



# Ariel Announcements

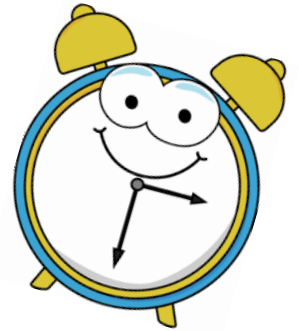
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Engage Learning \* Expand Minds

Welcome to the Final Week of Term 2,

At Assembly this morning, I asked the kids to blink, as that's how fast it felt like the time went this term. We blinked and here we are in the last week of term. It's been a busy time of late at school with loads of extras happening at this time of year, thank you for your support and communication with mums, dads and caregivers.

**A reminder that on Friday school dismisses at 2:30pm.** Buses are running one hour earlier across Wodonga as well.



## SCHOOL REPORTS

On Friday, your child's Semester Report went live on Compass. We urge families to take some time to read the report and have a conversation with your child/ren about it. If you are having trouble accessing the report, please reach out to the school to obtain assistance. You can contact your child's teacher or the administration team.

## PUPIL FREE DAY - TOMORROW

As communicated to our community over the course of the last month, tomorrow (Tuesday 21st) is a pupil free day. All schools in the State of Victoria were required to schedule a pupil free day to provide teaching staff with a Professional Practice Day. This has come about due to the extensive delay in the industrial agreement being ratified. Teachers will be at school preparing for next term and undertaking professional learning. THEIRCARE is open for bookings. NOTE: Two (2) further pupil free days will be scheduled later this year, 1 in term 3 and the other in term 4. More information on the dates of these days once School Council approves them.

## LATE ARRIVALS

The school has a concern that parents are dropping their children off late to school and not signing the student in at the office. It is essential that parents follow this child safe protocol to ensure our children are cared for and kept safe. With the current review of the Child Safe Standards in Victoria (see last week's Newsletter), it is critical that our families support the school in ensuring the safety and wellbeing of our young people.



## GEM (Gratitude, Empathy & Mindfulness) STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Liana from Year 3 for showing empathy in our playground last week. Thank you and well done Liana!!

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## SCHOOL POLICIES

At last week's School Council the [Respect to School Staff Policy](#) was endorsed by school council. Parents/carers and visitors to our school also have an important role to play in fostering a safe and inclusive environment for the entire school community. The Policy is available on our website to read and become familiar with to better understand the respectful behaviours within the school community.

Have a relaxing and safe holiday break Wodonga Primary School community. We look forward to seeing the students back on the first day of term, Monday 11th of July, refreshed and ready for another term of learning.

*Damian Duncan*

Principal



### STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Last week the Student LED Conferences took place. The students were extremely proud to exhibit and explain to families their progress with schoolwork so far.



### LITERACY

'It was great to celebrate students who have had high home reading engagement over Term 2. Well done to Leo M CH1, Bre Y. HU3, Miller B. CH5 & Amelia P. CH6 who all had the highest reading engagement and logging across the whole school. They were gifted with a book of their choice to take home and enjoy.'



We also celebrated the classes who had highest reading engagement and logging in Term 2. Congratulations to CH6, BR2, MI4, OS5, HU3, EL3 & WI2, they were gifted with a book voucher to select a book of their choice for their classroom library. We would like to thank families and carers for supporting and promoting regular home reading, the benefits towards reading development, confidence and love of reading are being reflected across the school and in homes.'

*Alecia Williams*, Literacy Lead Teacher

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## YEAR 6 – CSU FUTURE MOVES SESSION

The year 6 Students worked with Kacey from CSU to explore different career opportunities and pathways. They found out about some careers they didn't know a lot about and got to record and share their career aspirations”

*Melisa McInnes*



## BASKETBALL SHOOTOUT

This week's winner of the YR 3/4 Basketball shootout is Riley B. Well done!

## FOOD HAMPERS

Through Foodbank Victoria, WPS have the opportunity to provide free food hampers to ALL WPS families at ANY time. There is no limit as to how many of these hampers you can access over time. If you would like a food hamper (up to two per family per order), please request one via the form found [here](#). Please see the photo provided as to what is included in the hamper. Collection times will be communicated by phone and pick up will be from the front office.



*Lisa Harrison & Carlee Hill, Wellbeing & Engagement*

## BUTTERFLY FOUNDATION WEBINARS

**Let's Talk Body Image in Boys - Information for parents – 31/8/22, 7-8.15pm to book for this free Webinar click [here](#)**

Explores the particular challenges facing pre-teen and adolescent boys and strategies for supporting body image in males.

**Let's Talk Body Confident Children and Teens – 12/9/2022, 7-8.15pm to book this free Webinar click [here](#)**

Designed to help parents support the development of positive body image and healthy behaviours in children of all ages and genders.

*Fiona Stanley, School Psychologist*



## LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

Well done to these students, Ryan & Emily who have won the lucky dip for borrowing outside their library time of either before or after school.

*Wendy & Tracey, Librarians*





## PE & SPORTS

Congratulations to Ciara Delany, Edith Davis and Jamie Gilmore who participated in the Regional Cross Country in Benalla on Friday. It was perfect weather for running and our students performed brilliantly.

An outstanding performance from Ciara saw her finish third in the 10 Years Girls race.

Ciara will now compete at the State Cross Country Championships held in the Yarra Valley on the 14 July. We wish Ciara the very best as she races against the best Cross-Country runners in the state.

### AFL State Trials Update:

On Thursday 9th June Kye Linssen travelled to Sandringham in Melbourne's south to compete in the final round of selection for the Victorian U12 Australian Football team.

After some gruelling match play between the final 42 players the selectors had the difficult job of selecting the final 22.

In what is a truly outstanding achievement, Kye was successful in being selected into the team and is now a Victorian Representative. Kye will train with the team throughout the next 2 months before travelling to Adelaide in early August to compete at the National Championships. Congratulations Kye!



### F-3 Water Safety: Term 3 2022

The F-3 Water Safety Program is an incredibly important element of our students schooling. After Covid negatively impacted the program during the past 2 years it is incredibly vital that ALL our students are accessing this program in 2022. The Water Safety program information has been shared with our community through Compass and email. The event is open for families to pay/consent for their child/ren to participate in the program. Please don't hesitate to contact our school office if you experience any difficulty in accessing the program information or paying/consenting for your child/ren to attend.

We look forward to all our students benefitting from the Water Safety experience this year!

*Blake Maxworthy*, PE & Sport Coordinator

## ART ROOM

**Zart Student ART Competition 2022**

**\$33,792 total prize pool!**

**Free Entry**

Open to students currently enrolled in an Australian primary, secondary or special education school and to Australian home school students.

Students are invited to create an artwork celebrating:

**2022 Theme**  
My Environment

Artwork can be 2D (e.g. drawing, painting, sidewalk chalk drawing etc.) or 3D (e.g. sculpture, construction etc.).  
Plus, every entry will receive a Zart Certificate of Participation.

Competition Opens: Wednesday June 1, 2022  
Competition Closes: Monday July 18, 2022

**School Artroom First Prize**  
Prize of art & craft supplies valued at over \$1,000 (6 winners)

**Student First Prize**  
Prize of art & craft supplies valued at over \$500 (6 winners)

**People's Choice Prize**  
Prize of art & craft supplies valued at over \$100 (6 winners)

**Short-list Student Prize**  
Prize of art & craft supplies valued at over \$500 (120 prizes in total)

Zart Art is holding its Art Competition again! Below are the details if you are interested about the competition and entering your amazing pieces of art that you create at home. Please ask an adult before you enter your work online. To enter go to:

<https://zartstudentartcomp.com.au>

*Kirsty Wakefield*, Art Teacher

## 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
Choir – Lion King	June 25	YR 3/4	Closed	closed
Year level Assembly	June 22 9.10am – 10.10am	Foundation		N/A
Year level Assembly	June 22 12.10pm – 1.10pm	Year 6		N/A
Year level Assembly	June 22 2.10pm – 3.10pm	Year 2		N/A
Year level Assembly	June 23 9.10am – 10.10am	Year 1		N/A
Year level Assembly	June 23 10.15am – 11.15am	Year 3		N/A
Year level Assembly	June 23 12.10pm – 1.10pm	Year 5		N/A
Year Level Assembly	June 23 2.10pm – 3.10pm	Year 4		N/A
Water Safety Program	July 18	CH1, BR 1, MI1, OS1	Consent & payment required \$23.50	July 13
Water Safety Program	July 25	CH2, BR2, MI2, OS2	Consent & payment required \$23.50	July 20
<b>Pupil Free Day</b>	<b>June 21</b>	<b>Whole School</b>	<b>Professional Practice Day for Teachers</b>	
<b>Last Day of Term 2</b>	<b>June 24</b>	<b>All students</b>	<b>Early finish, 2.30pm</b>	
<b>First Day Term 3</b>	<b>July 11</b>	<b>Whole School</b>	<b>School starts at 9.00am</b>	

Wagarra...Wagarra  
Our Culture our way  
Dance Group



Come join our local Traditional dance group.  
no experince needed.  
we are all coming together to learn new dances from our  
Community for our Mob all ages welcome.



Tuesday's 5pm  
Burrinja Cultural Centre  
Lincoln Causeway Wodonga

For more info call  
Jenny Murray or Darren Harris  
0488 440 795 0493 222 127

# FLYING FRUIT FLY CIRCUS

1-2  
JULY

# Tempo

The Cube  
Wodonga

See it live these  
school holidays!



**Never fear, the Flying Fruit Fly Circus is here!**

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