton</i>
Prep S	Mrs Salvitti	.....	<i>Bodhi / Nate / AriaH / Ronny / Leo / Dario</i>
Grade 1H	Miss Hoehne	.....	<i>Indianna / Hazel / Lennon / Lucas / Amelia</i>
Grade 1J	Miss Johnson	.....	<i>Janessa / Alannah / Isla / Chelsea / Bonnie</i>
Grade 2B	Miss Bell	.....	<i>Charlie / Hiruka / Steel / Alice / Erica</i>
Grade 2L	Mr Langley	.....
Grade 3/4B	Ms Burrows	.....	<i>Grady / Matilda / Jack / Maxton</i>
Grade 3/4D	Miss De Koning	.....	<i>Jake / Harper / Walter / Hunter / Tayla</i>
Grade 3/4G	Mrs Gibson Ms Wilcox	.....	<i>Lewis / Ollie / Zane / Marlie / Addison / Elijah</i>
Grade 3/4R	Miss Rankin	.....	<i>Alleira / Thomas / Parker / Tariq</i>
Grade 5/6B	Miss Burnage	.....	<i>Beau / Cooper / Layla / Diesel / Josh / Jonathan</i>
Grade 5/6E	Mrs Eisele	.....	<i>Henry / Beth / Harper / Rahni / Declan / Oliver / Scarlett</i>
Grade 5/6K	Mrs Kennedy	.....	<i>Maddy / Alana / Casey / Adrian / Marlie</i>
Grade 5/6S	Mr Syme	.....
Grade 5/6W	Miss Woodlock	.....	<i>Ava / Blake / Sarah / Lara / Billy</i>
ART	Mrs Samson Mrs Smith	.....	<i>Xander A / Lexi A / Ayala B / Zara W / Isla U / Charlie M / Marli R</i>
LOTE - Indonesian	Mrs Flowers	.....	<i>Jett G / Ruby C / Liam W / Bonnie R / Noah S-P / Lexi A / Lucas L / Matilda M / Patrick A (5/6E) / AriaH H / Marlie B / Vayana M / Brody M / Lucinda V / Alana L</i>
P.E.	Mrs Clarke Mr Bailey	.....	<i>Jett G / Keira D / Hugh S / Levi B</i>
Sustainability	Mrs Attrill Mr Hallett	.....	<i>Arkyn V R / Kobe P / Ollie H / Layla R / Max R / Amity R / Zack T / Everley K</i>

Value Awards

BRONZE AWARDS

Hannah K / Jett G / Mackenzie R / Tanner C / Harper L / Rylee E / Axton D / Indianna M / Neve B / Eve M / Cadence E / Thomas M / Harrison P / Ryder L / Alannah C / Bronte T / Bonnie R / Claire R / Isla C / Charlie M / Lila R / Josh C / Xander A / Kaitlin G / Steel L / Harvey R / Maxton G / Sophie T / Matilda M / Miah C / Ruby C / Zara F / Isla B / Jasmine J / Ryan P / Summer G / Amber N / Isla U / Harley A / Aashka B-G / Amity R / Addison E / William G / Lewis V / Lani T / Tahlee H / Zane B / Isla G / Charlie G / Lexi A / Harper M / Patrick S / Amity B / Acasia N-O / Phoebe O / Patrick A / Claudia G / Reed M / Evie A / Zane C / Millie E / Alana P / Violet R

Compass : Student Absence Notifications

All student absences must be explained by parents using Compass.



Welcome back, [redacted]
Wandin North Primary School

[redacted]

- Profile (Attendance, Schedule, Reports)
- Send email to Xander's teachers
- + Add Attendance Note (Approved Absence/Late)
- View Academic Reports
- Book Parent Student Teacher Conference

Parents are asked to please ensure that the correct date and time frame is selected when sending absence notifications.

Compass has two sessions : AM (9:00am – 12:00pm) and PM (12:30pm – 3:30pm).

Please be careful with selecting the appropriate dates and times for the duration of your child's absence.

Compass : Late Arrivals & Early Departures

All students must be signed in and out by parents at the office using the Compass 'Kiosk' (iPad). This will automatically update class rolls.

Late students need to obtain a 'Late Pass' upon arrival. Students being collected early will be called to the office by staff where they will be collected by parents/carers. Parents are not to go directly to the classroom unless requested by staff.

Lunch Orders

Lunch Order Packs now cost \$8:00 each. Additional items can be purchased at an extra cost. Paper bags and zip lock coin bags are available from the office foyer.

Please write all details on the bag (name, grade, food/drink items and amount), place cash into the zip lock bag and place in order bag. **No staples please!**

These are to be handed into the classroom Tuesday mornings and orders will be delivered on Thursdays. **No late orders are to be taken directly to Mr K's.**

A master copy of the Lunch Order Menu can be found on the school's website by clicking this link :

<https://www.wandinorthps.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023-WANDIN-NORTH-PRIMARY-SCHOOL-LUNCH-ORDER.pdf>

2024 Prep Enrolments

We request that parents with children starting school in 2024 notify the office and submit an enrolment form as soon as possible.

Please include copies of your child's Birth Certificate and up-to-date Immunisation Statement. This will greatly assist us with ensuring you receive important information relating to your child's transition to school.

Phone Messages To Parents

We are aware that parents are not always able to answer the phone during the day when we try to contact them and where possible we will leave a detailed message.

Parents are asked to check their messages if they receive a 'missed call' before they contact the school as a response is not always

Updating Information & Contact Details

It is essential to have the correct details on our system and Compass. We ask for you to update your address, phone & email contact details, student medical conditions, family living/custody arrangements, emergency contacts and occupation & employment status in accordance with DET requirements.

All information is confidential and for school use only.

Parents are asked to advise the school office in writing any time when any changes occur.

Working With Children Checks (WWCC) And Code Of Conduct

All volunteers helping in our school require a valid Working With Children Check.

If you have recently received your WWCC card, remember to bring it to the office for registration.

Should you already hold a WWCC card for another organisation you will not be required to apply for a new card, however you will need to advise the Department of Justice that you are now a volunteer at Wandin North Primary School. Please provide a copy of your card to the school office. We also require you to complete a 'Code Of Conduct' form.

This year, many existing WWCC's will be due for renewal. The expiry date is clearly marked on the front and back of your card. A renewal form will be posted to you by the Department of Justice approximately eight weeks before your card expires. Applications must be made online at <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/home/applications/>

We also require you to complete a 'Code Of Conduct' form before you are able to assist with activities. If you have not yet done so, please collect a form from the office staff.

Child Safe

Wandin North Primary School is commitment to creating and maintaining a child safe organisation where children and young people are safe and feel safe. Our Code Of Conduct and Child Safe policies can be found on the school's website.

Bookclub

All orders and payments are to be made online. Thank you.

A Special Note about ...

OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

Please visit the website

www.wandinorthps.vic.edu.au/

for :

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

FINANCE – PAYMENTS

PLEASE NOTE :

PAYMENTS VIA COMPASS IS PREFERRED BY THE DUE DATE

Please ensure your Compass notifications are turned on.

Permission Forms - please ensure that you indicate on Compass that consent has been provided.

If you are unable to pay or having trouble paying by Compass, please contact Rachael in the school office on 5964 4570.

CSEF / CREDIT ON ACCOUNTS - If you have a credit or unused CSEF (Camp, Sports and Excursion Funds) on your account, we please ask that this be used first, prior to paying for any additional event costings. Please be reminded that CSEF funds can't be used for School fees, Grade 6 graduation or School Uniforms. If you are unsure of the amount of credit or CSEF that you have, please email the school asking for a copy of your statement.

STATEMENTS - You can request a statement at any time. Please contact the office if you require one.

Email wandin.north.ps@education.vic.gov.au to request a copy.

If you have any queries about your statement, please contact Rachael in the office.

A Special Note about ...

ASSEMBLIES ON FRIDAY AFTERNOONS

Each Friday afternoon, 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)

CSEF – Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund

Eligible families are reminded that applications for CSEF are now open. Please ensure you read the following information and visit the school office with a copy of your current card, and complete the CSEF application form which is available at the office.

Eligibility Date For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/carer concession card being validated successfully with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (30 January 2023) or term two (24 April 2023).

The CSEF program for 2023 closes on the 23 June 2023.

Please contact Rachael in the office for further information.



Some children at this school are allergic to nuts.

We urge you to refrain from sending food containing nuts to school.

No Smoking

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

THEIRCARE OSHC at Wandin North Primary School

TheirCare OSHC at Wandin North Primary School

Enrol in Out of Hours School Care – Enrolling is quick and easy! Simply set up your own account online via

www.theircare.com.au or call 1300 072 410.



Working Bees

Future Working Bees : 9:00am - 12:00pm

<i>Date</i>	<i>Coordinator</i>	<i>Families requested to help</i>
3. Sunday 14 th May	School Council Representative : Sheridan Piper	Bassett Brown (Isla) Clowes/Mildenhall Davidson Delany Dillema (Lucy) Farrell Farrow Graham (Diesel) Kennedy Murcutt Oliver Payne Prinsen Rackemann Richards (Blake) Ross Rundle Tander Troyahn Vander Reyden Vaughan
4. Sunday 18 th June	School Council Representative : Craig McEvoy	Blythman Buckland Carter (Alannah) Chiang Elias Fisher Foote Hume Iredale Mollica Moloney (Chase) Paisley Pearson Rainbird Roberts (Max) Ryan (Eden) Sikhali Stephenson-Poole Sudholz U'Ren Walshe Webber Weir Wroe
5. Sunday 16 th July	School Council Representative : Simone Fraser	Armstrong (Harper) Bergamin Brown (Marlie) Buffey Byne Cisilin Cole Cronkshaw Curwood Douglas Guillot Hughes Lempriere Mallawaarachchi Mayes Mitchell (Jacob) Peel Perrin Schipper Tunnecliffe Vanderstaak Walton Wilson
6. Sunday 13 th August	School Council Representative : Ben Caines	Agnew Bristow Carter (Presley) Cross Ellemans (Riley) Emery Eva Fernando Gannan Hartnett-Freeman Kemp Kraus Moloney (Elijah) Poole Riches Ricketts Russell Sargeant (Patrick) Schwerkolt Stephenson-Poole Thornton-Lindsay
7. Sunday 10 th September	School Council Representative : Leigh Hallett	Blake-Goldsmith Busst (Adam) Crampton Douthwaite Emblin Hibgame Hyde Killin Knight Lawrence Leckie Matta Mitchell (Willow) Monteith Ramsauer Rangel Thomas (Zack) Van Der Vlugt Wheeler Wray
8. Sunday 15 th October	School Council Representative : Paul Bailey	Armstrong (Patrick) Busst (Tanah) Castellano Clements (Ava) Davies Groiss Gurr Haynes Johnston Leslie Lodge McKeown Mealmaker Nayak O'Rourke Pitrelli Roberts (Casey) Ruscitti Taylor (Brock) Taylor (Bronte) Wallis
9. Sunday 12 th November	School Council Representative : Teresa Salvitti	Aitkins Attrill Barnard Best Bombinski Di Pietro Ghaffari Hadland Jamieson Jowitt Kinsmore Lampkin Linley Munro (Darby) Norris-O'Donnell Panetta Roberts (Lucy) Robinson Rowe Tanner Todd Watson Winfield Yong

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":

<https://www.wandinnorthps.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Volunteer-Induction-Handbook.pdf>

Further information can be found in WNPS Volunteer Policy which can be found on the school's website.