



# WAMOON PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Weeks 7 & 8

Monday, March 11

- **Wednesday, March 13** – P & C Easter Egg Guessing Competition Begins – Guesses can be bought for 50c to \$1.00!
- **Friday, March 15** – LNPSSA Rugby Union Gala Day (nominated students only), Sports All Star Awards Presented
- **Saturday, March 16** – P & C Woolworths Community BBQ beginning at 10.00am
- **Friday, March 22** – K-6 Assembly @ 2.00pm; Year 2/3 Showcase Class – ALL WELCOME!
- **Saturday, March 23** – NSW State Election Voting Booth Open at Wamoon Public School

### Goalball Australia Visit!



## Principals Message

Hi folks,

We have reached the mid-way point of Term 1! Quite unbelievable to think we have already experienced so much with more to come. **Thank you to those families who returned the Feedback form from the Parent Information Night 😊 Your responses are very much appreciated!**

Thank you to the large amount of community members who attended our first **K-6 Assembly** at the end of Week 5. We were able to induct our **2019 School Leaders** as well as present our first **Merit Awards** for the year. I think you would all agree that **Year 4/5/6 did an amazing job sharing their 'Freeze Frame' drama skit and performance of 'Shot gun'**.

Last week we were fortunate enough to receive a visit from **Goalball Australia**. Goalball is an official Paralympic sport exclusive for athletes with a visual impairment. Our students got to experience first-hand the game play which involved wearing special shades over their eyes and relying only on the sound of the bell inside the ball to score and block goals. Even the staff got into it! **It was an excellent opportunity for all students K-6 to be exposed to a sport which truly promotes inclusion**

Last week, the **P & C held their AGM**. Thank you to all the members who attended the meeting or placed their apologies. Our **March Meeting** was very productive with lots planned ahead. The **April P & C Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, April 3**.

The P & C is again hosting a **Community BBQ at the entrance of Woolworths this Saturday, March 16**. The assistance of parents is very much needed even if only for a short amount of time. Please contact the school if you are able to help out.

Our **Alf Herrmann Lodge Community Service Program** begins this week. Students in **Years 4/5/6** will have today received a permission note which includes all details. Each week students will visit the Lodge and spend time with residents either playing games e.g. checkers and sharing their work. **Most importantly**, students will brighten the day of another person(s)! After 3 visits, each student will receive a **School Spirit Award** to acknowledge their participation.

This week I will assemble the students together to discuss the use of the canteen and foyer area. As you are all aware, our school runs a **Wellbeing Program** which is well supported by our families. At present, **Mrs Teerman and staff/parents (where possible)** complete all duties. Can families please make sure you assist by completing the following;

- Encourage your child to place their canteen order as soon as they arrive to school.
- Pack your child as much food as you think they need for the day. Students should only be asking for **free items** if they do not have enough food. We **always** provide students with food if they are hungry on **good faith** they have no food left in the lunch box.

Enjoy your week and as always do not hesitate to contact myself at the school if you have any questions or concerns.

Mr Matt Collins  
Principal  
Wamoon Public School

### Current Notes Out

- **LNPSSA Rugby Union Gala Day** (nominated students)
- **Parent Helper Note** (sent home this week!)
- **Information Session Feedback**



Are you on Facebook?

To get all of the latest breaking news and previews of the coming school day ahead, like our school Facebook page and join over 422 followers who stay up to date with our school happenings via social media.

## Kickstart for Kids – Expression of Interest

Please contact the school if your child is aged between 4/5 and you are intending on enrolling them at Wamoon Public School. We are looking at recommencing our **Kickstart For Kids** program in the coming weeks and require additional enrolments. If you know of parents in the wider community who you feel would be interested could you please ask them to contact the school.



**Wamoon Public School**  
is now accepting enrolments for  
**Kickstart for Kids**  
**2019**  
Held each Tuesday

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- Open for students who will transition to primary school in 2020
- Smaller group size allowing increased personalised attention.
- School readiness program equipping boys and girls with appropriate developmental skills

## Newsletter Distribution

The Newsletter will now be distributed on a **fortnightly basis**. This will allow for more content to be included as well for classroom teachers to provide content. I have noted a great deal of parents use our Facebook site to remain updated. I will continue to provide regular updates on our page including any breaking news and urgent reminders.

The Newsletter will be distributed every odd week; Week 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 & 11.

## Term 1 K-6 Assembly Roster

Assemblies will be held three times a term. Dates are included below which I hope will help parents plan their attendance!

Assemblies will be held in the afternoon session beginning at **2.00pm**.

**Friday, March 1 (Week 5)** – Showcase Class is 4/5/6

**Friday, March 22 (Week 8)** – Showcase Class is 2/3

**Friday, April 12 (Week 11)** – Showcase Class is K/1

## P & C News

The P & C held their **Annual General Meeting for 2019** last week and in pleasing news was able to fill all positions. **Congratulations** to the executive who I know will continue to do a fantastic job for our school.

Thank you to community members who were able to donate prizes for the ongoing **Easter Raffle**. We still require additional donations which can be bought into school at any time.



**Easter RAFFLE**

Wamoon Public School  
P&C Term 1 Raffle

**\$1.00 Ticket**

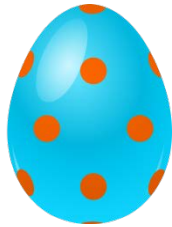
*Chocolate Filled Easter Baskets for  
1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Prizes*

**DRAWN FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2019**



The **P & C** is again hosting a **Community BBQ at the entrance of Woolworths this Saturday, March 16**. Please contact the school if you are able to assist or drop by for a chat on the day!

# P & C EASTER GUESSING COMPETITION



**What** – The P & C are running a Guessing Competition. Students are invited to guess the total number of Easter Eggs in the jar!

**Who** – All students K-6 can register as many guesses as they wish!

**When** – Students can make their guess after Lunch 1 Eating each day!

**How** – Guesses cost 50 cents or 3 guesses for \$1.00

**Why** – To raise money for our school and to give a student the ultimate Easter present!

# CHARACTER COUNTS AWARDS

Week 6



Week 7



## Sports News



### LNPSSA Soccer Gala Day

Last Monday, 13 Wamoon Public School students joined with peers from the Small Schools to contest the **LNPSSA Soccer Championships**. Again, we had wonderful participation from our students including all our **Year 4 students who gained valuable experience** playing in a competitive atmosphere. Both boys and girls teams went down in both their games however tried extremely hard in testing conditions (the temperature tipped 33 degrees by the second game!).



I was on hand to witness the efforts of the **Small School Girls Team** and would like to point out the following students for their efforts. **Bella Bates and Elyssia Kruger** tried hard all day in attack and defence and showed developing skills. **Isabella Mulloy** was very energetic and benefited from playing in different parts of the field. **Hailey Granger, Shakira Sherlock and Monte McCarthy** all tried their best against more experienced players and demonstrated improvement during the day!



**BIG NEWS!** Our very own **Sonny Bradshaw** was selected in the **LNPSSA Boys Soccer Team** which will now contest the **Riverina Championships** later in the month. Sonny's selection came on the back of **excellent attacking skills**. Stay tuned for further updates!



### LNPSSA Rugby Union Gala Day

Students who wish to can nominate themselves for the **LNPSSA Rugby Union Gala Day** to be held this **Friday, March 15**. It is important that students are able to bring a **mouth guard** and complete the **compulsory permission to play a contact sport form**.

# K/1 Workings

This term, K/1 students have been learning about Pirates!



They have been listening to several texts and writing responses to them.

Pirate Art

This week, students were asked to write about what they would do if they were a pirate after reading the text 'How I became a Pirate'.

There were some very interesting responses from stealing the pirates treasure to getting the pirates to walk the plank. I hope you enjoy reading some of the students' responses!

- ✓ If I were a pirate I will talk like a pirate. By Nash
- ✓ I will steal the treasure. By Alex
- ✓ I will make the pirates walk the plank. By Andrew
- ✓ If I was a pirate I will go to the Treasure Island. I will be the captain. By Emily
- ✓ I will play games with the pirates. By Zaiden
- ✓ If I was a pirate I would sleep in a hammock. I would take my cousin and my Dad too. I will make a pirate walk the plank. By Alexis
- ✓ If I was a pirate I will open the Treasure chest and see the treasure inside. I will take the treasure home and hide it in my bedroom from my Mum and Dad. By Teahlea



Message in a bottle



We drew our own  
Pirates!



We learnt how to  
talk like a Pirate!

Students have been learning how to talk like a Pirate and these are some of the sayings they have learnt and what they mean:

- ✓ Shiver me timbers: Oh my goodness!
- ✓ Ahoy!: Hello
- ✓ Batten down the hatches: Lock everything up
- ✓ Up yonder pole: Climbing up a pole
- ✓ All hands on deck: Everyone help clean up

# K-6 Assembly – Week 5





# LEETON HIGH SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

## **Positive Behaviour for Learning Year 7 Prize Draw**

Our first Year 7 PBL prize draw occurred during last Friday's assembly due to Year 7 being away on camp Friday Week 6, our scheduled draw date. The rest of the school will have their PBL prize draw in each Wellbeing Assembly starting this Friday to recognise students who have displayed our values.

Year 7 prize winners were:

\$10.00 Canteen Voucher – Skye Spicer

\$20.00 Sportspower Voucher – Rhya Teerman

\$30.00 Brad's Voucher – Isabella McCormack

Congratulations to these students who have demonstrated being respectful, responsible learners.

## **Riverina Swimming Carnival Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

Best wishes to the large group of students who will compete at Riverina level on Monday in their various events. As always, these students will represent our school in exemplary fashion and we look forward to hearing about their personal and team achievements.

## **Year 7 Camp 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March**

Year 7 students and teachers will embark on an exciting adventure next Wednesday travelling to Laurel Hill, near Tumbumba, for a two night camp. The camp provides the opportunity to get to know each other a little more and to work as a team. Thanks to Mr. McKenzie, Year 7 Advisor, for his hard work in organising the excursion. It will be a wonderful experience for both students and accompanying staff and we look forward to hearing some great stories and seeing many photos of the activities undertaken.

Please ensure the school has up to date information regarding any medications that need to be taken during the camp. Please also check the weather as the area can be very cold overnight. An information note was sent home on Friday with last minute reminders for preparation and an itinerary. Please contact the school on 0269532122 with any inquiries.

## **Student Wellbeing and Discipline Policy**

Students will shortly receive a Student Handbook outlining our updated Wellbeing and Discipline Policy to align with our Positive Behaviour for Learning values and management processes. The updated Handbook will be revised with students upon completion.

## **Mobile Phones**

We are currently reviewing our Mobile Phone Policy after recent research reviews on the use of mobile phones and their impacts on the school environment have been released through the NSW Department of Education. This research also highlights the different responses schools adopt in managing the use of mobile phones and other portable devices. At the forefront of our revision is the maintenance of a respectful and responsible school environment. The updated policy will be shared with our school community for feedback.

## **School Photos 21<sup>st</sup> March**

Please ensure full summer school uniform is worn for our photo day. Order/payment envelopes will be sent home as soon as they arrive at school.

## **Breakfast Club and Homework Centre @ Leeton High School**

Breakfast Club will run Tuesday and Friday mornings. Toast and a variety of spreads and fresh fruit is available. A huge thank you to the Golden Apple for supporting us with this great start to the day.

Our Homework Centre will run on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3.30pm – 4.30pm in the Library. Teachers will be available to support students with homework, assignments and assessment tasks. Students are welcome to access the internet for educational purposes via the computers in the library.

Leeton High School recognises and values the importance of communication between home and school. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the school on 69532122. Stay in touch with the happenings at Leeton High School via the School Website <http://www.leeton-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/> or our Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/LeetonHS>.

**RESPECTFUL**

**RESPONSIBLE**

**LEARNERS**

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