

NEWSLETTER – 22 March 2019

PARTICIPATION IS THE KEY



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Enrolment:

Our Enrolment as on Wednesday, 20th March was 764 with 134 students in our Intensive Language Centre and 101 students in our Prep classes.

Parent and Teacher Conversations about Student Progress:

On Thursday 4th April, our children will be given a progress report on how they have settled in to the first term of 2019. This will be a short page commenting on attitudes and behaviours towards their work, attendance and ways they involve themselves in learning.

Parents and carers will be given a chance to make an appointment to chat with their child's teacher about how they have settled into the class and school life for 2019. These appointments will take place on a needs basis during week 2, from Monday 29th April to Friday 3rd May before or after school. Our teachers are looking forward to sharing how each of the children in their classes are progressing at school. We hope all parents and carers are able to talk to their child about how they are going with this report as a reference and realise they can support from their child's teacher for developing new approaches to learning for the start of Term 2.

Harmony Day and Talking Families School Launch: Friday 5th April

We look forward to another wonderful celebration of our many cultures at school getting along. Our senior assembly will be for Year 4 to Year 6 at 9:00am and our Prep to Year 3 will have their celebration from 12:00pm to 1:00pm. We hope parents and carers can join us.

Our Harmony Day also helps us remember that we all respect and care for one another at Woodridge State and that we do not Bully at our school. We say: Bullying: No Way!! We all try very hard to Get-along as it is a Key to Success! We hope everyone can work together to make this a better place for all to work, learn and play in Harmony.

This year, we also hope to celebrate a new partnership with agencies to help families through "Talking Families". We will launch this initiative between our two parades with families and children present at our Harmony Day morning Tea. Parenting is a "Hard Task" and there are times we all need to talk things through. We want you to know, you're never alone ...you can have some support through our school and our Family Support Service. We look forward to a Great Launch and Harmony Day Event on April 5th.

Learning and Wellbeing:

Our Technology experiences are being built into our lessons and programs to help with sequences, directional reading and writing

and Visible Thinking Routines. These are very engaging times for our children to be learning. Thank you to Ms Foster, Ms Rayner and Ms Jenkins for supporting our classes and staff in further developing our Digital and 21st Century learning skills.

Staged Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Perspective Initiatives:

Mrs Lynch and Ms Natalie Gala have been working very hard on our programs of support for attendance and engagement, especially for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and their families. One such program is the Bush Tucker Garden which funding and personnel support has been obtained from Brisbane City Council and their Gardens branch as well as from Mr Paul Craft from Burrugun Aboriginal Services. Paul spoke to students and staff on parades this week.

Please Support our Voluntary Contributions. Your \$60 or \$15 per Term helps with extra Art, Cooking and Design and Technology Materials and Tasks.

Rule Expectation for the fortnight:

Next week, 'Supporting others with a Caring Random act of Kindness'.

Our last week will have our 'Getting Along working & playing in Harmony' theme.

Best wishes for another wonderful fortnight ahead.

Garry Molloy – Principal

From the School Engagement Teacher

Attendance – Every Day Counts

Percentage of attendance for Term 1 2019

Year	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7
Prep	93.6	93.7	93.5	94.0	94.2	94.1	93.2
1	89.9	89.8	90.2	91.1	91.5	91.2	91.3
2	91.7	91.6	92.3	93.1	93.7	93.4	93.5
3	91.0	91.0	91.8	92.4	91.7	91.4	91.6
4	90.2	90.1	90.7	91.7	92.2	92.1	92.9
5	90.1	90.3	90.7	91.0	91.1	91.7	92.3
6	92.2	92.4	92.1	92.7	92.8	92.9	93.5

Attendance Target: 95%

Whole School Attendance: 93.6%

As part of our school policy and "Every Day Counts", it is expected that all students attend school regularly. Also, if your child is away, please **call before school** to notify reason for absence. If your child is absent for 2 or more days, please visit your local doctor as the school requires a **medical certificate** to support that your child is too sick to attend school. All student absences need to be explained and are reported on the student's end of semester report card. Persistent lateness and absence will lead to contact with home.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Meeting
Embedding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Perspectives
(EATSIPS) Committee Meeting

Thank you to all parents and community who attended our quarterly meeting, we value your participation, commitment and support.

Early Years Family Fun Day
For children starting Prep or Kindy
Date: Wednesday 1 May
Where: The Family Place

35A North Road Woodridge
 Come and join in the fun with **FREE** food and BBQ, Face painting, fun activities, entertainment and music.

P & C NEWS

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop hours are:

The Uniform Shop hours are Tuesday and Fridays only 7:45am to 8:45am.

- **Interschool Sports Shorts (Boys & Girls): Aussie rules, Touch Football and Soccer Shorts are available through the Uniform Shop for \$20.**
- **Winter Uniforms are available now: Jacket \$25, V Neck Jumpers \$22 and Track pants \$22. (Jackets and V Necks Jumpers are Royal and Track pants are dark navy)**

Uniform shop will be open every morning Monday to Friday 7:30am to 8:45am from Monday 1st April to Friday 5th April.

Please note that our Uniform Shop has EFTPOS facilities. We do not accept American Express Cards but all other Credit and Debit cards are allowed.

P&C Meeting

The Next P&C meetings will be held on Monday 20th May 2019 in our Hub area. Hoping you can join us. Everyone is welcome. (There is no meeting in April due to school holidays).

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

On Monday 18th March students from Woodridge State School competed in the annual Logan District Cross Country at Loganlea High School. In very hot conditions our students performed exceptionally well. Congratulations to all our competitors; Gwenisha – 39th, Yusro – 38th, Lachlan – 45th, Ghasem – 75th, Sonia – 15th, Kerryanne – 73rd, Japhet – 28th, Sajad – 22nd, Amirhossien – 41st, Pawsoeeaye – 70th, Taslimah – 43rd.

On 30th March a former Woodridge State School student, Chekole, represented Woodridge State School in cross country and athletics before moving to John Paul College for high school. We would like to wish all the best for his race. Good luck!



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WEMBLEY RD – FENCE INSTALLATION:

A new pedestrian fence will connect to the existing fence opposite the bus station, and for ease of maintenance, a concrete median will be installed near Ewing Road (for further details, contact info below).

Work Details: Duration of Work – Late March 2019 to late April 2019, weather permitting.

Work Hours: 7pm to 5 am

Work activities: Saw cutting of the existing median, excavation works and the installation of fence footings and fencing.

For more information – Ph: 3297 3150, **Email –** QLDenquiries@vbajv.com.au



IMPORTANT DATES!

05/04/2019 – Harmony Day & Last Day of Term 1

STUDENT AWARDS

Key to Success Awards

- O = Organisation**
- C = Confidence**
- R = Resilience**
- G = Getting Along**
- P = Persistence**



	Week Starting 11/03 & 18/03/2019	
PD	Xavier, Fatemeh	O, G
1A	May So, Mareta, Mariam	P
2A	Olivia, Plee Meh	P
2D	Ameiah, Kashus	P
3A	Tylor	P
3C	Arihia, Jazmine	O
3D	Lilly, Grace	R
4B	Majabin, Kyree	O, G
4C	Maryam, Jacob	P
4D	Jaih, Tara	C, G
5A	Theresa, Skye	G, C
5B	Ayoub, Anarme	G, C
5C	Slai, Abrahamo, Belle	G, O
5D	Shar Eh Doe Soh	P
6A	Sara, Francis	O, P
6B	Taslimah, Utua	C, O
6C	Kacey, Isabella	P
6D	Najm, Dunia	O, P
ILC A	Zenileone, Olivia	G, P
ILC B	Saw Nay Jack, Damion	O
ILC C	Sahra	O
ILC D	Doe Meh, Gary	G, C
ILC E	Wila, Adila	P, G
ILC J	Kaniz	C