

YEAR 2 PARENT PLANNER

Term 3, 2026

WELCOME BACK!



Hello to all our lovely families. We hope you had a restful & warm mid-year winter break. This term we are focusing on strong classroom routines, fun times building our robots and improving our home reading nights. Please try & read a story each night & the students can record the title in their diary. It promises to be a great term!



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PE

In Term 3, students in year 2 will continue to explore the skills of dribbling a basketball and performing a vertical jump by participating in drills and games surrounding the sport of basketball.



MEDIA ARTS

In Term 3, we will start a new subject called Media Arts. Initially students will explore photography through the camera application on the iPad. Following this they will explore the app PicCollage. After learning about the artist Arcimboldo students will use many different skills to create their own fruit and vegetable inspired digital collage.



BUSH



In Term 3 we will be concentrating on our amazing native plants. We will celebrate National Tree Day in week 2. We will learn about plant structure and how plants grow and learning some of the scientific names along the way. We will be utilising some plant material to "whittle" a toy out of wood. Science week will see us utilising our hand-held microscopes and magnifying glasses to look at our plants more closely.

We are beginning our 'Water Detectives' program, investigating the health of Taylor's Creek near the school. We will test for turbidity, pH, temperature, salinity, phosphorous levels and see what water bugs we find. These are then uploaded to a government platform that monitors the health of our waterways. Your children are becoming "citizen scientists"!

Don't forget that we need our hats from August 15th!

In Performing Arts, students will develop their dance skills through movement, rhythm, and creative expression. They will build confidence, coordination, and teamwork while exploring how dance can communicate ideas and tell stories. Students will collaborate to create, practise, and perform a dance routine.

In Auslan, we will be learning about what it is like to be a deaf person, including some technology that can help make life easier for them. We will be learning some new signs this term, including Australian animals, basic time and classroom instructions.

AUSLAN/PA



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CORE LITERACY



Our Core Literacy lessons this term see us continuing our work in the Little Learners Love Literacy Program. This term we will focus on silent letters in words such as *gnome*, then move into different word ending letter patterns like *er*, *y*, *full* and *less*. Students will learn how to read and spell new words.



NUMERACY

In Numeracy this term we will be focusing on the areas of number, algebra, space and measurement. Our lessons will include a daily review, hands on tasks using lots of tools such as dice, counters, cards and worksheets to help solve problems. We will begin to introduce fractions and multiplication. Some kids can even start learning their time tables!

ENGLISH



Our English program will see students delve into two imaginative texts and two informative texts. These texts include *The Stone Lion* by Margaret Wild, *The Snail and the Whale* by Julia Donaldson, *Walking in Gagudju Country* by Diane Lucas and Ben Tyler, and *The Gentle Genius of Trees* by Philip Bunting.

We will spend several weeks exploring each text, allowing students to immerse themselves in rich literature, storytelling and engaging information. Throughout these units, students will build their understanding of new vocabulary, examine a range of sentence structures and explore how authors use language to entertain, describe and inform. Students will also develop their reading comprehension, participate in discussions about the texts and use what they have learned to support their own speaking and writing.



INQUIRY

In a exciting new step we are focusing this term on robots!! Maybe we can design and create a robot to make the teachers coffee - LOL. But on a serious note, the students will work collaboratively to design and build a 'robot buddy' using craft and/or recyclable materials. Students will learn how to follow and write a simple computer program which will highlight the importance of accuracy and precision. They will work to create a program to instruct their robot to help them with a task before sharing their robots and programs at an exhibition.

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COHORT TIMETABLE

Room	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2A		Auslan / PArts PE	Bush		VA
2B		Auslan / PArts PE		Bush	VA
2C		Auslan / PArts Bush	VA	PE	
2D		Auslan / PArts VA	Bush	PE	
2E		Auslan / PArts	PE	VA / SV	Bush
2F		Auslan / PArts	VA	PE	Bush

TERM 3 IMPORTANT DATES

4th August PJ Day

17th – 21st August Semper Dental

24th – 28th August Book Week

26th August Book Week Dress Up

14th September Curriculum Day

18th September Sport Dress Up

Last Day of Term finish 2:15pm

HOMEWORK

At Wallan Primary School, all homework set by teachers will be:

- purposeful
- curriculum-aligned
- appropriate to students' skill level and age
- designed to help students develop as independent learners
- monitored by the teacher
- where appropriate, provide opportunities for parents/ carers to partner in their child's learning.

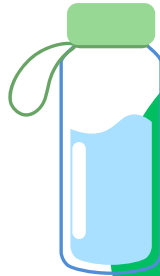
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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

ATTENDANCE

Students are expected to be at school every day unless they are sick. Parents are asked to record absences via the Compass Parent Portal, email the school email account, call the office or provide a note explaining the reason for the absence.



WATER BOTTLES

Students are required to bring their own water bottle and water can be consumed at any time during the day. Food and non water drinks can only be consumed at designated eating times.

UNIFORM

Uniform must be worn in full every day. Students not in uniform may be asked to change at the office in the morning. Please refer to the Uniform Policy on our website.

Our uniform supplier is PSW.
<https://www.psw.com.au/schools/wallan-primary-school.html>

Families may choose to purchase generic uniforms from department stores.

SUN SMART

Wide brimmed, legionaries or bucket hats must be worn from **15th August to 30th April**. Generic hats can be worn as long as they are a sun smart style – no caps. Students without hats must stay under shaded areas.

Staff are expected to model sun smart behaviours at all times. Sun cream is encouraged but must be applied by students independently.



LATE ARRIVALS

School gates open at 8:30am and classrooms are open at 8:45am. Students are expected to be at school on time, every day, to ensure they do not miss the beginning of the learning focus. If your child is late to school, a parent/guardian must walk them to the office and sign them in.

HEALTHY SNACK

Healthy snacks can be consumed in the classroom at a suitable time, decided upon by the teacher. Healthy snacks include fruit and vegetables that can be eaten easily whilst students work.

