



Willowmavin Primary School

Newsletter: 7 16th March 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 1

Term 1

Friday 18th March—Summer Sports Carnival Years 5/6 9.00—2.30pm. Hot Lunch Day Sausage Sizzle.

Thurs 24th March—Last Day Term 1. Assembly 2.00pm Dismissal 2.30pm

Term 2

Mon 11th April—Whole School Camp at Campaspe Downs

Wed 20th April—Cross Country at Pyalong

Thurs 21st April—School Photo's

Mon 25th April—Anzac Day Public Holiday

Reminders:

Payment for Campaspe Camp must be finalised by Monday 21st of March or speak to Gail regarding payments. Medical Forms **must** be returned to the school office by next week. **This is a legal requirement for camp.**

Donations for our Easter Raffle can be left at the school office. Tickets and money can also be returned to the office and extra raffle books are available.

Cricket will be played at Assumption College between 9.00am—2.30pm. Students will travel to and from this event by private car.

LAST ICY POLE DAY THIS FRIDAY 18TH MARCH.

Student of the Week

Grade 0/1G—Beau Kemp for great efforts all round.

Grade 0/1W— Jack Hamilton for fantastic efforts in numeracy.

Grade 2— Mia Stubbs for working hard in literacy and numeracy.

Grade 3/4—Harry Cornfoot for super work in writing.

Grade 4/5/6W— Abbey Buckley for a motivated attitude to completing her classwork.

Grade 4/5/6H— Dakota Ford for consistent, steady achievement.



Principal News:

Hi All,

Our school curriculum day was a very successful day, and thanks to staff engagement and willingness to develop the use of 21st Century tools, we will be able to make demonstrable progress with our initiatives to improve student learning. In my report to school council last night I identified "counting, fractions and decimals, staff learning in the use of data and assessment and modifications to planning documents" as priorities for our school to support student learning. We will work through these key strategies along with others during the remainder of this year.

As I move about the school there are excellent examples of student learning and high levels of consistency in our classrooms with well-structured teaching and engaged learning taking place in calm, orderly classrooms. My thanks to students and teachers for this work in our school.

If your child is not attending the school camp in the first week of Term 2 they are expected to attend school. Teachers will be on duty to support their learning and the rolls will be marked.

Last night school council met for its annual general meeting and elected the following office bearers:

Dean Biancon President
Tanya Christie Vice President
Gail O'Donnell Secretary
Tom Brown Treasurer.

Council also welcomed for the first time Suzi Borg. Congratulations to our new office bearers and my thanks for the work of the previous council under which Willowmavin has made many sage decisions and continued prosperity. Please find the president's report attached to this newsletter.

Our end of term assembly, which will be held on Thursday 24th March, will commence at 1:50. All parents are most welcome. Students will be dismissed at 2:30pm.

My best wishes to our two cricket teams that will compete in the summer sports competition at Assumption College next Friday. Parents are reminded that travel is by private car and arrangements are at parents' discretion. Staff will be on duty when students are in attendance at the competition.

Our storage facility is finally completed. The electrician has finished his work on the building and retrieved the sports equipment from the roof of "Willowmavin North". We will be able to transfer the items we have stored in various locations about the school and the caravan in the carpark to the new facility – a much less cluttered Term 2.

***Hot lunches this Friday.

Regards, Don



Annual Easter Raffle

We are asking for families to kindly donate Easter Eggs/Chocolate or Easter related items so we can make up a variety of hampers to raffle off for the last day of term.

Can we please ask that donations be handed into the office no later than Friday 18th March to give us enough time to make the hampers.

Please note:- as this time of year can be quite costly, we don't expect you to spend a lot on your donation.... Every little bit helps!

Thank you

WPS Fundraising Committee

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Orders returned by Friday 22nd April

No Late orders





Magg's Mail

Hi all I do hope you had a lovely long weekend, mine was a disaster as the caravan site I booked was right next to the Nepean Hwy, consequently we had no sleep what so ever. So I am glad to be back.

Thank you to all my garden gnomes for their hard work today, we have dug up a lot of potatoes some of which we will keep as seed stock. Then we spent lunch time weeding and starting to prepare for major plantings and work next term. Please keep your old boots, long and short for our garden we can do some fun plantings in them.

I hope you enjoy the staff profiles, this was a Junior School Council initiative, as well being informative it's a bit of fun.

Till next time. Cheers Maggie

Whole School Camp to Campaspe Downs, Kyneton

Monday 11th of April (First day back of Term 2 All years 1 to 6 students leave school at 9.00am and depart for "Campaspe Downs".

Year 1/2's Attend Monday 11th April and return Tuesday 12th April.
All inclusive cost \$124.00 (1 night/2 days).

Year 3/4's Attend Monday 11th April and return Wednesday 13th April.
All inclusive cost \$204.00 (2 nights/3 days).

Year 5/6's Attend Monday 11th April and return Thursday 14th April.
All inclusive cost \$284.00 (3 nights/4 days).

Final payment being due on Monday 21st March, unless prior arrangements have been approved by the Business Manager (Gail).

Camp Medical Forms must be completed and returned to the school office before students can attend the camp. This is a legal requirement.

[Willowmavin Primary School Reading Awards 2016](#)

25 Nights: Chloe, Dakota, Sophia, Charlotte B, Moni, Harry M, Cody, Noah, Jemma K, Levi, Nate, Krystal, Hayley, Zak, Jaylan, Ty, Alexcia, Hayden, Nikita, Paris, Charlie, Zoe, Matt, Connor H

50 Nights:

75 Nights:

100 Nights:

125 Nights:

150 Nights:

175 Nights:

Presidents Report 2016
Willowmavin Primary School

I am happy report fantastic student numbers at the Willowmavin Primary School. The community spirit is alive and well. The new building has been a great success and the finish to the basketball court has taken a little longer than we anticipated but is now complete.

Mr. Howden has taken long service leave, after such dedication and his professional experience which help to move this school year by year in great leaps and bounds, we feel he is very deserving of his break. Fortunately Mr. Barry Parkinson has stepped in and has help keep things running smoothly, thank you, you have been a pleasure to work with. Our office staff and teaching staff continue to make the Primary School a professional and pleasant place for learning.

Lastly, I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as School Council President. Hopefully I have fulfilled my duties, I look forward to making my time available in the upcoming year if my peers decide to have me.

**Thank you,
Mr. Dean Biancon
Willowmavin Primary School President**

Happy Birthday to the following students:

Sophia Borg—19th March
Ellouise Stringer—22nd March
Charlotte Gidman—22nd March



REMINDER!

We have students at our school who are anaphylactic and we ask that you support us by not sending any food or products which contain nuts to school.

Examples of foods containing nuts:
Muesli Bars, Healthy Bars, Trail Mix, Breakfast Cereal, Peanut or Satay Sauce, Nutella Spread, Fruit Buns or Fruit Cake.



Questions for Willowmavin Staff.
Brooke Gibson

1. What was your favourite movie when you were young? Pretty Woman and Dirty Dancing.
2. What was your funniest moment while teaching? Far too many to list!
3. What's been your most embarrassing moment while teaching? Too embarrassing to tell!
4. What do you like to do in your free time? Read.
5. What did you look like when you were a Kid? Exactly like I do now.
6. Where you ever a class clown? Never
7. What was your favourite song when you were growing up? I loved lots of different music.
8. The most fun you've ever had as a teacher? Working with a great group of people.
9. The place you have had the most fun? Any holiday I go on.
10. What is the biggest ICT problem you have ever had? I've had many! I'm not the most tech savvy person!
11. What high school did you go to? Dapto High School.
12. Did you have any pets when you were young? We had Rottweiler dogs.
13. What was your favourite thing to do when you were younger? Dance and read.
14. Did you enjoy school? Yes, I loved it! Even when I was sick I would beg my mum to let me go to school.

Bus Travellers

If your child is not travelling on the bus on their nominated day, the **PARENT** is to call school.

If you would like your child to travel on the bus on a different day than scheduled

PARENTS must telephone the school to arrange.

Please help us to make this service run efficiently.

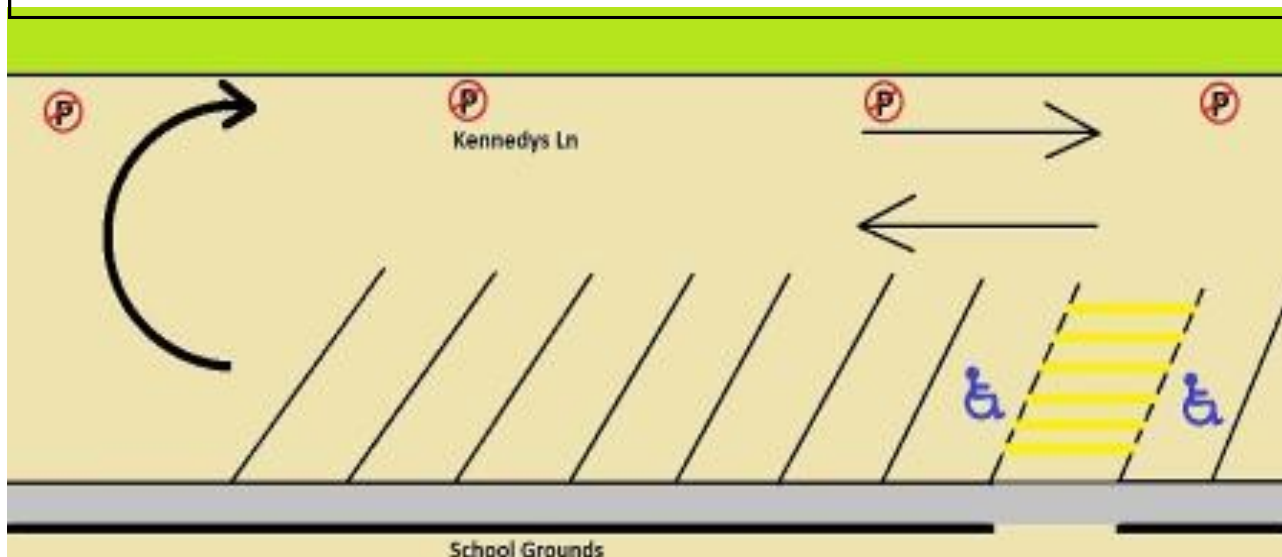
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DETAILS.

If you have recently changed your address, home or mobile phone numbers, please contact the office staff with updates.

It is extremely important we are able to contact parents or emergency contacts at all times.

Please follow directions below for Safety in our Car Park.



**BANKING DAY IS
EVERY FRIDAY.**



Please see Lynda in the office for information.

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Willowmavin Primary School Group page is now available to all community members. All members have to be approved by one of the Administrators of the page, we are very careful with who we allow access. Any posts have to be approved by the Administrator as well.

Regular updates on what's happening and reminders will be displayed on the page.

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SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Monday 8.45am –3.15pm Lynda

Tuesday 8.45am—3.15pm Lynda

Wednesday 8.45am—3.15pm Lynda

Thursday 8.45am—3.15pm Gail

Friday 8.45am—3.15pm Gail/Lynda

Gail handles all Financial Matters eg. fees, excursion payments, Conveyancing Allowance

Lynda handles enrolments, excursion notices and general inquiries

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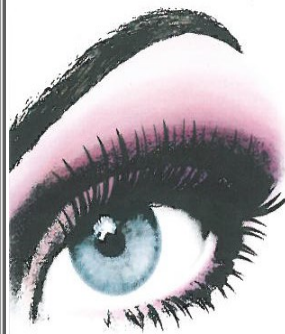


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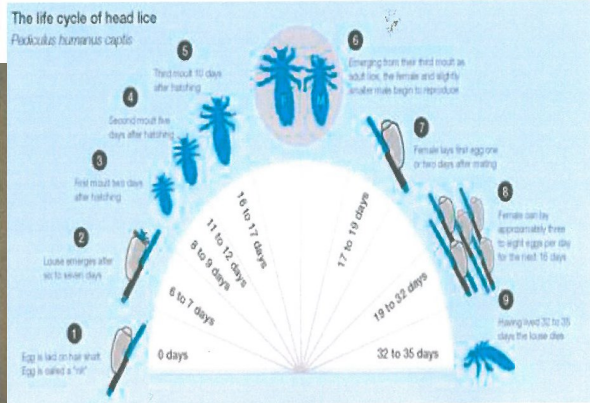


Head Lice

We have had a few cases of head lice reported this week. Please keep a check on your child's hair and treat as needed. **2 treatments are recommended 7 days apart.**

It is advisable that all students with long hair keep it tied back at school.

All cases of head lice need to be reported to the class teacher and children can return to school if they have been treated.



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Reason for absence

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