

Windellama Public School

Thursday 30th July 2020 Term 1 Week 2



RESPECT – RESPONSIBILITY - EXCELLENCE

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BIG RED BUS



The Big Read Bus will be returning on Wednesday 12th August. If you have any books that need returning, please return on this day.

SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL GRANT

Windellama Public School was successful in receiving a grant to create a new vegetable garden area. For total sustainability, we have gone with the wicking garden concept. An illustration below demonstrates how this garden works. Mrs Alessi & Mr Webster, under the guidance of staff from the "Sustainable Gardener" were able to complete 5 wicking garden beds in total.





A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to Semester 2. I hope everyone had a safe and relaxing holiday. Thankfully, this term will see the recommencement of various activities that have been on hold due to COVID-19 restrictions in schools. In particular, sport will recommence on Wednesdays with a soccer program beginning in week 4 for both K-2 and 3-6 classes. We look forward to being able to hold a school assembly this term, however the assembly must run for no longer than 15 minutes and external visitors are still not permitted at this stage.

Students have been working hard on our weekly behaviour focus in order to earn merit tokens towards their school awards. This week the focus is speaking respectfully to peers and adults, including positive self-talk.

Next week is Education Week, an annual celebration of NSW public education and the achievements of local schools and students. The theme for 2020 is 'Learning together'. In this year of bushfires, floods and COVID-19, the key messages of Education Week are:

- Parents and carers are our partners in learning
- Learning together makes us strong and creates resilient communities
- Our school staff are dedicated professionals who know, value and care for all students

Students will be involved in various activities, including a 'virtual livestream celebration' to launch Education Week on Monday.



PHOTOS AROUND THE SENSORY GARDEN

We have had some beautiful weather in the last two days, our sensory garden is looking lovely after all the rain we had earlier in the week.





PBL



The last week's Recess Buy-Up recipients:



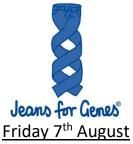
Week 1: Jack 3-6 and Evelyn K-2

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB



For all orders, please place online via the Loop App by 6th August, 2020

Current brochure is enclosed.



We will be having a mufti day where all students can where their jeans or casual clothes. Gold coin donation, which goes to research for children's genetic diseases.

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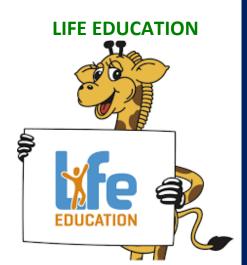


For Term 3 on Wednesdays, starting 12th August, we will have Fiona Humphries an accredited coach, will come deliver and soccer а program. All of the sporting programs are custom designed to cover all that is required in the Department of Education **PDHPE** curriculum.

MUSIC



The Hume Conservatorium has started back conducting class music lessons for both K-2 and 3-6. These are being held on Monday mornings.



The Life Education mobile van will be visiting our school on Wednesday 2nd of September. There will be further information to come out closer to the time.

RECESS BUY-UP

Recess buy-up is running again on Thursdays. Please write down your order on a brown paper bag, insert the money and bring in to school.

RECESS MENU - Thursday's

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| <u>HOT FOOD</u> | | |
| Tomato & Cheese Toasties (1/2 sandwich) | 50c | & |
| Garlic Toasties (1/2 sandwich) | 40c | |
| Cheese Toasties (1/2 sandwich) | 50c | |
| Cruskit with cheese | 30c | cruskits |
| Cruskit with Vegemite | 20c | Cruskits |
| COLD STUFF | | |
| Cup of Flavoured Milk | 50c | |
| Popper Juice | 80c | 豐豐豐 |
| Frozen Yoghurt stick | 60c | |
| Ice Blocks | 50c | and the same of th |

UPCOMING EVENTS IN TERM 3

| EVENTS | DATES | | |
|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| Jeans for Genes Day | Week 3, Friday 2 nd August | | |
| Soccer Program Starts | Week 4, Wednesday 12 th August | | |
| Life Education Mobile Van | Week 7, Wednesday 2 nd September | | |









K-2 REPORT

This week K-2 have been exploring patterns. Our students have looked at simple colour patterns and more complex patterns including colours and numbers.

Our year 2 students completed some very complex patterns and all students were able to talk about their patterns and even what would come next.



3 - 6 REPORT

In 3-6 we watched Mrs Alessi and Mr Webster put together and fill plant pods. There are different layers of dirt, such as mulch, mud and soil.

The plants are watered through the roots so we put water in holes in the corners of the pod. It looked like hard work! Thank you Mr Webster and Mrs Alessi for planting that wonderful garden.

Emily Price.