



Woodanilling PRIMARY

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From the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is an important factor in school success among children. Studies show that better attendance is related to higher academic achievement for students of all backgrounds. Beginning in kindergarten, students who attend school regularly are more likely to succeed academically and socially.

The table below highlights the trend of educational risk through non-attendance.

Educational Risk Through Non-Attendance			
Period of Absence from Year 1-10	Rate of Absence	Equivalent Schooling Missed	Level of Educational Risk
Average of 5 days per term	90%	1 year	Regular attendance
1 day per week	80%	2 years	Indicated Risk
1 ½ days per week	70%	3 years	Moderate Risk
2 days per week	60%	4 years	Moderate Risk
3 days per week	40%	5 years	Severe Risk
5 weeks a term	50%	6 years	Severe Risk

If your child is absent for any reason we ask that you notify the school. This can be completed by:

- Phoning the school on 9823 1528
- Sending an email to the school Woodanilling.ps@education.wa.edu.au or,
- Skoolbag App

MARCH MUNCH

Commencing on Tuesday 3rd March, our school will be taking part in March Munch, where students challenge themselves to crunch on vegetables for Crunch & Sip for the whole month.

Crunch & Sip is a set break during the school day for students to eat vegetables or fruit and drink water in the classroom. As only 6% of primary school kid's in

Australia eat enough vegetables; the March Munch initiative is fun way to encourage kids to choose vegies for Crunch & Sip to help boost this figure!

Please send vegetables for your child to eat for Crunch & Sip during March. Snow peas, a whole celery stick, cut up cucumber or capsicum, cauliflower florets, cherry tomatoes or carrot sticks are all great choices.



For more information, head to:

<https://www.crunchandsip.com.au/event/1/march-munch-2020>

Louise Schoonens
Principal

Important Dates

Next Newsletter
Thursday 12th March

Clean Up Australia Day
Friday 28th February

Public Holiday
2nd March

Assembly
6th March @ 3pm

School Council
12th March @ 4pm

School News

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

As you would be aware, government schools do not have school fees. What we have instead is a system called Voluntary School Contributions.

At Woodanilling PS, this is set to \$45.00 a year for each student.

We use these funds to supplement a range of resources and consumables for students such as: cooking and science ingredients, art and craft materials and teaching aids to support learning across the curriculum.

To pay your contribution, you can either pay online via direct debit to:

Account Name: Woodanilling Primary School
BSB: 066 040
Account Number: 1990 0217

If paying via direct debit, please include the child's family name in the description. If you would like to pay via cash or cheque, please come to the front office where Kara will be able to assist you.

We are hoping to increase our collection rate from last year which was 66% of families that paid.

Thank you for your support.

If you have any issues or questions, please do not hesitate to call the school on 9823 1528.

Health & Wellbeing

SUPPORT AFTER NATURAL DISASTER

Tips for supporting children and young people after a natural disaster:

Pay special attention to a child or young person who you know has been affected by a natural disaster – keep in mind that they may have been affected directly or indirectly.

- Continue with normal routine as soon as possible without ignoring that the event occurred.
- Provide a safe space for children and young people to speak to you. Let them lead the conversation and be prepared to listen even if you can't offer any advice.
- Answer questions in a developmentally sensitive manner, so that their questions and concerns are addressed but they're not exposed to

unnecessary content. Be flexible with your response to each child or young person as their needs will differ.

- Involve families in conversations, if possible. Be aware of supports that the child or young person has at home.

A few things to avoid when providing support. Don't:

- push children or young people to talk if they don't want to
- pretend the event didn't happen
- talk in detail about the event if the child or young person appears to be having difficulty with the content of this
- expose children and young people to unnecessary media coverage of the event or share images of the event
- take the child or young person to the site of where the natural disaster occurred, without prior conversation, as this could result in re-traumatising through triggers
- make assumptions about how the child or young person is feeling or coping – it's better to ask them or observe behaviour patterns and changes.

If you're unsure, speak to your leadership team about what steps to take next or how you might manage or refer the child or young person to further support.

<https://beyou.edu.au/fact-sheets/grief-trauma-and-critical-incidents/how-to-provide-support-after-a-natural-disaster>

BACKPACKS

Carrying a backpack can injure your child's back if care is not taken. Here are some helpful tips for protecting young backs:

- Make sure that your child's backpack does not weigh more than 10% of his/her bodyweight.
- Choose a backpack with broad shoulder straps that are well-padded and adjustable so it sits comfortably on the shoulders. Backpacks with waist and chest straps will help to evenly distribute weight.
- Encourage your child to wear both straps at all times to distribute the weight, adjusting so the backpack fits close against the child's back.

- Choose a backpack which fits the child.
- Make sure that your child is carrying only what she/he really needs to carry, packing the heaviest items closest to the spine.
- Do not carry the backpack for long amounts of time, take regular breaks.

For more information visit:

<http://www.backinmotion.com.au/> and check out the 'Physiotherapist's Guide to Fitting Backpacks'.

BREATHE BLOW COUGH PROGRAM

The Breathe Blow Cough (BBC) program is a collaborative effort involving the school health nurses and Woodanilling Primary School. The program involves the introduction of the BBC routine for healthy ears as part of classroom activities.

The BBC routine involves teaching children about nose blowing, coughing into elbows and hand and face washing and drying, which are important for preventing ear diseases.

Strong hearing, strong start

- We all want kids to have a strong start to life.
- When kids' ears are healthy, their hearing is strong.
- With strong hearing from birth, kids' brains can develop properly.
- Kids are not born with ear infections but they can get an ear infection soon after birth.

With healthy ears, kids can:

- Learn language and talking;
- Listen to family stories;
- Listen to music;
- Talk with family and friends;
- Be good at school;

Feel good about themselves.

Sharon Muir

Community Health Nurse

Katanning Dental Therapy Centre

Katanning Dental Therapy Centre is Now Open

Located at Katanning Primary School

Open Monday to Friday 8am- 4pm



The School Dental Service provides FREE general and preventative dental care to all school children

from pre-primary to the end of year 11 or until they reach 17 years of age.

We are currently enrolling all new students. Please return your enrolment forms to school as soon as possible.

If you have changed address or phone number, please let us know. We may not be aware and you will NOT receive your appointment.

For further questions, please phone us on 0400612364.

Georgie Hunia
Dental Therapist

School Council

Your Woodanilling Primary School Council currently consists of 7 members who represent the Parents, Staff and P&C. All members are available should you have any concerns, questions or ideas about Woodanilling PS.

Feel free to contact me at any time. We are here for you, your children and our community.

Bindi Murray
School Council Chair

P&C News

Last Wednesday the P&C hosted their Annual General Meeting (AGM). Attendees were privy to a reflection on fundraising efforts and contributions made to the school in 2019. Part of the AGM included the vacating of all office-bearing positions for new nominations to occur. I am pleased to report that all positions were filled.

President: Debra Johnston

Vice President: Danielle Perrie

Secretary: Bindi Murray

Treasurer: Sonja Hannan

Uniform Co-ordinator: Brooke Moulden

Thank you to everyone who came along to support our P&C!

The next P&C meeting will be held on Thursday 14th May at 4:00pm at the Woodanilling Pavillion.

Sonja Hannan
Treasurer

From the Classroom

Kidsafe Incursion

This fortnight in the classroom we had a visit from Kidsafe who came to educate the students on how they can stay safe and prevent accidents. This engaging incursion covered many methods of accident prevention in areas such as falls, water safety, poisons, burns and car safety as well as what to do if an injury occurs. The students enjoyed having the people from Kidsafe in the classroom and took away some valuable tools that they can implement in order to keep safe at home.



Science

Students have been experimenting with different materials in our Chemical Science unit so far this term. We have discovered that no matter how large a piece of paper is, it can only be folded 6 times. We have also bent, stretched, twisted and torn different materials to see what changes occur. An exciting experiment was conducted on which brand of jelly snakes stretched the furthest. At the end of the lesson, we discovered that out of Allen's, The Natural Confectionery, and Woolworths Select snakes... Woolworths Select stretched the furthest! In this case, none of us predicted that the Woolworths Select would take the award for the stretchiest snakes, however there was some very creative and scientific thinking that went into the reasoning for our predictions.

Behaviour Tokens

As many parents would already be aware, we have been using a behaviour system in the classroom that rewards students for positive behaviours. I have now created a token system which will allow parents to be informed of these positive behaviours. At the end of each day, those students that finish on "Excellent Effort" or "Super Student" will have a token put in their diaries. We will be tallying up student efforts and setting a goal for the end of the Term. Should we meet this goal, there will be a reward for the whole class.

Louise Allen

Classroom Teacher

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

A big thank you to all families and community members who contributed last year towards our total points for the Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion. Our purchases have FINALLY arrived!

With the points collected we purchased a selection of outdoor garden games, stationery, sensory play items, and a STEM resource book kit.



Community Notices



REGISTRATION TIME FOR BOYS + GIRLS YEARS PRE-PRIMARY TO YEAR 6

Registrations to be completed online

Register at netsetgo.asn.au

If you are eligible for Kidsport you will need to apply and receive your unique approval code before registering to NetSetGo

If you have any queries or would like help registering, we will be having an information/registration night on the 18th of March from 4pm – 6pm



Contact: Chloe Why or Tamara Burnett for further details: chloewhy18@gmail.com or tamara.jayne91@gmail.com

U12 Regional Development Clinics

Upper Great Southern Hockey Association,
Clayton Road, Narrogin, 6312
Mon 16 Mar 2020 17:30 - 20:00
Tue 17 Mar 2020 17:30 - 20:00

NARROGIN

Purpose

- Preparation for participants trialling for SSWA U12's.
- Pre-season preparation for anyone aspiring to improve.
- Develop long term health and wellbeing through Physical Literacy initiatives.

General Information

- Double header Mon / Tue sessions, 5:30pm - 8:00pm.
- Open to anyone born in 2008, 2009 and 2010.
- 5 hours of on-field training time.

Program Content

- The key focuses of the program are physical literacy, technical development and game sense through engaging small sided games.
- Athletes will train in groups of 10-12 to maximise touches of the ball and skill development.

Program Structure

- Warm Up and Physical Literacy Development.
- Technical Skill Development.
- Small Sided Games with Technical Skill focuses.
- Physical Literacy Development and Conditioning.
- Warm Down and Debrief.

COST: \$50

REGISTER NOW

<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/wahockey/events/59859>

BETTY TERRY THEATRE

6 TRENT STREET, WAGIN

SAOIRE RONAN, EMMA WATSON, FLORENCE PUGH, ELIZA SCANLEN, LAURA DERN, TIMOTHEE CHALAMET, and MERYL STREEP

LITTLE WOMEN

FROM GRETA GERWIG
THE WRITER AND DIRECTOR OF LADY BIRD

IN CINEMAS NEW YEAR'S DAY

Friday – 21st February @ 6.30pm
Saturday – 22nd February @ 2pm & 6.30pm
Monday – 24th February @ 2pm & 6.30pm

KIDS - \$8 ADULTS - \$13 CONCESSION - \$11

KIOSK AVAILABLE NO EFTPOS DOORS OPEN 30 MINUTES EARLIER



INVITATION TO NOONGAR WOMEN

KATANNING NOONGAR LEADERSHIP GROUP INVITE AND ENCOURAGE NOONGAR WOMEN TO COME TOGETHER

Learn the connection between Noongar place names & story

Learn how the story relates to the protection of children today

Learn how we can use the giant man story to educate our children

Listen to the story * See the puppets * Harmony Festival installation

Student involvement * Ask questions

KATANNING NOONGAR CENTRE

9 Dijon Street Katanning
THURSDAY 5th MARCH 2020
1:00PM

