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.

Congratulations to our 'Students of the Week'

Foundation B: Joshua Robertson (Doing his best and being a responsible learner on the floor)
Foundation H: Amelia Paxinos (Explaining how to “Make 10 - Friends of Ten”)
Foundation K: Gracie-Lee Plumble-King (Having a fantastic week)
Foundation P: Oliva Adam (Always trying her best in everything she does)
1/2C: Skylar Marshall (Fantastic writing)
1/2H: Beriah McMaster (Being a responsible member of her class)
1/2P: Campbell Harrison (Designing a machine that uses wind, water and solar power)
1/2V: Jai Munro (Persisting with his writing)
3/4A: Baily Lunn (Showing dedication in all learning areas and concentrating on his presentation)
3/4B: Georgia Gawley (Being such a keen and interested learner)
3/4J: Emily Fitzgerald (Consistently demonstrating our school values)
5/6J: Phoebe White (Being able to organise herself efficiently at the beginning of each session)
5/6M: Shae McDonald (Outstanding contributions to class discussions)
5/6S: Elosie Harrison (Consistently finding new challenges in her reading)

Reminder
Friday 12th June - 5/6 Winter Sports Carnival
Tuesday 16th June - Parents & Friends Association meeting - 9:15am in the staffroom

www.wandongps.vic.edu.au
A Message from the Principal

Dear families,

Term two is just flying by, with only 16 days to go until the mid-year school holiday break. Our students are busily preparing their presentations for their Student Led Conference night in the last week of term. The Student Led Conferences are a wonderful experience, as parents are hosted by their child as they walk you through their learning achievements. If you are yet to return your reply slip to book a conference time, I would suggest you do this as soon as possible.

State Schools’ Spectacular: Yesterday, I drove the mini bus to Diamond Creek for our next State Schools’ Spectacular practise. The students are really doing an amazing job and the performance date is getting closer. Saturday 12th September will come around before we know it! Well done to Mrs Castle, Miss Adams and the student performers. Thank you also to Michelle Whitfield and Sally Wharrie for transporting the students to their rehearsals.

Family Movie Night: Our SRC are currently organising their next fundraiser... a Family Movie Night. “Dunston Checks In” (Rated G) will be the feature movie and will be shown in the school hall on Friday 19th June. Parents, or siblings over 18 years of age, must stay with children – children will not be admitted without an adult. You are invited to bring along a folding chair, beanbag, sleeping bag or blanket to insure you are all warm and snuggly. PJs are most welcome! Folding chairs will be placed towards the back of the hall, with those on blankets or in sleeping bags in the front section, closest to the screen. Entry is by a gold coin donation (per person). The SRC will be selling food (soft drinks, popcorn and lollies) before the movie starts. Doors will open at 6:15 p.m. for a 7:00 p.m. start. What a great way to celebrate nearing the end of term two! Grab the family and your warm blankets and we will see you there 😊

Think Links: Tomorrow is our final Think Links session for this term. Our Think Links teams are busily working on their projects - ranging from photo books to dream-catchers to crazy critter craft and even gardening. These projects will continue into next term. It is a shame that a few families are yet to pay for their children to participate in this optional learning opportunity. Often we find that students who are less confident in academic learning really shine in Think Links. If you are yet to pay for your child, and thus they have not participated this term, please do so before the holidays so he/she can join their groups next term.

BASTOW Numeracy Course: Mrs Andrew, Mrs Woods and I are currently half way through a Numeracy Leaders course run by the Department of Education. Throughout this course, we have reflected on how we present our Numeracy sessions at Wandong Primary School, how we complete our Numeracy planners and how we use our content knowledge to further extend our students. The course has been a great catalyst for us to change some of the things we have done in the past, for the better. Next Monday, the three of us will be visiting Ocean Grove Primary School as part of the course. All participating schools are required to visit another school in the group. As we have similar goals to this school, we felt that a trip down south would be of the best benefit.

Stay warm over the coming cold days, Rhonda Cole
WANDONG PRIMARY SCHOOL
SUPER READER’S CLUB

Congratulations on 50 nights reading:

Congratulations on 100 nights reading:
Blair Fitzpatrick, Katherine Adam, Kobee Mann, Emily Arnup, Lachlan Thomson, Tanika Francis, Austin Tennant, Brock Mahoney, Tyler Hayek, Caitlin Roberts, Shae Fitzpatrick, Shae McDonald, Georgia Shingles, Justine Nastevski, Grace Hannemann, Eloise Harrison, Olivia Brincat, Charlotte Jones, Hayleigh White, Lincoln Jones, Nikayla Harrison, Riley Roberts, Lincon Sharp and Tyler Denneh.

POSTURE POLICE AWARD

Congratulations to Peaches Tasevski, Mia-J Nikora and Lindsay Chalker
These students were selected by their peers for displaying the correct posture in class.
Other nominated students were: Tahloulah Tarrant, Corey Gibbons and Sarah Dalton-Maccrea
Congratulations on your nomination.

OSHC Certificate Winner!
Congratulations Chad Ion
(Showing excellent behaviour and helping the educators with the routines)

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT!
The SRC are organising a night of movie magic in our hall.

Come and join us to watch

19th June 2015 - 7:00 p.m. start
Entry is a gold coin donation
There will be popcorn cooked fresh on the night, lollies and soft drinks for sale
Help support our SRC students with their fundraising.
Comfortable seating is a must, so please bring your pillow, bean bag or foldup chair.
The hall will be open from 6:15pm onwards
There will be no pass outs and parents must stay to supervise their children.
We hope to see you there!

Performing Arts and Sports Award Certificate Winners!

Performer of the Week
Ben Jewell
(Always being entertaining during drama)
Best on Ground
Cohan Mitchell
**WOW! ….WHAT’S ON @WANDONG**

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**Hair Ties $3.50 & Headbands $4.50**
Available from the school office
50 cents from each one goes to Wandong Primary
Made by Glenda 0407 871 087

**NOTICE**

What’s gone home this past week?

The following notices were sent home between Thursday 4th June and Wednesday 10th June:

Whole school: Nil
Selected Families: Nil
Selected Students: Nil
Individual grade levels:

**Foundation:**
- Foundation Newsletter - 5th May 2015

**One/Two:** Nil

**Three/Four:**
- Student Led Conference RSVP : 3/4B

**Five/Six:** Nil

Spare copies of notices are in the school foyer in the grade level trays.

**PARENT PAYMENTS RECEIVED**

227 families at WPS.
136 Completed payments
\[ \text{Rate} = \frac{136}{227} \times 100 = 60\% \]

**HEAD LICE**

The school has been recently notified that a number of parents are having to treat their children for head lice.

The Department of Education and Training regulations state that students should not return to school until after a recognised corrective treatment has been commenced.

Please check your children’s hair regularly.

**Have you recently asked your child/ren......**

**“What did you learn today?”**
Just a reminder that the Bookings for Holiday Program are open. You can access the information and links on the new websites www.kilmoreoshc.com.au or www.wandongoshc.com.au.

At the moment we have staff moving between the services to get to know the children ready for Holiday Programs.

We hope you have met Hanna who joined us a few weeks ago.

We would also like to introduce our new staff member Christie who is working at Kilmore.

Thank you
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When: Every Thursday @ 1:45pm
Where: Art Room
Who: Open to all students Foundation to grade 6

It is OK if you don’t have Pokémon cards...you can still come along as we have some spare cards you can use!

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WINTER JACKETS AVAILABLE

The school has been able to source a navy Winter Jacket from our uniform supplier for these cold winter days.

Features of the jacket include:-

- Water proof nylon
- Polar Fleece lining
- Concealed embroidery zip
- Storm front flap
- Concealed hood with draw cord
- Two external patch pockets with velcro flap
- Hand warmer pockets

The jackets are $40 each.

A sample of the jacket is available at the office.

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SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB
BOOK CLUB MONEY & ORDERS
ARE DUE BACK TO THE OFFICE BY
THURSDAY 11TH JUNE 2015
FOR ISSUE No. 4

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For information and bookings visit www.ssohe.com.au or Ph: 5781 1300
SOSOH: blog: ssohe.blogspot.com.au
Miss Giacomini’s Think Links Group!!

On Thursday, the ‘Wandong Explorers’ visited the Wandong Skatepark. The students ventured out in the chilly wind to the Skatepark.

I would like to thank all of the ‘Wandong Explorers’ for being exceptional role models. They walked their scooters over the big blue bridge showing the values of Care and Responsibility. A big ‘thankyou!’ to Mrs Donna Baker, for accompanying us on the day. Please have a look at some of our pictures!!
What a variety of projects we have on the go in the Art Room!!!

**Foundation** students have been working on their mosaics for the Art Show in term four. We talked about the environment and what that means. The students are tearing coloured paper and gluing onto pre-printed pictures of animals and plants. They have learnt the importance of making sure the torn paper is glued close together, leaving no gaps.

**Grade one/two's** learnt the names of lines and where we see them around us. They cut out different lines and then drew a different line on top before making the lines into a sculpture.

**Grade three/four's** learnt about Abstract Art and how it does not have to represent anything in particular. Firstly they blew paint through a straw on A3 paper and then drew lines and circles onto an A4 page using two colours or one colour and one shade. They alternated these going down each column creating a very effective pattern.

**Grade five/six's** have been creating their own Andy Warhol picture. His art is unique in that he repeats the same identical picture but changes the colours and the background using colours that don't normally go together, so that they pop out from the page. His intention is to catch the audience's attention from across the art gallery room and make the person come closer to understand the art piece better.

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**In Grade 5/6S this term, we have been learning about fractions. We have been learning every aspect of fractions in our unit. We have been learning the following aspects so far:**

- **What is the numerator and the denominator?** The numerator is the top number of the fraction. The denominator is the bottom number of a fraction and represents how many equal parts make up the whole.

- **What is an improper fraction?** An improper fraction is a fraction that has gone beyond a whole, for example $5/3$.

- **What is a mixed number?** A mixed number is a number larger than a whole number. It is a whole number plus a proper fraction, for example $1\frac{1}{2}$.

- **How do you plot a fraction correctly on a number line?** This is done correctly by making sure that that you section the number line into equal parts, to make sure the fractions are plotted accurately.

This week we were focusing again on how to correctly plot a fraction on a number line, as well as recognising fractions on a number line. Some of the students explained this in their own words:

You look at what fraction you are working with, so if you are working with tens, then you would section your number line into 10 parts’ - Nathan

'If you were working with different fractions, then you would plot them on different numbers lines to compare the fractions, then plot them on a single number once you know where all the fractions go’ - Nicholas

'I have had a lot of successes with plotting fractions on a number line. It was fun!’ - Caitlyn

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Our SEL (Social & Emotional Learning) focus is.....

Teaching your child how to set goals and achieve them by making a plan, working hard, solving problems and not giving up helps them to build life skills that are important for their future. These life skills build their self-confidence and motivation and the ability to persist when they find things difficult. An important starting point is to help your child to identify their particular character strengths and ability strengths. Character strengths are personal attributes like being brave or kind, or being a hard worker or a good organiser. Ability strengths are things that they do well such as writing stories, drawing cartoons, playing sport, playing a musical instrument or understanding and working with animals.

**Key messages to communicate to your child about being successful**

**Stick with it and don't give up.**
When something proves hard to do, stick to your plan and don’t give up. If an obstacle gets in the way, see it as a problem that needs to be solved. Sometimes you may have to try a new way to solve the problem.

**Mistakes help you to learn.**
Everybody makes mistakes when they are trying to achieve their goals. Try to learn from mistakes that you make even if you don’t feel too happy when you make them.

**No one is good at everything. Everyone has different strengths.**
Everyone has their own strengths. You need to keep looking for evidence about your character strengths (i.e. the kind of person you are) and your ability strengths (what you can do well).

**Always make a plan.**
To achieve a goal you need to make a plan before you start. A plan helps you decide the best steps to take to achieve your goal.

**Remember to try hard and work hard.**
Trying hard and working hard make it more likely that you will succeed at what you are trying to do.

**Have a go and believe in yourself.**
Even if something is hard to do and you wonder if you will be able to do it, believe in yourself, take the risk and ‘have a go’. You can’t be successful if you don’t try. You won’t always succeed but at least you can say you have given it your best shot.

**Try to be well organised.**
It’s important to be well organised if you want to achieve your goals. Find good ways to remember the things you have to do, to find the things you need, and to be on time.