

# WAMOON PUBLIC SCHOOL



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## NEWSLETTER

Term 1 Week 6

6 March 2018

### DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Friday 9 March - Years 5 & 6 Soccer Gala Day  
Thursday 15 March 2018 - School Assembly

Alex and Nash enjoying the  
"Kick Start for Kids" program



## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

A few happenings for your information.

### STAGE 3 SOCCER GALA DAY

On Friday 9 March (this Friday) all Year 5 and 6 boys and girls will travel into Leeton to participate in a Gala Soccer Day. The girls will play at Parkview school and the boys at Leeton No 2 ovals.

Mr Mark Powter (Yanco Public School) will manage the girls team while I will manage the boys team.

We will depart school at 9.00 am as our first game is at 9.45 am against Parkview.

A canteen will operate at both grounds. There is no need to pre order. There is a canteen menu for Parkview but have not received one for the boys as yet.

Please complete the permission note attached and return by Wednesday 7 March.

### SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This year we have moved away from fortnightly assemblies to just two per term. With limited students we felt that our assemblies were a little repetitive and needed refreshing.

We have decided to go with two assemblies per term and hopefully make them more exciting and rewarding for the students.

Our first assembly this year will be on Thursday 15 March commencing at 2.30 pm. Look forward to seeing everyone there.



## KICK START FOR KIDS GROUP

Kick Start for Kids will commence for 2018 next Tuesday 6 March at 1 pm.

This will be run every Tuesday afternoon from 1 pm to 3pm. This year Mrs Morris will be with the children. The program is being run for children from 3- 5 years of age who will learn, play and develop skills to help them transition to school.

This will be a yearlong program aimed at extending and enriching each and every child's learning.

If you know of anyone that is interested in coming for this program they need to contact the school.



### KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

All Kinder students will attend school tomorrow (Wednesday) and will continue for the rest of the year.

Marley was really proud to show off the pumpkin she found in the schools vegetable garden





At school your child will be navigating a range of new and different relationships. It can help to:

- \* Teach your child how to be assertive
- \* Arrange play dates with other kids in their class to help establish friendships
- \* Get to know the other parents
- \* Encourage your child to explore different friendships by sitting with different groups at break times
- \* Read books about being a friend
- \* Set time aside at the end of the day to talk.



Some kids require additional support at school. They may struggle to connect socially, find it hard to concentrate in class or fall behind their peers in basic literacy and numeracy.

If you have concerns about your child's development speaking to a Parent Line counsellor may help you find the right strategies, support and referral pathways.



## Managing transitions...

It is normal for kids to be exhausted after a day at school. This can sometimes lead to emotional meltdowns. All that learning and navigating new relationships is draining. It can help to have established afternoon routines which allow for some down-time. **Family meal time is a good place to ask your child about their day and reconnect.**



Rituals for the end of the day, week, term and year will help your child transition more smoothly. Rituals might be cooking your child's favourite meal together, watching a movie or building a hideout from boxes and blankets.

Transitioning to school is big for parents too. Parents are often caught off-guard by their own feelings of excitement, sadness and nervousness at sending a child to school.

Speaking to an empathic and non-judgmental Parent Line counsellor can help you come to terms with and manage these complex feelings.

For more information about transitioning to school go to <http://www.transitiontoschoolresource.org.au/tts>



**9am-9pm  
Monday to Friday  
4pm-9pm  
Saturday & Sunday**



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