



# TERM 2, WEEK 7, 2025 WALLAROO PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

## LEARNER AGENCY IN ACTION



Learners in Studio Inspire have been practicing their agency by participating in inquiry based math lessons. The children used skills in oracy by branching off into 'teams' and solved problems set by their teacher.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### JUNE

16TH

Dream Big Festival (IncurSION)

17TH

Dream Big Festival (IncurSION)

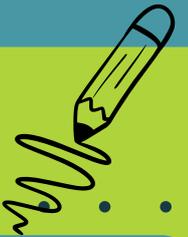
24TH

Assembly 1:45

### JULY

4TH

Early dismissal 2pm



## LEARNER FREE DAY



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Dear Wallaroo Primary School Community,

**Learner Free Day:** On Tuesday, 10th June, our educators engaged in professional development while our learners enjoyed a day at home. I am pleased to share the focus and outcomes of our Learner Free Day, which was dedicated to exploring the vital connection between oracy and learner agency. This theme is central to our ongoing improvement work, which emphasises learner agency as a key focus. Lisa Burman facilitated most of our learning, and I had the opportunity to model an inquiry-based lesson in the afternoon, utilising artificial intelligence.

**Oracy: Elevating the Conversation:** While literacy and numeracy often takes centre stage in education, oracy (our ability to express ourselves fluently and coherently) is highlighted as equally important. Strong oracy skills are essential for success in life, impacting our work, relationships, and overall wellbeing. They empower learners to take charge of their education, fostering a sense of agency crucial for personal and academic growth.

**Integrating Oracy into Learning:** During our workshop, we delved into a framework for teaching oracy and explored practical strategies to integrate it across all areas of learning. Our aim was to ensure that oracy is not an afterthought but a fundamental component of our educational approach. By doing so, we helped our learners develop the confidence and skills needed to lead their learning journeys.

**Connecting Learner Agency and Oracy:** The day's activities emphasised the connection between learner agency, learner assets (dispositions), and oracy. Our pedagogical inquiry focused on the big question: How can we help WPS learners to have a stronger sense of agency in their learning? This inquiry aligns with our commitment to two key aspects of the Department Area of Impact: Learner Agency (Voice to Agency and Partners in Learning) and Effective Learners (Curiosity and Creativity).

**Commitment to Action:** Our educators are committed to fostering an environment where learners can explore and investigate their learning. Each week, they are focusing on one inquiry lesson in Mathematics, encouraging learners to utilise their oracy skills through discussion and exploration. This approach not only enhances their understanding but will build their confidence in expressing ideas and collaborating with peers. By prioritising oracy and learner agency, we are taking significant steps towards creating a more dynamic and engaging learning environment at Wallaroo Primary School. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our school's vision. We look forward to sharing more of our progress with you. To enhance our work we will be seeking your feedback. I am currently working with the Department to create a survey that will give you the opportunity to have a say in your child's learning. If you would like to know more about the amazing learning that is occurring at WPS please don't hesitate to phone the school and ask to speak with me.

Warm regards,

Jenevieve Heinrich

Principal, Wallaroo Primary School

# SO GENEROUS!



We extend our sincere thanks to **DeadlyScience** and **Variety (SA) – the Children’s Charity** for their incredibly generous support of our school. WPS learners have been thrilled to receive boxes of LEGO from DeadlyScience, which will be a fantastic addition to LEGO Club every Wednesday. Thanks to Variety, we now also have a new refrigerator in the JP wet area, helping us make more healthy edibles. Brucey loves getting her bake on most weeks, and with improved facilities, we’re excited to welcome people into our new space!



# DEADLY SCIENCE

<https://deadlyscience.org.au>



<https://www.variety.org.au/sa/>

Thank you from Wallaroo  
Primary School to  
Deadly Science &  
Variety Children's Charity

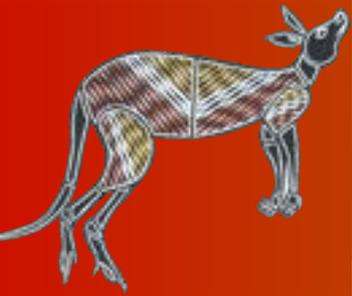
## Year 3-6 Parliament House Visit



# Reconciliation Week Celebration



Bridging  
Now to  
Next





# *Dressing the Graves*

The Dressing the Graves is a ceremony where our ancestors buried in the cemeteries of the Copper Coast are honoured. During the ceremony, the story of the ancestor's life is read out, and flowers are placed on the grave. Our learners worked with florist, Karen and Jaime, from Kadina and Moonta Flowers, to arrange flowers that were placed on the graves.



# Maypole

The Maypole is a traditional dance performed in Cornwall to celebrate May Day. Dancers weave colourful ribbons around the maypole, creating complex patterns.



# *Furry Dance*

The Furry Dance is one of the oldest traditional Cornish customs. Each school joins the line with the May Queen and Princess and follow in a procession.



# Term 2 Overview Calendar



TERM 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	28 Apr	29 Apr	30 Apr	1 May	2 May Governing Council Sausage Sizzle
2	5 May	6 May Book Fair 	7 May	8 May	9 May
3	12 May	13 May Dressing of the Graves 	14 May	15 May	16 May Fer Kernewek - Maypole Saturday - Maypole 
4	19 May	20 May Assembly 1:45-2:45	21 May	22 May	23 May
5	26 May Reconciliation Week	27 May	28 May	29 May	30 May Governing Council Sausage Sizzle
6	2 Jun	3 Jun	4 Jun	5 Jun	6 Jun
7	9 Jun King's Birthday Public Holiday	10 Jun Pupil Free Day	11 Jun	12 Jun	13 Jun
8	16 Jun 	17 Jun 	18 Jun	19 Jun	20 Jun
9	23 Jun	24 Jun Assembly 1:45-2:45	25 Jun	26 Jun Giant Hay Bales Fundraiser & Disco 	27 Jun
10	30 Jun	1 Jul	2 Jul	3 Jul	4 Jul <b>LAST DAY</b> Early Dismissal 2pm



# The Giant Hay Bales Appeal



## FUNDRAISER

Dress Up Day - gold coin donation

**THURSDAY JUNE 26TH**

# FARM DISCO



**3:30PM-4:30PM**

Disco Sausage Sizzle Dinner

Entry \$2

4:30 - 5pm

Sausages

Snacks

& Drinks

\$1-\$2

\$2-\$3



WALLAROO PRIMARY SCHOOL  
& COMMUNITY OSHC



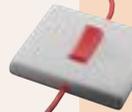
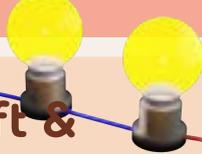
VACATION CARE JULY 2025



Monday 7/7

Papercraft & Power Circuits

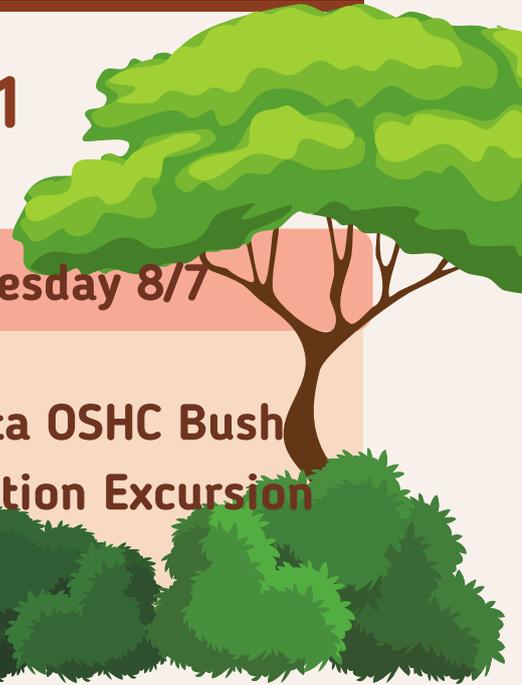
Basic STEM circuitry, scrapbooking and cardmaking



WEEK 1

Tuesday 8/7

Moonta OSHC Bush Exploration Excursion



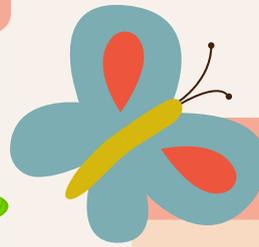
Wednesday 9/7

Sensational SLIME and More Sensory Stuff



Thursday 10/7

Bugs and Beetles craft and nature exploration



Friday 11/7

Sausage Sizzle & Sports including Yoga, kickball and more



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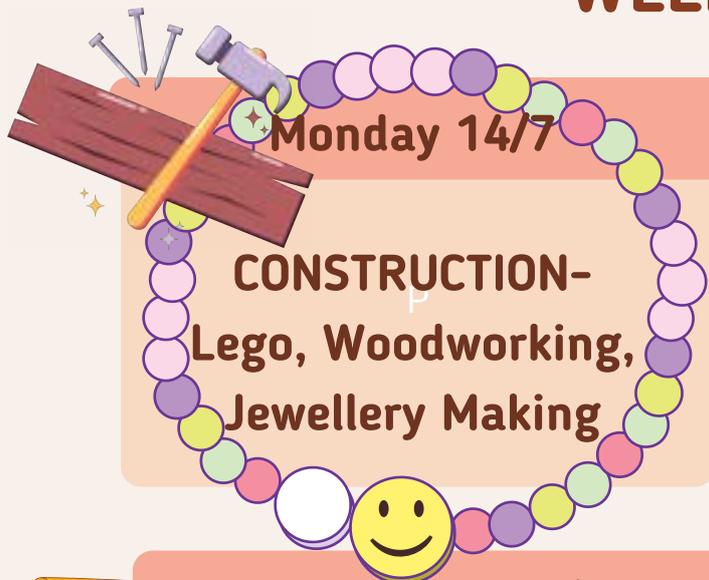
## VACATION CARE JULY 2025



### WEEK 2

Monday 14/7

**CONSTRUCTION-**  
Lego, Woodworking,  
Jewellery Making



Wednesday 16/7

**KADINA PLAYGROUND &  
MOVIE EXCURSION**  
inc. snacks/lunch  
\$30.00



Friday 18/7

**CHILL OUT DAY-**lots of art  
& craft at the Creation  
Station, lego, board games  
& playing with friends

Tuesday 15/7

**GARDENING-**Nature  
exploration, plant a pizza  
garden and make a fairy  
garden for OSHC



Thursday 17/7

**CHILDRENS CHOICE  
EVEN MORE Sensational  
SLIME and Sensory Stuff**



**WHAT TO BRING**

Fruit, Lunch and Waterbottle  
**WEATHER APPROPRIATE  
CLOTHING**



Wallaroo Primary School and  
Community OSHC

# WE ARE HIRING

Qualified  
OSHC EDUCATOR

- Qualified, or 2nd year Education Degree
- Cert 3 in ECEC, Outside School Hours or SSO qualifications
- WWCC, RRHAN and First Aid
- 8+ hours available, morning 6.45-8.45 and afternoon 2.00-6.00 or 3.30-6.00 shifts
- Extra hours during school holidays (perfect for SSOs)

**SEND YOUR RESUME WITH  
PROOF OF QUALS**

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