



Woodland Road Public School

Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 1

Thursday, 30 January 2020

No Assembly this Thursday
Thursday Week 3 at 2pm

Kindergarten Start

Monday February 3

Swimming Carnival 2020

Wednesday February 12

Meet and Greet

Tuesday February 18

P&C Meeting

Tuesday February 18 7pm

Leadership Camp

March 2-5

Zone Swimming

Friday March 6



Firstly we hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday and welcome to Term 1 2020.

Introducing our School Captains for 2020

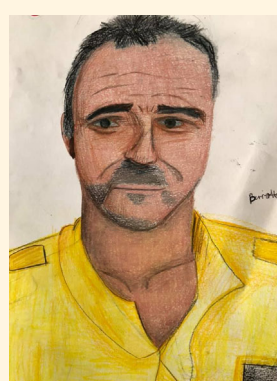


Vice Captain Liliana Ratuvou Captain Teagan Martin Captain Cooper Wells Vice Captain James Rintoul

Brave Furies

In the holidays my mum showed me a photo of Mark Ayliffe (Head of Cobargo RFS.) I took a photo of the picture then I started to sketch him on some paper. It took me 3 days to finish the artwork but I had little breaks in between. I used Prisma colours and A3 Eckersley paper. I showed my mum when I was finished and she nearly cried, she quickly posted it on Facebook. The painting sold for \$1300 to be donated to Cobargo RFS. I was really pleased with my artwork, it made me so happy to be able to help. You can still purchase a copy of the painting for \$10 to support bushfire relief. Thank you to our brave furies.

By Briella

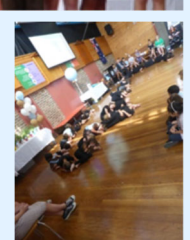


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Presentation Day 2019

Thank you to all who attended our Presentation Day Ceremony on Friday December 13. Firstly congratulations to all students who strived to achieve their best last year, your efforts will be reflected in your learning. Congratulations and well done to all students who received awards for their achievements. A big thank you to our guest speakers and presenters and a huge thank you to our Choir and our Stage and Garamada dance groups, your performances were fantastic. We hope you are ready for another exciting year in 2020.



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Woodland Road Public School for the 2020 school year. I also extend a very warm welcome to the many new families who have selected Woodland Road Public School for their children's education. I constantly feel privileged to be the principal of such an amazing school where students are enthusiastically involved in engaging learning, teachers are committed, dedicated professionals and families support and encourage their children throughout their schooling.

This year we are heading back to school under exceptional circumstances. Bushfires on an unprecedented scale have caused widespread destruction and have deeply affected us all. Our thoughts are with those who have been impacted. We have a number of provisions in place to support families who have been impacted by recent events. Please contact the school for further assistance.

Classes

The number of students enrolled at the school this year puts us very close to forming an additional class. At the end of last year, the decision was made by staff to form classes based on the information at that time. This means that some classes are larger than what we have experienced for several years. In the past, we have been able to fund an additional classroom teacher to reduce numbers in each class. That is not possible this year as we do not have any spare classrooms. We have used that funding to employ an additional Learning and Support Teacher (LST). This means that we have additional support for students from K-6 with one teacher working with K-2 students (Mrs Phillips) and the other working with 3-6 students (Ms Kuit). The role of these teachers is to support students who are struggling but also to extend students and their thinking. An additional four Learning and Support Officers have been funded by the school to provide further support to students.

We understand that some of these changes are a little different to what may have occurred in the past but would encourage you to have a conversation with the class teacher or the Assistant Principal for that grade. We are looking at having the classes locked in for the start of Week 3.

The Assistant Principal's and their areas of responsibility are:

Mrs McKenzie - C Block - and the demountable

Ms Slym - D Block

Mr Berger - E Block

Mrs Miller - Support

New Start

We welcome our new Kindergarten and support students on Monday. Many of our new students in Kinder were involved in Best Start this week. The students coming into our support classes have been involved in interviews and are looking forward to joining our Woodland Road community.

We would like to officially congratulate Mrs Miller and Ms Slym who were both successful at merit selection last year and are our new Assistant Principals

A special welcome to our new Woodland Road PS staff:

Mrs Kathryn Miller

Ms Courtney Enders

Mrs Samantha Bell

Mr Joel Storey

Mrs Lisa Smith

Mrs Carmen McKenzie

Mrs Nadine Foster

Coronavirus Virus

The NSW Departments of Health and Education have recommended that **any student who was in China over the past 14 days should not return to school or child care services this week**, as the coronavirus' incubation period can be as long as two weeks.

Students who returned to Australia more than 14 days ago and have shown no symptoms should be able to return to school this week.

The same advice applies to staff in our schools.

The NSW Government has indicated that this announcement, whilst not medically necessary, is a precautionary measure in line with community expectations.

Further information is available in the link below.

https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/news/Pages/20200128_05.aspx

Have a great fortnight!

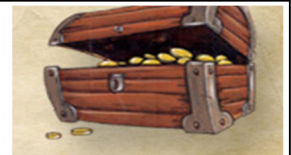
Kind regards

Mr Chad Harris



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,

Welcome back to school! I hope you have all enjoyed your holidays.

Our P&C has a website. www.wrpspnc.org Check it out! Keep up to date on the events that are happening.

A few important dates.

School banking will start back on the 7th February from 8:15-8:45am in the P&C room next to the canteen.



Preloved Uniform shop is open on Monday mornings from 8:15-8:45am around the corner from the P&C room.

We're planning a Winter Carnival for August 2nd. If you would like to be a part of planning this fun event you're welcome to join us at our next planning committee meeting on the **12th of February at 3pm** at the silver seats.

The P&C provides a chance for parents to discuss school activities and be involved in improving the educational and physical environment of our school. All parents, staff and community are invited to attend these meetings.

Our First P&C meeting of the year will be on the **18th February at 7pm**
(Children are welcome).

Kind Regards
Mindy Williams
P&C President



On Tuesday February 18 a **Meet the Teacher** afternoon has been organised.

This will be a chance for you to meet other families, a **Teacher Talk** you can attend and an opportunity to **Meet With The Teacher individually** to tell the teacher what you want them to know about your child. The individual meeting is not a parent teacher interview. Further information will follow soon.

See you there!