



THE PIPELINE

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DATES TO REMEMBER

April

5th School Cross Country

6th Last Day of Term one (1pm Dismissal)

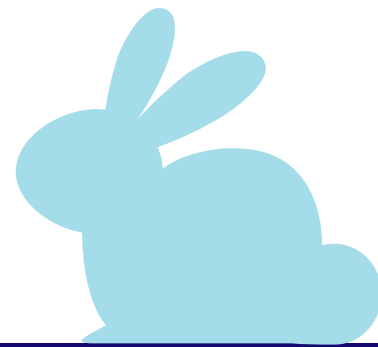
7th Good Friday

11th Easter Sunday

24th School resumes for Term 2

25th ANZAC Day Public Holiday

HAPPY EASTER!



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

.Dear Werrimull P-12 School Community

The Department of Education has now finalised the process for selecting an acting principal at Werrimull P-12 School for the remainder of 2023.

I am pleased to announce that Sommar Briggs has been appointed as the acting principal, and she is very much looking forward to taking up the role and working with the students, staff and families.

Sommar comes to Werrimull P-12 School from Mildura Primary School where she is currently Assistant Principal. She brings a range of leadership experiences in both primary and secondary schools across our district, and a period of time as an Education Improvement Leader with the Department of Education.

We look forward to Sommar commencing in the position at the start of Term 2.

I would also particularly like to thank Jim Hill who has been acting principal since Term 1 last year. Jim's experience and leadership across the school and community during this time is very much appreciated and we wish him well as he returns to his position at Doncaster Primary School.

Yours sincerely

Gary Weir

**A/ Area Executive Director – Mallee
North-Western Victoria Region**

WELCOME TO THE FINAL PIPELINE FOR TERM ONE!

AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE FIRST PAGE IN THIS NEWSLETTER THE DEPARTMENT HAVE IDENTIFIED A REPLACEMENT, ACTING PRINCIPAL FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2023. SOMMAR BRIGGS IS CURRENTLY THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AT MILDURA CENTRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL.

I AM ALSO HAPPY TO ANNOUCE THAT WE HAVE FOUND A NEW PRIMARY CLASSROOM TEACHER TO REPLACE STACEY MCCOY WHO IS LEAVING US TO GO TO THE SCHOOL THAT SOMMAR IS COMING FROM! JAMES PATERSON WILL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE UPPER PRIMARY CLASS. HE COMES TO WERRIMULL WITH A LOT OF EXPERIENCE AND HE IS SURE TO MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON OUR STUDENTS AND SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

I WELCOME BOTH SOMMAR AND JAMES TO WERRIMULL AND ENCOURAGE EVEYRONE TO COME IN AND INTRODUCE YOURSEVES AS THEY WOULD LIKE TO MEET YOU AND GET TO KNOW ALL ABOUT THIS WONDERFUL COMMUNITY WHO THEY WILL BE WORKING WITH FOR THE FORSEEABLE FUTURE.

WHILE I WELCOME NEW STAFF IT IS TIME FOR BARRY AND I TO BID A FOND FAREWELL TO THIS TERRIFIC SCHOOL. IT IS NO SECRET TO ANYONE THAT THERE HAVE BEEN CHALLENGES OVER THE LAST FIVE TERMS. THE FACT WE HAVE KEPT STUDENTS CENTRAL IN OUR DECISIONS HAS MEANT THAT WE FOCUSSED ON THEM, AS IT SHOULD BE. SCHOOLS ARE ALL ABOUT STUDENTS AND WE MUST ALWAYS DO THE BEST WE CAN TO CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH THEY FEEL A STRONG SENSE OF BELONGING, SOMEWHERE THEY FEEL SAFE, SOMEWHERE THEY ARE CONFIDENT ENOUGH TO TAKE RISKS WHERE THEY CAN GROW WITH THE SUPPORT OF STAFF, PARENTS AND THE BROADER COMMUNITY.

WERRIMULL IS WELL POSITIONED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH CONFIDENCE. THE SCHOOL IS EXTREMELY WELL RESOURCED, WE HAVE A STRONG STAFFING PROFILE NOW, THE SCHOOL IS IN A GREAT FINANCIAL POSITION AND THE STUDENTS ARE READY WILLING AND ABLE TO SHOW UP AND LEARN. THIS IS A GREAT RECIPE FOR SUCCESS,

WHILE I HAVE THOROUGHLLY ENJOYED MY TIME AT WERRIMULL, DONCASTER AWAITS. I AM EXCITED TO BE RETURNING TO MY SUBSTANTIVE POSITION AT DPS AND LIFE IN MELBOURNE.

SO I WISH EVERYONE WELL. AS I LEAVE I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THE WELCOME BARRY AND I RECEIVED WHEN WE ARRIVED. WE IMMEDIATELY FELT PART OF THE COMMUNITY, WE WILL LEAVE PART OF US HERE, BUT A PART OF WERRIMULL WILL ALWAYS BE WITH US AND WE WILL RETURN FROM TIME TO TIME TO CHECK IN AND SAY HI. AND IF YOU ARE IN MELBOURNE, LOOK US UP!!

REGARDS
JIM HILL

FROM THE PRIMARY AREA

Last week the Prep to Six students enjoyed their visit from Tabatha at STOMP! The students worked hard each morning to learn a new dance and put on an amazing performance on Friday with their two favourite dances. Thank you to all the families who came to support our students, it was fantastic to see so many happy faces in our school!

We were not such a fan of STOMP, it was great exercise but we weren't such a fan of the music or dancing. IT was embarrassing when my Mum was watching. - Cove and Matthew

I loved STOMP because it was exciting and made me feel happy and the dance moves were easy to learn. Tabitha was an amazing teacher because she made the moves fun and the songs were funny. I liked the songs she picked. STOMP was a bit embarrassing to do in front of everyone but was very fun.
Tiana and Shanae.

I liked the dancing because it was fun. The music started nice and Tabitha was really nice.
Delta and Odyssey

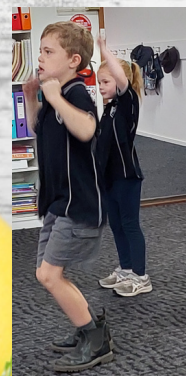
I liked how the STOMP dances were challenging and how Tabitha was kind. I didn't like the choice of songs, but Lily did. Lily also loved the colour of Tabitha's hair.
Travis and Lily

We enjoyed STOMP because it was a great start of the day warm up. We also liked learning different dances and songs with Tabitha. We loved it! We hope she will come back next year. It was really fun!
Tahnee and Jonathan.

Poppy and I liked STOMP. We did lots of cool dances and she had cool songs. Some dances were easy and some were hard. We both liked the performance and it made us both feel energetic.
Ria and Poppy.

We liked that STOMP chose good songs and good dance moves. It was very fun. It was challenging. Joey liked it because we did a finale with the little kids. Phoebe liked the little kid's performance. It was cool. It felt good when we learnt new dance moves and it was awesome with Tabitha.
Joey and Phoebe

It was ok, but hard at the same time. Justin didn't like dancing in front of people. I kind of liked listening to the music and being around Tabitha because she was kind all of the time. Justin liked the 'rip the paper' move. I liked all the dances.
Zana and Justin.

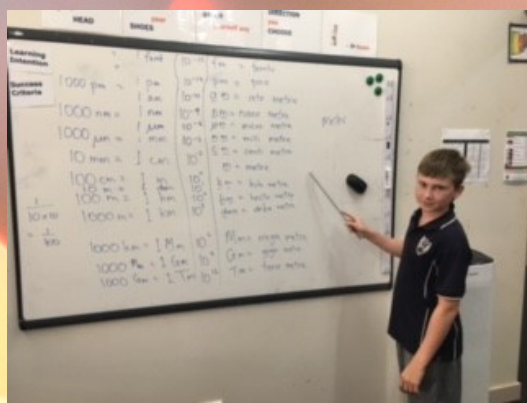
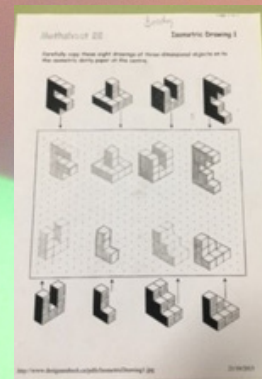


FROM THE SECONDARY HUB MATHEMATICS

Year 7/8 students have been learning how to name and draw angles. They have also been finishing their information boards which summarise some Key Ideas in Junior Maths.

Year 9/10 students have also been doing geometry related work including drawing on isometric paper.

VCE General Maths students have been finishing work on ratio and proportion.



Science

Year 7/8 have been discussing scientific method

Year 9/10 are continued with their forensics unit

VCE Biology finished the topic of cells by studying the plasma membrane, its composition and function. In the experiment below we were investigating how the plasma membrane allows the movement of selected molecules in and out of the cell.



“EDUCATION IS THE PASSPORT TO THE FUTURE, FOR TOMORROW BELONGS TO THOSE WHO PREPARE FOR IT TODAY.”

WELCOME TO THE MILLEWA PRE-SCHOOL

Hi Everyone,

End of term has come with Easter in full swing. Children have been working hard on their skills enjoying activities and creating learning friendships with others in the group.

We have been sharing many great books including 'Who Sank The Boat' by Pamela Allen which involved some fun floating and sinking tasks. Children enjoyed the water play and learnt about what things float or sink.

We have looked at the letter 'Aa' and the sound it makes initially in words. 'A' for autumn and the beautiful colours associated with the changing leaves, has given us focus on earthy colours and leaf shapes.

We have concentrated on the number 3 and used iPads in aiding our letter and number formation.

Children were lucky enough to have a visit from Easter Bunny filling their baskets with lots of fun things and yummy treats.

Hoping everyone has a wonderful Easter break from all at Millewa Pre-School!

Kerrie Harris,

Early Years Co-ordinator.

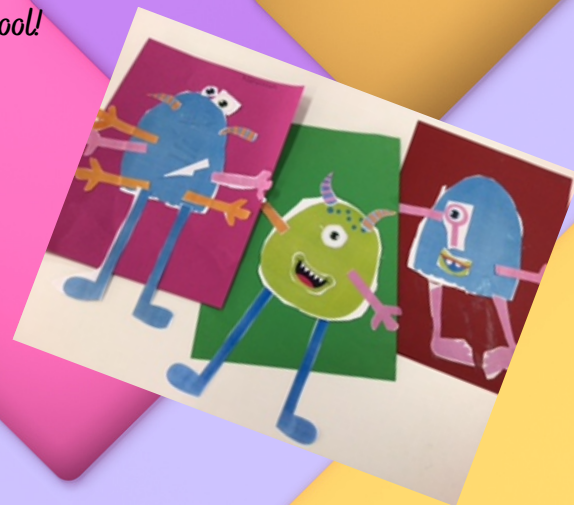
THANK YOU!

On behalf of the children at the Millewa Pre-School, I would like to thank Mrs Harris for her valuable contribution over the past term.. Mrs Harris's organisation, teaching and the care shown towards the children was much appreciated and I hope she has fond memories of her time at our Kinder.

Leanie Carter

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- NEXT TERM WE WARMLY WELCOME OUR NEW KINDERGARTEN TEACHER CHRISTINA BILNEY TO MILLEWA PRE-SCHOOL
- TERM 2 CALENDAR HAS BEEN SENT HOME IN STUDENT BAGS
- KINDER WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, 24TH APRIL WITH NO KINDERGARTEN ON ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY, 25TH APRIL



NOTICES

Scholastic Bookclub

Throughout the year our students will have the opportunity to purchase books from Scholastic. The latest brochure, which is now in the form of a "newspaper" has been sent home. If students would like to order, please send the completed order form and money to school no later than **Monday 20th February.**

Our school receives credits which are used to purchase books and classroom resources.



- HAPPY BIRTHDAY

LILY BENNETT 12TH APRIL

DELTA CANNING 3RD MAY

On behalf of the staff at Werrimull P-12, we wish all our families a safe and happy Easter!

