



WOODLINKS

STATE SCHOOL

Only Our Best,
Everyone,
Everyday

DATE CLAIMERS:

22 July

P&C Chocolate Drive Forms need to be returned by 9am

25 July

Parade 2:30pm

1 August

Parade 2:30pm

8 August

Parade 2:30pm

15 August

Parade 2:30pm

10-17 August

Book Fair

22 August

Parade 2:30pm

29 August

Parade 2:30pm

1 September

Yr 2 Excursion—Lone Pine

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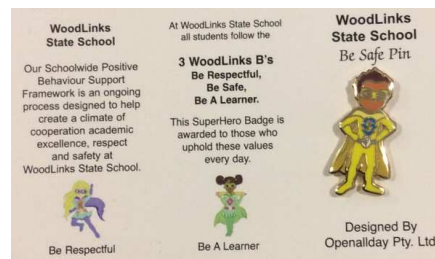
If you read, you will succeed!

Last week we celebrated our first Super Readers of the Week! Well done to all students for your great reading achievements. It is always great to see so many parents and carers coming along to help us celebrate the awesome achievements, in reading, of our students. We look forward to having you all come along to help us celebrate reading success during Semester 2.

Positive Behaviour at WoodLinks

As we move into semester 2 we are also seeing great behaviour in our classrooms and in the playground. Well done WoodLinks Community for remembering to Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be a Learner.

Keep an eye out for great things appearing around our school to remind us all of the 3 B Super Heroes. Everyone at WoodLinks can be a Super Hero everyday if they are doing their best. Keep flying high superheroes!



New Staff

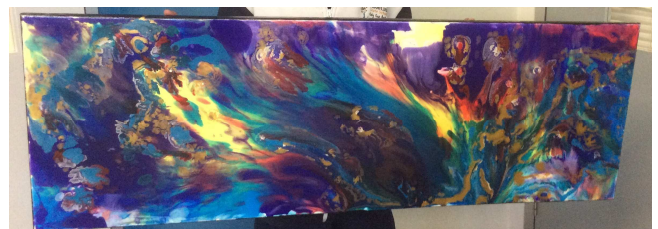
Last week we welcomed Mrs Hannah Van Vurren to year 4A and Ms Stephanie Bray to our school as District Relieving Teacher. These teachers have been warmly welcomed by our school community.

School Community Support

The WoodLinks community is changing fast as new houses are being built around us. We would like to thank WoodLinks Village for their kind donation of \$12,500 towards our electronic sign and welcome the support of Six Mile Creek organisation who have previously donated \$5,000 towards our sign. We are still about \$10,000 short but we will continue to seek sponsorship to get our sign installed before 2017.

Art Show

Our annual Art Show is coming up on Friday September 9 and we hope to see our community come out to support this exciting fundraiser. This year we will be launching the art show with a Wine and Cheese night on Thursday September 8. This launch is for adults only and entry will be \$15. An invitation will be coming out soon to all families, children will be supervised with a movie in the library. Please get in quick to secure your ticket to this inaugural event. There will be music to listen to, art to purchase on the night and you can be first to place your bid on the class artwork. We look forward to seeing you at this exciting event.



from the Principal's Desk continued.....

Communication

We think it is important to link what is happening at school with home. Have you installed The QSchools app on your phone or device? Or have you liked us on Facebook? These forms of communication keep you up to date with what is happening at WoodLinks. Volunteering in our classrooms, Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden, P&C Association, Breakfast Club, Reading Club all help to improve student outcomes. Ask your child's teacher how you can assist in student learning and wellbeing programs.



Super Readers of the Week



School Opinion Survey

Last week all families received a letter regarding the school opinion survey. So far we have had 7 people submit their survey. We want to know what you think about how students are achieving, behaving, communicating and much more. Survey results helps us celebrate success and plan for the future. **Surveys need to be completed by 29 July.**

Mobile Phones

Our school handbook states that students with mobile need to bring them to the office before school. (They are safely secured in the storeroom.) Students can collect mobile phones when the bell goes at 3pm.

Vicki Caldwell

Principal

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Regional winner

Showcase Awards for Excellence in Schools

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ATTENDANCE

At WoodLinks SS we believe that attendance matters! By attending school everyday students have the very best opportunity to achieve success. Each week we monitor individual and class student attendance. We celebrate attendance every Monday at Assembly with the announcement of the previous weeks winners. In Prep-Year 2, classes are involved in a weekly horse race and in Years 3-6, students are involved in a superhero race (located outside the library). The WoodLinks Attendance Policy can be found on our website.

'Every day counts' is a state wide initiative that aims to assist in improving student attendance at school through a shared commitment by students, parents, caregivers, schools and the community.

To do this, Every day counts promotes four key messages:

- all children should be enrolled at school and attend on every school day
- schools should monitor, communicate and implement strategies to improve regular school attendance
- truanting can place a student in unsafe situations and impact on their future employability and life choices
- attendance at school is the responsibility of everyone in the community.

Please watch the following videos which aim to explain the importance of coming to school every day.
Jonathan Thurston 'Attendance Counts'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b9ilBeJ5CUs&list=PLgfv5epyrnQDLNMTmhLA6z-cssQylcsvN&index=5>

Attendance adds up

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VniGVhJb-SM&index=3&list=PLgfv5epyrnQDLNMTmhLA6z-cssQylcsvN>

Attendance animation ' Every day counts

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=libK7b-IDgA&feature=youtu.be>

Attendance target is 95%

14/07/2016

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Prep-Yr2

Yrs 3-6

1C- 100%

3C- 100%

Prep B- 100%

3A- 100%

2C- 100%

4A- 97.83%

Prep A- 97.92%

4B- 96%

1A- 97.73%

6A- 95.83%

2B- 96.15%

3B- 91.67%

1D- 95.65%

6B- 91.3%

2A- 92%

5/6- 90.74%

1B- 90.48%

5B- 89.29%

Prep D- 87.5%

4C- 86.96%

Prep C- 82.61%

5A- 86.21%

Prep E- 79.55%

Year 1's

Welcome back! I hope you all had a restful and safe holiday.

We have started Term Three off with a bang and are already powering into our units for this term. Please make sure your child is always coming to school with a named jumper, preferably the school jumper but if not a plain navy colour. Remind your children that toys are not appropriate to bring to school as they could be damaged or lost.

Home Reading

Home readers and home work were sent out today. Please make sure you get back into the routine of reading every night. We need to read to succeed!

English

In this Unit we will be exploring human qualities of animal characters in texts. The children will be required to create their own animal character for a story and will need to identify and create human qualities. When reading at home, encourage your child to identify the different human qualities of animal characters (for example: talking, feeling jealous, feeling loved)

Maths

This week we are further developing our understanding of numbers to 100. Children will learn how to order numbers, applying their understanding of place value and will learn to identify ten more, ten less, one more and one less of a given number. We have noticed that the children require extra assistance when counting in 2's, any extra practise at home will be greatly appreciated!

Warm regards,

Ms Hiley
Yr 1A Teacher

Year 2's

Welcome back to term 3! We hope you all had a restful break and are ready for another busy term.

Homework and Home Readers will continue to be sent home on Monday's this term. They need to be returned each Friday for changing, or on Wednesday if you are finished quickly! A few students still have outstanding Library books or Home Readers from last term. Please be aware, we are unable to send a new book home until these have been returned or have had the cost reimbursed at the office for lost books.

English

We are so excited to read our new class text George's Marvellous Medicine by Roald Dahl. Each day we have been reading a chapter and we will be using this book to give us inspiration to create our own Procedural Text later in the term. We are also excited about beginning to join our letters in handwriting.



Maths

This week in maths we are learning about Fractions. We are looking at halves, quarters and eighths. We are discovering the relationship between these fractions and having a go at putting collections of items into these fraction groups too.

Science

This term we are learning about the life cycles of living things. In our unit 'Good to Grow' we will analyse how a living thing changes in each stage of its life cycle. We will be studying frogs, butterflies, koalas and many other animals!

Ms Rankin
Yr 2B Teacher

Year 3's

Welcome back to Term Three. We hope you had a great break.

Last week the children in Year 3 were busy with guided reading groups and beginning the new units for this term.

In English this term we are examining stories from different perspectives and using this knowledge to retell a narrative from a different perspective. We are also creating a multimodal imaginative text later in the term.

In Maths we are continuing to develop our counting and place value skills beyond the thousands and into the ten thousands. This week we are working with money by representing different amounts, learning to give change and add totals.

Our Science unit is investigating how heat is produced and the behaviour of heat when it transfers from one object or area to another. Students will observe heat by touch and formal measurements of heat, using a thermometer.

We are also doing Technology this term and students will be using the design process to research, plan, create and evaluate a puppet to use in a drama production. For this we require some recycled and craft materials such as: clean old socks and old shirts, cardboard boxes (cereal, biscuit, tissue, egg cartons), lids and containers, paddle pop sticks, felt etc. If you have any to spare please send them in with your child.

Homework was sent home on Monday and home readers are included. This term we have included both addition and subtraction problems and spelling words that are relevant to what we are learning in class. Home work is due each Friday and will be sent home again on Monday. Please take a few minutes to listen to your child read each day. Every page counts.

Music, PE and Geography continue to be on Monday for all three classes. Library is still on Tuesday for both 3A and 3B and Friday for 3C. Please remind your child to pack their Library bags on the relevant day.

We are looking forward to another great term and more excellent work in all classes!

Have a fantastic week.

Casey Kimlin
Yr 3B Teacher

Year 4's

Welcome back to Term 3. This term in year 4 the students will be working on the following:

English

Unit 5: Exploring recounts set in the past.

Students listen to, read and view stories from and about people in Australia's past, including those from other cultures, and contemporary stories about people in Australia. They demonstrate understanding of past and contemporary stories through written responses focusing on character development, use of dialogue and language features. They use their knowledge to create a written digital narrative highlighting a character's development.

Unit 6: Exploring quest novels.

Students listen to and read quest novels by different authors including print and digital texts. They demonstrate understanding of a chosen novel through a written reading journal and give spoken justifications of their opinions and ideas to their peers.

Maths

Unit 5:

Money and financial mathematics — represent, calculate and round amounts of money required for purchases and change.

Number and place value — model and interpret number representations, sequence number values, apply number concepts and place value understanding to the calculation of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, develop fluency with multiplication fact families.

Fractions and decimals — partition to create fraction families, identify, model and represent equivalent fractions, count by fractions, solve simple calculations involving fractions with like denominators.

Location and transformation — investigate different types of symmetry, analyse and create symmetrical designs.

Unit 6:

Using units of measurement — use scaled instruments to measure and compare length, mass, capacity and temperature, measure areas using informal units and investigate standard units of measurement

Shape — compare the areas of regular and irregular shapes using informal units of area measurement

Number and place value — represent fractions as decimals, apply mental and written computation strategies, recall multiplication and division facts and apply place value to partition and regroup numbers to assist calculations

Year 4's continued

Patterns and algebra — investigate and describe number patterns, solve word problems and use equivalent addition and subtraction number sentences to find unknown quantities.

Science & Technology

Unit 3: Material Use – In this unit, students investigate a range of physical properties of materials and consider how these influence their selection and use.

Geography

Unit 2: Using places more sustainably & technology

Inquiry questions:

- How do different views about the environment influence approaches to sustainability?
- How can people use places and environments more sustainably?

As you can see there is a lot to get through! Therefore, please make sure your child arrives at school on time every day so that they don't miss anything.

We are also looking for volunteers to help with our cooking and gardening program which will begin in week 6. 4A will have their lesson on Tuesday, 4C lessons will be on Wednesday and 4B lessons will be on Friday. All cooking lessons will be from 9-11. Please do let us know if you are able to help.

Until next time,

May the force be with you!

Mrs Chapman
Yr 4B Teacher



Year 5's

Welcome back to Term 3! This term, we are continuing our explicit agenda of reading. On Fridays, Ms Roberts and I will be opening the doors between our two classrooms and team teaching Science and History. This ensures there is a consistency between the information being taught and given to your child. Both teachers will be staying in the classroom for this teaching time.

ENGLISH:

We are learning how to appreciate poetry. We will read, listen to and view a range of poems, songs, anthems and odes from different times to create a folio of responses analysing poet's use of language and its impact on the message and ideas of text.

MATHS:

We are investigating financial matters like income, expenditure, costs, profit and loss. We are creating pending and saving plans. We are exploring maps, using alphanumeric grids to locate and plot points and describing symmetry to enlarge shapes. In number, we are using written strategies to calculate addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

SCIENCE:

This term we are investigating chemistry. We are beginning to see how matter structures the world around them and that liquid, gas and solids all take up space.

HISTORY:

This term we are investigating the Gold Rush and how it impacted Australia. We are investigating discrimination of minority cultures during this time and the events that led up to and after the Gold Rush.

ART:

This term we are creating artworks for the art show. We are exploring famous artists like Jackson Pollock and Vincent Van Gogh and learning how to imitate their specific artistic styles.

READING:

This term we are continuing to practise our various reading comprehension strategies and decoding strategies. We are focusing on inferring and summarising.

If you have any spare time, even if its just a one off, we would love your help in the classroom! Please don't hesitate to drop by.

Ms Wilson
Yr 5B Teacher

P&C News

P&C Cadbury Fundraiser



To Parents/ Caregivers,

WoodLinks P&C Association are holding a Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser. You can receive a box of Cadbury chocolates to sell to help the school fundraise for reading resources. Once you have sold your box of chocolates you will need to return them to school with the money.

Unsold chocolates need to be returned to school in order for them to be sold by other families.

Please return the permission slip that was sent home to the office by 9:00am on Friday 22 July to secure your box of chocolates.

Chocolate boxes will be arriving next week and will be sent home with your child from school.

Please note: Forms returned later than 9:00am Friday 22 July can't be guaranteed.

All unsold chocolates will need to be returned by the due date that will go out with the chocolate box. Please be aware that you will receive a bill for the cost of the chocolates not returned.



Uniform Shop

Monday 8.30 - 9.30am and Wednesday 2.30 - 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

School Banking

BANKING DAY IS WEDNESDAY

Remember to fill out your deposit slip. Give your bank book to your teacher to be placed into the silver satchel. Every time you bank you will receive a silver token, once you have 10 tokens you can claim for one of the reward prizes available in each term.

If you haven't opened up your CBA school banking account yet, please head to your closest CBA branch with your child's birth certificate and get started.

Finance

Banking days have been changed to Wednesday & Thursdays - 8:30am - 1:00pm.

STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME FEE

If you haven't returned your Student Resource Scheme form, please check your child's bag as they should have been given another form (not green) for completion. If you **DO NOT** wish to participate you still need to return the form so we know. If you agree to participate, please complete the form and return it to the office ASAP and a invoice will be created and sent home.

Any problems please contact the office on 3381 4666.



STARTING SCHOOL ADVENTURE DAY

Renata Jagne
talented children's musician and storyteller

Chrissy Byers
author and illustrator of the delightful children's book, *The Magic In Boxes*

Free packs*
full of amazing resources, to help support families with children starting school

Will your child start school in 2017?
Begin your exciting school adventure with lots of FREE activities, information and resources for children and families at the Starting School Adventure Day.

Where: North Ipswich Reserve 43
The Terrace, North Ipswich

When: Saturday 6 August 2016

Time: 10am - 1pm

... Plus more

C&K is excited to be partnering with:



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Or

Contact Michele Blinstedt - michela.b@candk.com.au

*Free packs for the first 200 registered families



Volunteers Wanted for Kitchen Garden Program

The success of this unique and exciting Program relies on the support of volunteers.

There is nothing more satisfying than sharing a delicious meal created with fresh produce that you have grown from seed to harvest. Every term over 200 school children share in this experience as part of the Kitchen Garden Program at WoodLinks State School.

You don't have to be a green thumb or a naked chef, you just have to love growing food, eating food and being with children.

If you would like to volunteer in the kitchen or garden, whether you have one hour to spare or a whole afternoon, we would love to hear from you.

Contact: Deborah Farrell
On: 07 33814666
dfarr82@eq.edu.au





GREAT FUN

- ★ Outdoor games and sports
- ★ Arts & Crafts
- ★ Playing with friends
- ★ Great Educators
- ★ Food and Cooking
- ★ Indoor Activities



OSHC NEWS

OSHC Information.

Are you looking for before or after school care? Our friendly staff at Camp Australia opens from 6am-8:45am every morning and 3:00pm- 6:00pm every afternoon.

At before school care we have a range of light activities and games for the children to participate in. We also offer cereal, toast, fruit and milo for breakfast. Children who are in Prep will be walked to class each morning.

Afterschool care offers a range of different outdoor and inside activities to suit every child's interest. We also offer a yummy afternoon tea. The preps will be picked up from class by a staff member and walked to afterschool care.

If you need any help or question answered please contact the service on ph. 0431 774 205

Alternatively you can call Camp Australia head office on 1300 105 343

Program Details

This month at OSHC –

Come along and have some fun, every afternoon we have a range of different activities to get excited about!!

Become a Better Buddies; are you kind, friendly, helpful and caring? We are looking for our term 1 Better Buddies that show all the above.

Don't forget –

- All new students need to be enrolled online prior to starting.
- All children need to remember a hat for outside play at OSHC.
- Term 1 medication forms need to be signed and any new contact information updated. (please go to the camp Australia website)
- Also don't forget if your child attends any outside sports/activities they will need to have a permission slip to allow us to walk them to and from OSHC (Please see staff)

To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit www.campastralia.com.au