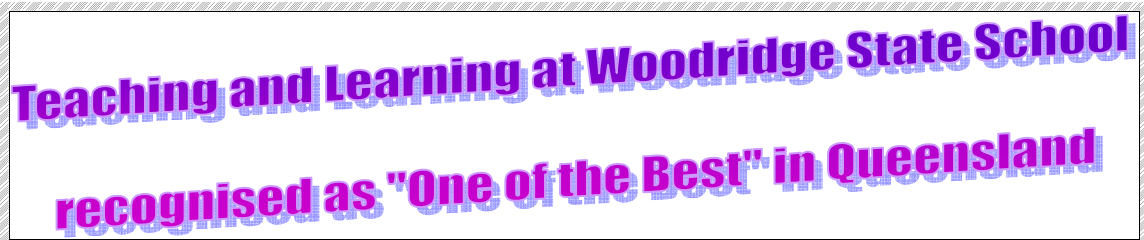


NEWSLETTER – 24th July, 2015

PARTICIPATION IS THE KEY



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Week 2 has started well for us with our Junior Playground construction team ready to start back with a new engineering plan. We hope to have our structure and area completed over the next three weeks (weather permitting!) Thank you to our Junior Primary students and staff for their understanding and patience during this time.

Enrolments: Our school enrolment has increased after the Winter Vacation to 715 with 94 in the Prep area and 162 in the Intensive English Language Centre. On the last Friday of term 2 our school was Gazetted as an Enrolment Managed School with a plan to balance the needs of the school's catchment area and the special needs of students for an Excellence Program, such as our Intensive English Program. Our school's capacity is stated as 879. New Enrolments are always welcome with a discussion about our catchment area; consideration of students' needs and programs offered at our school. Enrolment placements will be confirmed after these discussions take place and appropriate documentation sighted and recorded.

Woodridge for Well Being Day Friday 31st July: To celebrate the supportive work of our Kids Matter and Learning and Wellbeing Framework, Mr Stephen Gaggin, Ms Lisa Acutt and Ms Alicia Harris have worked together with their respective teams to bring about the Well being garden near the Tuckshop and a caring structure for our staff, parent/caregivers and students to work within.

On Friday at 10:30am, our Year 6 students and some Year 3 and 4 students from Mrs Thomson's and Mrs Sward's classes will meet together to Officially Open our Wellbeing Garden with the local member for Woodridge and Health Minister Mr Cameron Dick and Mr Michael Hardy, State Co-Ordinator for Kids Matter to celebrate our achievements. Parents of our year 6 students and the year 3 & 4 students of Mrs Thomson and Mrs Sward are most welcome to join us for the Opening of the Garden.

Regional Showcase Winner for Prep Start: Congratulations to our Prep Staff and our Speech and Language Staff for their work with our children developing Language for Learning. Our team of staff has worked with Griffith University and staff from Burrowes and Berrinba East Schools to not only improve language learning for our young children but to also gain a Regional Education Showcase Award. This initiative will be shared on a statewide website and judged for a State Award later in the year. The Best of Luck everyone!

Children from Prep will have Dance activities donated by Signatures Dance Studio's Ms Ashleigh Hines and our Year 1 to 6 students will have a music band performance during the day.

Teacher and Parent/Caregiver Conferences: Please remember these are being organised for Week 3, beginning 27 July. All parents/caregivers are asked to attend to share their children's report with their class teachers. Appointment sheets have been sent out for your convenience.

Parents, Staff and Student Opinion Surveys, On-Line: Again this year, we will be completing our school opinion surveys on-line with computer assistance. The year 5 and 6 students will do these during class time next Tuesday and staff will do theirs over the next fortnight.

Parents and Caregivers will be issued with information about Web addresses and codes shortly. If you do not have a computer at home and would like to give your opinion about the education your child /children is/are getting at Woodridge State School, you can also use our computers in the Library at School from Wednesday 22nd July to Friday 31st July before or after school

from 7:45am to 8:30am and 2:45pm to 3:30pm. Public libraries throughout Logan also have computers for use that parents and caregivers could use to log on to complete this survey.

Getting Along at Our School: Over time we all have differences of opinions and misunderstandings at school. We encourage a quiet chat with the people who the misunderstanding is with and sharing of views to reach a shared, positive agreement to respectfully move on with our lives at school. We say to our children, "Keep hands and feet to ourselves" as we talk over the issues we have to problem-solve.

Organisation and Attendance: Keys to Success and Learning. During this fortnight we share with the children by being ready in our thinking and with our materials for Learning. We also remind everyone that Everyday counts at school. Any absences will need to be explained so that we all have a focus on continual improvement.

Garry Molloy – Principal

From the Mobility Support Teacher

Prep Enrolments for 2016: Your child is eligible for prep in 2016 if their birthday falls between: **1 July 2010 and 30 June 2011**. Please collect your enrolment pack from the office.

Prep Open Day: Find out all you need to know about getting ready for school at our *Prep Open and Community Day*. We will have many fun and exciting activities for the children including feeding farm animals. We will also be giving out special prizes and information packs for parents and workbooks for students. It will be held in our school hall on the **28th August from 9-10.30am**.



Transition Matters Program: We will be running our Transition Matters program in Term 4 this year due to the great success we had last year. Please register your child as soon as possible as we can only register 25 students, for more information please contact Anna Lynch on 34402333.

NAIDOC: We will be holding our NAIDOC Parade on **7 August** in our school hall. This year's theme is *We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate*. The theme highlights Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people's strong spiritual and cultural connection to land and sea. Times for the performances will be **8.45-9.45 Prep - Year 2** and **9.45 to 10.45am Year 3 -6**. We look forward to seeing you there.



Loganlea High School: Selected year 5 and 6 students attended Loganlea SHS last week. They attended their NAIDOC Parade and participated in some fun activities including Art and Dance. All feedback from students and staff was positive.

LOGAN & DISTRICT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On Wednesday and Thursday last week Woodridge State School students competed in the Annual Logan and District Athletics carnival. All students competed in an outstanding manner and several students were selected in the Logan Districts Team to compete in the Metropolitan East Athletics Carnival later this semester. Congratulations to Exauce (high jump), Mohammed (800m), Eliza (100m, high jump, shot put, discus), Marley (shot put), Adolphe (high jump), Pauline (200m, high jump) and Rebecca (200m, 800m, high jump) who were all selected in the team. Well done.

P & C NEWS

P & C Meeting: The next P & C Meeting will be 17th August in the RPC room. All welcome.

Earn & Learn: Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers commence again from 15th July to 8th September. You will be able to get 1 Earn & Learn sticker for every \$10 you spend at any Woolworths Supermarket. Once you have completed your sticker sheet please pop it into the Earn & Learn box in the office. You may also pop stickers straight in if you don't have a sticker sheet. This program helps us to gain some more valuable resources for our school.

Spring Fair News -Lip Sync Battle



This year we are having a lip sync battle as our end of term entertainment. Teachers and students will battle it out in our hall. There is a \$2.00 entry fee. You will need to pay your money and have your song checked by Ms Rolfe or Miss Morrow. Once you have committed to the battle there will be no backing out. We are always looking for any parents who would also like to compete. So choose your song, your moves and even costumes/back up dancers (if you like) and get your details to the teachers mentioned. Watch this space for future updates.

Nationally Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Dear parents/carers,
Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability. All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability. All Australian schools participate in this annual data collection. The data provided to the Australian Government is aggregated data only. Please be reassured that the Department will not provide on to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you. While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish for your child's details to be included, please let me know. Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the Department's website: <http://education.qld.gov.au/curriculum/disability-data-collection.html> Australian Government Department of Education website: <http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability> Alternatively, if you have any queries about the collection or use of this data I encourage you to contact me directly.
School Principal

IMPORTANT DATES!

27/7/15 - 31/7/15 - Week 3 Parent/Teacher Conferences and Reports

2nd & 4th September Indigenous & TSI Health Checks

3rd September - Junior Sports Day

What to do if somebody is being mean to you online:

The internet lets us watch videos, play all kinds of games and find out interesting stuff. But sometimes people can be mean on the internet, just like some people are mean in real life.

If someone is being mean to you while you are on the internet or on a mobile phone:

1. Tell one of these people: your mum or dad, your teacher, an aunty, an uncle, a grandparent, your brother, your sister or a friend. Keep telling them until they help.
2. Don't answer any of their mean comments. Save them and show them to a parent or teacher
3. Get a parent or teacher to help you block them so they can't contact you any more
4. Report them to the game/video host so they get blocked
5. Remember it isn't your fault if someone is mean online. Nobody should be bullied. For more information please go to: www.esafety.gov.au

<p>Woodridge SS Community Hub All activities are free to attend.</p>	
<p>Come to the Community Hub space in Modular 3 near the Old Tuck Shop!!!</p>	
	<p>Sewing Group Tuesday 9:00-11:00 am Childcare available</p>
<p>New! Free yoga class! Every Tuesday 2:45 - 3:00 pm</p>	
<p>Adult English Class Childcare available Thursday 9:00-11:00 am</p>	<p>WOW Women's Group Wednesday 12:30-2:30</p>

QUEENSLAND MUSIC FESTIVAL

On Friday, 31st July and Sunday, 2nd August some of our year 5 and 6 students will be performing at the Qld Music Festival Logan's Musical Celebration "Under the Sky". They will be joining with over 650 other performers at Logan Brothers football field (behind the Logan Entertainment Centre) with the performance starting at 6:30pm and expected to finish at 8:00pm. The performance is free and everyone is welcome to attend. There will be food for sale before this event.

STUDENT AWARDS

Key to Success Awards

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



	Week Starting - 20/7/2015	
PC	Kyree, Vashi	G, C
1D	Jayden	G
3A	Anthony, Chelsiah	C, R
3C	Jasmine, Jaslynn	
3D	Mehdi	
4A	Zia	C
4B	Sung, Roena	C, O
4D	Manuela, Esperance, Yusira	C, G, O
5A	Terangi	O
5B	Rongo	C
6A	Bawi, Felicitas	O
6B	Ann	O
6C	Paeru	P
ILC A	Phillipo, Mohmmad	G, G
ILC B	Murtaza, Sadeq	G, C
ILC C	Nishimo, Jiriraj	P, G
ILC D	Zakia, Kabhishek	C
ILC E	Beh Reh	P
ILC F	Baw	G
ILC G	Ayan	C