



# Newsletter: 17 Thursday 17th 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.*

**WELSHPOOL AND DISTRICT PRIMARY SCHOOL NO:5396**

## **The last month of term**

Every year I feel once we hit Melbourne Cup week we quickly slide into a very busy period at school. The students still remain settled and engaged, which can be difficult at this time of the year. The sunshine and warmer days last week allowed us out in the gardens and helped lift our spirits after some very wet days.

Our P/1/2 sleepover was a big success. I am aware other schools only have a Grade 2 sleepover (not the younger grades). By including Grades Prep and 1 we are building students transition to camps and allowing them to experience sleeping away from home in a safe and familiar setting. Being close to home helps too! This year we had a number of first time sleepers. They tell me it was 'The best time ever'! I think the added bonus of the fire trucks on our night walk helped.

Grade 3 and 4 have returned from their cluster camp to Rumbug. How great were the photos coming through on Facebook? I think the smiles said it all. The weather was kind and allowed the students to really enjoy the mud run and canoeing! The students have told great stories and enjoyed the opportunity to join with their friends from Toora and Tarwin Lower primary schools.

Grade 5/6 will head off to the Prom at the beginning of December for a Department funded camp. We look forward to sharing photos and stories from their camp.

## **Celebration!**



Next week we will have a small celebration at school and wish Miss Egan good luck for her wedding Saturday 26th. Congratulations Chloe and Reece! We hope it is a lovely day and the weather is kind to you. We know you will have a wonderful day and we can't wait to see your beautiful photos. Miss Egan will be away Thursday through to Wednesday.

## **2023 Start of year**

Our start date for 2023 for all students is Monday 30th January. Staff will start back at school on Friday 27th January. This will be our book pick up date. Books can be collected from school from 11am. Please note that staff will be in a CPR update up until this time and the office will be unattended. Payment can be made on or prior to this day. Please refer to the Parent Contributions letter attached to this newsletter for more detail.

Payment can be made by cash, cheque or direct deposit.

Account Details: Welshpool and District Primary School

BSB No. 633-000

Account Number: 156869083

Please quote Parent Contributions 2023 then family name

*i.e. Parent Contributions 2023 Boyd*

Gabrielle Boyd

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Little School, Big Heart

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## Prep, 1, 2 Sleepover

On Thursday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of November P/1/2 students had their sleepover at school. This was a highly anticipated event, which was great fun!

To begin the sleepover, we all sat down and shared some afternoon tea of biscuits, fruit and juice. Students then participated in a scavenger hunt around the school where they had to follow clues to find different objects. After the scavenger hunt, students enjoyed some free play as a group. We all set up our beds and organised ourselves while dinner was cooking.

For dinner we had delicious hotdogs, chicken nuggets and juice. We all sat down and watched a movie before heading on our night walk adventure. We walked down the main street, during our walk we came across the CFA. We were invited to look at the fire truck and learn all about it. We were all very exhausted after the walk and headed to bed.

All students slept really well, with a few early risers to start our morning off at 5am. We all packed up, had breakfast and before we knew it, it was home time!

Well done to all students, it was a brilliant sleepover!

Miss Egan



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### FLOWER SHOW

This term students from P – 6 have spent time during their art classes creating decorations and artwork for the horticulture flower show. Students created artwork around this year's theme of 'treasures of the ground'. Students create a treasure chest, vegetable creatures, corn and other decorative flowers. Roslyn from the horticulture came to assembly last week to thank the students for their hard work and efforts to support the horticulture flower show. Roslyn thanked the students with a lovely pot as a gift.

Thank you to all students for participating and creating great work for our community.





## GRADE 3 & 4 Camp Rumbug

On Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> of November the grade 3/4 students had the opportunity to attend Camp Rumbug along with students from Toora and Tarwin Lower Primary Schools.

Over the 3-day camp, the students got to participate in a range of fun, interesting and challenging activities such as; canoeing, raft building, orienteering, mud run, archery, flying fox and the giant swing.

The camp was a great opportunity for the students to spend time outdoors, work as part of a team and learn new skills. All of the students had a wonderful time at camp, establishing new friendships and participating in fun activities.



Mr Moore



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### SPEECH

This term I have completed an assessment called SPAT with everyone in the school to see how everyone has been progressing. I and the rest of staff were very pleased with the results. Everyone has worked very hard throughout the year and results are showing with some great improvements across the board. Lots of other bits have been worked on from segmenting, blending, rhyme, deletion and syllable counting being the focus.

Jaimee



## Upcoming Events

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
T3 WEEK 7	14	15 1pm Prep transition	16	17 Newsletter Day	18
T3 WEEK 8	21	22 1pm Prep transition	23	24	25 16 days of Activism
T3 WEEK 9	28	29 1pm Prep transition	30 Science incursion—wind tunnels and circuits	1 Newsletter Day	2
T4 WEEK 10	5 Grade 5/6 Prom Camp	6 1pm Prep transition Grade 5/6 Prom Camp	7 Grade 5/6 Prom Camp	8 Grade 5/6 Prom Camp Swimming	9 Grade 5/6 Prom Camp Swimming

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](mailto: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



## THIS WEEK

This week has been games challenge week. We have played a variety of games including spot it, boggle, greedy pig, twister, snakes and ladders and plenty more. Unfortunately most of our outdoor games were thwarted by the weather. Some children were able to have a go at creating their own board games as well.

## COMING UP

Beach week! I'm hopeful the weather might be kind and accommodate us to make it feel a little more suitable for being at the "beach".

We have lots of activities planned. Here is a sneak preview;

- ⇒ Tie dye
  - ⇒ rock art
  - ⇒ shell decorating
  - ⇒ molded sand bowl craft
  - ⇒ sand castle challenge
  - ⇒ shrinkies
- and plenty more.

Hope you can come join us for some fun.

## 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

Last week we held construction week. Box houses were attempted to be made, we created ooblek, made playgrounds for our nano bug robots to roam in. There were a couple of particularly hot days so we had frozen yoghurt as a cooling treat and enjoyed the shade of the oak tree while doing some cloud watching and spider web finding!

We were very grateful to be able to pop into the classrooms where it was cooler and enjoyed playing with the geoboards making different pictures, relaxed and read some books before coming back down to play a bit of indoor basketball.

# TERM 4



## Parents & Friends Association (PFA)

PFA wishes to advise that raffle tickets have been sent home with students, if more are required please contact the School or both Lisa's.

### 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



**BBQ**  
**WEDNESDAYS**  
ORDERS IN BY  
WEDNESDAY 9AM



Welshpool & District Primary School  
**Christmas RAFFLE 2022**

More prizes being added!  
Stay up to date via our Facebook Page

**\$2.00 per ticket**

**1st**

- 2 Nights accommodation in a 2 bedroom unit at Prom Port Cottages
- 1 Family Ticket for Long Jetty Prom Cruises
- Fisherman's Platter for 4 people from Chef Magno at the Port Welshpool General Store
- Christmas Ham

**2nd**

- 4 x AFL Medallion Club Seat Tickets to any standard AFL game of your choice at Marvel Stadium or the MCG in 2023.  
\*Please book tickets ASAP to avoid high demand games selling out
- Christmas Ham

**3rd**

- Welshpool Outdoors Husqvarna 115L Battery Trimmer (RRP\$499)
- Christmas Ham

**4th**

- Stony Creek Races Reserved Picnic Table & Umbrella Package with General Admission for 6 people
- Paint N More Voucher & Tin of Paint

**5th**

- Welshpool Post Office Toy Pack
- Toora Swimming Pool Term of Swimming (10 Lessons)

Raffle drawn: 16th December 2022  
Winners notified by phone

ALL TICKETS (SOLD + UNSOLD)  
DUE BACK TO SCHOOL  
**FRIDAY 9TH DECEMBER**

A huge **thankyou** to all the families & local businesses who have supported our school & made donations

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		
				\$



#### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> December