

WALLAROO PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Every child matters every day.

All children can be high achievers.

2017 Term Dates.

Term 1 30 Jan – 13 April

Term 2 1 May – 7 July

Term 3 24 July – 29 Sept

Term 4 16 Oct – 15 Dec

newsletter

Week 9 Term 1 2017

April: Tuesday 4th Combined Heathfield High and Wallaroo PS music concert

Thursday 13th Sports Day

May: Tuesday 9th to Thursday 11th – NAPLAN Testing

Dear Families,

Parent teacher interviews have begun. It is encouraging to see so many families taking the opportunity to discuss their children's learning with their teacher. Working in partnership will yield the best outcomes for children.

The Governing Council held their AGM on Wednesday evening. I'd like to thank our outgoing members, in particular Stephen Scholes in his role as Chairperson over the past years. His support has been invaluable. Congratulations to our incoming members and I thank you for your enthusiasm in being part of our Governing Council. I value the input of our parents and being able to work together to make Wallaroo PS even better.

Members are:

Chairperson: Rebecca Sinton

Vice Chairperson: Julia Short

Secretary: Rachael Moore

Treasurer: Fiona Piscioneri

Committee:

Jo Houghagen, Erica Nolan, Tamra Walker and Ali Gooding- (OSHC rep)

I look forward to catching up with you shortly at two important events, the combined Heathfield High and Wallaroo PS music concert next Tuesday evening and Sports Day on the last day of school.

Warmest regards,

Julie

NAPLAN Testing

NAPLAN is a nationally developed program and we expect all children to participate in the testing. Wallaroo Primary School utilises student data to develop the learning program and to plan intervention to support individual growth for every child.

Congratulations! Congratulations to the following students on demonstrating one or more of our school values: Ruben, Blayze, Cooper, McKinley, Ali, Zariah, Jhett, Cailey, Grace, Noah, Zachary and Lochi.



Principal's Award: Rubin, for being friendly and welcoming to our new children to the school.

School Sores

We have recently had a confirmed case of School Sores (Impetigo). This is a superficial skin infection caused the Staphylococcus or Streptococcus bacteria, or sometimes both, most common in children. Children with school sores should be excluded from school until appropriate treatment has commenced. Any sores on exposed surfaces should be completely covered with a dressing. Good hand washing procedures should be encouraged.

School Hours

A reminder that students should not be on school grounds before 8:30. Some students are arriving as early as 8:10 at which time there are no staff on yard duty.

IMAGINATION Australia's Premier Youth Leadership Event

On the 20th of March, Jack and I went to the imagination leadership day at the Adelaide Convention Centre. There were seven speakers and two hosts. It was a long trip in both directions, due to traffic and SIRI made us go places we didn't need to!

The leader of imagination introduced us and welcomed the Premier of South Australia, Jay Weatherill. He told us about his life story which was very interesting. Then we had two young boys who told us about their business called Kick In My Boots. They give footy boots to the less fortunate students in the APY lands. Straight after we went for recess which consisted of a silent disco and inside lawn bowls which was enjoyable.

We met author Matt Cosgrove, and he told us about how he persisted to eventually write books that he loved. Next we met disabled politician Kelly Vincent who told us her struggles in getting where she is today.

After that we had a lady come and have a dance session which had us on our feet. Finally Brent Reilly who is an Adelaide Crows retired football player, told us of his struggles through life and how he stayed positive.

My favourite speaker was Brent Reilly; Jack's favourite speakers were the two boys from Kick In My Boots.

It was a very enjoyable day. (A special thanks to Mr McCarthy). Baylee and Jack.



Wallaroo Primary School and Community OSHC Vacation Care Program April 2017

<p style="text-align: center;">Monday 17th April 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 18th April 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EASTER EGG HUNT & HAMA BEAD PUPPETS</p> <p>Enjoy an Easter Egg Hunt to celebrate Easter! Create your own Hama Bead Puppet and put on a show.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 19th April 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EXCURSION 8 YEARS & UNDER SLOT CAR RACING - RIDGEHAVEN</p> <p>Test your speed and win racing slot cars against your opponents. Departing: 9am Returning: 5pm Target Kadina, 5.30pm OSHC OSHC ACTIVITY 9+ Make a groovy T-Shirt bag with Carolyn! Please bring an adult sized T-Shirt that can be cut into a bag</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 20th April 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ABORIGINAL POPSTICK PICTURES</p> <p>Create your own cool Aboriginal Artwork using popsticks and textas.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Friday 21st April 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EXCURSION 9 YEARS & OVER YP PLAYGROUND CRAWL</p> <p>Explore the playgrounds down the YP leg. Sausage Sizzle Lunch provided. Departing: 9am sharp Returning: 5pm  OSHC ACTIVITY 8- Pillow Pets</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday 24th April 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EXCURSION 9 YEARS & OVER ROAD SAFETY CENTRE</p> <p>Learn road rules by riding a bicycle on a mock road. Departing: 8am sharp Returning: 5:30 Target 6pm OSHC  OSHC ACTIVITY 8- Playdough Fun</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 25th April 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 26th April 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">REMEMBERING ANZAC DAY</p> <p>We will make more combat cards to send to our men and women defending our country. Anzac biscuits and scones for afternoon tea.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 27th April 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EXCURSION 8 YEARS & UNDER YP PLAYGROUND CRAWL</p> <p>Explore the playgrounds down the YP leg. Sausage Sizzle Lunch provided. Departing: 9am sharp Returning: 5pm  OSHC ACTIVITY 9+ Pillow Pets</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Friday 28th April 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTHER'S DAY CRAFT</p> <p>Make your Mummy something personalised for Mother's Day </p>



Walleroo Primary School and Community OSHC Vacation Care

Welcome to our April Vacation Care for 2017. I trust our families have had a good year and are ready for a break! Just some friendly reminders for our upcoming Vacation Care Program:

- We are **open 8am – 6pm and the fee is \$60** per day per child (even less if you are entitled to CCB and CCR via Centrelink) all inclusive of excursions and incursions.
 - We now have an **additional 6.30am – 8am session available** for those parents/carers who need to drop children off earlier than 8am. This session is an additional charge of \$10 per child per day (even less if you are entitled to CCB and CCR via Centrelink). **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL – THE SERVICE WILL ONLY OPEN AT 6.30AM IF THERE ARE BOOKINGS.**
 - Please ensure your child brings a hat and has sunscreen applied daily (we will supply sunscreen in the afternoon).
 - Please ensure your child is wearing clothes that cover the shoulders and suitable shoes to climb and run in (no thongs).
 - Please ensure your child brings a drink bottle, lunch and snacks. We provide fruit, afternoon tea and additional water if needed.
 - **Excursion days are a privilege, not a right. Children that are consistently unable to follow OSHC rules or exhibit behaviour that jeopardises the safety of other children and/or staff may be excluded from attending excursions.**
 - Vacation care bookings sometimes get very full. We are a service licenced for 60 children only and are limited to 20 children for excursions. The Priority of Access Policy will be enforced if we are fully booked and require a waiting list. If you require further information regarding this policy, please refer to your Parent Handbook or contact me on 0428 280 425 to discuss.
 - **Due to the limited room on the OSHC bus we will now be offering split excursions – 8 years and under, and 9 years and over. Those children not falling into the age group on the day or on the waiting list will have care provided for them back at the OSHC with fun activities on offer. WE WILL BE ADHERING TO THE AGE LIMITS STRICTLY – NO EXCEPTIONS!!**
 - **And most of all, HAVE FUN!!!**
- I look forward to seeing you all in April!!

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