



Windellama Public School

Monday 13 February 2017

Term 1 Weeks 3 and 4



RESPECT – RESPONSIBILITY - EXCELLENCE

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Swimming Carnival Pictures



TREC SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all students who attended the swimming carnival. Students were well behaved and tried their best. Congratulations to Tyler and Montana who were Champions in their age group. Thank you to those parents who helped in the primary and the K-2 carnival. We will notify those students who have been invited to District as soon as we know. Congratulations to Tarago Public School on winning the points shield and Collector Public School for the aggregate shield.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

From this year, students in Year 5 will be invited to the leadership conferences we attend. This will allow students to attend both Leadership Conferences in Goulburn or Sydney. This year we will attend the Imagination (previously known as Young Leaders) Conference in Sydney. The cost of the tickets are \$55.00 per student and school (as in the past) will pay for this. We will catch a mini bus to Campbelltown and then a train to Sydney. School will cover the cost of the train trip with the Opal cards we already have. The only cost to parents will be the mini bus we will share with students from Tarranna. The cost of this is \$30.00 per student. Parents will need to meet the mini bus at Goulburn Courthouse.

FRIDAY AT THE HALL

Thank you to those families who sent in jars and flowers and came to the hall on Friday afternoon to help. As usual students were well behaved and were very

appreciative of a cooling ice cream on a very hot day.

ART, CRAFT AND FLOWER SHOW

Thank you to the families and staff who supported this P&C event by shopping for the food and drinks, cooking cakes, slices and biscuits and helping in the kitchen. A big thank you to our students who tried very hard with their entries and achieved great results.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AT WINDELLAMA

Windellama Public School is proud that we have a student run parliament where students feel empowered to make decisions about what happens at our school. We had our first meeting last Thursday and I'm very pleased to congratulate the following students in their new roles within the parliament:

Prime Minister -Kiara

Deputy Prime Minister -Montana

Treasurer -Kiara

Sports Minister - Victoria

Communications Minister -Tyler

K-2 Minister -Montana

Environment Minister -Mardi

Special Events Minister -Toby

Sport and K-2 Member

Environment - Sienna

Sport and K-2 Member -Shkeira

Please wear your badges to school, with pride, every day.

HOT TEMPERATURES

With the hot temperatures we've been experiencing over the last week it is important for us all to keep hydrated. Please send your child/ren to school with a water bottle. On those very hot days we will ensure that students have their lunch boxes inside. Last

Friday we ate lunch inside and will do this again if need be.

SCRIPTURE AT WINDELLAMA

Please find some information attached about Scripture at Windellama.

LUNCH ROSTER

Please find attached another lunch roster for this term. As you can see we need volunteers as we have lots of gaps. If it is your first time and would like a helper, we're sure that someone from the P&C will give you a hand.

PARENTS ONLINE PAYMENT

At our school we have the facility where you are able to make payments online for school excursions, uniforms etc. Please read the attached information sheets. There will be a section to complete on all excursion notes to notify us if you have used this facility and made an online payment. We require you to please write your receipt number on the Permission Note.

SKOOLBAG APP

Our school has its own Skoolbag iPhone and Android App which is another avenue for us to communicate to you. You will be able to use your phone/device to keep up with Newsletters, any safety alerts and much more. There is an information sheet attached to tell you how to install the App.

STUDENT BANKING

School students are able to participate in a Commonwealth Bank banking program. They open an account and can bring their banking into school and it is processed at school each week. The bank encourages and

recognises students for their banking by awarding items after a certain number of deposits. We have forms for the opening of accounts if you would like your child to participate in this program. Please let us know and we will send an application package home.

ASSEMBLY

Our first Assembly for 2017 will be held on Wednesday 13 February at 2.15 pm. We encourage as many parents as possible to come along and watch awards being given out, our students perform and also our students lead assemblies.

BIG RED BUS

The Big Red Bus surprised us with a visit last week. For those students who are not yet members of the Goulburn/Mulwaree Library we sent home applications last Wednesday. The Big Red Bus will next visit us on Wednesday 1 March.

STAFF AT WINDELLAMA

Teaching Principal - Monday-Friday: Mrs Donna Edworthy

Teacher - every Monday: Mrs Nancy Ball

Teacher and Learning and Support Teacher (LaST) - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: Mrs Vicki Hayes

School Administration Manager (S.A.M.) Monday & Tuesday: Mrs Julie Carey

School and Support Staff (S.L.S.O) Monday & Friday: Mrs Sharon Alessi

General Assistant (G.A.) Friday: Mr Ray Carey

School Cleaner Monday-Friday: Mrs Belinda Laidler.

P&C MEETING

Thank you to those parents, including new parents, who attended last Monday night's P&C meeting. Attached to the Newsletter are the minutes.

The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 6 March at 6.00pm. This will be the Annual General Meeting followed by a general meeting.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

In case of an emergency it is very important that we have the most up to date information of family contacts. This information is the first point of call when we need to contact families quickly and these lists also go on excursions. At the beginning of each year we ask for an update from families of students in Year 1 through to Year 6. If circumstances change throughout the year we need to be notified please. If the information doesn't need to be changed, please state no changes need to be made and return the form to school.

Attached is a 'ghosted' enrolment form for you to check that all information is correct.

'RAM' FUNDING

Our school annual funding allocation – 'RAM Funding' – is based on our student numbers, our location, utility costs, staff leave, Principal administration days etc. An important element of information that is used by the Department of Education when working out our allocation is based upon parents' education and working qualifications, hence why those questions are on the Enrolment Forms.

Every year, in Term 1, the Department of Education captures this information from our student information and formulates our funding for the following year.

We are now asking parents if they would please look through the attached 'ghosted' enrolment form for your child and ensure that all information is correct and return to school as soon as possible please.

Any amendments we then make in our Enrolment data.

ATHLETICS TRAINING

We have booked local coach Marina Wenban to come into the school to work on honing student skills for the TREC athletics carnival. Lessons will begin this Friday so all students need to wear appropriate shoes please.

TREC ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The combined Small Schools' Athletics Carnival is on 16 March. All students in K-6 participate in this carnival. It will be held at Hudson Park, Bradfordville, Goulburn. Please find attached a permission note to fill in.

More information and a lunch order will be sent home in the next Newsletter.

CLUB FRIDAY

At this time we haven't had anyone take us up on our offer to come into the school and work with students in our Club Friday program. At this point of time we will begin Club Friday next term.

**Week 3
Playground Awardee
Josh**



UPCOMING EVENTS IN TERM 1

EVENTS	DATES
Assembly	Wednesday 13 February 2.15 pm
Big READ Bus	Wednesday 1 March
Young Leaders Conference Years 5 & 6	Friday 3 March
P&C Meeting – AGM	Monday 6 March 6.00 pm

JANUARY BIRTHDAY- Victoria

