The Newsletter of Wandoan State School P-10
A 3R and PBL School

Respect  Responsibility  Reaching

2017 Swimming Carnival

Date Claimers

February  16-17  Josh Arnold Filming Small Town Culture
10  Miles & District Swimming Carnival
15  Student Council Induction 2:30pm

March  3  Miles & District Soccer (Condamine)

Newsletter Email Address
Should you wish to have a community notice advertised or wish to acknowledge the achievements of a Wandoan State School student, please email your notice to admin@wandoanss.eq.edu.au before Monday 12pm.

Next P&C Meeting:  Monday 13 February @ 5.30pm
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Hello and welcome to Week 2!
Wow! What an awesome end to Week 2 with our annual school swimming carnival! It was fantastic to see so many students and parents arrive for our early start to beat the heat and to participate in events. A huge thank you to our parents, students and staff that cooled off by assisting with our younger students, timekeeping and other official duties to allow all participants to enjoy the day! The student staff and community relay is a great way to finish off our day. Congratulations to Coorina, who were the winning house, and to all of our individual award winners. Best of luck to our students who now go on to compete at the Miles and District Carnival being held this Friday in Miles. Check out our photos later in this edition which really capture the spirit of the day.

Highlights of Week 2:
- Our students’ behaviour and engagement during our Broncos visit!
- Student (and parent) efforts in taking part in our dress up fun for our Swimming Carnival. Congratulations to our winners!
- Students’ high level of participation in our swimming carnival and their have a go attitude in competitive, non-competitive and novelty events.
- The high number of students who have qualified to attend the Miles and District Swimming Carnival this Friday!

Attendance: 92.8% Congratulations to the following year levels who have met our target of 95%, especially Year 7 with 100% for the week.
Year 1: 96.9%
Year 4: 95%
Year 5: 96.7%
Year 6: 96%
Year 7: 100%
Year 8: 96.7%

School Leaders and Student Council Induction:
Our 2017 School Leaders and Student Council Representatives will be recognised and acknowledged at an official ceremony at 2.30pm next Wednesday, 15th February, in our School Activities Hall. Mr Paul McVeigh, Mayor of WDRC, will be in attendance. A light afternoon tea will be served at the ceremony’s completion for students and their families. We hope to see many of our school community in attendance. Students who will be part of this ceremony have received letters home this week.

P & C AGM:
Please note that the P & C Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 13 February, commencing at 5.30pm at the school library. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a 2017 committee and develop a budget/plan for P & C activities for the year. We invite you to participate to enhance and enrich our school community.

Small Town Culture: Josh Arnold is back!
The Wandoan State School is excited to welcome Josh Arnold back to put film to the song created by our students during his last visit. Josh will be in Wandoan on Thursday 16th and Friday 17th February. A community event will be held on Thursday afternoon, between 5 and 7pm, where you can meet Josh and be a part of the film clip. Details of this special opportunity will be communicated to families later this week, so save the date!

Please remember our aim is to develop successful learners through the values of Respect, Responsibility and Reaching. Our explicit improvement agenda for 2017 is Writing and our ongoing priorities are Reading and Spelling. Students have commenced diagnostic testing this week and results will be used to inform teaching and learning practices.

Have a great week,

Rowie Price
Principal
Students of the Week

Prep: Chelsea K
Year 1: Paige M
Year 4: Isabell S
Year 5: Tristan Z
Year 6: Maddi G
Year 7: Kody H
Year 10: Issy S

Congratulations to the following people who received an Australia Day Award. Larni Wall (Junior Cultural Award), Joycelyn Baker (Senior Cultural Award), Brayden Doherty (Junior Sports Award), and Daniel Gunnulson (Junior Citizenship Award).

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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

4 February Toby R
6 February Brax R

SPORT NEWS

13-19 Eastern Zone Soccer
If there are any 13-19 years boys or girls who are interested in nominating for Eastern Zone, please see Miss Stoeckert this week.

M&D Soccer
Those students who have expressed interest in going to M&D Soccer, lunch time training will commence on Thursday and continue until week 6.

M&D Swimming this Friday
Miles and District Swimming carnival is this Friday, in Miles Wandoan State School has 21 students who have made qualifying times. Permission forms were handed out Monday 6th, and are due back on Wednesday 8th, TODAY.

Congratulations and good luck to you all!
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Encouragement Award Matthew Walsh
Encouragement Award Payge Sinnamon
2017 Swimming Carnival
AGM Meeting - Taroom Rd School Bus

Conveyance Committee
Jacque’s Bus Run
To be held On:

Thursday 16th February 2017
Time: 2.30pm
At: Town library

These meetings do not go for long.
We only have 1 meeting a year.
It would be great to see everyone there.

For more information call
Kelly Henry – Secretary
0429 722851

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Media release

Treasurer, Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships and Minister for Sport
The Honourable Curtis Pitt

$4.2 million in sports vouchers to help kids Get Started in 2017

Treasurer and Minister for Sport Curtis Pitt has urged eligible parents to act quickly to secure $150 Get Started Vouchers with applications opening this morning.

Mr Pitt said Round 8 was intensely popular and he had allocated a record $4.2 million for Round 9.

"Even with a record $4.2 million on offer I still expect these vouchers to be allocated within a few short days, so eligible parents need to apply quickly," Mr Pitt said.

“This program has been an enormous benefit to families right around Queensland in helping them cover the cost of joining their favourite local sport or recreation club.

“I know family Budgets are stretched and I am passionate about helping those who can least afford it cover the costs of joining a sport.

“We know the importance of teaching kids to live active lives and the associated health benefits and I believe there are enormous mental health benefits through the social inclusion and interaction of being involved in recreational activities.

“It builds confidence in kids and gets them away from TV and iPad screens.

“Round 9 opened this morning and I have to stress that the vouchers are issued on a ‘first come, first served’ basis, so you need to be quick if you want to secure this funding.

“There will be over 25,000 vouchers available through the round, so many Queensland families will be supported for the New Year club registration period.

“These vouchers go towards the cost of club membership or participation fees.

“More than 4,100 clubs across Queensland have registered for the Get Started Program, ensuring there is a huge range of activities on offer.

Get Started Vouchers is one of four funding programs that make up Get in the Game, now over $100 million in investment from this government to support grassroots sport and recreation.

For more information on how to apply for Get Started Vouchers, visit: https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/getinthegame/getstarted/apply/