

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 5 Term 3 2017

August – 25th Book Week parade, sausage sizzle and dress up day.

Dear Families, welcome to week 5.

Last week the school had a number of learning experiences with science as a focus. The SRC ran a number of lunchtime activities with an overwhelming response. It was truly an exciting time where students were engrossed in different disciplines of science.

On Wednesday night we held Wallaroo Primary School's first Science Night. The response from families was amazing with 60% of our school families engaging with the free after school activities ran by Wallaroo staff. Thank you to the Governing Council for providing the sausage sizzle and a big thank you to all the families that came along and enjoyed 'Thinking Scientifically'. The night was a huge success!

On Wednesday you would have received NAPLAN results if you have a child in Years 3, 5 or 7. The results indicate that improvement is continuing.

- Year 3 children have improved results in Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation. 95% of students achieving at or above National Minimum Standards.
- Year 5 students' progress between 2015 to 2017 shows positive result with students moving from the Low growth bands in Numeracy to Middle/ Upper Growth bands.
- 100% of Year 7 children achieved National Minimum Standards for Reading, Spelling and Numeracy

Please do not hesitate to discuss your child's NAPLAN results with your child's teacher during parent teacher interview in Week 6 if you'd like further clarification.

I look forward to catching up with you during parent -teacher interviews. We expect that all families will make the time to speak with their children's teacher.

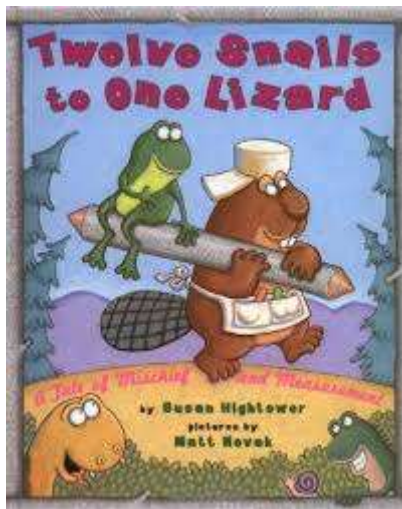
Sincerely, Damian

Maths & Science in Room 1

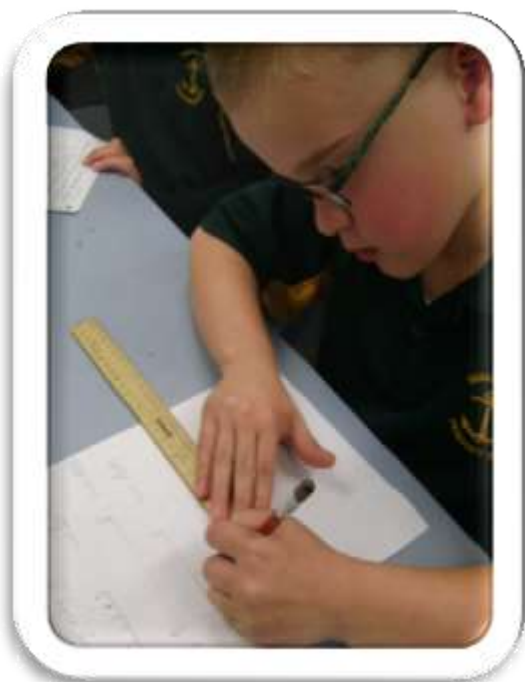
We have been busy learning about length. In class, students measured object using a variety of informal materials such as toothpicks and pop sticks.

We soon discovered that there were gaps in between, people weren't starting from the edge and if someone bumped the table.....OH NO! It was also confusing hearing the answer in different ways.

We read this book called "Twelve Snails to One Lizard." In the book they found it tricky to measure using snails, lizards and snakes!



So, we decided to agree on 1 way to measure. Here Airlie is measuring items using unifex cubes. Aaaaaah now we are getting somewhere! Sharing our answers is becoming easier.



But, then a group of Year 2 students agreed we need to use what other people use in real life.

Hunter's Pop is a carpenter and uses centimetres to record his answers. We thought that would be less confusing.

Here is Hunter learning to measure length with a ruler.

material makes the best plane?

- Paper?
- Tissue paper?
- Alfoil?

Then we measured the distance.



SPLASH Theatre Company

Established in 1997, Splash Theatre Company is an independent, professional, touring company.

On Friday the 11th of August SPLASH payed a visit to WPS, wowing students and staff with an outstanding performance around this year's book week theme of 'Around the World'. The performances were around specific books and included creativity with props, great stories and songs, generosity, and making audiences of all ages feel welcomed and engaged.

We received great feedback from many students and it has students excited for book week next week during week 5. Don't forget book week theme dress up next Friday the 25th of August.



Science Afternoon at W.P.S

During Science week, W.P.S held a “Science afternoon” whereby students and families were invited back to school to interact in a range of activities. We were most impressed with the level of engagement and many students participated in a quiz which contained questions relating to the experiments and displays.

Activities included play dough, oobleck, kinetic sand and cloud dough. There were also body parts, animal specimens, shadows, dominoes, fossils, human torsos and water activities on show too. A volcano eruption also occurred during lunch time at school during the day and this delighted all students who watched.

The night concluded with a rocket launch on the oval!

Thank you to Mr McCarthy, Mrs Martin, Mrs Paterson and Ms Vogelsang for their work on the Science committee, other teachers and helpers and members of the Governing Council.



Lost Property

Our lost property basket is over flowing.

Please come in and check for your child/ren's lost items.



Uniform reminder

Please note that "hoodies" are not part of Wallaroo Primary School's uniform.

Endorsed school jackets are available from the Front Office.

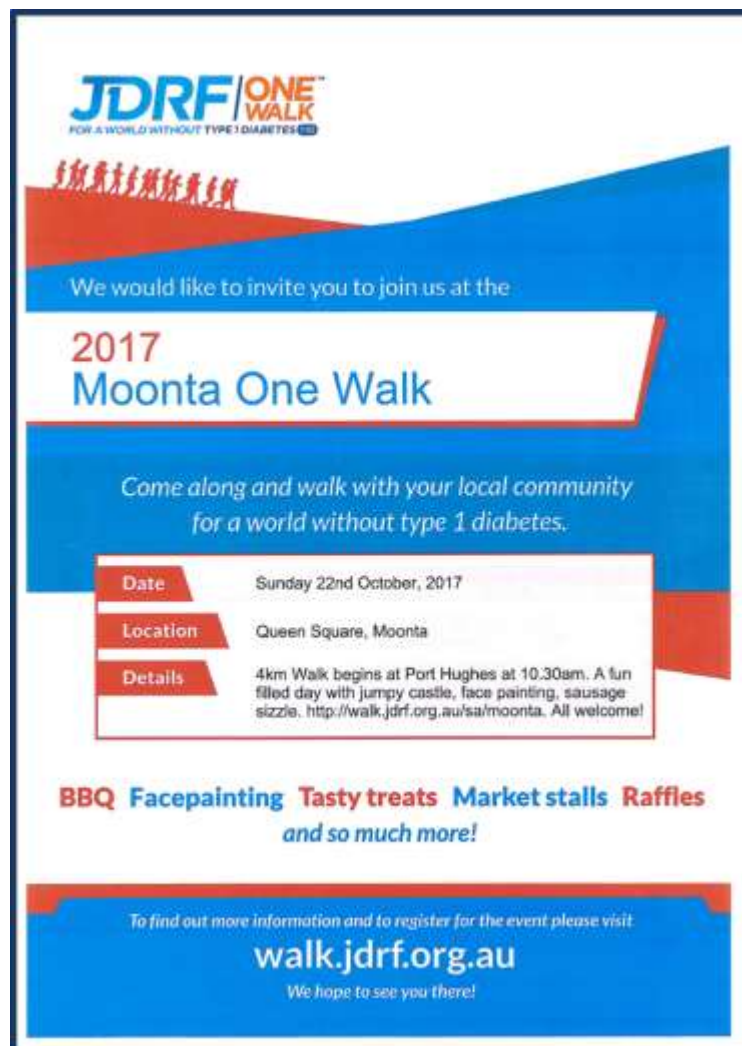


Copper Coast BMX Club is hosting Round 5 of the State Series on Sunday 3rd September. Practice from 9am, racing starts at 11am. On Saturday 2nd September is a State Series warm up meet with Old School Racing with racing starting at 12:30pm.

Come along and check out the changes to the track. For more information or to nominate for either day, contact

Andy [0419800399](tel:0419800399) or Lee [0439505284](tel:0439505284) or email coppercoastbmx@gmail.com

Please note: this event was postponed from 12th & 13th August due to rain.



JDRF ONE WALK
FOR A WORLD WITHOUT TYPE 1 DIABETES

We would like to invite you to join us at the

2017 Moonta One Walk

Come along and walk with your local community for a world without type 1 diabetes.

Date	Sunday 22nd October, 2017
Location	Queen Square, Moonta
Details	4km Walk begins at Port Hughes at 10.30am. A fun filled day with jumpy castle, face painting, sausage sizzle. http://walk.jdrf.org.au/sa/moonta . All welcome!

BBQ Facepainting Tasty treats Market stalls Raffles
and so much more!

To find out more information and to register for the event please visit
walk.jdrf.org.au
We hope to see you there!

