

NEWSLETTER – 12th August, 2016

PARTICIPATION IS THE KEY

Woodridge State School
First State School in Queensland
Accredited for Kids Matter - Caring
for the Health & Wellbeing of our Staff & Students!

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Enrolment: As of last Friday, our school enrolment was 746 with 92 in our Prep classes and 179 in our Intensive English Language Classes.

National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy: (NAPLAN) 2016: Congratulations to our participants in this "point in time" testing program for Year 3 & 5 this year. Our year 3 students performed very admirably for their first experience in this type of testing. Punctuation, Grammar and Numeracy areas were particularly well done. Our year 5 students all improved in their results from year 3. Positive gains in areas of Numeracy, Reading and Punctuation and Grammar were particularly pleasing. These results have been useful milestones or check points to see how individuals are going on their learning journey and matched with their other school results from Semester 1 will help inform our teaching and learning goals for the future.

Craigslea State Volleyball Competition for Years 4 to 6: Selected students have been training very hard for our annual participation at the State Volleyball Competition at Craigslea State High School. Teams of our boys and girls have been developing their skills to play on 25th August with an early start, leaving school at 7:30 sharp. Permission slips and payments for buses have already been sent out. Our players should have returned these to their teachers. If any concerns, please Year 4 – 6 students ask your coaches or class teachers.

Car Park Routine: Thank you to the parents and caregivers who are parking and setting their children off along the crossings and pathway around the staff car park to come into our school grounds. We have really tried to keep children away from the cars coming into and leaving the staff car park. Students and caregivers/parents should not go through the staff car park as it is not safe and they are learning the wrong message. Let us all model the safe and healthy ways of walking around on pathways for our children.

NAIDOC Celebrations – Friday 5th August: Congratulations to our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community and Mrs Lynch for working so well together to share with our whole school community and our special guests, including Children's Commissioner Tammy Williams, journeys in song, dance and stories. Friday morning was another memorable event for our staff, parents/caregivers and students, again adding to

our learning of understanding perspectives. Many visitors valued the experience of trying some "bush tucker", from our garden after the event.

School Audit.....

Last week, our school underwent a full school Administrative and Financial Audit looking at Finance, Human Resource Management, Workplace Health and Safety, Enrolment and Attendance and Facilities Management. I'm very pleased to advise that our school team received the top rating of "Effective Management". Congratulations to all who follow our procedures and give good, constructive feedback, to make this an effective, safe and happy place in which to work and learn!

Best wishes to all for a rewarding fortnight ahead.

Garry Molloy – Principal

FROM THE MOBILITY SUPPORT TEACHER

NAIDOC 2016

Thank you to all parents and community who offered their support in making NAIDOC parade a huge success. We had a record number of parents and community in attendance. The feedback from parents, community and our VIP guests has been amazing and extremely positive.

Thank you to one of our parents Ms Sneddon, who catered for our delicious Bush Tucker menu. It was wonderful to see parents, staff and community come together sharing stories and knowledge.

We were thrilled to have Commissioner Williams at school to talk to the students. She spoke about her inspiring life journey, some obstacles that she faced and how she overcame them. She spoke about her life as a teenager and how an experience had made her aware that we should use every experience as a learning opportunity, even the '*not-so-good*' ones. She explained that money didn't get her to where she is, it was the support from her family and teachers who believed in her. Commissioner Williams was generous with her time and stayed on to speak to teachers, parents and community. We were privileged and honoured to learn that she would like to be invited to our school again for future events. We look forward to her next visit.

Prep Expo and Fun Day

Enrolments for Prep 2017 are being taken NOW!

Your child is eligible for Prep 2017 if they are born between 1 July 2011 and 30 June 2012

If you would like your child to be enrolled in the Prep Matters Transition Program please collect and complete the form available from the office.

We will be holding our **FREE Prep Expo and Family Fun day on Friday 19th August**. We will have a variety of activities for the children to participate in such as face painting, craft, outdoor games and a baby animal farm. We will also have community support present such as immunisation, oral health and many other organisations to support families.

It would be a great opportunity for parents to speak to our prep teachers about the learning experiences children will face and answer any questions.

There will be enrolment packs and information packs with activities for children and information for parents.

WHERE: Woodridge State School Hall

WHEN: Friday 19 August

TIME: 9.00-10.30am

COST: FREE

Bring the whole family to join in the fun!

Attendance

Our school **attendance target is 95%**. Our whole school attendance percentage year to date is at **92.6%**

Term 3 whole school attendance percentage is at **92.4%**

Thank you for all your support with the *Every Day Counts* message.

Please find below year level attendance data, for your information.

Attendance Data

Percentage of Attendance for Term 3

Year	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
Prep	94.4	91.7	89.7	90.0	
1	93.8	92.8	91.2	91.9	
2	93.2	93.1	91.7	91.8	
3	94.5	95.1	93.7	94.0	
4	93.9	92.6	91.6	92.4	
5	94.3	93.6	93.1	93.6	
6	94.3	94.3	92.5	92.2	

P & C NEWS

Uniform Shop

Uniform Shop opening hours are **Tuesday and Friday only 7:45 to 8:45**. A full range of winter uniforms are available in all sizes from 4 to 16.

Uniform Shop is CASH ONLY no cards excepted

P&C Meeting

Next P&C meeting is on **Monday 15th August** at 1:45pm in the Hub. (The Blue/Grey building in the school grounds near the corner of Railway Parade and Flinders St) Everyone is welcome to attend.

STUDENT AWARDS

Key to Success Awards

O = Organisation

C = Confidence

R = Resilience

G = Getting Along

P = Persistence



	Week Starting 3/8/201	
PC	Bahar	P
1C	Truc	C
1D	Enua	P
2A	Ding	O
3A	Mehreen, Isabel	C, O
3C	Thuy	O
3D	Jawad	C
4A	Reponse	P
4B	Scott	C
4D	Melissa	O
5A	Tayla	C
5B	Levi	O
5D	Paw Eh	P
5E	Swaliha	C
6A	Ali Abas	P
6B	Nguyen	O
6C	Jason	O
ILC A	Junai	C
ILC B	Nga, Shaw, Boe	G
ILC C	Ahmed	C
ILC E	Dunia	C
ILC F	Grace	C
ILC H	Lounn	C
ILC K	Divina, Yasin	O, C

Woodridge SS Community Hub
All activities are free to attend.



Playgroup

Mondays 9:00 - 10:30

Wednesdays 9:00 - 11:00

Fridays 9:00 - 11:00

Learn English together while making art - everyone is welcome!

Sewing Group

Tuesdays 9:00am - 11:30

Childcare available!

Beginners English Class

Childcare available

9:00-11:00

Everyone is welcome!

Sewing Workshop for beginners

Wednesdays 11:00 - 1:00

"Patterns and Projects"

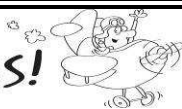
Everyone is welcome!

WOW Women's Group

Friday 11:00 - 1:00

Weaving and fibre crafts - childcare available!

IMPORTANT DATES!



17/8/16 Wednesday - Yr 6 Science Week WSHS

18/8/16 Thursday - Yr 4 GOMA Excursion

19/8/16 Friday - Prep Expo

22/8/16 Monday - Volleyball Craigslea State High School

1/9/16 Thursday - Junior Sports Day

5/9/16 Monday - Fathers Day Parade

16/9/16 Friday - Spring Fair

FATHERS DAY STALL

Tues 30th August, Wed 31st August,

Thurs 1st Sept - 8:00am to 8:30 am

Near the Tuckshop Gifts pricing from \$1 - \$7

LOGAN DISTRICT ATHLETICS - On Wed 27th and Thurs 28th July, Woodridge students competed in the Logan and District Athletics at John Paul College. All Woodridge students performed brilliantly and congratulations goes to these students who were selected in the Logan District Track and Field team to compete at the regional trials:

Sung Yr 5, Dirhys Yr 5, Shoshannah Yr 4, Alphonise Yr 5, Eliza Yr 6, Sharliquin Yr 5.

FREE Triple P Parenting Seminar with Professor Matt Sanders and special guest, footy star Corey Parker.

Whether you're a mum, dad, single parent family, step parenting or a carer - the Triple P positive parenting program can help you with a specific problem, or provide tips on parenting and help with understanding your child's development and behaviour. Come along to the Beenleigh Events Centre on Tuesday 23rd August 7pm - 8:30pm for a free triple P seminar with Professor Matt Sanders.