# Wingham Public School BULLETIN



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# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This will be the last school bulletin that will appear in paper form. As of Week 8 the Bulletin will become an eNewsletter and be uploaded to Skoolbag and our school website. It can also be emailed to parents. This version will be more modern and be more accessible to a wider audience. The eNewsletter will also have the benefit of saving paper, reducing production time and a broader content. Please follow the instructions below to download the App if you have not already done so. We look forward to your feedback as we venture further into the electronic world.

We hope that you have accessed our parent interview online booking website to make an appointment with your child's teacher. The importance of strong communication links between school and home cannot be emphasised enough. The shared interest that we have in the wellbeing and educational success of your child is based on the understanding that it is a team effort and this begins with our parent/teacher interviews. Your interest and contribution to your child's education is greatly valued by the school.

I would encourage you to keep in contact with us at any time throughout the year, so that as a team, we can make sure your child's education is as exciting and successful as possible.



## **DIARY DATES 2021**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Thurs, 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Boys & Girls Soccer Trials
Fri, 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Zone Cricket
Fri, 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Stage 3 Swimming
Mon, 8 <sup>th</sup> - Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Parent/Teacher Interviews
Fri, 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Netball Trials
Fri, 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Stage 3 Swimming
Fri, 26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Cross Country

'My belief is that communication is the best way to create strong relationships'.

Jada Pinkett Smith



## **PBL FOCUS**

The focus for Weeks 6 - 7 will be students being in the right place at the right time.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION UPDATE NOTE**

Each year the school receives funding based on the Family Occupation and Education Index (FOEI). Schools are required to seek updated information regarding parental education level and occupation. The aim of updating this information is to best reflect the profile of our school community to ensure we receive an accurate funding entitlement. While there is no obligation to complete the form, a high level of completion and accuracy is appreciated. The information you provide is held confidentially here at school, however the Department of Education (DoE) periodically harvests the data in an aggregated, anonymous form in order to compile the FOEI. If you have any questions or need assistance with the form please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Please complete the form that has accompanied this newsletter today and return to the front office as soon as possible.

# **YEAR 7 2022 STUDENTS**

Expression of Interest application forms for students who will be transitioning from primary school to high school (Year 6 to Year 7) in 2022 have now been distributed. Please complete this form and return it to the school office before **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March**.

# **DISABLED CARPARK**

It has been brought to our attention that the disabled carpark that is provided is frequently being used by parents who are collecting students throughout the day. This carpark is specifically designated for those with a disability and currently we have students whose parents and carers require this space when dropping off and picking up students for appointments or at home time. Please ensure this carpark is left free for its designated use.

#### SPORTS REPORT

The sport scene has continued to be very busy with trials for Manning Zone teams, the Regional Swimming carnival, our first PSSA Knockout draw, PE, and Stage Sport giving the students lots of opportunities to be active.

From our School Swimming Carnival 21 students made it to the Zone Swimming Carnival. All students had a great day and swam really well. Many students were amazed at just how fast some students from other schools were - it was a great experience for our students. The day started off on a high with our Junior Boys Relay team coming second and making it to the Regional Carnival: Hunter Livermore, Charlie Crittenden, Jayden McCallum, and Kve Welsh. In individual events we also had Milla Thompson, Hunter Livermore, and Jayden McCallum qualify to represent the Manning Zone. This is a fantastic achievement from our young swimmers who should all be very proud of themselves. The Regional Swimming Carnival was held in Lambton yesterday, Tuesday 2nd March, however our newsletter has to be put together on a Monday. Be sure to check next fortnight for an update on their results.

We had four boys attend the Zone Cricket Trials last week; Rylie Murray, Gus Loretan, Kolby Butler, and Zane Hryzak. The boys were split into smaller groups on the day with only one student from each group selected for the Manning Zone Team. Gus Loretan, who saw great improvement in his game this summer, was selected for the team who play in Maitland this Friday 5th March. Congratulations and good luck to Gus from all the students and teachers.

During Week 6 there are six boys heading to the Zone Rugby League Trials for the Under 11s and Opens teams. We also have four girls and one boy trying for Zone Soccer teams. In Week 7 three girls will be showing their skills at the Zone Netball Trials. Good luck to all of these students.

## **CROSS COUNTRY**

The Cross Country will be held Friday 26th March at school. It will be run in age groups with all students encouraged to have a go. Unfortunately, with current restrictions spectators will not be able to attend. We are very happy that events like the cross country are able to take place again for the students and that's what is most important.

## **STAGE 3 SWIMMING**

Stage 3 swimming will continue this Friday, and each week until the end of term. Students will leave school at 11:30am and return in time for lunch. Cost for students is \$3.00 for bus travel and \$4.00 for pool entry (unless holders of a pool pass). This is to be paid each week. Please ensure students pack a towel, hat, sunscreen and a bag to put wet items into after changing at the pool.

## **COVID-19 GUIDELINES**

Please be aware that guidelines have not changed in regards to students being unwell.

Parents and carers are reminded **NOT** to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Schools will make arrangements for students who present as unwell or have flu-like symptoms to be sent home. Students may only return to school once symptoms have ceased and a negative COVID test result is emailed to the school.

# **CANTEEN NEWS**

Thank you to all the volunteers that have contacted me. Welcome also to lan and Janine.

On 25<sup>th</sup> March, the Canteen will be holding a Special day. Keep an eye out for more details. At present there are several pre-loved red jackets and jumpers available at the canteen if you should

Canteen Roster:

Monday: Rebecca Hook
Tuesday: Greg
Wednesday: Jenny
Thursday: Ian, Janine

Deb Greenaway

require any.

Canteen Manager Ph: 6553 5030