



# Woodland Road Public School

## Newsletter

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**Term 1**

**Week 9**

**Wednesday, 27 March 2019**

**Assembly Thursday Week 9**  
**2pm in the Hall**

**Greatest Shave**

Tuesday April 2

**Easter Hat Parade**

Friday April 12

**Last Day of Term**

Friday April 12

**Students Return**

Tuesday April 30

**NAPLAN**

Tuesday May 14

Language / Writing

**NAPLAN**

Wednesday May 15

Reading

**NAPLAN**

Thursday May 16

Numeracy

**NAPLAN**

Friday May 17

Catch Up Tests

**P&C Meeting**

Tuesday May 21 - 7pm

**Jump Rope**

Friday June 28

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### 1B Make M&M Slice.

We made M&M slice with 1B. The recipe was really yum. We did it on Friday. The ingredients were sweetened condensed milk, arrowroot biscuits and M&Ms. We crushed up the biscuits, then we added the condensed milk and then we added M&Ms and we put it in the oven. When it cooled down we ate it up.

Bella



We made M&M slice on Friday. We turned the oven to 180 degrees. We used arrowroot biscuits and condensed milk and M&Ms then mixed it. It tasted delicious!

Quentin



On Friday 1B made M&M slice. It tasted like cake and M&Ms. We ate it in the office.

Mary-Jayne



# Harmony Day

What a success Harmony Day was!

Thank you to all who participated in the week's events. We read stories, made graphs showing the diverse cultures in our classrooms, wrote acrostic poems, made paper chains, explored different languages, read stories from different cultures and ate international food from around the world. Thank you to the parents who visited classes and talked about their culture.

The celebrations culminated in an exciting assembly of talented performers both from Woodland Road PS and Airds High School. It was such an honour to have the Airds High School Pasifika Boys and Samoan Girls Siva perform for us. We also had a special performance by the Mau family with a traditional Samoan dance to open our assembly in a very special way. Thank you to Kartika for teaching KD their 'Heads and Shoulders' song in Indonesian and thank you to 1M for their performance of 'Home Among the Gum Trees'. Congratulations to Aya, Averie, Izaak, Jensen, Mikayla, Kaif, Jana, Liliana, Steve, Ebonie, Honiara, Edan, Kimberley, Tua, Ryan, Jacan, Mia, Bailey, Harlee, Karly, who received Harmony Day rewards.







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## KD with STEM Buddies 5/6B

Two weeks ago Miss Duggan read 5/6B and KD a book. It was called 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff.' After the story, we had to plan how to make a bridge to help the three Billy Goats Gruff cross the river. The week after that we had to get the materials and start making our bridge. When we finished we had to test if it would hold 3 farm animals. The animals were a cow, a sheep and a horse. It was a success and most of the bridges could hold the three farm animals. We really enjoyed working with the kindy kids, they worked well with us. We had fun and can't wait to do it again. Thank you Miss Duggan and KD.

By Aleesha and Jackson 5/6B



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I loved playing with the big kids. We built a bridge.

Angela KD



I liked building the bridge.

Petar KD

We built a bridge for the billy goats to cross but ours broke. 5/6B helped us.

Kaiden KD



I liked working with the big kids and putting sticky tape on the paddle pop sticks.

Lara KD

Thank you Mr Berger and 5/6B

## Woolworths Junior Landcare grant

### GREAT NEWS

We've just been awarded  
a Woolworths Junior  
Landcare Grant!



We've been successful with our application for a Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant for our Vegetable Garden project.

Woodland Road Public School is one of 538 primary schools and early learning centres throughout Australia receiving a Woolworths Junior Landcare grant to help grow our next generation of environmental champions.

The grants are being funded with money made from the sale of the Woolworths recyclable Bag for good™ which was launched in 2018 when the supermarket stopped using single-use plastic bags.

The children and teachers are looking forward to working and learning from this project and we'll keep you updated on the results.



## PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

All students are encouraged to participate in the **Premier's Reading Challenge**. The Challenge runs to the end of August. Year 3-6 students need to read 15 books from their Challenge list and 5 free choice books and record them onto their Reading Logs. Students in Kinder to Year 2 need to read 25 Challenge books and 5 free choice. Please note that for students in Kinder to Year 2, it is acceptable for parents and teachers to read the books to the children. However, any students that are independent readers are encouraged to complete the Challenge themselves. All students that complete the Challenge will receive a certificate from the Premier of NSW and go in a draw to win prizes from the library. Keep reading!

Mrs Nackovski - Teacher Librarian



## Stewart House School Clothing Appeal 2019

Please help Stewart House with a kind donation of your used clothing. Bags will be sent home shortly and extras will be at the office.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Collection date is 9th May 2019**

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# Dear Parents and Caregivers,

## Tell Them From Me Survey

Students from Year 4, 5 and 6 will again participate in the Department of Education initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

## Before and After School Care

Parents are reminded that the School's supervision roster starts from 8:15am each day. There are no staff available to supervise children in the playground prior to this time. We understand that many parents may have commitments at work, which require them to start early. There is a Before and After School Care service which operates within the school from 6.30 am every school morning. The afternoon session finishes at 6.00pm. As an alternative, parents may be able to make arrangements with friends or neighbours for the supervision of children before school. Whatever arrangements you make, parents need to understand that they remain responsible for their child prior to 8:15am when the school's supervision begins.

Similarly, the school day finishes at 2:45pm. Parents are also reminded that there is no supervision provided for students at the end of the day. Parents are required to pick students up from school at this time or provide alternative arrangements as mentioned above. Staff are often involved in meetings after school and are not available to supervise.

Your cooperation around the wellbeing of students before and after school is appreciated.

## Staff Carpark

A reminder to our school community that the carpark at the front of the school is for staff only. The school is covered under the Enclosed Lands Act which means that permission must be given for vehicles to enter the school grounds. As you are aware, the gates have been closed from 8.30am and re-opened at 3pm. This is done in the interest of student safety. Please do not see open gates between 8.30 - 3pm as an invitation to park on site.

## New Garden

Builders have completed a new garden behind the netball court as you enter the school. Plants will be purchased in coming weeks as part of the school beautification program. We welcome your feedback or suggestions.

## Harmony Week

Last week we celebrated the cultural diversity of our school community. Activities throughout the week culminated in a whole school assembly on Thursday. Students on the day were dressed in orange with many wearing traditional clothes. After recent events around the world, this was a powerful opportunity to show the many cultures that make us a great country. It was a pleasure to see the students faces as they entered the hall celebrating over thirty cultures that make Woodland Road Public School so great. We were joined by the Pasifika Boys and Samoan Girls Siva performance groups from Airds High School who left the audience with tingles. Thank you to everyone who attended events throughout the week, shared a recipe, taught a song and told a story about their journey.

## Practicum Students

Woodland Road Public School has joined a community of schools hub with Western Sydney University to support the training for new teachers. This is a program where the students are interviewed to enter into an experience where they complete the normal 6 week practicum in school but are also provided with additional professional learning around classroom management, Aboriginal Education and opportunities to visit rural and remote schools to discuss their unique complexities. We will be hosting 4 students starting next week. This program is a great opportunity to further develop the skills of our future teachers and showcase the wonderful things that we do at Woodland Road Public School.

Have a great fortnight!

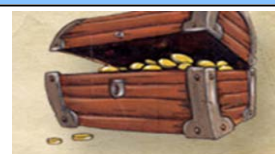
Kind regards

Chad Harris      Principal



## Notices

### Student Banking



Student banking is every Friday morning at the P&C Room (AV Room next to Canteen) from 8.15am to 8.45am.



Tickets \$1  
or \$10 per  
book

Dear Parents/Carers

Easter Raffle tickets went home today, if you didn't receive a booklet you will find spares in the front office. These raffle tickets are due back Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April, we have some wonderful Easter prizes to be won, Tickets are \$1 each or \$10 per book. Thank you for your support.

School Banking is going from strength to strength. We have some more lovely faces learning all about banking and it is great to see all students who bank through the school each week. It was also great to see students who banked in the past come back to start saving again. If you have had your child bank in the past and you would like them to start again, you just need to get them to bring either their Dollarmites book or their account details from the Commonwealth Bank and we will be more than happy to supply them with a new book.

We have a special guest coming Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April during School Banking time. The guest will be walking around greeting and interacting with the children prior to bell time.

Do you have some time to spare or want to know what the P&C is getting up to within the school? Come along to one of our meetings. Our next meeting will be after the school holidays on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7pm

Regards

Lisa M

P&C President



## Canteen Meal Deal Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Honey Soy Chicken on Bed of Boiled Rice

Popcorn

1 Juice Cup

\$5.00 each

Please return orders to the canteen **NO LATER THAN**  
**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019.**

Name:

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Class: .....