

NEWSLETTER – 12th June, 2015

PARTICIPATION IS THE KEY

Teaching and Learning at Woodridge State School
recognised as "One of the Best" in Queensland

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Enrolment: Our school enrolment is 689 students with 86 in the Prep School area and 150 students in the English Language Centre.

Breakfast Club: Last week our school breakfast program was again supported by some extra help from our Tip Top Sponsors and YMCA. The pancakes and crumpets were well received by our children on those colder mornings. Thank you to Mrs Williams and her band of helpers....our children enjoy that extra 'Top Up' snack before school of a morning.

Learning Experiences in the Community: Over the past few weeks groups of our students and some of our classes have visited areas within our neighbourhood and further afield, such as Sea World!

These visits certainly provide our children with many valuable learning experiences and background knowledge for them to use in their classroom studies when back at school. To have real opportunities to link life's events to their reading and discussions at school really helps with comprehension and appreciation of the writer's or speaker's message.

Thank you to our staff who thoughtfully prepare and supervise these learning events for our children and well done to our children for using these opportunities to build on to their knowledge and understanding. Thank you too, to our parents and caregivers for your support.

Year 4 to 6 Sports Carnival: Thank you to Mr Simons, our Physical Activities and Sport Co-ordinator for arranging a very exciting Sports Carnival over the past two days with Field Events on Tuesday and Track and Ball Games on Wednesday. Our children had a great time improving their personal best times and distances. Well done to all the students who won the relay between staff and students. Congratulations to **Green House (Freeman)** for their win on the day. Also congratulations to the following Age Champions:

- 10 year old girls – Eliza (Lockyer)
- 11 year old girls – Deka (Freeman)
- 12 year old girls – Rebecca (Thorpe)
- 10 year old boys – Mohammed (Freeman)
- 11 year old boys – Stanley (Thorpe)
- 12 year old boys – Adolphe (Lockyer)

Cultural Sharing: Next Tuesday afternoon, some of our Year 4 to 6 classes will buddy-up to invite other classes to share their backgrounds and cultures. These times of describing how different people live and have arrived to this time at Woodridge will help build a better understanding of each other. Thank you to our Kids Matter Team for this extra example of positive approach to learning.

Reporting and Parent/Carer's Conferences: During Week 3, 27/07/15 to 31/07/15 most of our class teachers will be sharing our students' Reports with parents and carers before or after school at arranged times for conferences. Notes to arrange these times will go out to parents/carers early next term.

Rule Expectations for the Fortnight: This week our classes have been discussing and working through situations about "Getting Along." The children learn that "Getting Along helps us to:- make our school a fun and friendly place to learn; make friends; keep everyone safe; be kind; caring and respectful to others, follow our school rules; and use computers, mobile phones and ipads in a caring and respectful way.

Next week we will be discussing and practising our "Confidence" Key to Success. It means I can try to do hard things without asking for help in a safe way; I can try to do new things without being afraid to make mistakes; I play with and talk to many children at school and I have a "Can Do" approach to life.

We should all try to model these Keys to Success for our children whenever we can.

Best wishes for a rewarding fortnight ahead.

Regards

Garry Molloy – Principal

IMPORTANT DATES!

25/6/2015 Thursday – School Disco

27/6/2015 Saturday – School Holidays Start

13/7/2015 Monday – School Commences

27/7/15 – 31/7/2015 – Week 3 Parent/Teacher Conferences & Reports

6/8/15 Thursday – Proposed Junior Sports Day

From the Mobility Support Teacher

Solid Pathways: Selected students will be attending the University of Queensland on Wednesday 24 June. The visit will allow students to practice critical skills in a variety of activities.

Playgroup: Our Tuesday playgroup (Ganyjuu) will now be running from the Community Hub. The playgroup is open to children from 0-5yrs old and operates every Tuesday during the school terms from 9-11am. Come and join in with some free play, structured activities, craft, singing, stories, a snack and lots of fun. We look forward to seeing you there.



In Our Community

Logan Art Gallery: There will be a Family Fun day at the Logan Art Gallery on the 27 June. Come along to this free event. Some of the activities are face painting, street performers and art activities. Dress up as your favourite circus character and roll up.

Dates to remember:

7 August NAIDOC

28 August Prep Family Fun Day/ Prep Open Day

P & C NEWS

P & C MEETING: The next P & C Meeting will be held Monday 15th June at 3:00pm in the RPC. All welcome.



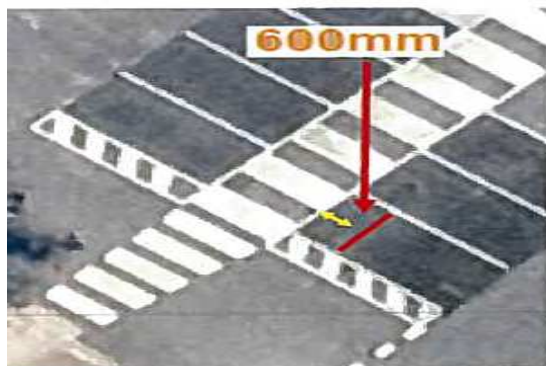
PIE DELIVERY DATE

Pies will be delivered to the Hall on Thursday 18 June and must be collected between 2 - 3.30 pm. Thank you for supporting our school.

UNIFORM SHOP: The Uniform Shop is open Tuesday and Friday mornings only 8am to 9am. We have a full stock of winter and summer uniforms available. Football shorts are now available in the uniform shop Cost \$40.

FLINDERS STREET CAR PARK: Last Tuesday we sent a letter to the Logan Council in regards to concerns some Parents, the P & C and Mr Molloy had about safety in the Car Park. The Council have advised us they will be providing wheel stoppers for each central car parking space. This work will be done during the school holidays. They will also be sending traffic control officers and police liaison staff to help with our car park safety management.

Concrete Wheel Stops Woodridge State School Car Park



HEAD LICE

We have a major problem with head lice in our school at the moment. Could you please check your child's hair on a regular basis to help eradicate this problem. It is important that children are **not** sent to school with live lice to prevent the spread to others in the school. **Live lice need to be treated with lice shampoo and eggs need to be combed out with a fine tooth comb available at the chemist.**



Woodridge SS Community Hub
All activities are free to attend.



Come to the Community Hub space in Modular 3 near the Old Tuck Shop!!



Sewing Group
Tuesday 9:00-11:00 am
Childcare available

New! Free yoga class!

Every Tuesday
2:45 - 3:00 pm



The Community Hub is having a
Rummage Sale!
Come on **Tuesday 23rd June** in Week 10
for clothes, toys, blankets and much more!

Adult English Class
Childcare available

Thursday
9:00-11:00 am

Homework Hub
Parents are encouraged
to attend

Thursday 2:50 - 3:30 pm

CHAPPY NEWS

Crazy Bottoms Day: A huge thank you to everyone that took part in Crazy Bottoms Day during Chappy Week! We raised over \$300 for chaplaincy which is fantastic! Be on the look out for some new games and resources in Chappy Mel's room!

QLD Father of the Year: Do you know a father whose sacrifice goes unnoticed? You can honour him today! Nominate a deserving Dad or father figure today for 2015 Qld Father of the Year award! He could win a 5 night family holiday at Sea World Resort & Water Park and the Gold Coast's favourite theme parks. Nominations close 17th July 2015 at qldfatheroftheyear.org.au

STUDENT AWARDS

Key to Success Awards

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



	Week Starting 1/6/2015	
PC	Jayden	P
1C	Fartun, Keilani, Irae, Fifi	O, C, C, P
1D	Janice	G
2A	Perpetue	G
3A	Jahnaye	C
3C	DJ	O
4A	Josephina	C
4C	Matthew, Tiresa	C, P
4D	Jamie, Deborah	C, P
5A	Terangi	C
6A	Dalyce, Yonis, Robin	P, G, G
6B	Ozodahon	G
6C	Nakita	C
ILC A	Truc, Philipo	C, P
ILC B	Mehdi, Abdiwadud	P, C
ILC D	Zakia	C
ILC E	Soheil	C
ILC G	Abdi	P
ILC L	Mahdiyeh, Glorioza	P, R
Netball	Sophie	Senior 2
Netball	Julianna	Junior 2