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

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Miles & District Swimming

Date Claimers

February 15  Student Council Induction 2:30pm
16-17  Josh Arnold Filming Small Town Culture

March 10  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:
Uniform Convenor

Thursday, 9th March, 5:30pm @ Bowls Club
Emma Fewtrell

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Hello and welcome to Week 4!

Another fantastic end to our week last week with our school representatives at the Miles and District Swimming Carnival achieving some great individual and team results. Our school was awarded the aggregate trophy for best school performance at the carnival which is fantastic considering we had 10 representatives attend who all contributed to the team’s success. Congratulations to Payge, Jake S, Elli and Connor who won individual age champion awards and to Hayley D, Shakayla, Billy, Madisyn G, Payge and Connor who will now travel to Charleville as a member of the Miles and District team at the South West selection trials on Friday 25th February. It is a credit to these students and their families for the commitment that they make to training each week during the Swimming season.

This week sees us welcome Mrs Joanne Reis who has commenced in a temporary Teacher Aide role to support the implementation of our Spelling and Reading Programs in key learning time. Spelling Mastery and Cars and Stars Reading Programs are now in full swing this week. We also look forward to Miss Bishop showcasing to visiting Principals on Thursday her successful strategies in improving student writing as part of our continued priority in developing successful learners.

Next week sees many of our staff attending professional development to support our Explicit Improvement Agenda of Writing so please be aware that some classes will have different teachers working with them during this time.

Attendance: 82.7%

Last week saw our attendance slump to 82.7% across our school. Friday in particular was particularly low in many areas of our school. Unfortunately we had no year levels meet our target of 95% last week, with Year 7 being the closest at 92%. A reminder that parents must contact the school with an explanation for student absences and that Every Day Counts!

PBL Focus: Transitioning to and from the Library

This week our students have reviewed what is transitioning and how we do it in a safe and positive manner, with a particular focus on moving between the Library and other areas of our school. It is important that the learning of others is not disrupted when students are moving about the school and that all students are kept safe when transitioning, particularly at lunchtimes when access the library. We expect students to walk, stick to the paths and keep to the left to allow this to occur.

Josh Arnold Small Town Culture:

This Thursday and Friday, it will be all systems go when Josh and his team visit our community to capture our students and families in action for the video clip of our school song. Students will be involved in the filming of many activities that our students engage in, both at school and within our wider community. It would be great to see many of our wider community at the silos on Thursday afternoon from 5pm-7pm to be part of this event.

P & C News:

The AGM was held on Monday where an executive was elected for 2017. Rowie Price thanked the outgoing committee of President; Nathan Bock, Vice President, Karen Postle; Secretary, Hannah Green; Treasurer Megan Randall, and Uniform Convenor, Kelli Davies, for their contributions to the school during their tenure in these roles. It is important to acknowledge Teena Doherty and Carla Klass for their support of Hannah in managing the tuckshop in the absence of a Convenor for the most part of 2016. We certainly appreciate the time and commitment that you have all made in fulfilling these roles.

We welcome the new committee of:

President: Greg Zillman
Vice President: Murray Henry
Secretary: Lauren Newton
Treasurer: Joanne Reis
Uniform Convenor: Emma Fewtrell

The committee are seeking a Tuckshop Convenor to allow this service to continue to be provided to our students. Please contact administration if you are interested in taking on this role as tuckshop cannot be guaranteed to continue unless we have someone undertake this position. If you are able to assist in volunteering time on a Friday, please contact Carla Klass who is filling the rosters for the committee.

Have a great week,

Rowie Price
Principal
Students of the Week

Prep: Will B  Year 1: Jaxon G  Year 2: Grace F
Year 3:  Year 4: Kyran B  Year 5: Taris M.
Year 6: Jeramy H  Year 7: Taylor B

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

11 February Payge S

LOST PROPERTY

There are many items in lost property, lots of track suits etc. If these items are not claimed by this Friday 17th February, they will be sent to Meals on Wheels Charity Shop.

MILES AND DISTRICT SWIMMING

Congratulations to Madisyn G, Billy G, Haylee D, Shakayla H, Connor H and Payge S who qualified for the Miles and District Swimming Team last week. Well done to our Age Champions on the day. Payge Sinnamon reached for her goals and smashed a swimming record held since 1993, in the 50m Butterfly – what an achievement! Wandoan State School won the overall aggregate trophy, meaning they had the highest point average on the day! This hasn’t been won since the 1980s! CONGRATULATIONS to the Wandoan State School Swim Team!

SOCcer training

Soccer training will continue this week on Thursday for ages 9 and up. Miles and District Football Netball forms will be handed out at the end of this week for the carnival in Week 8 – watch this space!
Positive Behaviour for Learning

The Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) team have been working hard to maintain the high level of respect, responsibility and reaching we witnessed from our students in 2016. Please read on for the exciting new things happening in 2017!

What's new for Celebration Day?
- Students must REACH to achieve “100 R Star” Signatures to be invited to our termly Celebration Days
- Students track their own R Star progress in class
- Students who have had any minor or major behaviours, will be supported and encouraged by the Classroom Problem Solving Team (CPST) to be RESPONSIBLE for the remainder of the term and REACH to achieve their behaviour goals. (Remember you must have less than 2 majors or 6 minors to attend celebration day; 3 minors = 1 major)

What's new for R Star Café?
- The R Star Café, where our students can spend their hard earned R Star Signatures, will be now held on a Thursdays, still on a fortnightly basis (even weeks).
- We have updated our R Star Menu, one of the new items for purchase is wear a hat of your choice (conditions apply)!

Calling all parents, staff and community members – New PBL Team Members WELCOME!
- Would you like input into new ideas to help mould our students into positive role models and citizens of our Wandoan community?
- Would you like to help organise FUN Celebration Days to bring joy to our positive choice making students?

Email Miss Christine Stoeckert cxsto2@eq.edu.au for more information or call the school admin 4628 8888.
TUCKSHOP NEWS

Tuckshop continues this Friday - Please note we are starting Flexi Schools online ordering. If you are able to volunteer time at the tuckshop, please contact Carla Klass.

WANDOAN STATE SCHOOL – 2017

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS of the virtue of the authority vested in me by the provisions of Chapter 5, Section 95 of the Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995, I Brad Fewtrell, Superintendent of Traffic for the township of Wandoan hereby direct that all vehicular traffic be prohibited from using the portion of the road within the area of Wandoan on the 16th February 2017 between 3:00pm and 7:30pm as detailed in the accompanying schedule for the purpose of filming associated with the production of 'Small Town Culture'.

THE SCHEDULE

1. Closure of Jerrard Street, Wandoan between 3:00pm and 7:30pm.
2. Purpose of the Road Closure is for filming associated with the production of ‘Small Town Culture’.

Dated at Wandoan this 15th day of February 2017

Signed
Brad Fewtrell
Sergeant 22478
Superintendent of Traffic
Wandoan Police Station

Wandoan and Taroom students started their Certificate II in Active Volunteering and their Certificate II in Hospitality today at Wandoan and Roma. They are completing activities to achieve competency in these TAFE courses through their respective ITD and Hospitality classes. Watch for their efforts as they complete 30 hours of Volunteering in our communities, and experiment and improve their hospitality skills throughout the year.
OUR TUCKSHOP IS GOING ONLINE WITH
The New Cashless System will be available at WANDOAN STATE SCHOOL
TUCKSHOP in 2017!

Wandoan State School P & C is constantly on the lookout for new ways to make your interactions with school more convenient. That’s why we’ve engaged with Flexischools, Australia’s leading school payment system, to provide a new cashless way for you to pay for school services.

Order and pay for a range of school services online with Flexischools online ordering…

Flexischools is the fast, convenient and secure way to order and pay for Tuckshop from home or on your mobile. Flexischools makes our school service[s] available to you 24/7

Parents set up a Flexischools account online and pre-load the account with funds. Parent can use the funds in their account to order and pay for a range of services online. Parents can view their orders online and can set a daily spending limit.

Get Started with Flexischools…

Set up an account for online ordering…

You can set up an account online – it only takes a minute.

Register for Flexischools by visiting www.flexischools.com.au. Add your student, their school and form class to get started.

Top-Up your account via Visa, MasterCard, PayPal or direct deposit.

Make an order by selecting from the range of options made available by your school and proceed to make payment for the order listed in your order pad.

Review Orders by logging back in to your Flexischools account. You can set recurring orders, view transaction history or cancel orders via your Flexischools login.

What does it cost?

Online Ordering Fees - $0.29 per order
Account Top-Up Fees - Direct Deposit FREE
Credit card (visa/MasterCard) $0.15 + %
PayPal $0.15 + %

Tuckshop Volunteers……. There will be no sorting or counting tuckshop orders or money. The Flexischool service will print out a total order for Morning Tea and Lunch on Friday morning. Labels are printed for each Student for both Morning Tea and Lunch and placed on paper bags at the Tuckshop. It’s that easy…….By engaging Flexischool we are confident that the workload imposed on our volunteers will minimise considerably.

If you have any queries or questions please feel free to contact Teena Doherty on 0409 059 845 or email teenadoherty@bigpond.com.
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/

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
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