

WALLAROO PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Every child matters every day.

All children can be high achievers.

2017 Term Dates.

Term 3 24 July – 29 Sept **Term 4** 16 Oct – 15 Dec

newsletter

Week 1 Term 3 2017

August – Wed 9th – Governing Council Meeting 7pm
 Thurs 10th – Book club orders and money due

Dear Families,

I hope you were able to enjoy quality time with your children over the holidays. We've had a very positive start to the term. The children appear enthusiastic and have settled well into the learning.

This term, we have a number of changes involving staff taking leave. Please be reassured that careful planning has taken place to ensure that the children's learning will continue as normal.

We welcome back Mrs Brittany Hicks to Room 3, on a part time basis. Brittany will teach on Monday and Tuesday and Mrs Lois Paterson will continue for the remainder of the week. We are fortunate to have two highly expert ladies delivering the learning to our youngest children. Lois has reduced her time to four days and will have other responsibilities including strengthening the Kindy to school transition process, and providing intervention across R-2, particularly around maths.

Mr Jared King, Room 8 is currently on leave until the 7th August and is replaced by Mr Matthew Sweet. I'd like to acknowledge Matthew's commitment and dedication to providing a quality learning program in Jared's absence.

Currently I am working through a process to cover my leave from 7th August-1st September. This position will be filled internally. I have every confidence that the appointed Acting Principal will do a fine job. I'm excited to be travelling to the US to visit our daughter who has been in the States for one year now and is working in Pennsylvania.

This term we will begin some intense work with children to 'stretch' their thinking. The Australian Curriculum outlines seven capabilities that children need to develop in order to live and learn successfully in the future. These will be shared with you over the term through the newsletter. Please find attached the Critical and Creative Capability and how you can support your child to develop this capability. An important part of this Capability is to value your children's efforts and ideas, encourage them to have a growth mindset and that it's 'ok' to make mistakes. In fact making mistakes is powerful for learning. So encourage them to step out of their comfort zone since the benefits are enormous.

We are looking forward to a fantastic term.

Warm wishes, Julie

10 Things That Will Happen When You Start Stepping Out of Your Comfort Zone

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by @OskarNowik bit.ly/10comfortzone

1 You'll start growing quickly

2 You'll begin to love challenging yourself

3 You'll realize all your fears are fictional

4 You'll replace regret with excitement

5 You'll laugh at your past self

6 You'll find out more about your strengths & weaknesses

7 You'll boost your self-confidence

8 You'll create a new source of satisfaction

9 You'll realize the only way to success leads through discomfort

10 You'll begin inspiring people around you

Wallaroo Primary School Boot Camp

This term SSO, Brenton Burt has instigated a before school mini boot camp for our children. This is becoming very popular with participation increasing by the week. What a great way to start the day, Breakfast Club then onto boot camp to get the blood pumping and brain activated for learning.





Thank you

On the last day of last term we held a sausage sizzle and students wore casual clothes for the day.

We would sincerely like to thank Bronwen Allen , Cliff Lange, Scott Bauer and Isaiah Lilikakis for cooking and serving the food on the day. Donations and sales amounted to \$192.00.

From the Library

The following students have finished their Premier's Reading Challenge – Well Done!

Room 1

Blaine	Taylor	Tiana
Amna	Blayze	Hunter
Kalais	Kiara	Kurtis
Ruben	Ruby	Sarah
Saxon		

Room 2

Ajay	Dakota	Dion
Eddie	Hanna	Imogen
Isabella	James	Jhett
Kobe	Koby	Lachlan
Lincoln	Olivia	Riley
Tyson	Zariah	

Room 3

Ally	Aurora	Damon
Ella	Imogen	Izzy
Jack	McKinley	Nevaeh

Room 6

Alphonse	April	Bodhi
Cailey	Ciannah	Connor
Imogen	Issy	Jordn
Lachlan	Lizzy-Lee	Lucy
Makayla	Malaki	Mia
Miya	Rhianna	Rubin
Seth	Tiara	Tyson
Talleah	Tallan	Savannah

Room 8

Indianna	Sereace	Erica
Adrian	Baylee	Jack
Joshua	Jye	Kayne
Lochi	Macayla	Revelle
Sarah	Theodore	Ella



Room 9

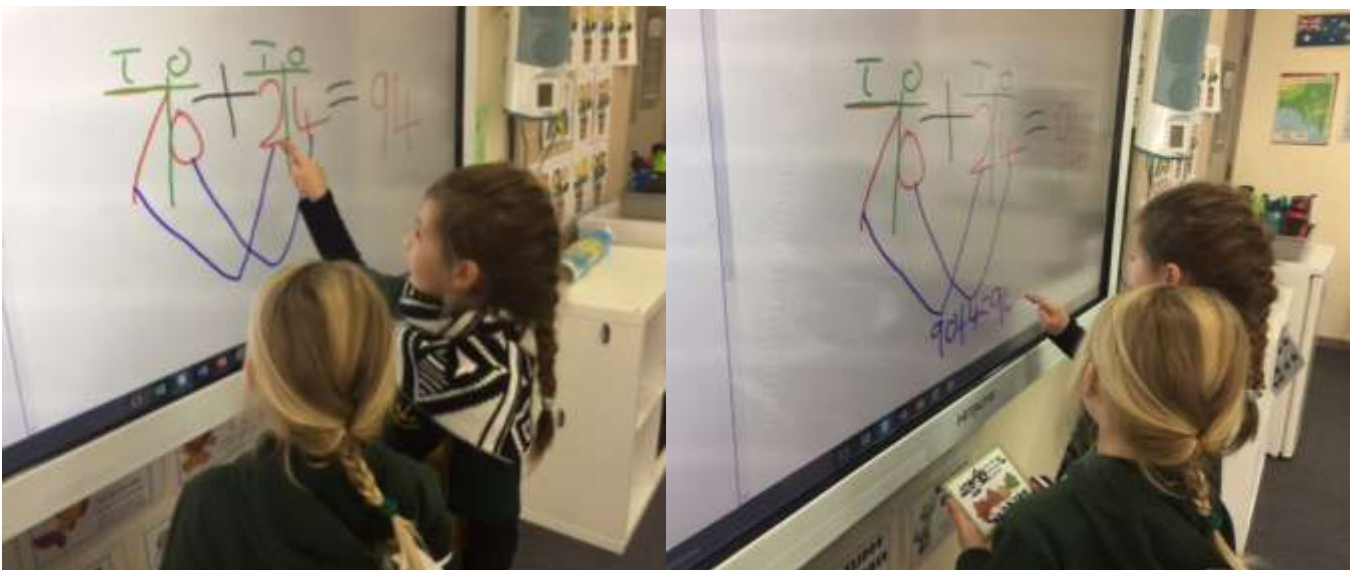
Aidan	Chanelle	Connor
Dylan	Ella	Emily
Grace	Jack	Jack
James	Jarrold	Jimmy
Kyra	Nathan	Noah
Tanesha	Toby	Alex

Book Week is coming in Week 5 – the book fair will be held in the Errington Room that week with a dress up parade on the Friday. Look for the green flier with more information coming your way soon.

Remember, reading will help us escape to everywhere!



Room 2



Who's doing the thinking? The children, of course!

Maths is all about working smarter, not harder! When we talk about smart we are referring to the strategies to make something easier.

Room 2's favourite subject is maths. Why? They love to use strategies they learn to apply them using self-talk and peer mentoring to work through problems. Using the simple 'CUBES' problem solving approach and combining this with 'chunking' to solve more complex worded problems is so much easier and of course, *lots of fun!*

Minecraft at Wallaroo Primary School

This term students in STEM from room 6 will be using the Minecraft platform to look at learning in a Critical and Creative way. How it works:

Students will connect to a local server by linking to the IP address of the teacher's computer. When they have logged on they will be prompted by a task to think about and complete. The whole world is controlled by the teacher interface and has been created to focus on a learning objective.



Copper Coast BMX Club

Copper Coast BMX Club is hosting Round 5 of the State Series on Sunday 13th August. Practice from 9am, racing starts at 11am. On Saturday 12th August is a State Series warm up meet with Old School Racing with racing starting at 12:30pm. Come along and check out the changes to the track. For more information or to nominate for either day, contact Andy 0419800399 or Lee 0439505284 or email coppercoastbmx@gmail.com

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The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider.

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Your local clinic is: Wallaroo Dental Clinic

Phone: 8880 5210

www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/sadental

NEXT STEP PROGRAM



Live the dream by playing footy out on Adelaide Oval during the October school holidays!

5-8 year olds - \$100

Tuesday 3rd of October, Adelaide Oval
9am – 12pm OR 1pm – 4pm

9-14 year olds - \$220

Wednesday 4th of October (Alberton Oval)
Thursday 5th of October (Adelaide Oval)
10am – 3pm each day.

Tailored programs to suit each age group.

Each participant will receive:

- Personalised Next Step Guernsey
- Family pass to the 2017 SANFL Maccas League Grand Final on Sunday 24th September, Adelaide Oval
- SANFL Participant Showbag
 - with boot bag + footy socks + Drink bottle!
- Coaching from experienced SANFL staff and players



Register now | www.sanfl.com.au/nextstep

At a cost of \$100 per child, the program is a fantastic opportunity to experience the excitement of SANFL.



Australian Curriculum general capabilities

Information for parents and carers

LITERACY

NUMERACY

INFORMATION &
COMMUNICATION
TECHNOLOGY (ICT)
CAPABILITY

CRITICAL AND
CREATIVE
THINKING

PERSONAL &
SOCIAL
CAPABILITY

ETHICAL
UNDERSTANDING

INTERCULTURAL
UNDERSTANDING

Critical and creative thinking

The Australian Curriculum general capabilities are designed to develop the knowledge, skills, behaviours and dispositions that help children and young people live and learn successfully now and in the future. The capabilities are developed through the learning areas from reception to year 10.

Critical and creative thinking is essential for students to become successful learners. This general capability has 4 main parts:

- posing questions, gathering, organising and processing information and ideas
- imagining possibilities, suggesting alternatives, seeking solutions and putting ideas into action
- talking about and giving reasons for their thinking and applying knowledge in new situations
- applying logic and reasoning, drawing conclusions and designing a course of action, and evaluating procedures and results.

During their primary and high school years, students develop critical and creative thinking as they imagine possibilities, consider alternatives, and create innovative solutions. They apply logic and reasoning to develop a course of action, and weigh up the consequences.

For example, in design and technology, year 9 and 10 students analyse social, ethical and sustainability factors that have an impact on their designed solutions, including the production processes involved.

Another example is in the learning area of humanities and social sciences, where students consider social, environmental, economic and community issues and make plans for personal or group action. For example in geography, year 7 students think critically and creatively to propose actions to create future water security.

In mathematics, students learn that there is more than one way to approach mathematical problems, and develop and use a range of different strategies for problem solving. Students pose questions, and organise and summarise data sets. They interpret their results and draw conclusions based on the evidence. For example, in year 5 students may collect **and analyse data about traffic around their school** which might inform the local council about the need for a school crossing.

You can help your child develop critical and creative thinking by:

- encouraging them to explore, come up with **questions and find out how things work**
- asking them to think of different ways to solve problems
- providing choices of activities that involve planning and decision making
- asking them to describe their thinking and give reasons for it
- showing them it is OK to make mistakes
- sharing your mistakes and what you learnt from them
- valuing their ideas and efforts.

Find more information at www.australiancurriculum.edu.au



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