



## Newsletter: 10 Thursday 21st of July 2022

### Vision:

*Our school empowers all students to embrace learning, achieve their personal best while developing their emotional, social and physical wellbeing, and through this make positive contributions to the community.*

### Providing and supporting student wellbeing and mental health

During term 3 of 2022, and onwards, all regional and rural government schools will be funded to build on already existing health and wellbeing programs and interventions in their school. Some of these existing programs at Welshpool and District Primary School are Respectful Relationships, our SELs program, IncrediGirls and Smiling Minds. Joining this suite of programs and interventions for the remainder of the year will be the Dogs Connect program and the introduction of a specialised wellbeing teacher.



### Dogs Connect

Luna is our newest member to our Welshpool family. She is a German Short Haired Pointer and is going to be our wellbeing dog. Luna is still a puppy and is learning a lot. She loves people and being around our students. Luna has had a couple of visits to WDPS where she was made to feel very welcomed and loved. Jaimee and I will be working with the lovely people at Dogs Connect to develop the program which will support Luna, our school, students and staff and the community through this journey.



### Wellbeing teacher

Donna Giliam will work on Mondays providing a range of wellbeing and resilience activities and programs. Donna may be a familiar face to some of our students and families as she has worked at WDPS several years ago. Donna 's role will be around providing additional support through small group and individual activities. This past Monday Donna spent the day getting to know (and reconnect with) our students and working with the IncrediGirls. Keep an eye out in our next newsletter for information from Donna regarding her work at WDPS.

**Gabrielle Boyd**

**Principal**

**Little School, Big Heart**

Forms Due

\* Bookclub orders—Friday 29 July 2022

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# Student Awards



Congratulations to the following students who received Student of the Week Awards:

**P/1/2/3—\* Daisy Pyke for showing excellence in all learning areas especially writing**  
**\* Kai Johnson for excellent behaviour**  
**\* Malakai McDonald for excellence in writing**

**4/5/6—\* Charlie for his focus in class**  
**\* Maddison for excellence in class**

Congratulations to all the students who have earned reading awards



We would like to wish the following students who celebrated their birthdays this month a **HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!**



**Bray Anedda, Harvey Weatherill, Kai Johnson, Ethan Van Kuyk, Leila Van Kuyk**



# FAREWELL TO MISS PARNALL



Miss Parnall's last day will be Thursday this week. We wish her well on the birth of her baby and can't wait to see bub.

We look forward to seeing her return to school next year in some capacity.

Thankyou to the Boyd and Van Kuyk families for their recent donation to the school.

It has allowed us to purchase 300 new decodable readers for our classrooms

Thanks  
Georgia Parnall



## COVID NOTICE:

Students should remain home if they test positive to Covid, if they are unwell, or showing signs of Covid.

Covid has finally hit us. If you need any RATS please contact the school.

Thank you for working with us to keep our school and community healthy and Safe

Gabrielle Boyd



## Prep, 1, 2, & 3

### Classroom welcome back

Welcome back to semester 2, P/1/2/3!

Students have started term 3 off strongly, following routines and getting straight back into their learning. This term is a big term with lots of activities and events taking place. We have a responsible pet owner visit coming to P/1/2/, students will take part in activities surrounding how to be responsible and careful around pets. AUS dance incursion, dance instructors will be coming for an afternoon to teach students dance. Book fair will be coming, book week and plenty more exciting things are being planned.

Just a reminder for students to be continuing their nightly reading. We would love to see everyone reading each night.

I am looking forward to all of the learning and experiences that are going to be taking place this term.

Miss Egan.



### NAIDOC week

During the second week of school holidays the annual NAIDOC week took place. Because we weren't at school we celebrate it on our first week back at school. Student spent an afternoon taking part in activities surrounding NAIDOC week and this year's theme of 'get up, stand up, show up'. To begin the lesson school captains Karlroy and Rylan said a welcome to country. Students then partnered up with a buddie and spent time reading indigenous stories books. Student then came back together to watch a video explaining what NAIDOC week is, the history behind it and the importance of it. As a whole school we looked at the different lands on a map of Australia, and the land we live on Gunaikurnai. Students then spent time brainstorming ways that they can care for their country, all students then wrote their own pledge on how they plan to continue or start to care for their country. As a school we also collaborated to create a whole school pledge "We pledge to keep our school clean and be kind and respectful to everyone to care for our country". To finish off the NAIDOC activities students took part in creating a collaborative indigenous inspired artwork, which once complete will be displayed for everyone to view.



## GRADE 4, 5 & 6 NEWS

### 4,5,6 classroom:

Welcome back to the 4,5,6 students! I am excited for the learning that will occur this term. In the 4,5,6 classroom we are beginning the semester with some fun topics such as shape transformations in maths, making connections in reading and explanation texts in writing. This term is set to be filled with activities such as book fair, book week, division athletics and some planned incursions and excursions.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do don't hesitate to contact me at [joel.moore@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:joel.moore@education.vic.gov.au)



### VIT:

We are all life-long learners at Welshpool and District Primary School, and our teachers are no exception. Over the last few months, Mr Moore and Miss Egan have been working hard to attain their VIT (Victorian Institute of Teaching) full registration. This involves undertaking an inquiry process to provide evidence that you have met and are demonstrating the required professional teaching standards. The inquiry process involves choosing an inquiry question to research before planning and teaching a unit of work that supports the question. Findings from the research and teachings are documented in a detailed report which is then presented to a panel of experienced educators. This has been a work in progress for a long time, with several interruptions due to lockdowns and restrictions. It is a great relief for the two teachers to have finally had the opportunity to complete this task, and they are excited to have the opportunity to receive their full registration.



# Upcoming Events

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
T3 WEEK 2	18	19 Parent/Teacher Interviews	20 Parent/Teacher Interviews	21 Newsletter Day	22
T3 WEEK 3	25	26	27 Responsive pet	28	29
T3 WEEK 4	1	2	3 Science incursion— coding and marble runs	4 BOOKFAIR Newsletter Day	5 BOOKFAIR
T3 WEEK 5	8 BOOKFAIR	9 Ausdance BOOKFAIR School Council Meeting 6pm	10 BOOKFAIR	11 BOOKFAIR	12 BOOKFAIR
T3 WEEK 6	15 BOOKFAIR Science Week	16 BOOKFAIR	17	18 Newsletter Day	19

## FISHY STORIES WRITING CHALLENGE 2022

Fishy Stories presents its first Writing Challenge in 2022. The Writing Challenge is open to children in Grade 1-8 from across Australia and encourages imagination and creativity. Twelve stories will be selected from entries and performed at the Fish Creek Children's Festival of Stories. Closing date: 11 August 2022



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SEPTEMBER 18, 2022  
10AM TO 7PM

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WORKSHOPS  
ENTERTAINMENT  
WRITING CHALLENGE



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## Parents & Friends Association (PFA)

### REMINDER:



Don't forget there is also Friday lunch orders from the Welshpool supermarket. Orders need to be made direct with the supermarket by Thursdays

TERM 3

SHOUT OUT TO PARENTS. COULD WE PLEASE HAVE MORE VOLUNTEER HELPERS FOR BBQ WEDNSDAYS. THE KIDS SO ENJOY THEM, YUM YUM SAUSAGES IN MY TUM. CONTACT EMMA PYKE FOR ROSTER INFORMATION.



BBQ  
WEDNESDAYS  
ORDERS IN BY  
WEDNESDAY 9AM

### WDPS BBQ ORDER FORM

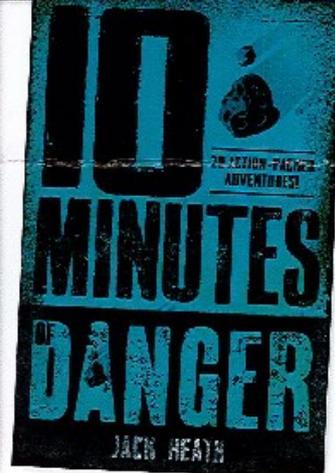
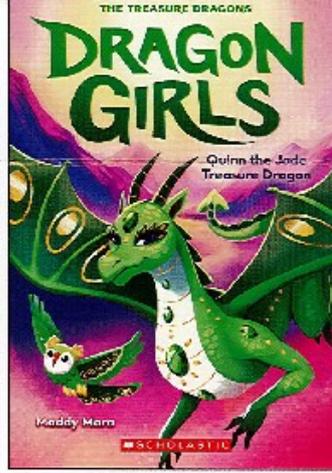
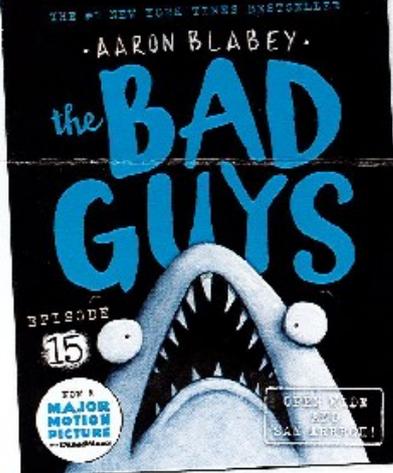
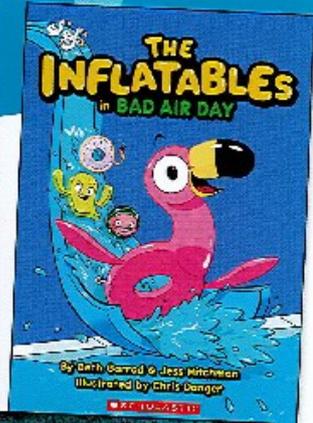
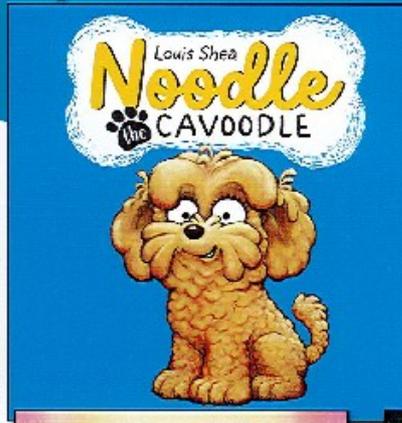
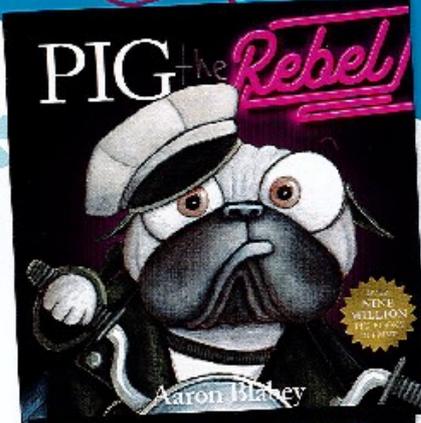
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	Description	\$	QTY	Total \$
Sausages		\$2.00 ea		
Drink	Choc/Straw/Plain Milk	\$1.00 ea		
	Juice Box	\$1.00 ea		
Icy Poles	Various Flavours	\$0.50 ea		
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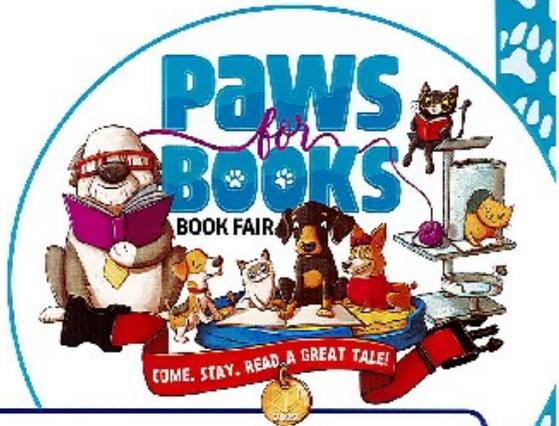


# You're invited to our Scholastic **BOOK FAIR**

Come. Stay. Read a Great Tale!



Find these books and hundreds more at the Fair!



**EVERY PURCHASE YOU MAKE EARNS LEARNING AND LITERACY RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL**

Date 8-8-22 to 16-8-22 Time \_\_\_\_\_  
Place WDPS - Grade 4/5/6 room, Main building



# 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Program

Free live **ONLINE** program for parents of children aged 2 to 12

## Tired of yelling and nagging?

Resolve difficult behaviour in children aged 2 to 12.

In 3 sessions parents will learn:

- How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking;
- How to handle challenging behaviours;
- How to use emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour;
- Strategies for encouraging good behaviour;
- How to sort behaviours and choose correct strategies using "The 3 Choices Model".

We'll also work on strategies so you can:

- Strengthen your relationship with your child;
- Strengthen your child's emotional resilience.

Parents will receive:

- A **FREE** workbook (valued at \$12) to apply the concepts learnt
- A **Certificate of Completion**

*Do this highly sought after parenting program  
**FROM THE COMFORT OF YOUR OWN HOME**  
-Hurry! Places are limited-*

## When?

11:30am – 2:30pm

Over 3 Tuesdays:

**August 9<sup>th</sup>**

**August 16<sup>th</sup>**

**August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022**

## Cost?

**FREE**

## Get in touch

**Bookings are essential!**

Please contact:

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