



Ariel Announcements

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Engage Learning * Expand Minds

Welcome to Week 5 WPS Community,

We are almost at the middle of the term, time flies at school when there is so much going on! Our classrooms are buzzing with learning, and sprinkled across a busy week of learning, there have been some great extra curricula activities in the form of excursion and incursions. Be sure to follow us on Facebook for photos and updates of these.

Tomorrow we are hosting an afternoon tea at our Canteen to share with prospective helpers how much fun casual helping out at our canteen can be. If you've ever thought about helping out at the canteen casually, but have been a bit tentative, come along at 1:30pm tomorrow to see how it works and how friendly our Canteen managers are. Hope to see lots of you tomorrow!!



Come to our Canteen

To all our parents , caregivers and community members,

We welcome you to a free afternoon tea to learn about ways you can help your child/ren's school. This non-threatening casual chat will provide you with information about the enjoyment and satisfaction you can get by helping out at the canteen. This casual event will show you how the canteen works and flexible ways you can help out!

WHEN: Tuesday 9th of August
WHERE: Canteen / TheirCare area
TIME: 1:30pm





WRITE WODONGA VISITING AUTHOR

We are very excited to have our visiting author 'Leigh Hobbs' come and work with and inspire all of our young budding authors at WPS this Thursday 11th August. For any families that ordered a signed Leigh Hobbs book, they have been delivered to the school and will be handed out on Thursday to the eldest child in the family. Write Wodonga Presentation night will be in Term 4 where students will share their very own published book with our wider school community. 'Dymocks has kindly donated 12.5% of all purchases back to our school library for us to continue to buy books that inspire the love of reading and writing in our students'.

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

Congratulations to Leo from Year 2 for showing empathy towards others last week in our playground. Your KINDNESS Leo has shone through mate!



Environmental SUPERHERO of the Week

Well done and thank you Leo from CH1 for being KIND to the environment. Last week Leo was spotted by a student leader eating in the Eating Area. After finishing his snack, Leo put his litter in the bin. Leo was a very happy recipient of the award this morning at assembly! Great job Leo!



WELLBEING FOCUS – WHOLE SCHOOL



This morning at assembly Ms O'Donnell ran an interactive scenario of a problem encountered by a student in the yard. Together with the entire school, Ms O'Donnell problem solved the scenario with all students using the "CATASTROPHE SCALE".

All our classrooms have been "re-learning" about the Catastrophe Scale support, to better help resilience in our students.

It was wonderful to see Ms O'Donnell support the students in accurately identifying the catastrophe and then applying the appropriate strategies to overcome the scenario.

Look out for some talk around this at home!

JAPANESE CULTURAL INCURSION

Wednesday last week, students in Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 had the opportunity to watch a performance about the 4 seasons in Japan. Aiko, our performer, had the students engaged from start to finish. We learnt about the different events that happen during each season in Japan, played games and had a go at a traditional dance. Students loved Taro the puppet and were in awe of the origami. It was a great way to learn more about Japan.



Have a great week,
Sincerely,

Damian Duncan, Principal

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SCHOOL PHOTOS

= TOMORROW =

Our official school photo days are August 9th & 10th. Every student is photographed for the school's database and parents are able to order copies by completing the online process.

Please note, since Covid struck, online ordering is the preferred and recommended method for processing orders. This eliminates the risk of losing photo envelopes at home and keeping track of orders at the school end.

You are able to place your order any time from today by using our unique Access Key and then following the options to find your student.

Both individual and family photos can be ordered [online this year](#) but orders must be in by today.

The anticipated photo schedule is attached to this newsletter.

PE & SPORTS REPORT

Regional AFL:

On Friday our Division A Australian Football Team travelled to Benalla to compete in the Winter Sport Regional Championships. Unfortunately, the competition from Shepparton and Yarrawonga proved to be too skillful on the day. While our boys tried their very best, they were defeated in both of their matches. Congratulations on participating at this high level of competition boys, the WPS community are very proud of your efforts.



Blake Maxworthy, PE & Sport Coordinator

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
School Photos	August 9 & 10	Whole school	Order online	August 8
Write Wodonga Workshops	August 11	Whole school	No cost or consent required	N/A
Water Safety Program	August 15	CH5/BR5 & MI5/OS5	Consent & payment required, \$23.50	August 10
Water Safety Program	August 22	CH6/BR6 & OS6	Consent & payment required, \$23.50	August 17
Book Week	August 22-26	Whole school	In conjunction with the Book Fair	N/A
Book Week Dress-Up Day	August 23	Whole school	Dress-up as your favourite book character	N/A
Japanese Speech Contest	Sept 8	Selected students	Consent & payment required, \$5.00	Closed
Last Day of Term 3	September 16	Whole school	Early finish, 2.30pm	
First Day Term 4	October 3	Whole school	School starts at 9.00am	

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