



Wideview Public School

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Messages from the Principal

Emergency Planning/Practice

It is part of the Work, Health and Safety regulations that we prepare for and practice emergency procedures on a regular basis. Every 6 months we either practice a:

LOCKDOWN – A continuous bell rings and the students stay in their classrooms with staff. The blinds are drawn and the door locked. We use a LOCKDOWN if unauthorised persons enter the site or if there is an incident happening just outside the school property.

EVACUATION – A repeating whoop, whoop, whoop, sound indicates the need for an evacuation. The students and staff leave the buildings and assemble on the oval near the front gate. An EVACUATION would occur if a building was on fire.

If you are on the school site when one of these practices occur you will be asked to go to the nearest room or the oval.

MiniLit and MacqLit

We are very fortunate that our Learning and Support Teacher, Mrs Michelle Anthonisz and the School Learning and Support Officers Kathryn Mitchell, Noni White and Cynthia Gibson, have been trained in the highly successful literacy-enhancement programs known as MiniLit and MacqLit (both developed by Macquarie University). Both programs are aimed at giving students targeted skills to enhance specifically identified literacy needs. MiniLit and MacqLit now form part of our everyday suite of programs implemented to complement classroom-based literacy and numeracy learning. The students involved in MiniLit (K-2) or MacqLit (3-6) have been recommended by teachers. If your child indicates that he/she is part of one of the programs, there is no need to worry, our intention is that we involve as many students as possible throughout the year. It is exciting that we can involve many of our students in these programs. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's teacher or Mrs Anthonisz.

Building Works

In the coming months you will see some workers around the school. The infants toilets are being refurbished which will mean that all students will need to use the toilets in the primary section of the school.

Strategic Improvement Plan

At the end of this term all schools will need to upload their school Strategic Improvement Plans (SIP). These are the directions and initiatives that we have arrived at after surveys, data analysis and school reflection. The SIP will be visible to everyone on our school website after Term 1. Please take the time to look at our draft directions and initiatives and offer any feedback via email. The school plan takes into account information from all aspects of the school community, looking at how we can continue to strengthen and improve our school. The first strategic direction, Growth and Attainment is set externally with system negotiated measures.

Direction 1 Student Growth and attainment

Initiative 1 – Dynamic Teaching and Learning Practice

Embed a learning culture of staff professional growth that enables implementation of evidence-based teaching practices in reading and numeracy, that challenges and adjusts for individual student needs.

Initiative 2: Data Driven Practices

Ensure effective strategies and processes for data analysis and reflection are used for responsive curriculum delivery.

Direction 2 Future focused learning

Initiative 1 Inquiry Based Learning Professional Development for Staff

Staff will investigate and trial flexible learning spaces and new technologies to embed collaboration for collective efficacy. Students and staff will also explore their physical environment and new technologies and establish spaces to suit the needs of all learners.

Initiative 2 STEM, Technology, and Innovative Learning Environments

Staff will develop knowledge and understanding of how to meaningfully use technology in educational programs that promote rich, future focused learning experiences for students.

Initiative 3 21st Century Learning Principles

The principles of the 5C's of 21st Century Learning will be embedded in the education program that is offered at Wideview PS, both inside and outside the classroom.

Direction 3 Student Wellbeing

Initiative 1 Self-Directed, Resilient, and Engaged Learners

Students have the opportunity to participate in a wide range of engaging programs inside the classroom and beyond.

Students engage with quality programs and become confident self-directed learners, developing reflective practices.

Initiative 2 Global Citizens

Develop and deliver school programs that promote a sense of global citizenship.

Initiative 3 Connected Community

All stakeholders of the school community (students, parents, and teachers) feel valued and engaged.

The school will make connections with local experts and community leaders.

Develop strong relationships with indigenous members of the local region.

Regards,

Mr McTernan

Harmony Day Assembly

Thank you to everyone for joining in on a beautiful Harmony Day assembly run by our Year 6 Prefects. Special thanks go to Sienna and Zoe from 5/6J and Katie from 6L for their speeches about their culture and cultural identity in Australia, well done! Special thanks also goes to Mr Harpur who organised the Senior Band and Percussion Group to perform some snazzy numbers that thoroughly engaged the audience in a celebration of cultural harmony.

Mrs Lukachich



GET YOUR EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS, BEFORE THE EASTER BUNNY DOES!!

Our wonderful Year 6 students have been working hard selling raffle tickets for this year's Easter Raffle.

There are over 70 hampers to be won.

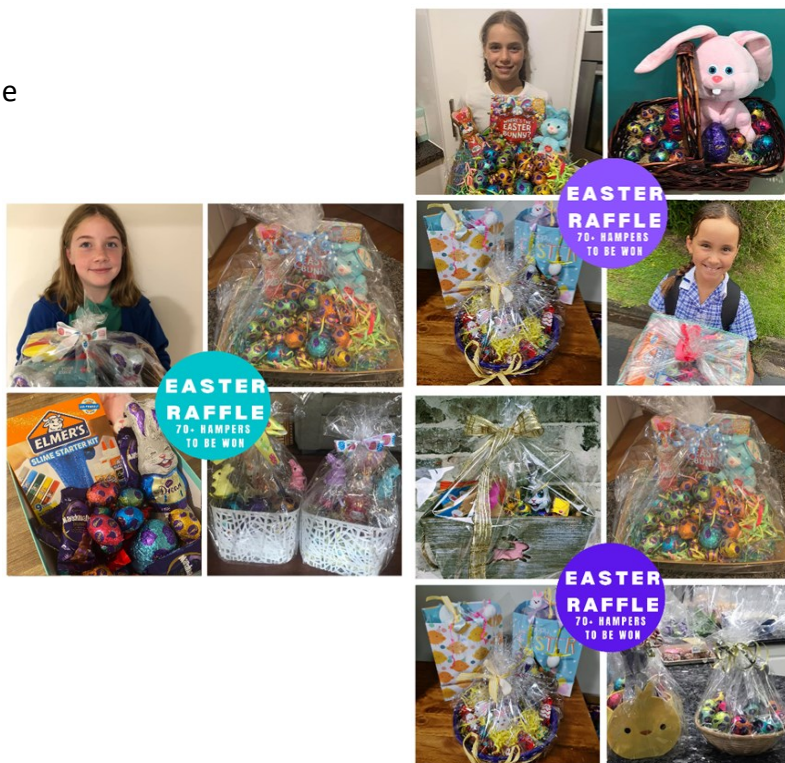
Tickets can be bought online or in person at one of raffle stalls

Ticket prices: 1 for 50c

3 for \$1

10 for \$2

Raffle tickets will be drawn on Monday, 29 March.



Wideview Library Bookmarks

Congratulations to the 16 winners of the Wideview Library Bookmark Competition. Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 were invited to create a bookmark they felt represented the library and our school. We had over 100 entries, with the judges given the difficult job of selecting one winning bookmark from each class K-2 and two bookmarks for each year 3-6. The winning bookmarks have been printed and laminated, and are now available for students to borrow when they borrow a book from the library.



COVID Symptoms and absences

In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded NOT to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Schools will make arrangements for any students showing any symptoms. NSW Health have requested that schools encourage anyone who has even mild flu-like symptoms, to arrange to be tested through their local medical practitioner or one of the COVID-19 clinics.

Symptoms include:

- Fever
- Cough
- Sore or scratchy throat
- Shortness of breath
- Loss of smell/taste

Students with flu-like symptoms will need to provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result before being permitted to return to school. We ask that you please forward results to the office at wideview-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au please DO NOT send to the class teacher. When completing an absence note we kindly ask that you please be specific in terms of reasons , if only 'unwell' or 'sick' is noted the school will need to contact you for further information.

Parents are also reminded that students should not return until symptom free, regardless of whether they require a COVID test or not.

Parents on site

We welcome and encourage parents to play a role in their child's education. Parents are not allowed to go into classrooms without permission as this is the teacher's working space. If at any time, you would like to make an appointment to speak to your child's teacher, please send an email to the school office. If you need to leave anything for the teacher, this can be left at the school office. Students are encouraged to hand in their own materials (such as homework books) once they have gone into class after the bell. This develops the student's independence. The office hours are from 8:40am-3:30pm .

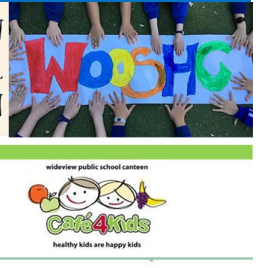
School Calendar

The Calendar is updated each week. Please check regularly for any additions or changes which will be marked in red for your convenience.

Term 1 2021		
March		
Monday	29 March	Easter Hunt (no parade)
April		
Thursday	1 April	Last day of Term 1
Term 2 2021		
April		
Tuesday	20 April	Students return

Merit Awards

KGM	Saskia C, Miles S	KH	Charlotte Q, Lachlan H	KS	Eddy W, Sophie B
1P		1S	Liam C	1/2F	
2C	Lily I, Indi L	2D	Lucas D, Kensi D	3H	Milla P, Tala B
3T	Misato H	4LA	Bentley B, Sienna R	4/5AV	
5C	Ruby L, Hamish M	5/6J	Martin J, Jemimah S	6H	
6L	Tobias J, Christian M, Jack A, Lucy D	Library			



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P&C Update

Next P&C Meeting Monday, 15 April in the library

Colour Run Update

With the weather we've had I think we made the right decision to postpone the colour run. The kids were disappointed but there was still some fun to be had in assembly. The top 6 fundraisers as of Thursday at 5pm got the chance to slime Mr McTernan in assembly. It was so much fun. Thank you to Mr McTernan for being such a good sport!



We haven't been able to secure a date for this term so the colour run will be held in Term 2 on **Friday, 23 April**. We decided to keep the fundraising open until the colour run so those who haven't had a chance to fundraise can do so. We have 285 kids signed up now with 257 raising money online. We'd love to set a goal of 100% of students signed up and having raised at least \$10. Our leader has currently raised nearly \$800!! Amazing!

The fundraising has been great and has continued to go up!! Thank you to each and every parent who has signed up their child/ren, shared it with family and friends, shared it on Facebook. Don't forget that all donations are now **tax deductible**! Yes, that's right, all donations are tax deductible! Unfortunately, those who made donations prior to the Colour Run changing our tax-deductible status won't have a tax-deductible donation.

This will be our major fundraiser for the year as with COVID it was too much of a gamble to organise a fete so there will be no fete this year. Please put your efforts into last minute fundraising for the colour run.

Prizes and MORE SLIME!!!!

The winner's prizes will close off at the original date of this Friday. The class prizes of a birthday bucket and

a mufti day will be decided after this Friday. The Top 10 on Friday 26 March will have another chance to slime Mr McTernan early next week, we're hoping to have a few other volunteers who are happy to be slimed. We have had one brave School Captain offer to be slimed and we're hoping to have a few teachers too. Don't forget the overall highest fundraiser on Friday will win a Lenovo tablet. We're also planning something to reward the second highest class, but this will be open until the end of the fundraising on 23 April. We may also come up with a few other prizes between now and then..... So keep fundraising!

P&C AGM



25 MARCH 2021

wideview public school canteen



CANTEEN NEWS

MORE LUNCH OPTIONS / MORE HEALTHY CHOICES



"Cafe 4 Kids Volunteers"

Join the Facebook group to keep up to date with volunteer opportunities.



NEW

\$2

Milky Max
Chocolate
Drink

Push top



50c

Our Anzac slice is made in-house and is a great addition to your recess and lunch. It is also available over the counter.



Just Juice
Apple
Apple/Blackcurrant
poppers

\$1.50

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