



Ariel Announcements

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Engage Learning * Expand Minds

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 2 and our fifth bout of Remote Learning. We trust that our community is staying safe both physically and emotionally. We can't underestimate the compounding impact that lockdowns have on all facets of our community.

Over the past 18 months our Wellbeing team has compiled a comprehensive list of services available to the community. I am providing it to you once again in today's newsletter.

Additionally, parents and caregivers can provide their children with the support listed or from the full compilation of services available from our school's Wellbeing Website by following the link below:

<https://sites.google.com/education.vic.gov.au/wpswellbeing/home/support-services?authuser=0>

<https://kidshelpline.com.au/>
PH: 1800 55 1800
Phone counselling or online text/chat
The website has supports and information for children, parents and educators

LOCKDOWN 5.0

As we have all experienced so many times during this Pandemic, formal communication to schools about lockdowns and the need for schools to enter into remote learning is not always timely. Thankfully, we have Compass which is a great tool to get information out to our community quickly, please ensure you are always checking Compass and if you are having trouble logging onto Compass, please contact the office for assistance.

As of today (Monday 19th at 4pm) an extension of the current lockdown has not been officially announced, although the Premier has indicated that this lockdown will be extended, but for how long we don't know.

2021 PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Parents from our school are asked to provide feedback on our school via the Department of Education annual Parent Opinion Survey. I was hoping to provide our community with the link to the online survey in this Newsletter, however the site has not opened by the publishing of our newsletter today. I will send a message to all families via Compass once the survey has been opened. It will be great to get a high number of families to complete the survey. Thanks in advance for your support with this.

[Parent/ Caregiver/ Guardian Opinion Survey](#)
19 July to 22 August 2021

TERM 3 PUPIL FREE DAY: July 30

All staff from across Wodonga schools will be participating in professional learning together at the Wodonga Federation of Government School's Conference.

Sincerely, *Damian Duncan*, Principal

*Collaboration * Culture * Challenge * Community * Curiosity*

SCHOOL PHOTOS: August 3 & 4

The official school photo days are scheduled for August 3rd & 4th. While we hope to be able to send the Photo Envelopes home with students soon, this will be delayed until we resume "normal" face-to-face learning.

Students will receive their own individualised Photo Envelope with a unique ordering key for online ordering. There is also an option to order a Family Photo of all your students that attend WPS. These envelopes will only be sent home if a parent requests one, please ask your eldest child to collect one on your behalf.

In the meantime, please check-out the packages below.

CLASSIC PACKAGE

<p>PREMIUM \$45 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: 1 x 25x20cm Portrait 3 x 17.5x12.5cm Portraits 2 x 12.5x9cm Portraits 4 x Wallet Size 6x9cm Portraits 6 x ID Portraits 1 x Group Photo Hi Res Photo Download</p> <p>(STYLE CHOSEN BY SCHOOL)</p> <p>MOST POPULAR</p>	<p>PORTRAIT \$30 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: 1 x 25x20cm Portrait 2 x 17.5x12.5cm Portraits 1 x 12.5x9cm Portrait 2 x Wallet Size 6x9cm Portraits 3 x ID Portraits Hi Res Photo Download</p>	
<p>VALUE+ \$40 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: 1 x 25x20cm Portrait 1 x 17.5x12.5cm Portrait 1 x 12.5x9cm Portrait 2 x Wallet Size 6x9cm Portraits 3 x ID Portraits 1 x Group Photo Low Res Photo Download</p> <p>(STYLE CHOSEN BY SCHOOL)</p>	<p>BASIC \$30 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: 1 x 17.5x12.5cm Portrait 4 x 3.4x4.3cm Portraits 1 x Group Photo</p> <p>(STYLE CHOSEN BY SCHOOL)</p>	
<p>VALUE \$35 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: 1 x 17.5x12.5cm Portrait 1 x 12.5x9cm Portrait 2 x Wallet Size 6x9cm Portraits 3 x ID Portraits 1 x Group Photo Low Res Photo Download</p> <p>(STYLE CHOSEN BY SCHOOL)</p>	<p>JOURNAL \$25 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: 1 x Student Journal Displays Class Group Photo + Individual Photos within Booklet</p>	
<p>GROUP \$25 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: 1 x Group Photo (STYLE CHOSEN BY SCHOOL)</p>		<p>DIGITAL \$25 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: Portrait File Only NO PRINTS</p> <p>Hi Res Download</p>

FAMILY PACKAGE

<p>DELUXE \$30 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: 1 x 25x20cm Portrait 2 x 17.5x12.5cm B&W Portraits 4 x 17.5x12.5cm Portraits 4 x 7.5x5cm Portraits Hi Res Photo Download</p> <p>MOST POPULAR</p>	<p>DIGITAL PACK \$25 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: Portrait File Only ONLINE ORDERS ONLY NO PRINTS</p> <p>Hi Res Download</p>
<p>PREMIUM \$20 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: 1 x 25x20cm Portrait 1 x 17.5x12.5cm Portrait 2 x 12.5x9cm Portraits 2 x 7.5x5cm Portraits Low Res Photo Download</p>	<p>BASIC \$15 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: 1 x 17.5x12.5cm Portrait 2 x 7.5x5cm Portraits Low Res Photo Download</p>
<p>CALENDAR \$15 INC. GST</p> <p>Includes: 2 x A4 Plastic Calendar with Magnet</p>	

SPORTS / PE NEWS

Winter Sports Carnival: Postponed to the tentative new date of Monday 26th July.

F-3 Water Safety: Our first group (CH1, BR1, MI2, OS3) have unfortunately missed their first two sessions and therefore the session on Wednesday 21st July has also been cancelled. We will be working with the program providers at the Leisure Centre to reschedule these sessions later in the term if possible.

There are a number of considerations to be made by both the Leisure Centre and our school in line with both State and Department restrictions before we can commit to providing the Water Safety program as scheduled.

Regional Cross Country: Congratulations to the following students who placed in the Top 12 at the Division Cross Country last week and will now participate at the Regional Cross Country in Benalla this Friday 23rd July (dependent on Covid restrictions easing).

- Ella Polkinghorne (10 Yr Girls)
- Darcy Thorpe (11 Yr Boys)
- Benjamin Davey (11 Yr Boys)
- Emma Hortle (11 Yr Girls)
- Tyrone Clifford (12 Yr Boys)
- Chad Abel (12 Yr Boys)

* All PE and Sport Program updates will be shared with our community as soon as we have clear direction for the program/event implementation. Communication will be made through Compass, email, our WPS Newsletter and our WPS Facebook Page.

Blake Maxwellworthy, PE Coordinator

IN THE GROOVE: Drumming Incursion – Years 4/5/6

During Music classes in Weeks 4 and 5, students in Years 4, 5 and 6 will be taking part in African Drumming workshops with the amazing team at In The Groove Drumming.

If you have not done so, could you please make sure you consent and pay the \$5.50 fee to the office ASAP. The Compass event is live and payments can be made online via Credit Card.

A timetable outlining when each class will have their drumming session will be attached to the WPS Newsletter in Week 3.



Aaron Silver, Music Coordinator

***** EVENTS WILL ONLY PROCEED IF COVID-19 GUIDELINES ALLOW*****

COMPASS EVENT NOTIFICATIONS				
Stay in touch with Events / Activities – using Compass as your information base				
Event / Activity	Event Date	Who	Information on Compass	Consent / Payment Due Date
Lions Public Speaking	July 21 TBC – pending Lockdown 5.0 extension	Selected students	Rescheduled from July 14	CLOSED
Water Safety	July 23/26/28	MI1/OS6 CH2/BR2	Consent & payment required: \$20.00 Consent & payment required: \$20.00	July 20
Winter Sports Carnival	July 26	Year 5/6	Back-Up date: July 23 or 26 th	CLOSED
Burraja Program	July 28	Indigenous students	Consent required – no cost	July 12
Pupil Free Day	July 30	Whole School	NO SCHOOL	
Water Safety	August 2/4/6	MI3 / OS1	Consent payment required: \$20.00	July 27
In The Groove	August 2	Years 4/5/6	Consent & payment required \$5.50	July 30
School Photographs	August 3 & 4	Whole school	Official School Photos – info available soon	August 4
Akoma Schools Chorus	August 21	Selected students	Consent given with previous event 19/6	CLOSED
Quantum Victoria	TBA	Selected Yr 6 students	Consent required	CLOSED
Water Safety	POSTONED: New date TBA	MI2 / OS3 CH1/BR1	Consent & payment required: \$20.00 Consent & payment required: \$20.00	July 14