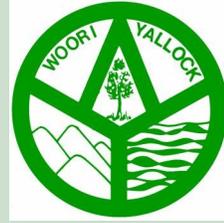


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WYPS NEWS

24th May 2018

Dear Parents,

Congratulations and well done to our grades 3 and 5 students who completed their NAPLAN tests last week. I must say it was a great experience watching all our students trying their absolute best during the four tests covering language conventions, writing, reading and numeracy. All parents and guardians will receive an individual student NAPLAN report later in the year. At Woori Yallock Primary School, we will use the results to assist in identifying areas of curriculum achievement and improvement, as well as areas of individual student need. NAPLAN is important as it is the only measure that schools have to compare themselves against other schools. Although it has its faults and is far from perfect, I believe NAPLAN will continue in Victorian schools.

CROSS COUNTRY

Around forty of our students from 3 to 6 competed in the district cross-country event. On a wet and rainy track I was very proud of all of the students that did their best and didn't give up. Lots of students made it through to the district finals, below are some of the outstanding placings.

9/10 girls
Alesha Bryar 5th

9/10 boys
Riley Gell 6th
Oliver Hill 7th
Noah Dare 10th

11 girls
Indi Clough 2nd
Natasha Vassallo 3rd

11 boys
Ruben Hurley 2nd

12/13 girls
Patrisha Robins 2nd
Emily Tanner 6th
Jena Schaak 10th

12/13 boys
Callum Carter 9th



IMPORTANT DATES

2018

Wednesday 23rd—29th May

Book fair

Tuesday 29th May

Grandparents & Special
Friends Day

Thursday 31st May

5/6 Girls Mother/Daughter
Evening

Friday 1st June

5/6 Girls Believe Camp

Thursday 7th June

Prep Transition 2.15– 3pm

Friday 8th June

Grade 5/6 Inter School Sport

Monday 11th June

Queens Birthday Public
Holiday

Friday 15th June

Speaking Competition

Tuesday 19th June

Grades 1-6 First Aid Training

**IT'S NOT OK
TO BE AWAY**

Continued

SCHOOL UPGRADES

Our building and grounds subcommittee led by Mary Menta has been very busy over the past six months. The committee is currently seeking quotes for an undercover walk way to be built to connect our portable classrooms with the main building, unfortunately the department has not funded this project and it will come out of school council funds. School council has identified the works as being essential. The department, however has funded new concreting around the main building and the path leading to the kiss and drop. They have also funded new drainage work so that the area C playground does not become so bogged in winter. We are hoping that all these major works can be completed during the next school holidays. Our roof continues to be an issue and we will continue to lobby the department to have the roof fixed.

PARENT HELPERS

Our junior school teachers are still looking for more parent helpers. Teachers and children value your assistance in the classroom. Parental assistance can often enhance the learning environment through increased adult participation. Involvement in school programs may provide parents with new insights and understanding about their children, fostering the links between home and school learning. Individual teachers are happy to discuss details regarding suitable times, skills or resources you could provide. Specifically teachers would like help with readers and helping students with their take home words.

LOOKING FOR PARENT SKILLS

As I per our last newsletter we are hoping to put together a formal plan to upgrade and increase the size of our school hall. School council is hoping one of our parents may have the skill to draw up some plans for us. We would like the plans to then be submitted to our local political parties in the hope that funding may be found to improve our facilities. Council believes as this is an election year it is the perfect time to put together a formal plan.

REMINDER

Just a friendly reminder that unless students are in before school care or in a program like guitar or breakfast club they are not meant to be at school until 8:45am. While all staff are here well before this time we are busy getting prepared for the day ahead. If you would like to meet with your child's teacher before school please let the teacher know in advance. The main reason for outlining and reminding parents of this is that we don't want to see a student hurting themselves due to a lack of supervision. Thanks for your support with this.

GRANDPARENTS, SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY

Grandparents' day is one of our biggest days of the year. This week invitations will go out for grandparents or special friends to attend the day. We combine the day with a dress up day and our book week celebrations. The theme is: Come dressed as a book character. There will be prizes for the best dressed in each year level. I have already sourced my costume for the day!

Have a great week! And remember when life gets a little difficult, escape to the wonderful world of a book!

Oliver Thockloth



Welcome Everyone!-Wellbeing Report



Term 2 Dates-

Woori Wallabies Playgroup –starting back

Tuesdays 1:30-3:00pm

Breakfast program Tuesday & Thursday-cooking room

8:15am onwards

Every Thursday 9-10am-parent morning coffee in the staffroom

Interchange sibling club- Thursday 3:10-5:15pm

Glasses for Kids Eye Testing Program-Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday in the AV room

Health

I've noticed some sleepy heads in the mornings trudging into school! Could we encourage parents to support their children through the last weeks of term with reasonable bed times and adequate rest and nutrition? Some students are not dressing appropriately to match the weather conditions. Staff are collecting lost jumpers and placing them in lost property for parents to find. (The lost property box is in the corridor outside the multipurpose room). Talk to your child to increase their personal organisation of their belongings and the steps needed to ensure the successful completion of this. Please check your child's clothing is clearly labelled so it can be returned if it is found in the school grounds. Remember, Veronica our school chaplain and myself can help out with spare uniform.



Well done teachers and students!

This week our Grade 3 and Grade 5 students sat the NAPLAN testing and we are proud of their effort and commitment shown. It was satisfying to observe how well prepared the students were. They were calm, focused and produced quality work. Fantastic!





Glasses for Kids Program-Preps-Grade 3

I received a phone call asking if we were ready and I can say I've had 100+ consent forms returned. Sudha the optometrist is coming Mon-Wed and you can find her in the AV room. All students in Prep through to Grade 3 will the opportunity to have their eyes tested and they will be eligible to receive a free (bulk-billed to Medicare) comprehensive eye examination, which will be conducted at here at school. A qualified optometrist from Student Eyecare will undertake the eye examinations and if needed, glasses will be dispensed for free (paid by State School Relief). The glasses will be sent directly to the school. Parental consent will be required for students to participate in the program. Please speak to me if you have any questions.

Cyber Safety

We receive ongoing concerns from parents about young people's behaviour on-line. As a school, we integrate cyber safety into our wellbeing policies, establishing clear procedures to deal with incidents, and deliver curriculum around the smart, safe and responsible use of technology. More information can be found at www.esmart.org.au. Also I would encourage parents to become familiar with the links on the school's webpage. Flick has done a fantastic job at providing access to information quickly for parents.

What does eSmart mean?

eSmart assists teachers, students and the whole school community embrace the benefits of technology and reduce exposure to cyberspace risks such as cyberbullying, identity theft, online sexual predation and accessing or sending inappropriate images and content.

Need help with social media?

The office of eSafety has a great webpage with lots of information on cybersafety issues. In particular it has lots of practical information on the different social media apps that you and/or your children may be accessing. Visit the site below to find out more...

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/esafety-information/games-apps-and-social-networking>

State School Relief

We can help families who are experiencing financial hardship to purchase school uniform. Please see me for assistance.



Parent Education Websites

There are many websites offering tips to help parents manage everyday needs and home concerns. The DET website offers parenting information on children's development.



<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/childhood/parents/mch/Pages/families.aspx>



Don't forget about second Hand Uniform!

Veronica and I accept and appreciate all second hand uniform donations. Thank you to those parents for the donations of spare clothing. We regularly assist children with toileting accidents and we are desperate for small sized girl's underwear and socks. We try hard to avoid asking parents to come down to change their child so any donations will help out enormously. We also ask parents to, provide your child with a change of underwear in their bag. All funds raised support our school breakfast program. Your generosity allows all our children to have a healthy start to the day. Keep them coming!

Intervention Programs & Fast 4Word at Home

Students are thriving in their support programs. Many classrooms in junior school have started Fast for Word and all students across the school will have access to the program. Our students in Grades 3+ will be able to access the program from home and if you would like further information please speak to me. Last year the feedback I had from many families was extremely positive, that parents were pleased to see their children's enthusiasm and they were motivated at home. If you would like to know more about our intervention programs please talk to staff about your child's progress at-

- LLI
- Quick Smart Literacy
- Quick Smart Numeracy

Medication

For children who need medication, our office ladies, Lani, Ellen and Libby or the teacher administer treatment. Parents need to bring medication before school to the office and complete a medication form.

Attendance

Schools are required to work towards IMPROVING THE ATTENDANCE and PUNCTUALITY RATES of our students. It's fantastic news that parents are using COMPASS and I am pleased that parents are calling to explain absences. This really helps us as we are able to communicate effectively with all relevant staff early in the school day. Remember "*It's Not OK To Be Away*"
Thanks everyone!



Highlights from the Around the School- Cancer Council's Big Morning Tea & Fun Run!



Woori Wallabies Playgroup

Tuesday's 1:30-3:00pm in the Multi-purpose Room

Playgroup Dates & Themes

29th May - No Playgroup due to Grandparents and Friends Day & Book Fair

6th June - Africa

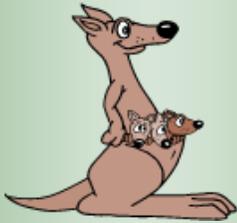
12th June - Under the Sea

19th June - Dinosaurs (last session for the term)



Woori Wallabies Playgroup is open to anyone in the community. We welcome all parents and carers to be a part of our group and we appreciate parents helping us run the program. We look forward to getting to know you and your children over the year so please don't hesitate in speaking further with our Playgroup Team.

Primary Wellbeing Officer-Andre Campbell



Award Winners for 2018



Fun Run Awards



Award Winners for 2018



Chaplain's Chat

This last week I have been reminded once again why I love this school community. After hosting a successful Biggest Morning Tea last Tuesday, a group of our parents were so enthusiastic that they wanted to run another one this Tuesday. How could I refuse? It is always great to sit with others, strengthen social ties, sip a coffee and enjoy a delicious treat. So another Biggest Morning Tea was hosted at the school and more money was raised towards the Cancer Council. All up, just over \$250 has been raised. Again I would like to thank all those who baked yummy food, helped with the set up and clean up and donated funds towards this cause that is dear to the hearts of many of us at the school.

In my other role as a Maternal and Child Health Nurse, I have always been passionate about supporting and strengthening families. I was sharing an idea I have about wanting to set up a similar service in the Valley, as the St. Kilda Mums, with our playgroup mums and the discussion that followed was fabulous. Other suggestions about how we can modify this service in the absence of a warehouse space came flowing. I was so impressed that with the planting of a little seed, people became mobilized to realize that as a group we can actually make something positive happen to meet a need and make a difference.

A similar thing happened following the presentation Tuesday morning at our Biggest Morning Tea where we had Anne and Lorena from the Wandin Inner Wheel Group, share with us about the 'Days for Girls' project. Personal hygiene packs are made from material to allow women to go about their daily business free from shame and isolation. When the question was asked, "How can we help?" All the women around the table began to offer ideas about supporting this global project to support women from developing countries. They were able to see how they could help both personally and collectively. Suggestions were even offered to acquire funding and materials to support this project.

I guess, it is all about having a common purpose. Sharing a common vision. Unlocking the strengths and talents we each have and bringing these all together to make a difference. It's like a spark that is only needed to get a fire going. In reality, I think we often shy away from getting involved in projects or things because we may think that we "can't do it," or "can't be bothered," or "it's too hard." However, once our eyes are opened to the possibilities that are out there and we are encouraged to have a try, great things can be achieved. How exciting! How empowering!

I feel so very fortunate to be a part of a community of women who see that they have strengths and abilities to offer to support that in need. Watch this space to see how you can become part of this movement.

Blessings,

Veronica



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Further details and registrations are available at mlmc.vic.edu.au



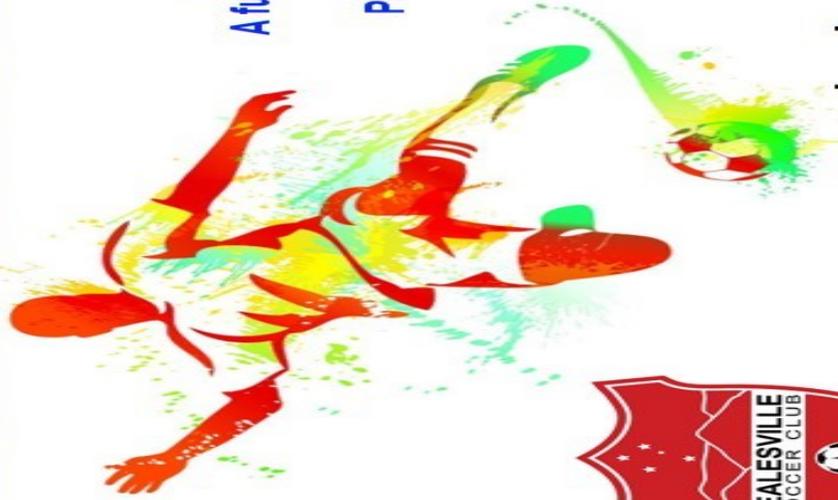
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NEXT GENERATION ACADEMY

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Olympic Oval, Holden Centre
Olympic Blvd, Melbourne 3000

Date: Wednesday 23 May

Time: 5.00pm - 6.30pm

FREE REGISTRATION!

Collingwood's Next Generation Academy (NGA) is open to participants aged 11 to 15 years and who live within our designated NGA Zone.

Girls and boys from all backgrounds, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds, are encouraged to register and get involved! Prior football experience is not a prerequisite to participate in Collingwood's NGA.

Registrations close on Tuesday 22 May. Please email NGAcademy@collingwoodfc.com.au for all enquiries.

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WHY positive body image is so important for health and wellbeing.

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and

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HOW TO SUPPORT

our kids when they express concerns about their weight.

TIPS FOR PARENTS in

supporting positive body image in children and teens.

INFORMATION

about the 'Your Body Your Way'

program presented by Eastern Health.

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WHEN

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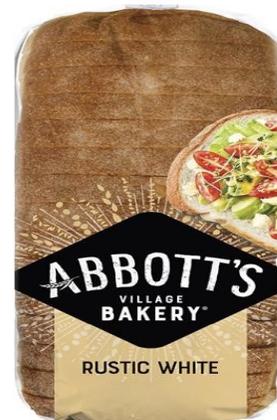
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