



WOODLINKS

STATE SCHOOL

Only Our Best,
Everyone,
Everyday

DATE CLAIMERS:

ASSEMBLY

Every Mon 2.20pm YR 3-6

Every Fri 9.00am Prep—2

10 & 11 May

Mother's Day Stall

15, 16, 17 May

Naplan Testing

18 May

Ipswich Show Holiday

No School

25th May, 8th & 15th June

Gala Days

2018 Uniform Shop Hours

Mondays 8.15—9am

Wednesdays 3.10—3.45pm

If you can read, you will succeed!

BE A LEARNER

At WoodLinks SS there are high expectations for all students to be engaged in their learning every day. On my visits to classrooms I have watched our students working hard on their Reading, Maths, HASS, English and other subjects. I have had the pleasure of presenting students with certificates on parade, and also commending Year 3 and 5 students on significant individual improvements in their literacy and numeracy work. In every classroom, every day I see engaged learners!

Our teachers are also committed to learning. Each week the year level teams spend time collaborating and working together to plan assessment and learning. In this work we learn from each other as we share ideas and evidence-based strategies. On Friday I had the pleasure of attending the Metropolitan Region Beginning Teacher professional learning day with Mr Crichton (Head of Mentoring) and 6 beginning teachers from WoodLinks SS. For our beginning teachers it was an opportunity to learn from experienced professionals and other beginning teachers in our region. The commitment and passion of these beginning teachers, and indeed all of our teachers at WoodLinks, is what makes learning at WoodLinks so exciting!

Over the next few weeks there may be assessment tasks that students need to complete by a due date. Take the time to discuss the task with your child, and remember that learning is a partnership between students, parents and teachers at WoodLinks. Your support at home can make a difference for our learners.

NAPLAN

Our Year 3 and 5 students will sit the NAPLAN tests on **Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th May next week**. After speaking with many students and their teachers, I know our learners are confident they have the skills and strategies to succeed on these literacy and numeracy tests. The tests occur each morning so please ensure your Year 3 or 5 student is on time and ready to participate on these days.

MOTHER'S DAY HIGH TEA

Unfortunately I wasn't able to attend the High Tea on Friday last week. However, I have had many people share with me what a wonderful success the morning was. Thank you to the many volunteers and helpers (parents and staff) who made the High Tea a success. Congratulations to the students who performed so superbly for all the mums. I hope all of our WoodLinks mums have a special and relaxing day this Sunday for Mother's Day.

Enjoy the rest of your week.

Cheryl Wilson
A/PRINCIPAL

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SCHOOL PHOTOS

Online Order link: <https://www.advancedimage.com.au/keycode/keycodefinder.aspx?>

Dear Parents,

School photos have now been taken. Photographs can be purchased by following the link before **11/05/2018**, after which late fees/additional charges will be incurred.

Past years' photographs including sports, co-curricular and representative groups available at **your school's advancedlife community portal** (follow the link above)

Important Information:

- School photos purchased online DO NOT require envelopes returned to school*
- **Late fees/additional charges will be applied for purchases after photo day**
- Photos will be returned to your school for distribution approximately six weeks after photos are taken

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READERS OF THE WEEK



P&C NEWS



Mothers Day Stall



Thursday 10th & Friday 11th May

Great gifts for Mums and Grandmas all items \$1 - \$5

Nothing over \$5 More info coming soon



We are now taking enrolments for our 2019 Prep classes.

All students enrolling are invited to attend our Prep Transition to School Program.

Our Pre Prep Program runs each Tuesday and Thursday afternoon between 2:00 – 3:00pm over a four week period in September/October 2018.

Who is eligible?

- Children born between 1st of July 2013 and 30th of June 2014
- Children need to be 5 years old by the 30th of June in the year they enrol in prep.

Please contact the school with any enquiries

Phone: 3381 4666

Email: admin@woodlinksss.eq.edu.au

www.woodlinksss.eq.edu.au



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PREP NEWS

On Friday there are two Mother's Day activities in Prep. We invite our mums to join us for a 'picnic on the green'. The students will be providing snacks for their mums and playing some games. The P & C Mother's Day stall is running for Preps on Friday morning with gifts available for purchase.

In Mathematics this week we are learning to match number names with quantities. We are also exploring the concepts of more and less.

In English we continue to develop our oral language skills. We are learning to sequence several events from a story that we have heard. We continue to practice writing our own sentences using a capital letter, finger spaces and a full stop.

If you read you will succeed! **Homework** in prep includes daily reading, sight work practice and one sound each day in their Jolly Phonics booklet. Regularly practicing reading is crucial to your child's literacy development and should be a daily routine at home. Home readers will be changed and sent home every day.

As we move into the cooler months, please remember that jackets should be the official school one or a plain navy blue. Tights or leggings worn under other school items must be plain or blue. Please **name** all personal belongings that your child brings to school. This includes shoes, socks, spare clothing, hats, water bottle, snack containers etc.

Ms Stemp
Prep A Teacher

YR 1 NEWS

This week Year One are very excited to begin the week with a special visit from our local firefighters. This visit will include an information session, explaining the difference between safe and non-safe fires and what to do in case of emergencies. Students will also get to see the firetruck and have a go at holding the big hose.

English:

We will be continuing our descriptive writing this week with the book 'Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley'. While we continue to practise our sentence writing using correct letter formation, full stops and capital letters, we will also be trying to add in adjectives and justify our thoughts of the character 'Pearl Barley'.

Maths:

This week we build upon our knowledge of numbers by experimenting with mental strategies that will assist us with addition. We will be introduced to rainbow facts (numbers that add up to 10) and the count-on strategy.

Science:

In Science this week, students are exploring ways to make changes to materials to build upon it's strength.

Don't forget the mother's day stall on Thursday and Friday!

Miss Daley
IC Teacher

YR 2 NEWS

It was great to see so many at the Mother's Day Morning Tea last Friday. The year two teachers were very proud of our students who presented a poem and gave guests tea and coffee.

In English, we are continuing with persuasive writing. We are reading Goldilocks and the three bears and also Goldilocks and the three koalas. Students will then compare the main characters in both stories and they then have to decide which character they prefer and why. Ask your child to share with you which of the characters were their favourite.

In Maths, we are continuing to look at quarter to and quarter past time. The content covered in maths has been included in the weekly homework, so please ensure your child continues to complete their homework each week to reinforce what they have been learning at school.

We are still having days with low levels of attendance. **Every day counts at school** and it is important that students understand the value of attending school. Please ensure that your child attends school every day.

Also, a reminder that the Mother's Day stall is on this Thursday the 10th of May.

**Mrs Steel
2A Teacher**

YR 3 NEWS

The countdown for NAPLAN has begun! Some important tips are:

- Please make sure your children are well rested
- Make sure they have a nutritious breakfast
- Have positive conversations about the test

This week in grade 3:

English:

This is our last week to practise writing a narrative before our assessment in week 6. This week our topic is *'and then something bad happens.'* The children will be expected to apply their knowledge of adjectives, verbs and quotation marks to write a detailed and descriptive narrative.

Mathematics:

This week we are further exploring place value of three digit numbers. The children will learn how to represent numbers with standard and non-standard partitioning. We will also use number expanders as a learning tool.

Science:

In science this week students are learning about sunrise and sunset. The children will be required to identify what occurs during sunrise and sunset and will draw a diagram to explain this process.

Homework:

Children should be working through their spelling and mathematics problems every night. Start timing your child's speeds each night when working through their mathematics problems. Please make sure their homework is returned every Monday so spelling words can be highlighted for practise.

Mother's Day Stall:

Just a reminder that the Year Three's will be visiting the Mother's Day Stall on Thursday. Please secure their money in a zip lock bag with their name.

**Miss Hiley
3C Teacher**

YR 4 NEWS

Welcome to Week 4 of Term 2! How quickly the term is flying! We are almost at the mid-point of the second term and what a fantastic start to the term it has been! May I start by congratulating Year 4 students on their wonderful efforts with behaviour and work ethic so far this term!

In **Maths** this week, Year 4 students are continuing with their second unit of mathematics. Students have so far learnt about the properties of odd and even numbers and have started learning about the features of maps. This week, Year 4 students will be continuing to learn about these features, in particular that of scale and revise what they have learnt over this unit at the end of this week.

In **Art** this week, students are continuing to experiment with the elements of line, colour, shape and space, culminating in the creation of their very own and unique, art piece.

A quick reminder that the Mother's Day stall will be set up and held in the hall on Wednesday 9/05/18. Please remember to send your child with money, should your child wish to purchase anything.

Students should be continuing to **read** each evening to improve their literacy skills. Remember—
if you read, you will succeed!

Have a wonderful week!

Mr Gordon
4B Teacher

YR 6 NEWS

Week Four already! The time passes by so quickly when we are all having fun.

Mathematics: For the past few weeks Year 6 students have been exploring the use of brackets and order of operations to write and correctly solve number sentences.



Students need to remember these rules when applying order of operations:

1. Calculate what's in the brackets
2. Calculate multiplication and division before addition and subtraction
3. Always work left to right.

Students have learnt the acronym of BOMDAS also to help them effectively solve numerical expressions such as:

$$6 + (3 \times 7) \quad \text{or} \quad 36 \div 6 \times 10$$

A few reminders for the week:

Notes have been handed out regarding GALA Days which are coming up soon. Please make sure these are filled in and returned to school as soon as possible.

Mother's Day Stall is on Thursday/Friday. If you wish your child to buy items, please make sure they have the money on their required day.

Hope everyone enjoys their week.

Ms Hall
6B Teacher

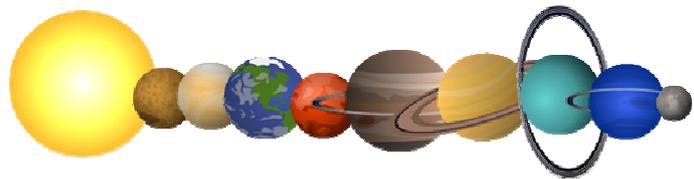
YR 5 NEWS

Year 5 Writing Club

SCIENCE

In science this term Year 5 are creating a poster about 1 planet of their choice from the solar system. Some of the things they will need to put on their poster are:

- *Name of the planet
- *how many moons
- *what the planet is made from
- *how close to the sun
- *compare their planet to Earth



It will be due on 11th of June. “The science posters are a great way of learning about a planet” Says Amelia, year 5 student. Jaiden from 5B said that it is a great chance to be creative and imaginative when designing your poster.

NAPLAN

Next week year 5 will be commencing NAPLAN. “I’m pretty excited because we get to have pancakes every morning” says Isabella , a year 5 student. Noah from 5B says it is important to get a lot of sleep the night before each test so that you have more energy. Tanaya and Chandra (5B) both said it is important to have a healthy breakfast that is not full of sugar so that you can concentrate.

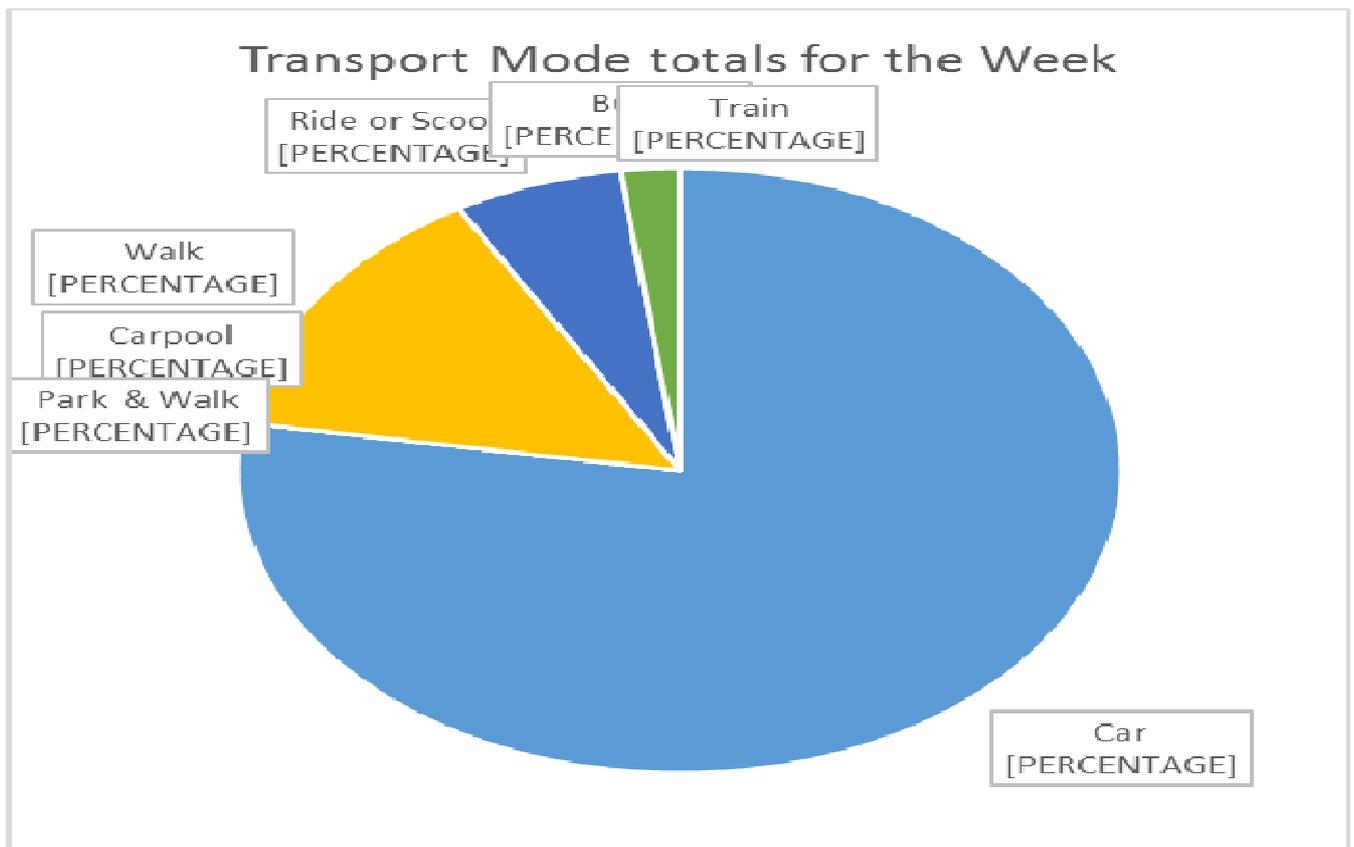


Written by 5B on behalf of the year 5 writing club.

HAST

HEALTHY ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL

The following graph shows how WoodLinks students get to and from school every day. As you can see, the vast majority of our students are driven to school. At WoodLinks, we are lucky that many of our families live so close. By walking to and from school we are not only being healthy, we are also helping the environment and decreasing the congestion at our drop off/pick up zones.



Based on collecting data for one week, we have discovered that **78% of our students travel by car; 14% walk; 6% ride bikes or scooters and 2% arrive by bus.**

The HEALTHY ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL Team at WoodLinks will be encouraging students and families to walk at least part of the way to school through 'Walking Buses' and other promotions.

So come on WoodLinks Community. Let's get

HEALTHY and **ACTIVE** with our **SCHOOL TRAVEL**

Keep reading the WoodLinks Newsletter for more information.

Uniform Shop

Monday 8.15 - 9.00am and Wednesday 3.10 - 3.30pm

Please remember that there are **NO EFTPOS** facilities in the Uniform shop.

CASH ONLY

Can you help out in the uniform shop? If so, please see Melissa in the uniform shop.

Absence Line

Remember if your child is going to be away please call the

Absence Line: 3381 4688

and leave a message stating child's name / class / and brief reason.
(ie—sick/doctors appointment etc)

**a reason MUST be left or the absence will be recorded as
UNEXPLAINED**

Admin News

SMS Notification

If your child is away from school for an unexplained reason, you will receive an SMS notifying you. Please ensure you reply back (before 3pm) to the message with a reason for the students absence do not include any emoji's or pictures as these cannot be read. Do not reply to the SMS after 3pm, you will be required to contact the school the next day or send in a note about the absence. If you can't return the SMS you must phone the school with a valid reason. Remember that if your child is not in class by 9am when the rolls are marked, they are required to obtain a late slip from the office. **Without this they will be marked as absent and you will receive an SMS.**

**Please only reply to sms that are sent to you.
DO NOT use this number for any other messages or to put in
future absences.**

STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME FEE (SRS)

Reminder that all Student Resource Scheme fees must be paid by end of this term.

Payments for SRS and excursions can be paid the following ways:

Online via BPoint , In person via Eftpos or cash



CREATIVE DANCE INDUSTRIES

HIP HOP CLASS AT SECOND BREAK!

Every Wednesday in the WoodLinks SS hall

Term Two 2nd May to 27th June (9 weeks)

Prep to Yr 6

1:30 - 2:15 pm

To register and pay term fee of \$45 online via Parent Portal:

www.creativedanceindustriesasd.com.au

Or \$5 cash with your child's name at the lesson

Prep students must register and pay in full to be escorted to and from their classroom each week.

For more info contact Beth 0413 313 072

creativdanceindustries.asd@gmail.com



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- ★ Playing with friends
- ★ Great Educators
- ★ Food and Cooking
- ★ Indoor Activities



What we've been doing in OSHC at Camp Australia!

We've been trying heaps of new activities at Camp Australia recently, including exploring the outdoors with our bug catcher and researching about different insects, learning about the importance of healthy eating, facts about fruits and vegetables and making a new display all about our prehistoric friends.

Our students have led the way in exploring these activities, having lots of fun and sharing ideas along the way and discovering interesting facts, they can share with family and friends.

We've got more great activities planned next week – as well as a lot of fun we don't even know about yet! Come along and join in on the fun and excitement !



Program details

We're here to make Outside School Hours Care the best experience possible for your child. To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit

www.campaustralia.com.au

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon.