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: William Burns (Fantastic participation in classroom activities)
Foundation P: Noah Mapperson (Showing amazing skills in Numeracy)
1/2C: Jackson Naylor (Continued improvement in reading)
1/2H: Liam Wolfe (Fantastic improvement with his handwriting)
1/2P: Harris Barbour (Trying his best in Mathematics)
1/2V: Jackson Lewis (Completing his Daily 5 and trying his best)
3/4A: Thomas Allsop (Working hard to create an amazing invisibility potion in Maths)
3/4B: Noah Hazeldine (Being a good listener and completing all his tasks)
5/6J: Lara Likos (Making an excellent transition back to school)
5/6M: Jack Johnson-Breheny (Showing fantastic resilience in all camp “challenge by choice” activities)
5/6S: Zane Goring (Showing a positive and fun attitude whilst on camp)

Reminder
Wednesday 21st October - Cyberbulling Bully Proof Your Kids Parent Workshop - 7:00pm to 8:15pm
Friday 23rd October - Grade 1/2 Camp & Term 4 Swimming Program Session Two
A Message from the Assistant Principal

Dear Families

Often, I am amazed at the generosity and support from our school community. This has been most evident over the last week with an enormous amount of time, effort and labour put in by Greg Joslyn to prepare the base under the oak trees outside the staffroom for the installation of artificial turf. This area has been transformed and once the turf is installed on the weekend, the transformation will be complete. Not only has the Joslyn family donated the turf, but have donated time and resources to ensure the area is professionally finished. A huge thank you also to Shane Hemphill from Pretty Sally Home Hardware for the use of their dingo and compacting plate, at short notice, and free of charge to the school. Also, thank you to Bret Stebbing who helped us out on Friday to prepare the site. Once completed, the area will be a wonderful open learning addition to the school where teachers can take their students outdoors under the shade of the beautiful oak trees. The area will also allow for students to ‘chill’ out at lunchtime and recess in a clean and comfortable space. In addition, I have submitted an application to get a large fence built behind the goals to stop balls from entering into the area and disrupting students.

Facebook Page

On Monday night, School Council approved our new Social Media Policy. The policy has been sent home with this newsletter. As the policy has now been ratified, we are able to invite families to join our official Wandong Primary School Facebook page. To do so, search for Wandong Primary in Facebook or click on the link https://www.facebook.com/wandongprimaryschool#!/wandong.primary

The page is primarily setup as a means to communicate information to families about school events and to share student learning and activities. It is a closed page and only approved participants will be allowed access. From time to time, student photos will be posted on the page. Please read through the Social Media Policy carefully and return the last page Media Use General Consent Form 2015 indicating whether or not you approve for picture of your child/ren to be posted on the site. If you have any questions, concerns, issues or suggestions regarding the Facebook page, please see myself or Mrs Andrew.

School Council

School Council has held on Monday night. Here is a little of what was covered.............

- Lengthy discussions about 2015 NAPLAN data and the strategies in place moving forward
- We will be increasing our classes from 14 to 16 in 2016. Lengthy discussions about the impact this may have on the school.
- 2016 Foundation Transition begins next week as does F/5 Buddies and Grade 6 Transition Program.
- Discussions about Victoria as the Education State and the impact this will have on Wandong PS.
- School fees will remain the same for 2016. At present only 67% of families have paid their school fees for 2015.

Cyberbullying Incursion

Yesterday, I sat in on the 5/6 Cyberbullying incursion. This was a wonderful insight into some of the issues faced by our students at school and in an ever changing technological environment. Cal and Tim from Values for Life who presented are extremely experienced in dealing with young people and did a fantastic job of conveying their message in an entertaining and engaging way. I strongly urge those families who have reservations about attending tonight’s parent session to please do so. You will find it very valuable and walk away with a raft of strategies for dealing with issues your children may present to you.
A Message from the Assistant Principal (continued....)

Woolworth’s Earn and Learn
“Thank you to the parents and friends who provided us with Earn And Learn stickers last term. Altogether we achieved a total of 29,482 points. WOW!! Last week we ordered equipment that will assist us with our learning. In addition to ordering 170 books for home and class reading programs F-6, we added some magnetic fractions walls and some giant bubble wands for a bit of fun on the oval. We felt it was important to purchase items our teachers had requested over the year, and this was perfect timing. Thank you all once again for supporting our school.”

Have a great week, Anthony Potesta

Planning for 2016
Please return to the office by ASAP.
Thank you!

Exiting students:
We are now in planning stages for the 2016 school year. To assist us with staffing, please indicate if your child WILL NOT be returning to Wandong Primary School next year. (Please fill this in even if you have told the office.)

Child's name/s:
……………………………………………..
Room/s: ...........

New arrivals:
Alternatively, if you know of a relative/friend who we should be expecting next year (i.e. new enrolment), please list their details below so we can check these against our records.

Their name:
……………………………………………..
Your name: ……………………………..
# WOW! ... WHAT'S ON @ WANDONG

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## SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

BOOK CLUB MONEY & ORDERS ARE DUE BACK TO THE OFFICE BY FRIDAY 23rd OCTOBER 2015 FOR ISSUE No. 7

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## Notice

What’s gone home this past week?

The following notices were sent home between Thursday 15th October and Wednesday 21st October:

**Whole school:**
- Expected School Costs for 2016
- Social Media Policy

**Selected Families:** Nil

**Selected Students:** Nil

**Individual grade levels:**
- **Foundation:** Nil
- **One/Two:**
  - Grade 1/2 Term Overview—Term four
  - Grade 1/2 camp last minute information
- **Three/Four:**
  - WPS Team Shirt information & order form
- **Five/Six:**
  - WPS Team Shirt information & order form

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

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## Parent Payments Received

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

“**What did you learn today?**”
Would you like Santa to visit your Christmas party? Would you like him to arrive on a FIRE TRUCK? If so, call Wandong CFA to make a booking. Get in quick, as it books up fast! $5.00 per child and every child gets a show bag. Call Deb on 0405 645 212 or Heath on 0419 359 374 wandongsanta@gmail.com

PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION
FUNDRAISING
CHOCOLATES
$1.00
for sale at the office after 3:30 pm

WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH
VicHealth’s Walk to School month encourages primary school children to walk, ride or scooter to and from school throughout October, to help them get the 60 minutes of physical exercise they need each day.

Walking to and from school can also give you more time to connect and chat with your children, and the opportunity to meet up with other local families along the way.

If you can’t walk all the way, your child can still get involved – simply drive part of the way and walk the rest!

Your child’s walks will be recorded on a Walk to School classroom calendar throughout the month of October and they will receive a sticker for each day. Certificates will be awarded to children at the end of the month to celebrate their achievements.
YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING
Wednesday 25th November 2015
School Tours 6pm
Family Sausage Sizzle 6:30pm
Information session 7pm

This is your chance to:
• Meet staff for 2016 including:
  Year 7 Co-ordinator,
  Pastoral Care teachers,
  Equity Program Manager,
  Welfare Staff,
  Principal Class members
  And more others
• Hear about our Year 7 program for 2016
• Find out more about student uniform requirements
• Receive the documents that you will need
on our Year 7 night
• Learn about the activities that will form
our Orientation day
• Examine the school key maps
• Meet, meet, meet, meet.......

100 DARWIN STREET WALLAN 3756 PH 5749 1288
Principal: Ms Sally Lantott
www.wallace.vc.edu.au

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Broadford Secondary College
2016 SCHOLARSHIPS

BSC offer 4 academic scholarships for students beginning Year 7 in 2016. The examination may be taken on Wednesday 14th October, 2015 at 4:00 - 5:00 pm or 5:30 - 6:30 pm or Wednesday 21st October, 2015 at 4:00 - 5:00 or 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Please phone the school to book your session. 57841200

Other enquiries to Cathy Coppinger coppinger.cathy.c@edumail.vic.gov.au

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Wallan Basketball
HOME OF THE PANTHERS

Pink Panthers
GIRLS SKILLS PROGRAM
IT'S ALL ABOUT FUN!

When: 6th November to 18th December
Time: 5.30pm to 6.30pm

• Seven week Program, Friday evenings!
• A Fun Introduction to Basketball
• A Chance to Develop Basketball Skills
• Free T-Shirt and Ball to all participants!

$30

Register at www.wallanbasketball.com.au. For further information please email wallanbasketball@gmail.com

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Celebrating Children’s Week 2015
24 October – 1 November

Children’s Rights are Human Rights

For more information about family friendly activities during Children’s Week, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/childrensweek

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2015-16 GV SUNS FOOTBALL TRIALS

McEwen Reserve, Shepparton

U12s (2004), U13s (2003) and U14s (2002) – Tuesday 3rd, 10th and 17th of Nov at 6 pm
U16s (2001), U16s (2000) and U18s (1998-99) – Thursday 5th, 12th, 19th of Nov at 6 pm
U20s trial by invitation once Senior training commences.

All Enquiries to: techdr@gvsuns.com.au
PERFORMING ARTS

This term, students in all grades are learning about Music. Students in Foundation to grade 4 are investigating how to use body percussion and percussion instruments to learn about the timing of different notes, beats and rhythms. Students in grade 5/6 are learning to play the recorder to focus on beat, rhythm, how to read music and how to play different songs.

THANK YOU
PARENT’S CLUB

Through money that you have raised, we have purchased 6 storage bins for all of our costumes!!!!

On Saturday, 12th September, 30 students from Wandong Primary performed in the Victorian State School Spectacular at Hisense Arena. We had two days of rehearsals in Hisense Arena to learn where to go and where the students would be performing. It was also during these rehearsal times that students were able to make sure they were performing the correct movements, singing the correct notes and not getting distracted by the other performers on stage.

Thank you to Sally Wharrie for driving to the rehearsals in Diamond Creek, Kylie Shingles for coming to the Thursday and Friday rehearsals at Hisense Arena, Mrs Cole for helping supervise students during the performances and to all of the parents for waking up really early to get the students to school in time for the bus to leave for the rehearsals.

The Victorian State School Spectacular will be televised on Channel 7 on the 5th December from 7pm.

SPECIAL FRIEND’S PERFORMANCE
AND 3 - 6 CONCERT

Congratulations to all students that performed in the Special Friend’s Performance and the 3—6 Concert. Some of these students were performing in front of an audience for the first time. The students really loved being able to perform on a stage in a proper theatre with proper lighting. The students were able to see people in the audience that were there to support them. We be sending home a DVD of the performances soon.
***Bully Proof Incursion***

This week students right across the school participated in the Bully Proof Incursion.

Students learnt that …

* bullying can occur in a range of different ways and it is unacceptable
* technology is a wonderful tool but I need to be cyber smart
* it’s okay for me and for other people to think, look and act differently
  * they have the right to feel safe at school and online
  * there are things they can do to stop bullying
* they play an important role in creating a safe, bully-free environment at school and online