



Newsletter: 16 Thursday 3rd November 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.

Term 4

We are starting to slide into the very busy end of the year after the Melbourne Cup long weekend. So we don't miss anything and families are across the upcoming events I have listed everything here.

P/1/2 Sleepover will be held this afternoon/evening. Our junior students were very excited to experience their own camp and are looking forward to hot dogs and the sleepover.

School Council Tuesday 8th November Starting at 6pm. This will be our last School Council meeting for the year.

Grade 3/4 Rumbug camp Wednesday 9th –Friday 11th November Final preparations are being made for our Grade 3/4 camp. Students received a reminder of what to pack yesterday. Please remember that students are to make their own way to camp Rumbug (no bus running). Drop off time at Rumbug is 11am and pick up is 1pm on Friday.

Grade 5/6 Positive start camp FREE Monday 5th –Friday 9th December Thanks to the Victorian Government our school and students qualify for a Positive Start camp. Grade 5/6 will have the opportunity to join students from Toora and Tarwin Lower primary schools in a 5 day camp to The Prom. All notes have been sent home and permission and medical forms are to be returned asap.

Our **2023 Transition** continues to run each Tuesday from 1-3. It has been fantastic to see our incoming students settle so well into the routine and structure of school. The final transition will be Tuesday 13th December for State-wide Transition.

Our end of year **swimming program** has been booked and confirmed for **Thursday 8th December through to Wednesday 14th December**. The Wednesday of this program will be our fun day where we have the inflatable and Parent's Club run a BBQ. Students have all received a permission note for this program. As this is a free program we just require signed permission notes to be returned asap. BBQ orders for the Wednesday will be sent home closer to the day.

Grade 6 Graduation Monday 12th December Our Grade 6 students will have the chance to celebrate their Primary years schooling with their families. Invitations have been sent home for those families.

State-wide Transition Tuesday 13th December Each student will transition into their 2023 class. Grade 6 students will head off to the Secondary College and our incoming Preps will spend the morning with us (9-1).

Christmas Celebration Friday 16th December A flier, permission and rsvp were sent home yesterday with students. Our Christmas celebration will look a little different to what it has in past. 2 years of a modified covid Christmas has allowed us to forge a new tradition with our celebration. We look forward to celebrating with everyone at this new location. Please return all notes asap.

Reports live Friday 16th December Student reports will go live on Compass. Please log in to see your child/ren's growth across the Semester/year after 4pm.

Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th December Formal classes will finish on Friday 16th December. TheirCare will be operational for all families requiring care on Monday and/or Tuesday.

Gabrielle Boyd

Principal

Little School, Big Heart

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Student Awards



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

P/1/2/3—* Skyla Gardiner for trying her hardest in all learning areas

*** Kye Mabilia for excellence in reading**

4/5/6—* Maddison Hayman for excellence in reading



Congratulations to all the students who have earned reading awards



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

Hamish Gardiner, Michael Lay-Noad & Daisy Pyke

A colorful graphic with the words "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" in large, multi-colored letters. The letters are decorated with small stars and balloons. The background is a blue sky with white clouds.



Prep, 1, 2, & 3

Students in P/1/2/3 have been working really hard in both Literacy & Numeracy this term.

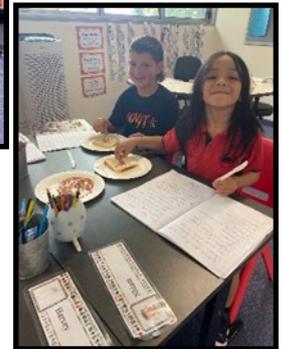
Students are making great progress with their sounds-write work. Group 1 students are currently working on the initial code – unit 5 working on sounds ‘l’, ‘r’, ‘g’, ‘p’ and ‘d’. Group 2 students have moved on to the extended code – unit 1 focusing on all the different ‘a’ sounds such as ‘ay’, ‘ai’, ‘a_e’ and ‘ae’. During reading, we are currently working on the comprehension strategy of visualising. We have been listening to different texts then discussing or drawing what we can visualise from the text. This can often be a difficult topic to grasp however students have been enjoying the freedom to draw what they visualise from the text.

In writing, we have been exploring the topic of procedural text. Students have taken part in writing then following their own procedures. Students participated in writing a procedure on how to make fairy bread and sock puppets, all students then followed their own instructions to make fairy bread and sock puppets, this was a great hit!

Maths in the P/1/2/3 room, we have been focusing on data representation and interpretation. Students have been learning how to collect data such as using tally marks then transferring their data into a graph. An activity the students enjoyed included counting cars and organising the different cars by their colour type, students then had to collate their data into a graph. Students then use their graph to interpret the information they have collected.

Keep up the great work P/1/2/3!

Miss Egan





GRADE 4, 5 & 6 NEWS

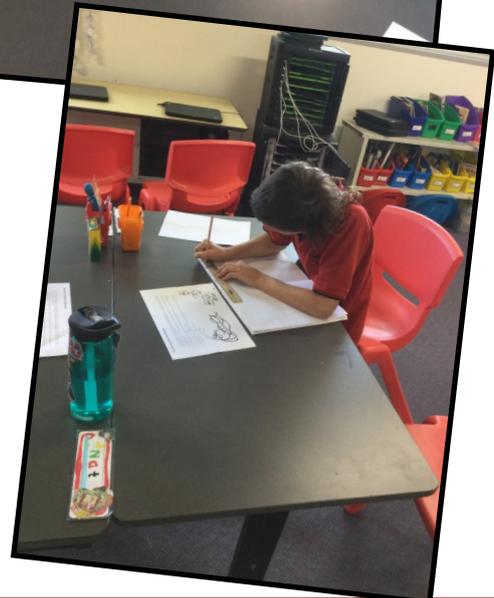
The 4,5,6 class has been working hard in literacy and numeracy this term. Recently, they have been looking at different perspectives in writing and have written from the perspectives of villains and heroes from different fairy tales and fables.

In reading, the class has been refining their visual literacy skills and knowledge and have discussed how illustrators can use colour and perspective to influence the reader.

In mathematics the class has been working on statistics and probability, where we have conducted experiments and have looked at the likelihood of events occurring.

The class has also been participating in sounds write lessons and are currently exploring the sound /u/ as in 'run' or 'trouble'.

Mr Moore





Upcoming Events

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
T3 WEEK 5	31 Curriculum Day	1 Public Holiday, Melbourne Cup day	2	3 Newsletter Day	4
T3 WEEK 6	7	8 1pm Prep transition School Council Meeting 6pm	9 3/4 Rumbug Camp	10 3/4 Rumbug Camp	11 3/4 Rumbug Camp
T3 WEEK 7	14	15 1pm Prep transition	16	17 Newsletter Day	18
T4 WEEK 8	21	22 1pm Prep transition	23	24	25 16 Days of Activism

Over the next four weeks all students will be participating in Personal Safety sessions. The purpose of these sessions is to support the children to understand the theme 'My Body Belongs to Me'. The children will discuss strategies for recognising their feelings, safe people to turn to for help and other personal safety themed discussion topics. These sessions will complement our Respectful Relationships, Catching On Early and SELs work that occur across each grade level in the school throughout various times of the year.

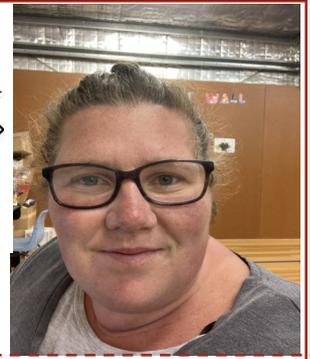
If you would NOT like your child to participate in this session, please contact Gabbi via the school email welshpool.ps@education.vic.gov.au or 56881460.

Reminders

- * If you or a family member would like to be added to our newsletter emailing list to view a colour copy of the newsletter, please contact Sandra in the office with your email address. If, however you are on the list and wish to be removed please advise.
- * Please ensure you use the sign in/out Ipad when visiting the school.
- * Red Sunsmart hats are now required for recess and lunch play.
- * If you have any bus/student pickup changes, please contact the school by 3pm to ensure changes take place and the supervising teacher/s notified.



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This week

Construction Week

While this week has been very short, we started to create buildings to make a cardboard box city to fill the floor, we spent ages creating and sticking boxes together to create different heights of buildings, we also have the beginning of a Lego city happening as well.



NEXT WEEK

We will continue construction week next week to finish off what should be a pretty cool city, complete with a construction site filled with cement OBLEK and roads



We had a spooky week with a Halloween inspired week.

We created a haunted house, painted plaster pumpkins into a witch, cat and a scary looking pumpkin.

LAST WEEK

If anyone would like to have a look or would like some more information or have any questions regarding Theircare please don't hesitate to come speak to me and I will answer or find out the answers if I am unsure

Jamie Clavarino

Some of the children played emotion pumpkin bingo, we made an awesome "haunted cubby" out of some chairs, blankets, tables, and some pillows.

A giant spiderweb washi tape maze was created on the floor, everyone spent ages trying to make it through the maze, then we made new start and finish spots within the maze, that was a highlight of the week.

The glow in the dark masks we put together looked pretty awesome, a pumpkin and witch race was held where children had to fly on their broomsticks and make it to the end of the basketball court and back, then they transformed into pumpkins which bounced along, the kids were tired afterwards but had fun.



TERM 4



Parents & Friends Association (PFA)

- ♦ **School Uniforms:** There are various second hand uniforms available for a gold coin donation.
- ♦ We also have new school uniform sizes available to purchase.
- ♦ Please see Sandra in the office if you need anything.

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



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School Uniform List

Student's Name: _____ Date: ___/___/___

Uniform	Cost	Please enter your order below		
		SIZE	QTY	\$
Red T-shirt with Logo	Cost \$25.00	4		
		6		
		8		
		10		
		12		
		14		
Red Microfiber Sports Jacket	Cost \$30.00	4		
		6		
		8		
		10		
		12		
		14		
Red Polo Fleece Jumper	Cost \$25.00	4		
		6		
		8		
		10		
		12		
		14		
Grade 6 T-shirts	Cost \$30.00	10		
		12		
		14		
		16		
Red Sunsmart hat	Cost \$15.00	S/M		
Red school Beanie	Cost \$15.00	M/L		
Black School Bag with Logo	Cost \$45.00	One size		
Sticky beak lunch wallets	Cost \$8.50	One Size		

BBQ WEDNESDAYS ORDERS IN BY WEDNESDAY 9AM



WDPS BBQ ORDER FORM

NAME: _____

	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		
				\$



MARC Library Preview of Learning – Term 4, 2022

We are lucky to have and be exposed to choices in our lives. As MARC Library teachers we choose the books that we share, read and discuss with our students. These books give impetus and provide integrity in our students' learning. We use themes, a variety of literature chosen for a specific Big Idea, author studies, global issues, specific nonfiction focus, wellbeing and enjoyment, to inform our choices.

Supporting students in their choice of a book to borrow is an area that we delight in sharing with our students. We guide according to specific request, knowledge of our students, known interests, a special new book, required information etc. A love of literature can be provoked and fostered through thoughtful choice.

This term, in **Weeks 1-3** all students will participate in a topic study. The junior grades will share picture story books, learning about the uniqueness of one of our native birds, the emu. Grades 3 and 4 will delve into information books based on the wonders of the work and importance of, bees. The 'Little People, Big Dreams' biographical series will support senior students to wonder how people in all walks of life, worldwide, achieve their dreams.

In **Weeks 4-6** junior students will enjoy and make connections to the poignant messages conveyed by the author, Anna Walker. Grades 3 and 4 will learn about the author/illustrator Yuval Zommer through a close study of the style and key features of his work. Senior students will note how author/illustrator, Trace Balla, uses a graphic novel approach, plus humour, to share tiny details of the natural environment. Trace also respects the land on which she lives and pays respect to the traditional owners of this country throughout her work. **Week 7** will involve the importance of ongoing recycling for all. **Week 8** brings the joys of new literature. **Week 9** is a chance to review and discuss the importance of safety in real life situations. From Week 9 until the end of term we ask that all MARC Library books be returned. Look for our reminder notice and the green dot on the spine, to help you find those books that want to stay in hiding.

Yours in learning and reading,
Jeanette Johnson and Sophie Callcott.



Christmas celebration

Friday 16th December

Time 10am -2pm

Grassy Spur Pool



Timetable of the day

9:30am depart from school

10:00am - arrival and set up

10:30am - morning tea

11:00am - 12:00pm - swim and games

12:00pm - 1:00pm - Free BBQ lunch

1:00pm - 2:00pm - Christmas concert + raffles

2:30pm - depart for school

All welcome! Please RSVP numbers attending by Friday 2nd December