



WARLAWURRU CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Important Dates

No School
Friday 23 June

NAIDOC Day
Wednesday 28 June

School Mass
Thursday 29 June

Last Day of School
Friday 30 June

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NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL Katherine Coulter

Dear Parents/Caregivers

It has been wonderful how many students have been attending school regularly, thank you for your support in this matter, please keep them coming in. As I have said before, it is much harder to get them to school if you don't support and acknowledge the importance of education. We all need to work together.

In this week's newsletter you will find information about the school uniform. We have tops, shorts, tracksuit tops and tracksuit pants. With the colder weather your kids will benefit from the tracksuits. They are very reasonably priced and made of good material. I would encourage you to make your child wear their uniform, as it gives a sense of belonging and pride. You can buy the uniform from Miss Chrissy in the canteen.

After nine years Miss Chrissy is going on Long Service Leave, which will leave a big hole in our school and now I need to fill her position as cook. If you are interested or know someone who could do this important job, please come and see me.

Next Friday, is a student-free day, due to the funeral. Teachers will still be at school.

We will be celebrating NAIDOC week on Wednesday 28 June, Week 10. The students will be in small groups and do various activities run by our ATAs and supported by our teachers. The activities include, spear throwing, damper making, art, bush produce and Storytime. If you are free and would like to be a part of our celebration please feel welcome to join us, we would love to see you here.

Today we had our school photos, thank you for returning your order forms and ensuring your child was in their uniform. They all looked beautiful and happy, I am sure you are going to love your photos. Have a safe and relaxing weekend

NEWS FROM THE JUNIOR PRIMARY

Andrea Pilkington

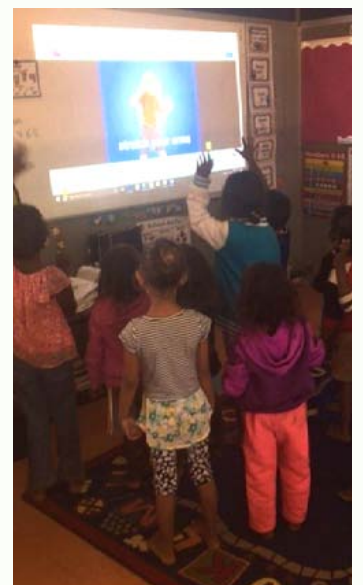
Hello from Junior Primary!

It has been fantastic to see so many Kindy students coming to school ready to learn this week. The Kindy's have enjoyed practicing their fine motor skills by manipulating the playdough and making shapes using cookie cutters.

We also have focused on singing nursery rhymes and learning the actions that go with them. Moving along to music helps practice our fundamental movement skills.

This week we have been continuing on with Direct Instruction as part of our literacy block. Miss Marketa is very proud of the progress the students have made in the Language component. The students enjoy participating in Direct Instruction as they learn their language and reading skills.

The Pre-Primary and Year One students love their brain breaks! A brain break is a short mental break that is taken during regular intervals during classroom instruction. The best time to do a brain break is before, during, and/or after an activity. The essential purpose for a brain break is to get students refocused and ready to learn again or to move from one activity to another. The students love the song "Boom Chicka Boom" and "Count to 100".



NEWS FROM THE MIDDLE PRIMARY

Rosie Landsberg

IT'S A CELEBRATION ALL ROUND

A big congratulations to the Ruby and Emerald Groups in Middle Primary. We have completed another level of Direct Instruction. Emerald group moves up to Reading Level 1, which means more detailed reading and bigger words. Ruby group moves up to Reading Level 1 Book 2, again more detailed reading and complex words. Well done to you all my kiddos!!!!



NEWS FROM THE SENIOR PRIMARY

Christine Sell

WHAT'S THE SCOOP ON THE SENIOR PRIMARY GROUP?

The past week has been another busy one for the Senior Primary class. We welcomed Jilly a new student into our class. The girls have really looked after Jilly to help her feel happy at her new school. Mr Graham and Miss Anansa arrived back to school after attending an Aboriginal Teacher Assistant conference in Broome.

Of course lots of learning took place.

Each morning the class learns reading and comprehension skills through the Direct Instruction Program. We have 3 groups.

In the Cobra group are Isaiah, Cassandra, Krissylee, Ana, Caldean, Yolaynah, Annmariya and Jilly. This week the Cobras have been reading stories about Old Salt, the retired sailor. Old Salt's captain died and sent Old Salt a trunk with old papers and letters in it. Inside a letter was a map. The students had to 'crack the code' on the map. They found out that the map was for Rose Island. We are all excited to read on and find out if the map will lead to buried treasure!

In the Black Head Snake group are Alex, Peter, Henry, Anson, Dylan and Larry. This week the Black Head Snakes have been reading stories about a con man and President Washington. Well not the real President Washington just some crazy man who thinks he is the real President Washington. Both these men lie and cheat their way out of escaping places and conning people into giving them food and accommodation. At the moment the con man has dressed up as a bride and the 2 men are planning their next 'foxy' escape. Will they get away with it? We can't wait to see!

In the Anaconda group are Augustine and Whitney. This week the Anaconda group have been reading about a clock maker who is quite deaf. He doesn't hear what people are saying correctly due to his hearing problem so he muddles things up. This makes the Anaconda group laugh but makes the characters in the story really mad! Or should we say 'furious!'

In History this week we have been learning about John Hudson who was the youngest convict on the First Fleet out to Australia. Some students researched the internet to complete a fact sheet about his life and voyage to Australia. Some students made sketches of John Hudson for our display board.

In Science Mr Steve is teaching the students about how forces change the way things move or change shape. His egg experiments were fantastic! Ask your child about them. We love making predictions and then checking our predictions through Mr Steve's super experiments!

