



Wongarbron Public School Newsletter

25 May 2018 ~ Term 2 Week 4

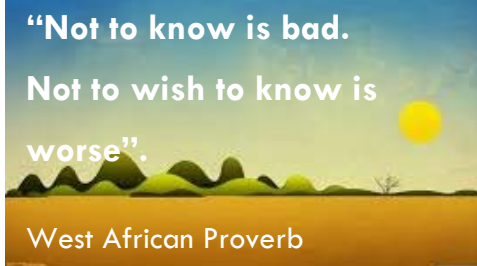
PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Another busy week at Wongarbron PS with lots happening. This week we welcomed a new enrolment and I have noticed Alice enjoying her time in the class and playground. I'm sure Alice and her family will very quickly realise what a great school we have here and I welcome them to our school community.

Many of the Year 6 students sat the AVID Academic Extension class exam on Wednesday. This program is one of the many ways Dubbo College caters for its students and I am confident that our students are well prepared for high school.

Each class also met with Shannon as part of the Youth Child Protection Education Program over Monday and Tuesday. Our teachers commenced the program with some introductory lessons, which were then continued by Shannon and our staff will continue over the coming weeks with additional activities. This program aims to raise awareness for children of how to keep themselves safe and what they can do if they feel unsafe.

As always, we will have a busy week next week too. Year 6 will be receiving a Personal Development lesson from the Community Nurse on Wednesday. The Choir will also be



performing at the Dubbo Eisteddfod on Thursday morning. I wish them the best of luck and hope they enjoy the experience. If you do get a chance, I would encourage you to try to sit in on the sessions and enjoy a morning of singing.

Unfortunately, I won't be at the school most days next week. On Monday, I will be presenting a course to the staff of Coonamble Public School. Tuesday will see me in Orange for another meeting and I anticipate I should be back for the afternoon session. A principals' meeting in Dubbo has been called for Wednesday and Thursday, and Friday will see me catching up on everything at Wongarbron. I'm sure everything will continue to run smoothly, but if you do need to contact me, please see the staff who will be able to pass on any messages.

I am looking forward to finishing off the week with the K/1/2 assembly.

Regards,

Paul
Principal (rlg)

'Try Always'

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Can be paid at the school office or online at <http://www.wongarbron-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday May 30
Year 6 PD lesson

Thursday..... May 31
Dubbo Eisteddfod

Friday June 1
K/1/2 assembly

Wednesday..... June 6
District Cross Country

Monday..... June 11
Queen's Birthday holiday

Tuesday June 12
School Council meeting 7pm

Wednesday June 13
Western Cross Country

ATTACHMENTS

Little Athletics survey

NOTES DUE

Eisteddfod – Choir
PD Health – Year 6

SCHOOL TERMS 2018

Term 2..... Apr 30 - Jul 6
Term 3..... Jul 23- Sept 28
Term 4..... Oct 15 - Dec 19
Term 1 2019..... Jan 29 - Apr 12

DUBBO COLLEGE MUSICAL
 IN ASSOCIATION WITH MAVERICK MUSICALS
 SCRIPT BY SIMON DENVER
 MUSIC BY IAN DORRICOTT

MAN STEEL

TICKETS NOW ON SALE
 at the DRTCC box office
 and on the DRTCC website

PERFORMANCES
 JUNE 27 - 12:30PM & 6:30 PM
 JUNE 28 - 6:30 PM

JR Richards **onesteel**
 DUBBO REGIONAL COUNCIL
 WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICES
 1300 JHWASTE (1300 479 278)

STEWART HOUSE FUNDRAISER
 Stewart House high-bounce handballs will be available for sale again next week for \$3.
 Thank you for supporting this very worthy cause. ☺

UNSW SCIENCE

On Tuesday, May 29, all students, Years 3-6, will undertake the extremely challenging University of NSW Science Assessments.

Parents across Australasia are usually invited to pay (almost \$10 per test) for their child to sit these tests. Consequently it is usual that the children who sit these tests are those gifted in a specific area.

Wongarbon Public School pays for all Year 3 – Year 6 students to participate in the UNSW Science, Mathematics and English Assessments.

In the past we have had some students gain credits, distinctions and sometimes even high distinctions.

We wish our scientific minded students all the very best.

ENROLLING - 2019

Applications for enrolment in Kindergarten for 2019 are now being accepted at the school office.

If you have a child or know of a child wanting to commence Kindergarten at Wongarbon Pubic School in 2019, please contact the School Office on 6887 8242 via email: wongarbon-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to enrol your child.

You will also be asked to provide the following documentation:

- child's birth certificate or identity documents
- proof of child's address – current council rates notice, residential lease, electricity bill etc
- immunisation history statement from the [Australian Immunisation Register](#) (AIR)
- any family law or other relevant court orders, if applicable.



<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/media/documents/a-special-place.pdf>



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Love sport?



Attached to this newsletter is a survey – **Little Athletics Social Club at Wongarbone Centenary Park.**

This survey is being distributed to parents/caregivers in an effort to obtain feedback on how much community interest there would be to support this proposal.

Completed surveys may be returned to Wongarbone Public School to be collected for Ballimore Little Athletics – Wongarbone Branch.



Education

EVERY DAY COUNTS...



A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but.....

| When your child misses just..... | that equals..... | which is..... | And therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is..... | This means that the best your child can achieve is..... |
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| 1 day each fortnight | 20 days per year | 4 weeks per year | Nearly 1 ½ a years of school | Equal to finishing Year 11 |
| 1 day a week | 40 days per year | 8 weeks per year | Over 2 ½ years of school | Equal to finishing Year 11 |
| 2 days a week | 80 days per year | 16 weeks per year | Over 5 years of learning | Equal to finishing Year 7 |
| 3 days a week | 120 days per year | 24 weeks per year | Nearly 8 years of learning | Equal to finishing Year 4 |

Give your child every chance to succeed....

Every day counts!





Wearing helmets and riding safely

Wearing helmets

Your child must wear a helmet when riding a bike in any public place – it's the law. The helmet must comply with the Australian and New Zealand standards and needs to be securely fitted and fastened on your child's head. It should be buckled firmly so it fits without wobbling or slipping to the sides.

Always remember to check that your child is wearing a helmet whenever they're playing or riding on wheels –

- Bikes
- Foot scooters
- Rollerskates
- Skateboards
- Rollerblades.

Riding safely

Although children quickly learn to pedal, steer and brake, they aren't ready to cycle near traffic or on the road. Until they are at least 10 years old, your child should ride off-road away from vehicles and driveways.

The safest places to ride bikes, scooters and skateboards are within fenced areas. This helps your child from riding or falling onto the footpath or the road. Children under 12 and their

accompanying supervising adult riders may ride on the footpath, unless there are signs specifically prohibiting cycling. Riders need to take special care at driveways where vehicles may be driving in or out.

At intersections, riders must dismount and wheel the bicycle across the road as a pedestrian, following the **STOP! LOOK! LISTEN! THINK!** procedure.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on [safetytown.com.au](https://www.safetytown.com.au)

Messages to share with your children in Kindergarten to Year 4

- Always wear a helmet when you ride or skate
- Ride your bike away from the roads

Messages to share with your children in Years 5 and 6

- Always wear a helmet when you ride or skate
- Ride your bike away from busy roads