6th November 2013

OUR SCHOOL VISION: Encouraging all members of the school community to work together to create a positive and motivating environment, allowing all students to maximise their educational opportunities in an ever changing world.

Being present at school is your present to learning!

Congratulations to our ‘Students of the week’

Prep C: Emmeline Nastevski—(Writing a detailed recount last week)
1/2 H: Xavier Hemphill—(Having a sensible approach to his learning)
1/2 M: Charli McClure—(Being a responsible and caring class member)
1/2 Z: Lawrence Baggio—(Consistently working hard in all areas)
3/4 B: Thomas Simon—(Trying really hard to improve his hand writing)
3/4 L: Reece Coad—(Trying his best at his learning)
3/4 Y: Kyla Kelly-Manning—(Showing persistence in her fluency activity)
5/6 A: Jacinta Robinson—(Great improvement with her reading and writing)
5/6 E: Caleb McDonald—(Working hard to achieve her writing goals)
5/6 K: Mikayla Gibbons—(Writing a detailed explanation about a bike)
A Message from the Assistant Principal ......

Melbourne Cup Week – What a great time to live in Melbourne! I hope everyone had a great day yesterday and enjoyed the holiday.

Australia-Indonesia BRIDGE Program

Over the past few months, Mrs Crawford has been working with Mrs Cole on our application for the Australian-Indonesian Bridge Program. The Australia-Indonesia BRIDGE Project supports the development of intercultural understanding and ICT skills to build capacity in participating schools. Since the project’s inception in 2008, 96 Australia-Indonesia school partnerships have been established with over 380 teachers directly involved. The Australia-Indonesia BRIDGE Project supports a number of Australian Government built Indonesian schools to improve teacher capacity and access to technology.

We are excited to announce that our application was successful and we begin the program next year.

The program also enables teachers from Indonesia to visit our school and work with our teachers in developing their English programs. In turn, we get to learn about Indonesia to build on our Indonesian program. There will be opportunities for our families to accommodate the teachers that come from Indonesia. If this is something you may like to do, please stay tuned for more information as it comes to hand.

Working Bee Friday 15th November 3:30pm – 6:00pm

Ahhhh……it’s that time again; time to roll up the sleeves and sweat it out for the school. We will be holding a working bee on Friday 15th November at 3:30pm. We have a few jobs lined up which include:

- Replacing the garden bed at the front entrance
- Repair the paling fence near the oval.
- Paint the ‘one touch’ wall
- Repair the raised paver at the front entrance
- General clean up and weeding

The plan is to finish up by 6:00pm with chips, potato cakes and drinks on offer for tea. If you’d like to lend a hand, please return the reply slip below.

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Working Bee Reply Slip

I .............................................................. will be able to attend the working bee on Friday 15th November (3:30pm – 6:00pm)

I will be able to supply the following tools;
Grade 2 Camp
The grade two’s are off on their first camp away from school on Friday. The venue has an exciting range of activities for all to enjoy. There’ll be bushwalking, catching yabbies, building huts and even time for a spot of tennis and games. From there they’ll head back to school for more activities, dinner and a sleep over. Thank you to everyone involved. It’ll be a great day.

ThinkLinks
ThinkLinks will be on again next Tuesday from 12:30pm. There aren’t many sessions left this year so if you’d like to get involved in your child’s group, we’d love to see you.

Cole’s Crew’s group is making pancakes this week. Below is a list of the ingredients we will be using. If you have any issues with your child having the listed ingredients, please let me know.

- Milk
- Egg
- Self-raising flour
- Bicarbonate of soda
- Sugar

Attendance Certificates
Attendance certificates for term three will be sent home early next week. All certificates will be sent home in a sealed envelope.

Oaks Day Parade
Don’t forget to get on your best frocks, top hats, and jockey outfits for the annual Wandong Primary School Oaks day parade on Thursday. The parade will kick off about 9:10am on the basketball court. Make sure you hang around to cheer on the kids and teachers as they parade for your entertainment!

Until next time.................Have a great week!
Remembrance Day

Monday 11th November is Remembrance Day. Please buy a poppy ($2.00) or wristband ($3.00). All proceeds go to the Returned Services League (RSL).

Poppies and wristbands are available from the school office.

Grade Two Camp

Children are reminded that they need to bring playlunch, big lunch and drinks. A small backpack would be suitable to carry these items.

Hats are compulsory.

If it looks like rain, bring a jacket/raincoat.

Bedding needs to be dropped at school by 9 am.

Girls—in Mrs McClure’s room.

Boys—in the science room.

It’s going to be a fabulous, fun filled day!

Posture Police Award

Congratulations to last week’s winners.

Hugh Drofenik and Skylar Marshall

Both students demonstrated the correct posture when completing school work.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Book Club money and orders are due back to the office by Thursday 21st November for issue 8

Order now for Christmas!
**WANDONG PRIMARY SCHOOL SUPER READER’S CLUB:**

**Congratulations 100 nights reading:**
Dean Walsh, 
Anthony Caminiti, 
Kody Burge.

**Congratulations 150 nights reading:**
Thomas Downey, 
Chad Ion, 
Jennifer Cocks, 
Zane Goring, 
Brodie Reid, 
Jack James.

**Congratulations 200 nights reading:**
Dean Walsh, 
Lachlan Barnes, 
Olivia Brincat, 
Jessica Darbyshire, 
Hassn Al-Ghazawi, 
Mariam Al-Ghazawi, 
Shelby Reeves, 
Blayke Bradley, 
Daley Gibbons, 
Lucas Vicary.

Wishes granted.
Mikayla Gibbons completed 150 nights reading and her wish was to help Ros in the office with Sarah Mendola.

Mikayla and Sarah prepared the envelopes for reports, answered the telephone, delivered the mail, printed the newsletter and bundled the raffle tickets ready for this week.
**AFC MUSIC**

Expression of interest are now being taken for 2014 for grades two to six.

If you are interested in learning an instrument, please collect an enrolment form from the school office or contact Ash for further details.

Ash - 0408 319035
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**STUDENT WELFARE NEWS**

**BUILDING CONFIDENCE IN YOUR CHILDREN**

Model confident mindsets:
Children need to hear what a confident mindset sounds like. Teach your children how to approach new situations by confidently doing so yourself.
Don’t put yourself down if you make a mistake
Mistakes are an acceptable part of learning, reflect on the situation rather than on your personally.

Encourage children to look on the bright side:
Optimism is catching and helps children overcome their fears. Help children focus to look for the good, something positive in any situation. Find positives aspects in negative situations, no matter how small. Minor hardships are all learning experiences.

Helpful website: www.parentingideas.com.au

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Red House romps home.

Red House wins the cup last week. Red House Captain and Vice-Captains, Tali Kean and Zander Gladman-Mitchell are proudly holding the winner’s cup for team Red House.
Mattel Tickets.

Saturday 16th November—starting at 1:30pm

The fundraising committee of the Parents and Friends Association have again been fortunate to secure tickets for the Mattel Toy Club warehouse sale.

There are a limited amount of tickets available. The Mattel Toy Club is located off the Western Ring Road so it is very easy access from here.

Perfect start to your Christmas shopping. Tickets are available from the school office for the fabulous price of $10.00 each.

Names must be supplied to Mattel.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE.

Only 49 days until Christmas!

Today, with this newsletter, you will receive raffle tickets from the school’s Parents and Friends Association.

Please buy or sell as many as possible. Lots of prizes up for grabs and the money raised goes towards purchasing many items needed for classrooms.

Extra ticket books available from the office.

School Uniforms

School uniforms for 2014 can be purchased now.

If you would like an order form, please contact the office,
Learning in 3/4L

Throughout the term the children are completing a topic in Inquiry called, ‘Can You Bear It’. The topic investigates how simple machines make work easier. As a home learning task, the children had to bring in a simple machine from home. Using this model they had to draw and label the model.