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Woodburn Public School

Week 7 Term 4

Wednesday 17 November 2021

For Your Diary

Week 8 22 - 26 Nov

Tues Evans River YR 7
Orientation
Kindy Orientation

Week 9 29 Nov - 3 Dec

Tues Kindy Orientation
Fri School Captain
Elections

Week 10 6 - 10 Dec

Fri Sports Captain
Elections

**Next P & C Meeting
Monday 22 November at**

Week 7 - the term is whizzing by...

It's hard to believe that we have already passed the midpoint of Term 4 and the end of the year is approaching with great haste. This week, we held a virtual assembly recognising the efforts and achievements of students over the past fortnight here at school. A huge congratulations go out to the students who have received class awards and book prizes for their ongoing commitment to school expectations.

P&C Meeting

Our P&C is scheduled to meet next Monday evening, 22 November, from 6:30 - 8:00pm in the school hall. This year has been another interrupted year for our P&C with COVID preventing some meetings from taking place. This meeting will be the last planned for this school year and there may well be topics of discussion, however some important matters include:

- Casual vacancies of the P&C Executive
- Formalising P&C Executive and Account Signatories
- Year 6 end-of-year financial support (if acceptable)

Our P&C holds it's AGM late in Term 1 of the new school year. This is an inclusive step that allows new parents to become active in the P&C if they so choose. We do however need to fill current casual vacancies so that our P&C can operate successfully until the next AGM is held.

The meeting is being held face-to-face, with the requirement that all attendees are fully vaccinated and signed in via the ServiceNow School Check-In procedure. Confirmation of vaccination status will need to be shown.

Kinder 2022 Transition Program

Our transition to school program is now two weeks in and has two more Tuesday mornings to come. It has been a delight to

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see the new faces that are fast approaching the start of their school educational journeys as 2022 arrives. We look to have in the vicinity of 20 students starting off in Kindergarten next year, and we are already formulating plans and ideas to ensure a strong start for all of these children.

2022 Enrolments

Thank you to the families who have advised us that you will be leaving us at year's end. Whilst this is sad news, we certainly appreciate the heads up for our planning and class compositions for the new year. As a school, we are still welcoming any enrolment applications across all grades. The earlier any applications are received, the better we are able to manage and support these placements into our planned 2022 class groupings.

Year 6 Presentation Evening

Many regular events in schools are still impacted by the current Level 3 School Operational guidelines in place until the end of this year. One area that has been relaxed is that of parent attendance at Year 6 Graduation events. This does not mean we can have any traditional Year 6 graduation, but we can work on a plan that at least enables parent participation IF fully vaccinated.

Year 6 students and families should set aside Monday 13 December as the planned date for an after-school graduation event.

Our Year 6 staff are working in cooperation with our executive staff through the following requirements to provide a graduation event for our Year 6 students.

- **Ensure the school has a COVID-19 Safety Plan** which outlines the guidelines specified for the event.
- **Outdoor settings represent a lower risk than indoor settings.** If an indoor setting is selected, the venue must be well ventilated and as large as possible for the number of attendees, notwithstanding any square metre rules.
- **Ceremonies should be either conducted outside of school hours**, or if conducted during school hours, must ensure that parents, visitors and the graduating

student cohort do not mix and mingle with other student cohorts on the school site

- **Ensure that all attendees, including students and staff and visitors, are well and free of any flu-like symptoms and have not been directed to self-isolate by NSW Health.**
- **All external visitors to the school site, including parents and invited guests, must show evidence of full vaccination.**
- **All staff, students in Year 7 and above and visitors must wear a mask indoors, unless they have a medical exemption.** Masks are strongly recommended for students in Year 6 and below. Masks are not required while drinking and eating.
- **Fully vaccinated parents, carers and guests can attend, as long as the space complies with the current square metre rule within the COVID-19 Safety Plan.**
- Ceremonies may need to be held in sessions if capacity guidelines cannot be met or for large student cohorts.
- **Ensure people remain seated as much as possible to minimise mingling** outside of non-household groups or close friend groups.
- **Staff and visitors attending the graduation are required to sign in using the venue's QR code check-in process.** A digitised record of name and a contact number for those who are unable to check in using the QR code must be kept for a period of at least 28 days. Where possible, personal details should be collected in a way that protects it from disclosure to other attendees. Ensure records are used only for the purposes of tracing COVID-19 infections and are stored securely.
- **Have strategies in place to manage gatherings that may occur immediately outside the premises**, such as at entry and exit points, by staggering arrivals for larger cohorts and moving attendees into the venue upon arrival.
- Reduce crowding where possible and promote physical distancing with markers on the floor in areas where people are asked to queue, such as students waiting to come onstage to receive their certificate.
- **Consider how awards and certificates are distributed or handed to the recipients in a COVID-Safe way.**
- Any entertainment should be conducted in line with the COVID-19 Safety Plan and comply with equivalent public health requirements for entertainment in community venues such as restaurants - including physical distancing from the

audience.

- **Adopt and promote good hand hygiene practices and make sure that bathrooms are well stocked with hand soap and paper towels** and have hand sanitisers at key points around the venue such as entry and exit points.
- **Visitors should not be allowed access to areas outside of the designated event venue and should leave promptly at the conclusion of the event.**

We do ask that parents be aware of and proactive in helping meet these necessary guidelines that have been put in place for such significant events to proceed.

End of Year Assemblies

Under current guidelines, we can have outdoor/ open air assemblies to conclude the school year, however these are still parent-free. Schools can only have invited guests with specific roles (presenting awards/delivering speeches) in attendance and all of these invited guests would need to be fully vaccinated.

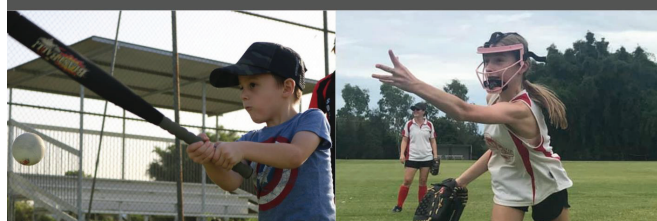
Staff are still determining plans in this space and will again look at options to present these assemblies virtually for parents to connect with if able to.

We are all hoping that 2022 is a year of even greater normality for us all.

Until next newsletter.....



FAR NORTH COAST SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION



Calling all primary students!

Competitions we are offering

Softball for students aged 12 and under
Teeball for students aged 8 and under
As all players will be registered with Softball NSW they will be eligible to participate in all sanctioned clinics, camps and tournaments.

Fees

\$100 per player
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FNCSA accepts Active Kids Vouchers

For more information contact us at


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About the competition

Our new 8 week school competition is aimed at getting kids into a fun and engaging game. All games are played at Albert Park Softball Grounds on Fridays at 5pm, starting the 5th of February 2022.

FNCSA will provide coaching, umpiring and scoring officials for all teams. Interested school staff are also welcome to participate. All FNCSA officials have current working with children checks.





2022 KINDERGARTEN CLASS ORIENTATION



For students 'enrolled' for Kinder 2022

9:25am to 11:25am

Tuesday 9 November
Tuesday 16 November
Tuesday 23 November
Tuesday 30 November

Participation in the transition program requires the submission of an enrolment application prior to attending. Enrolment is possible online or through contact with the school.

Meet the teacher, your peers and become familiar with our school.





Our Stars



Class	Respect	Safety	Engagement
KL	Isabelle-Grace Williams	Thomas Marshall	Anastasia Rhodes
1J	Isabella Graham	Tanaya Wright-Hutley	Kiah Wood
2D	Tessa Brown	Sophie Rhodes	Jori Clark
3/4J	Maisie Lord	Alma Paungreen	Leon Miller-Clark
3/4Z	Amelia Simpson	Chloe Wood	Cailie Hicks
5/6B	Zoe Cowan	Baylen Hull	Hayden Grove
5/6R	Levi Cross	Sophie Butler	Kiara Ryan
K-6J & K-6W	Abel Moore for engagement in English	Braxton Mazzarella for engagement in class	Lucjan Simpson-Powell for respect in class

Book Awards

KL	Zak Byrne-Drew for excellent writing with great punctuation and interesting adjectives
1J	Theiah-Rose Williams for always being engaged in her literacy work
2D	Abbey Alchin for trying hard with her home readers. Keep it up!
3/4J	Archer Craggs for improvement in fluency and reading comprehension
3/4Z	Hunter Pursey for improvement in his focus and his self belief that he can be a great writer
5/6B	Chilli Smithicks for her improvement in confidence when reading. Chilli's use of expression makes the text come alive.
5/6R	Leyland Humphreys for excellent engagement in all subject areas, and for always adding value to discussions through thoughtful comments
K-6J & K-6W	Arlia Collingburn for always showing respect to others and putting her friends and classmates first. Arlia shows compassion and care to others always

RIPPER Awards

Alexis Martin	Riley Stewart	Kate Marshall	Evy Ford
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