Principal’s Report

Dear parents/caregivers,

Book Week – Connect To Reading

Unfortunately we weren’t able to hold our Book Week Parade on Wednesday due to the weather. We have re-scheduled the assembly and parade to next Friday, 29 August at 1pm. Cross your fingers for sunshine!

Looking forward to seeing lots of thoughtful and creative costumes.

Morisset High Executive Visits to our School Canteen

Mr Mark Snedden visited the school canteen and worked extremely hard under the watchful eye of Gloria. This is the last of our visits from the high school. Mr Snedden also visited classrooms and assisted the students with their learning. This has been a fantastic initiative! Thanks to Mr Lyshon and Mr Bennett for giving up their valuable also to spend time at our school.

Raising School Profile

I have various reports from teachers, parents and other schools that Wangi Wangi students always display their best manners when attending events outside of school time. Staff have worked hard to raise the image of the school and are extremely proud of student behaviour. It is always great to hear so many good things about our school and our students.

Evening of Entertainment – Thursday 18th September, 6.30pm

Classes are working hard to prepare their item for the Evening of Entertainment. Put this date in your calendar, you don’t want to miss out. Be prepared to be wowed!

Got It Team!

K-2 staff have been working closely with the Got It team. The program aims to teach emotional resilience and social skills development that will stay with young children for life. These in turn will support children to better manage their behaviours at school and at home, as well as learning to their full potential and maximise life opportunities. The program will commence in Term 4. Teachers involved are Mrs Taylor, Mrs Langford and Mrs Murphy.

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P&C meets on the third Tuesday of each month
Wangi Knitters
This term on every Wednesday afternoon Year 5/6 are extremely lucky to have the Wangi Wangi Knitters visit to share their knowledge and expertise with a pair of knitting needles. Year 5/6 and Mrs Witt are rapidly becoming avid knitters. Look at the concentration level on our knitters’ faces. Truly amazing!

Merit Awards

**Kinder** Claudia Black, Alexis Eames, Brock Bennett.

**Yr 1/2** Kiara Gee, Jayden Martin, Liam Slatyer, Shakira Yates, Matthew Crammond-Shield.

**Yr 2/3** Jayden Skelly, Maggie Carr, Bede Garnett, Ryan Kosky, Jose Laguna, Samuel Woolnough.

**Yr 4/5** Lili Izaguirre, Dylan Tracey, Jayden James, Jake Kosky.

**Yr 5/6** Riley Hardes, Nathan Hayes, Kiri Garnett, Jonathon Middleby, Zeb Coughlan, Siena Johnson, Rhiannon McKay, Alicia Nipperess.

Art Classes
This week 2/3 commenced their five week block of art lessons with local artist, Helen Rumas. This is a truly worthwhile experience for the children. Cost is $3.00 a lesson. Look at the wonderful work that 2/3 produced this week!

Postponed Netball Gala Day

The Westlakes PSSA Junior Netball Gala Day that was to be held tomorrow, Friday 22 August has been postponed due to the weather. An alternate date will be advised shortly.

Still Awake Still - K-3

Tuesday, 16th September
Please return your note and payment for this wonderful cultural experience as soon as possible, so that your child will not miss out!

Band Tuition
Currently we have a few instruments available for students to learn such as; saxophone, trumpet, clarinet & flute. If you are interested in your child studying an instrument please let the school know. Lessons are held at school during school time.
Little Athletics

Last Monday, Yvonne Puller (Westlakes Athletics) and Darren from Little Athletics NSW, visited our school to outline the great program that Little Athletics runs for school age children. The session was extremely informative and Darren measured out the length of the jump that the Australian competitor jumped at the Commonwealth Games. The jump was over 8 metres in length, the students were in awe! Darren also showed the size of the shot-put that the competitors used at the Commonwealth Games.

Dunbi the Owl – Retold by Hannah
One owl was sitting in its nest and every day children played near the river. One boy said, “I can see an owl in the tree”. The children made the owl fall out of its nest and they put spikes in to the owl. They threw it up into the sky. His father got angry and he flooded the country with rain and the people drowned but a man and a woman survived because they grabbed the kangaroo’s tail. And that’s how they got to high ground. The kangaroo hopped to high ground and when the owl got his feathers back no one bothered Owl any more.

How the Birds Got Their Colours – Retold by Charlie
One day in Dreamtime all the birds were black. One morning a dove flew around looking for food. The dove flew down to catch a grub but he landed on a stick and the grub got away. The dove fell on the ground for many days and weeks. One day a parrot came along and stuck his beak in the scab and colour burst out onto all the birds. That’s how the birds got their colours.

Buni the Owl – Retold by Jayden M
The owl children were trying to get him. They got him. They pulled his feathers out and put lots of spikes into him. He was hurt.

The Bat and the Crocodile – Retold by Abby
Long, long ago the bat and the crocodile were best friends but the bat didn’t do a good thing and it killed the crocodile. The others ran towards the bat and the bat went into a little cave. The others tried to kill him but the bat cut his tongue and put blood on the spears. They thought they killed him but then he jumped up out of the cave. The others ran back and the bat went back into the cave. Bat still lives in the cave till this day.

What’s on at WWPS:

Week 6
Fri 22 Aug  POSTPONED - Jnr Netball Gala Day
K-2 Show @ Wangi library

Week 7
Tues 26 Aug  Yr 2/3 Art Class
K-2 Responsible Pet Ownership visit

Week 8
Wed 27 Aug  Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition
Thurs 28 Aug  Debating Gala Day
Fri 29 Aug  Book Week Parade & Assembly

Week 9
Tues 2 Sep  Pirate Day K-2
Yr 2/3 Art Class
Wed 3 Sept  Water Safety Program
Thurs 4 Sept  P&C Father’s Day Stall
Fri 5 Sept  Snr Soccer Gala Day
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Week 10
Tues 9 Sept  Yr 2/3 Art Class
Rehearsals
Thurs 11 Sept  Pizza & Pi’s
Fri 12 Sept  Yr 5/6 Canberra - 2nd $100 instalment due

Students return Tuesday 7 October for Term 4
Please refer to our website’s calendar for more details.

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Kids Club
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