

WAVERLEY MEADOWS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Reconciliation Week Edition



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Thank you to our students and parents for your understanding these past few weeks with some of the disruptions to regular school routines due to the higher than usual number of absences. The Flu/Covid/Colds have been causing chaos right across the state with schools experiencing some workforce pressures as a result. I would like to publicly acknowledge and thank the dedication of our teachers and education support staff at Waverley Meadows, who have continued to ensure the continuity of learning for students. Staff have worked through illness from home to ensure lessons and support plans are developed and passed on, they have taken on extra students and entire classes in some instances, they have performed different roles, undertaken extra yard duties and taken on new lunchtime clubs to continue providing wellbeing and engagement support for our students. On top of this, teachers will work back late for two nights this week to run parent-teacher interviews and conferences. Please join me in thanking all of the teachers and staff for their ongoing commitment to our students and school. A reminder to book in for your interview/conference if you have not yet done so. Bookings are made through your Compass portal. This will be closed at 6pm tonight.

RECONCILIATION WEEK

We are proud to be supporting the "Be Brave. Make Change." challenge of National Reconciliation Week for this year. Students and staff in each module have been researching the traditional language of the Bunurong/Boon Wurrung people, the traditional owners of the land Waverley Meadows Primary School sits on. The students are choosing Bunurong animal names to rename each of the learning modules. This Friday the students will reveal their chosen animal and name at Friday's assembly. The new names will replace Module A, B and C. The names will be painted on the outside of each building along with their traditional symbols. Module D (the multipurpose/community room) will be renamed **Djeembana**. This is the Bunurong term for a gathering place to get together to talk, dance, pass on knowledge and to catch up with extended families or introduce new additions to family. We invite you to attend Friday's assembly which will be held in **Djeembana** to hear the new names for each of our learning modules.

2023 PREP ENROLMENTS NOW DUE

If you have a child beginning prep in 2023, please complete an enrolment form ASAP. We are gaining a lot of interest in the community and would like to start planning for our 2023 workforce and programming as soon as we can.

SCHOOL CALENDAR



Wednesday 1st June **Division Cross Country** Friday 3rd June 5/6 Interschool Sports Thursday 9th June School Photo Day Friday 10th June Curriculum Day - Student Free Day Monday 13th May Queen's Birthday Public Holiday Tuesday 14th June Staff Professional Practice Day – Student Free Day Thursday 16th June P-6 AFL Clinic Friday 17th June School Disco Friday 24th June Student Science Fair -

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Last day of Term 2

Tuesday 19th July Prep Information Night Tuesday 26th July School Council 7pm Friday 19th August Curriculum Day - Student Free Day Tuesday 24th August Book Week Dress Up Day **OPEN NIGHT 5-7pm** Thursday 25th August District Athletics Year 4-6 Wednesday 31st August Father's Day Stall

Wednesday 7th Sept

School Council 6pm

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY - EXTRA LONG WEEKEND FOR STUDENTS

Please note that the Queen's Birthday long weekend will be an extra-long weekend for students! There will be no school from Friday 10th to Tuesday 14th June inclusive.

Community OSH will be able to operate on these days if there are enough families who require care. Please let them know early. See below for details.



SCHOOL RESOURCES REMINDER

Books borrowed from the school library or from the take-home reader boxes in class, MUST be returned in order for students to be able to borrow more books. If your child has lost their book, there is a \$10 fee for replacement. Children may be bringing home photocopied texts instead of books as a result of missing resources.

Community Advertising

Contact the school office 9561 2879 for advertising queries.



In Term 2, Soccer X will be running an 8 week Soccer program at Waverley Meadows Primary School every **Thursday** from **3.30-4.30pm** beginning **May 12th 2022.**

The program is available to students from **Prep - Year 6.**On arrival children will be split into groups according to age.
All sessions will be run by **qualified coaches** who hold blue cards.
The sessions will be **fully inclusive & fun-based**, catering to all abilities.

Cost: \$120 / 8-weeks.

For more information and online registrations please visit

www.soccer-x.com



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- Do you have a dog that is well behaved, gentle and is happy around children?
- Can you spare a couple of hours a week?

Call or email Janine at Story Dogs so you can start helping our children to become better readers.

Email:

janine@storydogs.org.au

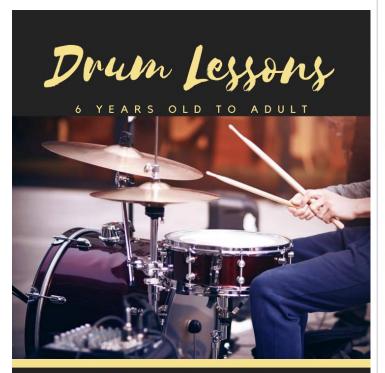
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Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 2.

Interested parents should call Melissa during office hours on 9818 2333 or via email: melissa@creativemusic.com.au



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FREE - FOOD - FUN

Southern Community Centre
27 Rupert Drive, Mulgrave
Every Thursday during the school term
4pm-6pm

For more information contact Monash Youth Services on 9518 3900 or YRC.Reception@monash.vic.gov.au



