Year 4 are having a fabulous time on camp at the Sunshine Coast!

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**October**

**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**.
Welcome to Week 9!

It was fantastic to recognise students on parade this week for their continued focus in a number of learning areas, attitude and effort. It is pleasing to see as we progress into the final two weeks of this term that students are continuing to make positive choices in and out of the classroom. Next week we will celebrate student achievement and positive behaviour choices with our Celebration Activity held on the final day of the term. Please note that students must meet our eligibility rule of 100R Stars for the term and less than 2 majors or 6 minors (1 major and 3 minors) to be able to attend. Students who are not able to attend will have notes sent home mid way through next week.

This week sees our Year 4 students accompanied by Mr Jamieson and Miss Hazard head off to the Sunshine Coast for 4 days of action packed extra-curricular activities. From all reports so far they are having a fabulous time.

This Thursday sees us engage with our wider community to celebrate Under 8s Day. This is where we acknowledge and value the influence that quality Early Childhood Education can provide to children from 0—8. Children in Prep—Year 3 are invited to come dressed in their favourite country costume and will engage in a variety of activities from 9am to 11am.

**Highlights of Week 8:**

- The fabulous Chelsea, Gordon, James, PJ, Harry, Hunter, Quinlan and Buddy who performed our school song, “Small Town in a Big Country”, with Josh Arnold at the Back to the Bush Festival in Miles on Saturday. You did yourselves and your school proud. Thank you to Mrs Oakman, Mr Jamieson, Miss Hazard, Mrs Taylor and Mrs Reis and the parents who supported these students at this event.
- Quinlan and Claudia who represented Miles and District at the South West Athletics carnival in St George. Well done on your performances.
- All students and staff who supported our Dress as a Farmer day to raise money for Drought Angels. A total of $120 was raised.

**Attendance**

This week has seen our school attendance drop significantly due to the amount of illness that has swept through the school. Please ensure that if your child is not well enough to attend that you keep them home and inform Administration. For long absences, work can be provided for students to complete when they are able to at home. This will limit the spread of illness throughout the school.

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REMINDER: Check your child has their own hat to use each day at school. If you find any school owned hats, or those of other students please return to the Teacher Aide room. This is part of our hygienic focus this week.

**PBL Focus:**

“I Am Hygienic.”

This week sees us focus on students being Responsible for their hygiene habits, in particular with the amount of illness that surrounds us at the moment and students going away on camps. Students will understand the importance of hygiene and identify good hygienic practices this week.

**National Support Staff Week**

Each year the first week in September is identified as School Support Staff Week with the Friday (7th September), known as Teacher Aide Day. During this week, schools celebrate and acknowledge the support provided to students and teachers by their support staff.

This celebration enables the school community to recognise the skills, abilities and flexibility that Teacher Aides, Administrative and Facilities Staff contribute to the daily life of the school. I personally would like to congratulate all of our support staff on the great work they do throughout our school. Our staff acknowledged our Teacher Aides last week with Certificates of Recognition and breakfast with the Principal.

**Reports**

Interim Reports will be provided to families next week. This report will indicate how your student is tracking in each of their subjects as well as give a rating for their overall behaviour and effort for Term 3. Interviews with staff can be arranged by contacting your child’s teachers via email or through the school office when we return in Term 4.

**Is your child eligible for Prep in 2019?**

We are taking enrolments for children born between 1/7/2013 and 30/6/2014 for Prep in 2019. Please contact Administration to collect an enrolment package and to make an interview time with the Principal and the 2019 Prep Teacher next week. Thank you to those prospective parents who have already done so. We will be offering a strong transition program for the duration of Term 4. Information will be provided in next week’s newsletter and during the interview.

**Year 9/10 Camp**

Next week will see Mr White and Mrs Oakman take our Year 9/10 students on a curriculum excursion for the week. This will see Mr Sceresici here Monday and Tuesday to work with the Year 7/8 class and Mr White's Primary classes as well as Miss Gillam and other internal teachers for the remainder of the week. There should be limited disruption to the learning of our students.

I will be away attending a conference in Brisbane on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. Miss Hazard will be the Officer-In-Charge.

**Have a great week.**

Rowie Price
Principal

*Please note that individual NAPLAN reports were sent home with students on Monday this week.*
Students of the Week

PRIMARY

Casey C and Lacey B

‘R’ STAR TOTALS
WEEK 8

Congratulations Juandah!

PRINCIPAL’S
AWARD

Chelsea K and Hunter P

BIRTHDAYS

Mathias O
12th September

ICAS WRITING

Haylee D

SECONDARY

Caleb W and Ely A
**2019 PREP ENROLMENTS**

Is your child eligible for Prep in 2019?  
(children born between 01/07/13—30/06/14)

Please contact Administration to collect an enrolment pack and arrange an enrolment interview on 46288 888.

Enrolment interviews will take place in the final week of this term (17th—21st September) with the Principal and Prep Teacher.

A strong transition program will be offered in Term 4 to support you and your child in preparing to attend our school in 2019.

More information will be provided at your interview.

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**HATS**

Please check your child’s bag for any **school owned** hats and return to the Teacher Aide Room ASAP.

Ensure that your child has their own hat and **not** that of someone else.

Students require **their own** school hat for all outside curriculum and lunchtime activities.
On Saturday, James K, Chelsea K, Buddy P, PJ P, Harry R, Quinlan R, Gordon R and Hunter P represented Wandoan State School at the Miles, Back to the Bush celebrations. They performed our school song, ‘Small Town in a Big Country’ with Josh Arnold. Josh has provided feedback that the performance was amazing, in tune, loud, proud and confident.

Well done everyone!
A community group known as the Leichhardt Garden Club held its garden day at Mr and Mrs Slattery’s on Wednesday 5th September. Our secondary Home Economic students proudly made biscuits, slices, sausage rolls and a variety of sandwiches to share at the event. They chattered with community members as they handed around their baking.

Mrs Oakman
YEAR 5/6

It is time to spring clean the cupboards!

Year 5/6 are looking for donations of crockery, plastic containers, old boots, and old metal feed containers to hold plants. Anything that will hold soil and plants.

Here are a few ideas to help you.

Soil would be appreciated.

Thank you to those that have already donated plants, soil and containers.

We will take photos as the plants become established.
Re-Engaging Students

Many students with additional needs have times when they might dis-engage from their learning tasks and this can happen for many reasons. Some of those reasons might include:

- Finding it hard to know where to start the activity
- Processing time – it can take a minute to formulate an answer
- Having too many choices
- Not knowing how much is required
- Being unable to break a task into smaller segments
- Mental tiredness
- Fear of failure

Some ways we can overcome these barriers include:

- Ensure students learn that making mistakes is part of the learning process and that you would like to see them attempting work. Try not to over-emphasise the mistake, instead let them know how important it is for us to understand their thinking so we can address the issue.
- Teach children what to do if they make a mistake. Teach them to cross out neatly, to use an eraser and have spare paper if their sheet gets ruined.
- Allowing them to do work on a computer as mistakes can be erased without anyone knowing.
- Use their special interest as a way to motivate them.
- Allow the student to work alone.
- Explain why the task has to be done.

Kind Regards

Ms Zackrisen

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC CAMP

On the 21st of August I had the pleasure of going on a highly educational music camp. Roughly around 300 kids from different schools went and 71 of those students where in my orchestra. My conductor was Mr Gray. Each orchestra played three songs on Thursday night at the concert, There were three bands and one string orchestra. My group played three amazing songs called “Ultimatum”, “Too Beautiful for Words” and “Tipping Point”. “Two Beautiful for Words” was about something only music could express because words were too meaningless. The song “Tipping Point” was about a rage or conflict you feel for someone, but then you think maybe this can be resolved and the problem fades away into a beautiful melody. Lastly on Wednesday, I got the pleasure of meeting two members of the Queensland Symphony Orchestra and their names were David Montgomery, a percussionist and Stefanie Uid, a flute player. It was an amazing experience that I will never forget.

Larni W
R U OK? Day, is a national day of action in September dedicated to reminding people to ask family, friends and colleagues the question, "R U OK?", in a meaningful way, because connecting regularly and meaningfully is one thing everyone can do to make a difference to anyone who might be struggling.

This week, Wandoan State School will be raising awareness for this initiative with activities in class. As you know, every teacher’s job incorporates student health and wellbeing and often they are the first point of contact for students and families. In addition to this, we have the School Wellbeing Team who oversee and support the wellbeing of the whole school.

You don't need to be an expert, just a good friend and a great listener! So, if you notice someone who might be struggling, start a conversation. Conversations need to happen every day. Encourage more people to ask R U OK? in your school, workplace or community and refer any concerns you have to any support person in the school, the Principal, a Teacher, Teacher Aide, Chappy or Guidance Officer.

Four simple steps… you’ve got what it takes!

HELP START CONVERSATIONS EVERY DAY

R U OK?™
A conversation could change a life.

Visit us at ruok.org.au
Location: WSS COLA
Date: 13th September 2018
Time: 9:00 am till 11:00 am
Dress: Favourite country costume
Morning Tea: Provided

Bubble Making, Craft Activities, Mask Making
Iced Biscuits, Fruit loop Necklaces, Reading Chair
Obstacle Course & Parachute, Paper Crafts (culture)
Face Painting, Making Musical Instruments.
Pompom Art.
WANDOAN STATE SCHOOL—UNIFORM ORDER—2019

CLOSING DATE: Thursday, 20th September 2018
Orders MUST be received by this date or delivery cannot be guaranteed.

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PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: WANDOAN STATE SCHOOL P&C
DIRECT DEPOSIT CAN BE MADE TO THE P&C ACCOUNT
BSB 064409 ACCOUNT 10070672 (reference—uniforms/surname)
UNIFORM CONVENOR - EMMA FEWTRELL 0413 867 098
*Please note that the new items (Microfibre Shorts and Knit Skorts) are supplied by Best&Less
2019 WAITLIST NOW OPEN

Waitlist now open for children born between July 2014 and January 2016

To add your child to the waitlist, please email wandoankindy1@bigpond.com with your name, your child’s name and your child’s date of birth.
Darling Downs Zoo Bus Trip
03/10/18
Departing from Wandoan Cultural Centre with Palmers Coaches
Cost: Non-members $10
Children $5
Depart: 6am
Estimated Return: 7.30pm
Contact: Sandra 46274365 or jdsmjames@gmail.com
Kate 46275121 or j.k.backhoehire@bigpond.com