

WALLAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER



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## School Dates:

Fridays from 11th Feb -  
18th March

- Year 6 Swimming

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## A Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

Thank you to all our families for their support with the current covid guidelines. We appreciate the clear communication we have received from families if their child/ren or a family member in the house has tested positive to covid. Please continue to keep us informed so that we can support your child/ren with their learning and wellbeing.

### New gate

We have changed our front school gate to a pool fence style latch. Families and visitors can still access the school office during the school day, however please close the gate as you enter and exit the school grounds. It is always important that students arrive on time for school however, if you are arriving late to school please walk your child/ren to the school gate to ensure they can access the school grounds.

### Congratulations to our 2022 School Leaders

Over the past few weeks our teachers Laura Bromley, Hayley Saunders and the year 5 and 6 teams have been collaborating with our students in the initial steps of our wonderful Wallan PS Student leadership program.

Students have been learning about the qualities of a leader, written applications and some of our students sat a formal interview with Laura Bromley (student leader coordinator) and myself. I was impressed with the students and their ideas that they shared in the interviews. When you have students making comments such as 'we need to show our friends that we are all leaders even if we do not have a badge,' and 'we need to value each and every individual's culture' I am very proud of our school.



### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Book Club Issue 2 has been distributed this week. Orders need to be returned with your payment no later than Tuesday 8th March 2022.

Families can also order and pay online with Scholastic Book Club Loop

[www.scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/](http://www.scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/)

Remember you can download the FREE App to access LOOP (see below)



Our 2022 School Captains are Kashvi Thakur and Luka Shannon. Congratulations on their fantastic interviews and we are excited to see the impact they will have in 2022. As the interviews were of such a high standard we have decided that in 2022 we will introduce Vice School Captains. Congratulations to our 2022 Vice School Captains Aruvi Sandeep and Moustafa Kohder. As they explained to their parents on the phone when their roles were announced... 'Mum, I made history as the first Vice Captain at Wallan PS!'

Last week we had a formal badge ceremony presentation where we presented our School Captains, Vice School Captains, House Captains, Class Captains and Sports Captains with their badges.

Thank you to all the students who applied for these positions. As the year progresses there will be a variety of leadership opportunities for students in various year levels. As our School Captains explained we don't always wear a formal badge but we are all leaders at different times and we always need to demonstrate our school values.

Thank

Kind regards,

Tanya Kirkright - Principal

## COVID SAFE PRACTICE

The third round of free rapid antigen tests have been handed out in classrooms this week. If you have not received your second box please contact the office.

MY CHILD...	So then I...
Tests negative	The school does not need the result
Tests positive	Isolate and contact the school. Log it with the Department of Health
Family close contact	Isolate and contact the school.

## REMINDERS

*It is important for students to carry their own school bag. Please encourage your child to be independent for school.*

## A Message from the Assistant Principal

Dear Families,

I'm sure you are all aware of the recent media coverage around Russia and the Ukraine. As with any traumatic event, children may become anxious or worried about unfamiliar events and they may not have a full understanding of what they are seeing and hearing.

Please consider the following support strategies if your child appears worried::

- Limit their exposure to media and social media
- Limit their exposure to adult conversations and opinions
- Acknowledge and discuss their concerns but reassure them often
- Stick to predictable structures and routines
- Keep a healthy lifestyle with adequate sleep

If you or your family are directly impacted by these events, please seek supports such as:

- Your local GP
- Headspace 1800 650 890
- Beyond Blue 1300 224 636
- Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800

Kind regards,

Sandra Allison - Assistant Principal

## NAPLAN

Students in Year 3 and 5 would have received an information sheet on NAPLAN this week. NAPLAN is a national literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3,5,7 and 9 sit in May each year. It is the only National Assessment all Australian students do.

As students progress through their schooling it is important to check how well they are learning through the school curriculum. This also allows parents/carers to see how their child is progressing against national standards over time.

NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process. It does not replace ongoing assessments completed by the teachers, but it can provide additional information about a student's progress.

If you would like to know more about NAPLAN, visit [www.nap.edu.au](http://www.nap.edu.au)

### **Semper Dental is returning to our school on 15th, 16th & 17th March 2022**

Your child will have the opportunity to join the Semper Dental 2022 school dental program.

The twice-yearly treatment program is offered in accordance with The Australian Dental Association recommendation that all primary school age children should see the dentist every six months.

At each visit Semper Dental will provide a preventative treatment program. Preventative treatment involves an oral examination and treatment such as scale, cleaning, fluoride application and fissure seals where necessary. They will then provide you with a report on each visit and will inform you if your child requires additional dental care.

## HARMONY DAY - Monday 21st March

This year Wallan Primary School is celebrating Harmony Week. Harmony week is about bringing together everyone in our community to celebrate the different aspects that make us unique. The Harmony message this year is Everyone Belongs.



We will begin celebrating Harmony Day on Monday the 21st March with a cultural dress day. Students are invited to come dressed in either their cultural clothing or with a flag to represent their culture or in orange as orange is the colour of Harmony Day. This is an out of uniform day and there is no cost.

With the message of Everyone Belongs we would love to celebrate where each child in our school comes from. We want to know the history of our students. Where did their ancestors come from? What country do they identify with? What language do they speak at home?

We will be creating a display in the school showcasing the flags of each and every one of our students. Please return the form sent home last week, so we can make sure that your child is represented on our wall and return it to the school by Friday 4th March.

Jaid Jones on behalf of the WPS Team

**SALE - CLEARANCE STOCK**

**1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> March**

**20% to 50% DISCOUNT ON SELECTIVE SCHOOLWEAR**

**Green shorts and pants**





**GRADE 6 BLACK SHORTS FROM \$8.00**

**BLACK PANTS FROM \$10.00**

**No LAY-BY**

# School Uniform Shop

## Meet our Wallan PS Team

<p>Do you know all our staff?</p>	 <p>Tanya Kirkright</p>	 <p>Sandra Allison</p>	 <p>Robyn G</p>	 <p>Tracey</p>
<p>Role</p>	<p>Principal</p>	<p>Assistant Principal</p>	<p>First Aid</p>	<p>Library</p>
<p>Favourite colour</p>	<p>Yellow</p>	<p>Green</p>	<p>Purple</p>	<p>Purple</p>
<p>Favourite music</p>	<p>Everything!</p>	<p>I like whatever is on the radio, especially in my car. I often sing in the car.</p>	<p>Anything you can dance to</p>	<p>Relaxing music</p>
<p>Favourite animal</p>	<p>Monkey</p>	<p>Dogs</p>	<p>Dogs</p>	<p>Dolphin</p>
<p>Favourite food</p>	<p>Japanese</p>	<p>Chicken Kiev on rice</p>	<p>Chinese</p>	<p>Mediterranean</p>
<p>Favourite Sport Team</p>	<p>AFL - Brisbane Lions</p>	<p>I don't really follow specific sports. But I used to love watching my kids play for the Wallan Magpies &amp; Panthers</p>	<p>Collingwood</p>	<p>NRL - Manly Sea Eagles</p>
<p>Shhh! A secret that no one knows is...</p>	<p>I love watching GP Formula 1.</p>	<p>I secretly love all of the Jurassic Park movies, and I heard a rumour that there is another one coming out this year – I'm so excited!!</p>	<p>When I was 4 years old, I was Susan Johnston Department School's youngest model.</p>	<p>I love going to stage shows</p>
<p>If I had 1 wish ...</p>	<p>To go on an overseas holiday with my family.</p>	<p>I wish my staffy was well behaved so I could take him places, but he's too silly.</p>	<p>I would love to take all my grandchildren to Disneyland.</p>	<p>To eat my way around Italy with my husband.</p>

Sivani Room 3 - 4/3  
 Tekken Room 4 - 4/3  
 Kashvi Room 10 - 4/3  
 Renezamay Room 12 - 4/3  
 Chaise Room 20 - 4/3  
 Minh Room 9 - 5/3  
 Batol Room 11 - 6/3  
 Israel Room 2 - 9/3  
 Yesh Room 15 - 9/3  
 Nate Room 1 - 10/3  
 Logan Room 2 - 10/3  
 Deegan Room 3 - 10/3  
 Ayden Room 3 - 10/3  
 Bailey Room 5 - 10/3  
 Lucas Room 11 - 11/3  
 Jai Room 10 - 11/3  
 John Room 2 - 12/3  
 Akeila Room 15 - 12/3  
 Safiye Room 1 - 13/3  
 Hayden Room 11 - 14/3  
 Ashleigh Room 6 - 14/3  
 Alannah Room 11 - 15/3  
 Oscar Room 5 - 16/3  
 Evy Room 7 - 16/3  
 Gurleen Room 16 - 16/3  
 Dominic Room 22 - 17/3



## NEWS from the COMMUNITY

Only at **SCHOOLS OUT!**

# THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Autumn School Holiday Program

**SNEAK PEEK!**

BIKE RIDES, SPORTS CAMP, TREASURE HUNT, ADVENTURE, ART WORKSHOPS, TENT BUILDING, EXCURSIONS AND INCURSIONS!

**BOOK IN NOW!!!!**

April 11-22  
 Gisborne  
 Greenwale  
 Riddells Creek  
 Lancefield

FOR ENROLMENT: [WWW.SCHOOLSOUT.NET.AU](http://WWW.SCHOOLSOUT.NET.AU)

ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTHERN MITCHELL & KILMORE ART EXPO  
 PROUDLY PRESENTS

## AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL BUSKING CHAMPIONSHIPS

### KILMORE

**SATURDAY, APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup> - 2022**  
 Sydney Street, Kilmore 9:30 am - 3:00 pm

**BUSKING COMPETITION**

**FREE FINALS CONCERT**  
 John Kelly Pavilion, Kilmore Racing Club  
 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

**Entries open: March 15<sup>th</sup> 2022**  
 entry forms available at  
[www.coomamusic.com.au](http://www.coomamusic.com.au)  
 or  
[buskingkilmore@gmail.com](mailto:buskingkilmore@gmail.com)

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