



Ariel Announcements

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Engage Learning * Expand Minds



Wodonga PS celebrates Science learning this week as part of National Science week. Science provides a way of answering interesting and important questions about the biological, physical and technological world. Throughout the year, students in all year levels investigate and explore different questions, leading to a great understanding of the world in which we live.

Keep an eye out this week on Facebook as WPS shares some of the aspects of the Victorian Science Curriculum and how we incorporate it into our classrooms across the school. The Science Discovery units that students will investigate over the years at WPS include:

Foundation:	Our senses - Using our senses to collect information from the world around us. Living and non-living things - Features and characteristics of living and non-living The Four Seasons and it's Weather - Investigating change
Year 1:	Materials can change – Investigating change in sky, liquids, light and sound Living things – Features and habitats that support survival
Year 2:	Materials can change – Investigating the concepts of 'Push and Pull' Living Things - Living things change and have offspring similar to themselves
Year 3:	Materials can change Investigating change that occurs with solids and liquids
Year 4:	Our Changing Planet - Earth Sciences Producers, consumers and decomposers - The effect of cycles on the environment
Year 5:	Natural Disasters - The effect on our environment (Geological changes and survival) Exploring our Solar System
Year 6:	Energy through systems - Electricity Survival - The cause and effect of living things – adaptations to survival

New Portable

In response to our growing enrolments, the Department of Education has allocated our school another double classroom portable. The portable will be positioned between the Japanese/Wellbeing building and the senior playground. This position will have minimal impact on oval space and be a central point for classes moving to and from Specialist areas. Works will begin in the coming weeks which will include temporary fencing around the entire area between the Japanese/Wellbeing building to Mitchell street. Unfortunately the senior playground equipment will be out of action during this time. The works should be fully completed by the start of next term.

*Collaboration * Culture * Challenge * Community * Curiosity*

Wodonga PS Country Fair: October 27



Each week we will be sharing updates and information leading up to our Country Fair on October 27th. Decorations - the Country Fair will have lots of **red and white bunting** around to add to the atmosphere - we would love any families to create a string of red and white fabric bunting - you can make a short line or a long line - we will be joining them together and displaying them around the Fair. Or you can send in some red and white fabric scraps and we will organise a working bee closer to the Fair date! Thanks in advance.



Wodonga Public Holiday

Wodonga Primary School will be taking Wodonga Cup Day as a Public holiday (November 24th). This date aligns with the Wodonga Council and the Wodonga Federation of Government schools. Please note, there will be school as normal on Melbourne Cup day.

School Photos

School photo day is tomorrow & Wednesday – [check the schedule here](#).

All students will be photographed regardless of submitting an order. As orders can now be placed online, each envelope is personalized with the student's name and unique ordering code. Parents can lodge their orders online using this code or send the envelope to school on photo day. As the school does not process the payment for the photos, the photographer requires your envelopes to have the correct money enclosed. **Each child must have their own envelope on the day regardless of the process used for ordering.**

Parents who would like their WPS siblings to have a **Family Photograph**, can collect a family order form from the school office anytime. The same ordering options apply.

Some grades were unable to hand out their photo envelopes today, these will definitely come home tomorrow.

Book Week Celebrations & Parade

On **Wednesday August 23rd**, the whole school will take part in our annual **Book Week parade**. Please come dressed as your favourite book character. Parents and friends of the school community are invited to join in the fun at the *Ariel Centre commencing 9.30am*. *A \$10 Scholastic voucher will be given out to the best-dressed student in each year level.*

Arts Festival

This year, the Arts Festival will be held from Monday 4th September to Friday 8th September at Galvin Hall, located at the Wodonga Senior Secondary College, 69 Woodland Street, Wodonga. When parking in this area, please be mindful of Permit Zones.

There is no entry fee for students or young children either participating in the festival or coming to watch a concert. Adults are very welcome and encouraged to attend. They will be charged a one-off \$4.00 fee at the front door of Galvin Hall on Woodland Street. Keep your ticket so that you can return at other times.

The Arts Festival is a non-profit event and the entry fee is simply to cover our costs. We look forward to seeing many members of our community at this exciting event.

Our Art Room is busy preparing to display a range of different pieces of Art that will be hung in Galvin Hall. A range of class groups will be performing - stay tuned for an Arts Festival timetable over the coming weeks. Permission forms for participating classes will be sent home via Compass.

Student Voice

As part of the Wodonga Schools Federation this year, we have six students who are representing WPS as part of the 'Student Voice' Team. The group includes the following students; Beth White, Harvey Cribbes, Sophie Payne, Tarvi Styles, Banjo Willding & Julian Davey. So far, they have completed two full days of training with other students in Federation schools and are currently completing the 'Teach the Teacher' program. The group has come up with an action plan to create some student forums. The first forum is set for Friday August 18th between 9-11am in the PLC. They have randomly selected students from every class to participate.

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2017

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program is back for 2017. Anyone can help us earn amazing equipment by shopping at Woolworths from the 26th July until the end of term. Our school community can help us collect stickers every time they shop at any Woolworths store. You will receive 1 sticker for every \$10 spent. Last year, we were able to purchase vital equipment for our classrooms – thank you!

Drop your stickers into one of our Wodonga Primary School boxes at one of Wodonga's stores - located at Whitebox Rise or High Street Wodonga or pop them into the box provided at the school office.

Stay in touch with Events / Activities – using Compass as your information base

Event / Activity	Event Date	Who	Information	Permission / Payment Due Date
School Photos	August 15 & 16	Whole School	Return your envelope on the day WITH correct money included or with your online order number listed.	Envelopes with payment due Aug 15.
Childcare Taskforce	August 16	Taskforce	Meeting 5.15pm	
Finance Taskforce	August 17	Taskforce	Meeting 8.15am	
Student Voice	August 18	Selected students	In the PLC – no permission / cost involved	
New T4 Timetable	N/A	Parents	Feedback welcome (see last week's Newsletter)	Due 18/8/17
Book Parade	August 23	Whole School	9.30am Book Character Parade	N/A
Writer's Workshop	August 24	Selected students	At Wodonga Library, 1 hour workshops	August 23
Last Day Term 3	September 22	All	School finishes at 2.30pm	N/A

SCHOOL PHOTO TIMETABLE 2017

Venue: tbc (hopefully outside, weather permitting)

Time	Tuesday Aug 15	Class Photo Taken	Wednesday Aug 16	Class Photo Taken
	Grade		Grade	
	STAFF PHOTO 8.30AM			
9.00-9.10am			1RC	
9.10-9.20am	0CP		3HM	
9.20-9.30am	0JT		3CM	
9.30-9.40am	0JH		1MM	
9.40-9.50am	0KP		3AW	
9.50-10.00am	0BS		3JR	
10.00-10.10am	2LM		2LD	
10.10-10.20am	2AJ		4AH	
10.20-10.30am	5ND		4SF	
10.30-10.40am			4MG	
10.40-10.50am	2AW		4CA	
10.50-11.00am	5CM		3MW	
LUNCH				
12.00-12.10pm			2RP	
12.10-12.20pm	5JR		FAMILY PHOTOS	
12.20-12.30pm	5RJ			
12.30-12.40pm	1KS			
12.40-12.50pm	1MB			
12.50-1.00pm				
1.00-1.10pm	1KM			
1.10-1.20pm				
1.20-1.30pm				
1.30-1.40pm				
1.40-1.50pm	5HB			
1.50-2.00pm				
RECESS (overflow if needed)				
2.30-2.40pm	6LO		FAMILY PHOTOS	
2.40-2.50pm	6MB			
2.50-3.00pm	6TC			
3.00-3.10pm	6LD			
3.10-3.20pm				
3.20-3.30pm				