



"Working Together for a Better Future"

MONDAY 19th June

TERM 2 2023

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School Dates:

Tuesday 20th June
- Curriculum Day

Friday 23rd June
- Last day of
Term 2 finish at
2:30pm



Check our website for more dates.

A Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

Cyber Safety Project - Collaborating School

This year Wallan Primary School is proudly collaborating with the [Cyber Safety Project](#) to facilitate cyber safety education across our whole school community, including students and parents/guardians. Students will uncover the risks of learning, connecting and playing online. They will be empowered to navigate the online world as safe, independent and responsible digital citizens.

The Cyber Safety Project is endorsed by the eSafety Commissioner as a Trusted eSafety Provider. To further support cyber safety education at home, you can find helpful online home safety guides, conversation checklists and resources for creating a safe digital environment at home via cybersafetyproject.com.au

Additional online safety support resources:

- Report online harms including cyber bullying, image-based abuse or illegal and harmful content - www.eSafety.gov.au
- Report child exploitation material to the Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation - www.accce.gov.au
- If your child is in immediate danger call **000**.

Year 4 Camp

Year 4 camp at Sovereign Hill ran last week. We have a few pictures on our Facebook page and you can see from the smiles, the fun the students had. Students, teachers and parent helpers participated in various activities such as gold panning, special tours and history lessons. Thank you to our teachers, Adam McNamara, Charlotte Oxley, Brianna Taylor, Elise Frankenberg, Lee Ann McInnes and our parent helper Lucas Price for attending camp with our students.

COMING SOON

*School
beanies
and
scarves as
a school
fundraiser!*

RESPECT

Just a reminder that it is important to show respect to all our school community members. This week we would like to highlight the importance of our canteen. We need to remember to use our manners, wait our turn and always be respectful to our canteen team who put in a lot of time so that we can enjoy their special treats.

Please discuss this with your child/ren at home.

Report to Community

Thank you to our community members, staff, school council and student leaders who attended our annual Report to the Community last week. We reflected on 2022 data, our successes at WPS and our areas for improvement. We also discussed our goals for 2023 and beyond. The highlight of the evening was the presentation from our school leaders Bailey and Amilia. Both students provided great feedback on the journey of our school in 2022 and their plans as a student leader group for 2023.

Strategic Plan and AIP

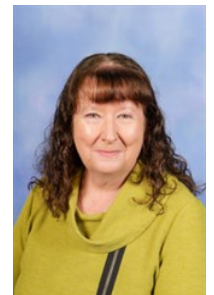
Our 4 year School Strategic Plan (SSP) was approved and is now located on our Webpage. We have also updated our Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) to reflect our new SSP. This is also available on our webpage.

Our main goals for 2023 are:

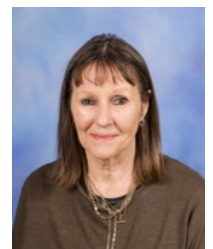
- Wellbeing
 - Document and ensure all our community are aware of our great practices, programs and procedures
- Numeracy
 - Continue to further develop our student goals
- Literacy
 - Revise the instructional model for reading
 - Investigate spelling and writing continual improvement strategies

Thank you

Jeanette Rudd - The impact that Jeanette has had at Wallan PS in the classroom and as a leader over the years has been a driving force in literacy. Jeanette has mentored and collaborated with many teachers over the years to ensure that all our students have the opportunities to develop their literacy skills to better support them in their lives. Overseeing ES members for our literacy team, overseeing the library, and buying lots (and lots 😊) of resources has had a great impact for our community. Thank you, enjoy your long service leave and then your retirement.



Jenny Bruce - So I was told I am the 7th Principal Jenny has collaborated with as a Business Manager. A true legend of the school that has been here over the years to support our kids and community. Jenny is very knowledgeable and professional in all her daily tasks. I cannot thank Jenny enough on behalf of all the principals, staff members, families and students over the years that you have supported and continually kept our school running. Enjoy your retirement!



Kind regards, Tanya Kirkright - Principal



SPORTS GALA Day

TERM TWO

WOW what a day!!! Wallan Primary School was represented today by over 60 students at the Sports Gala Day for Term Two. After three weeks of tryouts and another three weeks of training, the day finally arrived. We competed against other schools within our district in Soccer, Football and Netball. All teams should be very proud of themselves for not only their skills that they showed, but for their sportsmanship and teamwork. Both the girls and boys Football teams finished the day undefeated and will compete in the next round at Divisions in July. Soccer and Netball made it through to the finals but unfortunately didn't make it through to the next round.

All coaches (teachers) were impressed and proud of how our students performed both on and off the field/court. Congratulations and well done.

Mrs Stacey

Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge



The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and Wallan PS is excited to be participating. The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 8 September 2023.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers. To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: <https://www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge>

Individual Student Codes will be sent home week 1 of next term. Families are encouraged to log in at home and add books you read. Teachers will also log books that are read in the classroom. You can start reading now and write your books in your school diary, so you can add them when you get your code.

FOUNDATION 2024 - (PREP) ENROLMENTS

If you have a child starting prep/foundation in 2024 their forms are DUE NOW!

There is a new process for enrolments for 2024. All Foundation 2024 enrolments need to be handed into the school office by the 28th of July. Then we can provide families with confirmation and their new 'Foundation' T-shirt which students can wear around the community. Please contact the office if you have any questions or need an enrolment form.

Last week we held a night time school tour and a prep information night. Thank you to Tracey Nihill for supporting me to run these sessions. It was great to see many families and future students attending.

If you have friends who would like to book a school tour, we are running tours during the day. Please book at our website or call the office.