



# Woodland Road Public School

## Newsletter

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**Term 2 Week 3**  
**Wednesday, 15 May 2019**

**Assembly Thursday Week 3**  
**2pm in the hall**

### **NAPLAN**

Thursday May 16  
Numeracy

### **Book Club Due**

Thursday May 16

### **NAPLAN**

Friday May 17  
Catch Up Tests

### **P&C Meeting**

Tuesday May 21 - 7pm

### **Gala Day**

Friday May 24

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Friday June 21

### **Multicultural Public Speaking**

Friday June 24

### **Jump Rope for Heart**

Friday June 28

### **School Athletics Carnival**

Friday July 5

### **Education Week**

August 5-9

### **Kindergarten Farm**

Monday August 12

## Woolworths Earn and Learn

Thank you for all the stickers already received for the Woolworths Earn and Learn program so far. It runs from May 1 to June 25. There is a box in the front office for stickers also one at Rosemeadow Woolworths and Woolworths at Campbelltown Mall. We have received some great equipment in the past from Earn and Learn so don't forget to ask family and friends to collect also. A sticker sheet will accompany this newsletter to get you started but make sure to only put stickers in the allocated squares 60 per sheet. Thank you once again for your ongoing support.



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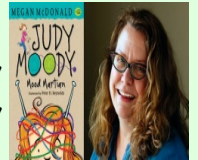
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# Sydney Writers' Festival

On Friday May 3, fourteen year 5 students travelled to Town Hall in the city with Mrs Phillips and Ms Gordon for the Sydney Writers Festival. Students were lucky enough to listen to four well known authors who shared with them some special writing tricks of the trade.



R. A. Spratt wrote the 'Friday Barnes Girl Detective' series and 'The Peski Kids.' Her action packed books, poignantly observed characters and razor sharp dialogue are influenced by her long career as a television writer. Also her background as a stand-up comic shines through in her spectacular author presentations.



Megan McDonald wrote the Judy Moody books. She has written a few in the Judy Moody series. Her first book took 2 years to write and her favourite book of the series is 'Judy Moody Saves The World.' Meagan's favourite author is Catherine Patterson.



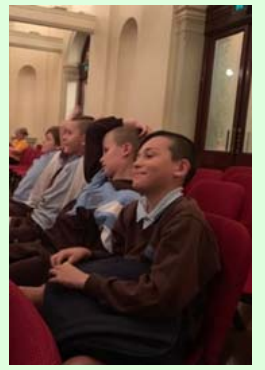
Oliver Phommavanh is the author of books such as 'Thai-Riffic' and 'Con-Nerd.'

Most of his books are written about himself. He wanted to be a school leader so he started stealing other people's badges. He showed us a picture of himself with Bessie the bear and told us how one day his bear's head just fell off. He was very funny.

Katherine Rundell talked about a book called 'Wolf Wilder.' It was about a person who tries to make wolves wild again after the wolves were used to pull sleighs in the snow. Katherine said you can't hunt stories they just come to you. She also said never let anyone hold back your imagination.

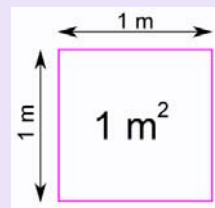
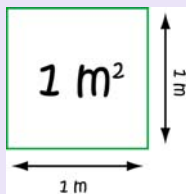




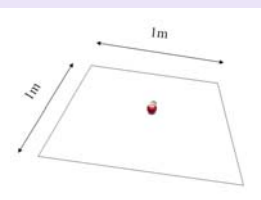


## Learning About Square Metres

4S has been learning about a square metre. We had to make our own and discussed how they are used to measure the area of larger surfaces.



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# Jump Rope for Heart Demonstration

On Thursday May 2 we were all skilfully taught how important it is to keep fit and healthy through the Jump Rope for Heart Program. We learnt that Jump Rope for Heart wasn't just for skipping, it was for sick children. This motivated lots of children to raise money for The Jump Rope for Heart foundation. Emma and Jason taught us some awesome tricks like the Crisscross, Double under and the Pretzel then did them all together which was the, Double Under, Crisscross, Pretzel. When they showed us how to do the Pretzel they asked for a volunteer from the audience! Now we all want to help the sick children. Do you? Please donate!

Lily-Ann and Sophia 5/6B



Heart Foundation

# Jump Rope for Heart

# Jump Rope For Heart Fundraiser

## Jump Rope for Heart kicks off this term!

Jump Rope for Heart is a fantastic physical activity and fundraising program that has been run by the Heart Foundation for over 35 years. It's a great way for your child to keep fit and learn new skills, but it also helps raise funds for vital heart research and education programs.

Since Jump Rope for Heart started in 1983, schools like ours have raised more than \$75 million for the Heart Foundation's lifesaving work.



It's important you register your child online, so they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising, simply follow the link below to get started.

[www.jumprope.org.au/parents](http://www.jumprope.org.au/parents)

Students will be skipping *during lunch break*, during this time you can share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause.

We will hold our school Jump Off Day on Friday June 28, this will mark the end of the program and is a chance for everyone to come together to skip and show off their newly learned skills.

Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program!

Heart Foundation

Jump Rope for Heart



## Recycling Soft Plastics



5/6B and 5/6G are learning about sustainability. We are now learning how to reduce, reuse and recycle. Did you know that soft plastic can be recycled at supermarkets? This includes our Glad Wrap and muesli bar wrappers. In just 2 weeks we have saved 500gm of plastic from going to landfill. There is a company that turns our plastic into new things like benches, outdoor furniture and much more! We can all make an impact: from small things, big things grow. Enough for all, forever.



# Free Form Poems to Describe a Sea Creature by 2J

Splashing through the gentle water  
 Grey, smooth fins and skin  
 Leaps in and out of the water  
 Moves gracefully through the sea  
 Dolphin is like a leaping cat  
 By Arwyn



Orange octopus  
 Super sticky suckers that find fish  
 Orange tentacles  
 Ink kills fish  
 By Elijah

Smooth, grey shark  
 Pointy fin  
 Sharks move fast, eating prey  
 By Bentley



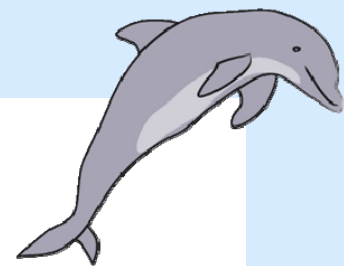
Gracefully small seahorse  
 Very tiny eye  
 Different colours  
 Big. Long nose  
 Curly tail  
 Pointy spikes  
 Like a small, rough  
 rock  
 Has a twisted body  
 Seahorse



By Mikayla

Shark  
 Big, jagged fins  
 Grey, massive tail  
 Head broad, sharp teeth  
 Eats humans  
 Swims super fast to  
 Attack and to catch its prey  
 Growly skin  
 Threatening shark  
 By Liam

Dolphin  
 Grey, slimy  
 skin  
 Small eyes  
 Swishing tail  
 Pointy fins  
 Huge  
 Eats fish  
 Moves gracefully  
 Round teeth



By Alivia



## Dear Parents and Caregivers,

### Happy Mothers' Day

Wishing all mums, carers and grandmums a special day for last Sunday. We thank the P&C for their organisation of a wonderful variety of affordable gifts and for selling these gifts to your children. We hope that you were spoilt!

### NAPLAN for YEAR 3 and YEAR 5

NAPLAN assessments are being administered to Year 3 and Year 5 students this week. According to the guidelines, any child who is absent for assessments will have the opportunity to sit these assessments on the Friday of that week. At Woodland Road PS, our preparation for these assessments is simply quality teaching in Literacy and Numeracy. Our continued professional learning and support for quality teaching and differential learning experiences where all students understand the learning goals of each lesson and what they need to do or to produce to successfully engage in the learning experience remains our focus, NOT one assessment on one day. Our hope is that families continue to support their children's learning through discussion of learning, engagement in home projects, encouragement and opportunity for mathematics in everyday living and most importantly reading every night.

### Lost Property

Due to the recent changes in the weather and a cooler start to the morning, we have seen a dramatic increase in lost property. Lost property that has a name on it will be returned to the child's class. Any unlabelled uniform items will be collected by members of the P&C, washed and sold cheaply as second hand uniforms. I urge all families to ensure all items of clothing/lunchboxes etc. are clearly labelled with your child's name and current class.

### Automated Gates

We are currently engaging the Departments' Asset Management Unit and contractors to install automated gates at the front of the school. This is being done with student safety in mind. The driveway gates have been damaged for a substantial period and will be replaced under this program. It is anticipated that work will be completed during the next school holidays.

### Termite Damage

The school has been successful in securing funding to renovate the 3H classroom which has been damaged by termites. This has taken several years to source. The project will involve some significant reconstruction of wall frames and cladding. The work will take approximately 6 days with work continuing over the weekend. It is anticipated that this will mean the relocation of 3H during construction. More information will be provided when the scope of work comes from the contractors.

Have a great fortnight!

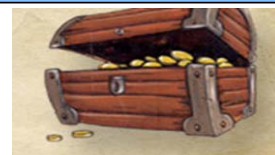
Kind regards

Mr 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.



Dear Parents/Carers

Our Mothers' Day stall was a huge success we sold out on day 2 . We hope all the mums had a lovely Mothers' Day over the weekend and enjoyed your gifts whether bought or made by your children, I know I certainly did.

We have seen more students either join school banking or return to banking over the last two weeks. This is great to see as they are learning the foundations of saving for their future even if some of the students don't understand fully at this point. It is a learning process for them and the first step is the parents encouraging them to bank whatever amount they are able to.

In the next couple of weeks we will be sending out a colouring in competition available to all students whether they do school banking or not, so remember to look out for it as it will go home with every student.



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 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019

2 Crumbed Chicken Tenderloin with Wedges

Your choice of sauce

Please circle - Tomato / BBQ

1 Juice Cup & a Surprise

\$6.00 each



Please return orders to the canteen NO LATER THAN Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

Name: .....

Class: .....