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The inclusive and caring school where expert staff support students to achieve excellence.

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NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 11

As we come to the end of the school year, I wish to thank our school community for your continued support of Woongarrah Public School. It has been another big year, filled with ups and down, learning successes and challenges, COVID uncertainty and restrictions, learning and working from home and everything in between.

We have made it!

Successes

We celebrated some of the successes last week at our Presentation Day assemblies, including the announcement of our most prestigious awards and the Student Leaders for 2022, as follows:

Dux of School Ella Vockler		
School Citizenship	London Nowers	
Sporting Blue	Kyah Chalmers	
Premiers Sporting Challenge	Lucas Moore	

Ministers:

Prime Minister	Matilda Odell	
Deputy Prime Minister	Bonnie Waddell	

Ashley Devine	Sienna Farrell	
Logan Fudge	Layla Healey	
Charlotte Lynn	Troy Rutherford	

House Captains:

Kangaroo	Tikira Mudge	Ethan Molloy and Jack Molloy
Dolphin	Claudia Potts	Lachie Holding
Platypus	Mia Hodges	Ari Gonebale
Goanna	Matylda Ferguson	Patrick Bailey

We recognised students in each class for academic achievement, citizenship, excellence in specific areas and effort. Every student in the school received a special medal to celebrate 2021 and everything we achieved together as partners between home and school.

The end of a year brings some farewells. Year 6 students leave us to move to high school and some students are leaving as families move out of the area. We wish all those students and their families the very best.

We are also farewelling some teachers – Mrs Byrne, Mrs Kelly, and Ms Ella. We thank them for their contributions to our school and wish them well for their future. Our General Assistant, Mr Barraclough has also retired after many years of service to the Department, and we wish him well in his retirement.



Merry Christmas and Best wishes to all for an enjoyable festive season and summer holiday break.

Leonie Clarkson PRINCIPAL

Book Packs 2022

The school will be organising Book Packs for 2022 that include everything that students need for the school year – books, stationery etc.

There is no cost and no need for families to supply any items or equipment.

This means that you do not have to worry about Back-to-School items such as stationery, books, tissues, and the like as this will be provided.

Day 1 2022 Organisation

The year will start with students in Years 1-6 returning on Tuesday 1 February 2022.

Kindergarten students will start Thursday 3 February after completing Best Start on Tuesday 1 February or Wednesday 2 February.

Students in Years 1-6 will start the year off in their 2021 class but in most cases in a different room and with a different teacher. We will be able to form our new classes for 2022 as soon as we know of new enrolments and students leaving. We will endeavour to form new classes as soon as possible.

Students will line up in their 2021 classes on Tuesday morning. The following table indicates where the students will be on Day 1 as we finalise classes for 2022.

2021 class	Start in	Start with	2021 class	Start in	Start with
HB5	НВ9	Mrs Ruskin	HB1	HB4	Mr Demir
НВ6	HB10	Mrs Hindson	HB2	НВ3	Mrs Khan
HB7	HB13	Mrs Topping	НВ3	HB15	Mrs Baker
HB8	HB11	Mrs Guest	HB4	HB22	New teacher
НВ9	HB12	Mr Smith	HB13	HB16	Mrs Black
HB10	HB14	Mr Mills	HB21	HB8	Miss Baker
HB11	HB2	Mrs Hearne	HB22	HB21	Mrs Le Loux
HB12	HB1	Mr Vrolyk			
HB14	Library	Mrs Corbett			

FROM THE P&C

Our Christmas Raffle has been drawn. Congratulations to our winners, a great mix of school families, teachers, and the public! A huge thank you to our sponsors and businesses who supported our raffle by donating prizes, thank you to everyone who purchased a ticket and shared with family and friends, with this support we raised over \$9,000!!!! What an amazing effort this will be used towards the playground equipment! Thank you!

Athlete's Foot Tuggerah are supporting our P&C again this year if you purchase your school shoes from there don't forget to mention our school – for every pair of shoes \$5 will be donated.



P&C REVIEW SNAPSHOT OF 2021

Another challenging year to work around social distancing we had to look at our events in a new light.

Tears & Tissues for Kindergarten.

AMG – New team voted in we said goodbye to some hardworking and dedicated executive members and welcomed some new faces.

Executive members also gave up their time to be on various panels, Before and After School Care, Principal of Porters Creek Public School & General Assistant at Woongarrah Public School.

The second-hand uniform shop has been on and off this year – more off than on! To support our families, we started a chat on our Facebook page with a buy/swap/sell post which has been a success.

Easter Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser – Something new we had all sorts of different flavours to choose.

We cleaned out our storage room to make way for OOSH. We relocated our storage room and sold some old furniture; we made some funds and saved our pre-loved items going to landfill!

Athlete's Foot Cheque presentation – thank you to all the families who mentioned our school when purchasing school shoes!

Mother's Day Stall – This year we offered plants as part of our stall, we received lots of great feedback from those who were gift recipients.



Father's Day Stall – we held a mini stall at the school gate during lockdown. The students loved shopping at school for Dad.

Christmas Raffle – we were supported by so many local businesses to be able to hold a huge raffle with 62 prizes valued over \$10,000! All proceeds will be used to contribute to the playground equipment.

Year 6 farewell the P&C contributed to the photo booth for the students to have some fun.

Kindergarten 2022 the P&C are donating our brand-new students a school hat and library bag.

Thank you to everyone who has supported and volunteered this year. I am looking forward to a great 2022!

Michelle Gatt

2022 CALENDAR DATES



Friday 28th January 2022 - Staff Development Day

Monday 31st January 2022 Staff Development Day

Tuesday 1st February 2022 – Year 1 to Year 6 students return to school

Thursday 3rd February 2022 – Kindergarten Students start school

SCHOOL UNIFORM PRICES FROM LOWES

