

Weld Square Primary School Newsletter



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MISSION STATEMENT:

To develop, within a caring environment, the cognitive, social, physical and creative abilities of all children to enable them to realise their full potential and to maximise future opportunities as members of the community.

VIRTUE FOR WEEKS 7/8 - GENEROSITY



Dear Community Members

\$18000 new play equipment coming soon

Thank you to our dedicated and hard-working P&C who have allocated \$9000 towards the purchase of outdoor play equipment. The school has also allocated \$9000 ensuring we will have 3 separate outdoor play areas early next year.

Morley Bowling Club supports young

Thanks to Morley Bowling Club and club coach, Ken Perks, our students have enjoyed getting to know how to bowl. A special two week program organised by Mr Farrell has been a real success with students not only learning about the game but developing skills.



The Morley Bowling Club would like to invite children aged between 10—17 years to join in the fun on Wednesday 23 & 30 November between 4.00 and 5.00pm. The club is situated at 85 McGilvray Ave, Noranda. For more information ph. 9275 9712.

Flexible classes and New Furniture for WSPS



LA 10 have recently established a flexible classroom arrangement with all new furniture. Educational research supports this model to maximise learning outcomes that will be necessary for the future. We are planning to expand this structure to cover both upper primary classes for next year.

Honour Certificate Awards 17 November

Congratulations to the following students:

LA2 K/PP:	Zian
LA3 Year 1:	Tessa, Trinity
LA5 Year 2:	Koby
LA8 Year 3:	Ella, Vince
LA11 Year 4/5:	Pandeli
LA10 Year 5/6:	Yuan
LOTE:	Fatema, Julian



Security Watch



Thanks to our observant LA3 students Alexis and Clara who immediately reported vandal damage. The fence has now been repaired.

Peer Tutoring Works

LA 11 got together with their junior peers from LA3 for a special reading activity last week. Great to see Year 4/5 students reading to Year 1 students.



Be present when it matters

"Dads need to be around at times that matter - crisis times such as exams, relationship breakdowns and important transition times." - Jim McCluskey, medical researcher, doctor and researcher.

- Learn to recognize what constitutes a crisis time for your child. What stresses them out? Find a way to be there and support your child during those times.
- Make it clear that you are available anytime your child needs to talk. Let them know that they can call you in times of need.

Glen Cookson
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Principal

YCDI in Action Assembly

Congratulations to students and staff from LA 1 and LA 2 for an outstanding assembly presentation. It was certainly an impressive demonstration of confidence, organisation, getting along with others and persistence. The singing was beautiful, and each skit performed conveyed an important message to a captivated audience.

Connie Confidence



Gabby Getalong



Ricky Resilience



Pete Persistence



Oscar Organisation





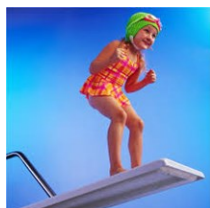
Chaplain's chat



Hi everyone,

I hope you have been enjoying the notes I'm sharing on helping your children to become resilient. Here are some more:

Facing fear – but with support.



Facing fear is so empowering (within the limits of self-preservation of course – staying alive is also empowering) but to do this, they need the right support – as we all do. Kids can be fairly black and white about things so when they are faced with something difficult, the choices can seem like only two – face it head on or avoid it at all costs. But there is a third option, and that is to move gradually towards it, while feeling supported and with a certain amount of control. Encourage them to take safe, considered risks.

When they take risks they start to open up to the world and realise their capacity to shape it. There's magic in that for them and for us.

'I love how brave you are. When you try harder and harder things, they might not always work out, but it means you're getting stronger, smarter, braver and you'll be closer to getting it next time.'

Don't rush to their rescue.

It is in the precious space between falling and standing back up again that they learn how to find their feet. Of course, sometimes scooping them up and giving them a steady place to be is exactly what they need to find the strength to move forward. The main thing is not to do it every time. ***Exposure to stressors and challenges that they can manage during childhood will help to ensure that they are more able to deal with stress during adulthood.***

Sometimes we rescue our children to make us feel safer! Enjoy the challenge.

Blessings from the Chaplain

Sandy Clifton



2017 Personal Item Requirements

REMINDER: Orders must be placed by Friday 9 December 2016. Orders received after this date incur a higher delivery charge. Orders can be returned to the school office provided credit card payment details have been completed. No money will be accepted by the school office.

NOT RETURNING TO WELD SQUARE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEXT YEAR?

Planning for next year has commenced. To assist us in this process if your child/children are not returning to WSPS next year please complete the slip below and return it to the school office as soon as possible.

My child/children will not be returning next year:

Name: _____

Year /Learning Area: _____

Name: _____

Year/Learning Area: _____

School attending in 2017: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____



P&C NEWS

Hello everyone

I have fantastic news. The new playground equipment which the P&C is contributing towards has been ordered and should be up and ready to go in Term 1 2017.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the Weld Square community for their support. Without your Voluntary Contribution (see your child's Personal Items List for details) and your participation in our events, raffles and lunch orders etc., we would not be able to provide such benefits for the children.

Tickets for our bike raffle are now on sale. Prize is a \$350 voucher for Avanti Cycles donated by Amber-Jade Sanderson. It will be drawn at the picnic on the last day of school. Get your tickets from student councillors, P&C members at Thursday assemblies or the Councillors' Disco.

Coming up: Friday 2 December - Councillors Disco
Thursday 15 December - Whole school picnic lunch

"A child who is allowed to be disrespectful to his parents will not have true respect for anyone".

Billy Graham

Michelle Hughes
P&C President
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Dear Parents / Caregivers

Thank you to all parents and grand-parents who came to support and help their children and the staff, it was lovely to see you all. Your presence has meant a lot for our students and staff, you made the Mandarin Assembly even more special. It would not have been as smooth and presentable without your help – guiding students to put on their costumes and props and making them all look great. You are all super stars! A big thank you to Mrs Nguyen, Mrs Mittler, Mrs Abello, Mrs Laffrey, Ms Grgich and others for your time and effort to assist us. Also I would like to say thank you for the support of our colleagues: Ms Luo, Ms Santhy, Dr Birkelbach, Ms Bampton and Ms Rechichi.

Linda Chun Fun Williams, LOTE (Mandarin) Teacher

HAVE YOU ENROLLED YOUR CHILD FOR KINDY 2017?

Do you have a child with a date of birth between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2013, if so they are eligible to attend Kindy next year?



If you know of anyone in your neighbourhood who has a child born in that time frame, please let them know that we are taking enrolments for next year.

Application forms are available from Mrs Lindsay in the school office between the hours of 8.15am and 3.15pm.

Enrol now for VacSwim summer school holiday swimming lessons

It is important for every child to learn to swim properly and develop essential water safety skills. VacSwim December/January school holiday swimming lessons are run by instructors who teach children the skills to be confident swimmers and safe in the water. To enrol or find out more visit: education.wa.edu.au/swimming



Enrolments close on Monday 28 November for the earlier programs and Monday 5 December for the second January program.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 25 November: Students return from RRC Camp
Thursday 1 December: Assembly - You Can Do It (Yr 1-6) Items
Friday 2 December: Kindy Parent Info Meeting 9.30am
Monday 5 December: Bayswater Hostel Concert / Visit 9.30—11.30am
Thursday 6 December: Year 6 Graduation & morning tea
Friday 7 December: Year 6 Activity Day

