



Wembley Primary School

Newsletter No. 4 – 1 March 2017

From the Principals

Student Free Days (Curriculum Days) for 2017

Each year schools receive four student free days (when student instruction does not occur) for professional development, school planning and administration, curriculum development and student assessment and reporting.

School Council has approved the following three student free days:

- Wednesday 22 February, 2017
- Wednesday 3 May, 2017
- Wednesday 28 June, 2017

School Council has set these dates well in advance to enable you to make appropriate arrangements for child care. These dates are also published on the school's website.

OSHC Program will be operating on these days should you require childcare.

Canteen News

Thanks to the new QKR App lunch orders are now much easier to organize for your child.

Orders can be placed and paid for on line and lunch is delivered to your child's class. There is no need to send in a written order unless you want to provide your own bag and if this is the case please indicate on the bag that the order was placed online to avoid a situation of orders being doubled up.

If you have any questions about ordering from the canteen please contact the assistants in the canteen.

An updated Menu and price list is available on the school website.

Drop Off and Pick Up Times

Parents are reminded that the playground is supervised from 8.45am in the morning and until 3.30pm in the afternoon. If you are not able to pick your child up by 3.15pm please contact the office and your child will be directed to wait in the foyer area until you arrive for pick up.

Upcoming dates:

Friday 3 March

District Swimming Carnival

Monday 6 March - Friday 10 March

Year 6 - Canberra Camp

Monday 13 March

Labour Day - Public Holiday

Wednesday 15 March

Parent Information Session - WPS Learning Cycle (included in this Newsletter)

Tuesday 21 March

Divisional Swimming Carnival

Thursday 23 March

Year 5/6 High School Parent Information Evening

Tuesday 28 March

Regional Swimming Carnival

Friday 31 March

End of Term 1

2:00pm Assembly

2:15pm Dismissal

Student Clothing

Please ensure that your child's clothing is clearly labelled with their name and class. This will ensure that, if they accidentally leave a jacket or hat in the playground, it will get returned to them and not end up in the lost property cupboard.

Any children who are still in the playground at 3.30pm and not being supervised by their parent must proceed to the foyer area of the office for safety and supervision reasons.

Anaphylaxis at Wembley

Anaphylaxis is the most severe form of allergic reaction and is potentially life threatening. It must be treated as a medical emergency, requiring immediate treatment and urgent medical attention.

Anaphylaxis is a generalised allergic reaction, which often involves more than one body system (e.g. skin, respiratory, gastro-intestinal and cardiovascular). A severe allergic reaction or anaphylaxis usually occurs within 20 minutes to 2 hours of exposure to the trigger and can rapidly become life threatening.

Milk, eggs, peanuts, tree nuts, sesame, fish, shellfish, wheat and soy are the most common food triggers, which cause 90 percent of allergic reactions; however, any food can trigger anaphylaxis. It is important to understand that in some people even very small amounts of food can cause a life-threatening reaction. Some extremely sensitive individuals can react to just the smell of particular foods being cooked (e.g. fish).

The school will not ban certain types of foods (e.g. nuts) as it is not practicable to do so, and it is not a strategy recommended by the Department of Education or the Royal Children's Hospital. However, we do request that parents do not send those items to school if at all possible. In line with the Anaphylaxis Policy the canteen aims to eliminate or reduce the likelihood of such allergens by not selling such products. Teachers in class reinforce the rules about not sharing food and not eating foods that parents have not provided or consented to.

At Wembley we currently have fifteen students diagnosed with anaphylaxis. These students all have an Anaphylaxis Management Plan and an EpiPen (adrenalin auto-injector) that is stored securely in the office for easy access, should it be required, and it travels with them to excursions, sporting events and camps. All staff are trained in the management of anaphylaxis on a regular basis. Casual Replacement teachers are briefed before they take a class and information is provided to them in the CRT Folder for each class.

Your consideration of the issues and support with the management of anaphylaxis at Wembley is most appreciated. If you require any additional information, please contact Annmaree Jones (Assistant Principal-Student Well Being) or Greer Roberts-Orr (Nurse/First Aid officer)

Wembley Netball Club

Wembley Netball Club is seeking new teams and players. If your child is interested in playing netball and have some friends that are keen too please contact. We are seeking players for 9 and Under and 11 and Under. Game day is Saturday at Altona Netball Stadium. Parents if you are interested in coaching and or team managing please put your hand up by sending me an e-mail of interest. rachaelc@netspace.net.au

School Bags back in stock

Roller Bags - \$65 each

Backpack - \$35 each

School Contributions and Levies

Information has been distributed to all families in relation to school contributions and levies for 2017. If you have misplaced your information please contact the Office or visit our Website to access the information for each year level.

Our preferred payment option is via our Qkr! App (please see the Wembley Primary School website <http://www.wembleyyps.vic.edu.au/> for details) or payment can also be made using cash, cheque, or EFTPOS at the office.

If making your payment at the office, please bring along your completed **2017**

Parent Contribution Payment Summary Page, page 3 of this document.

Thank you to all families who have already made payment.

If required, a Payment Plan can be arranged. Please contact Mandy Pilkington, Business Manager, on 9314 7054 to discuss.

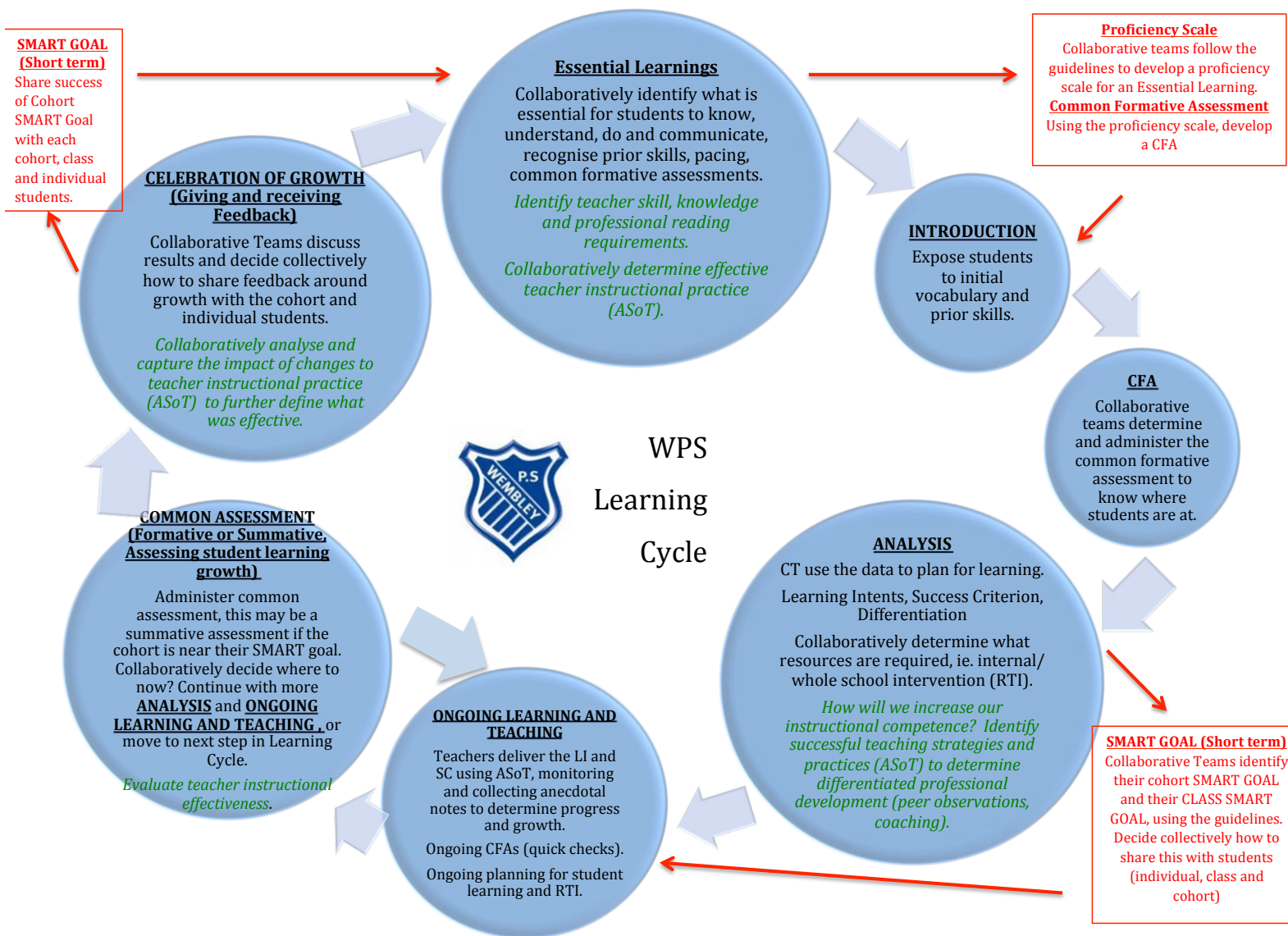
Financial Assistance (Information for Parents)

The Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) forms and information is on the school's website and available from the office. Read the information and if eligible please complete the form and return it to the Office as soon as possible. Please note: the program for 2017 closes on Friday 30 June 2017.

Student Learning & Achievement Awards

Prep A	Sarah M	For being an independent and responsible learner. You are a superstar!
Prep B	Amelie T	For displaying a positive attitude towards her learning and always showing her 5 L's of listening. What a lovely role model! Well done, Amelie!
Prep C	Hamish C	For his detailed illustrations and fantastic effort at all times! We all love your positive attitude and happy smile!
Prep D	Sabian B	For displaying the 5L's of Listening in class and contributing to discussions about the books that we read together, great effort Sab!
Prep E	Louis S	For valuing his own learning and following all classroom expectations. Congratulations Louis a great start to your Prep year!
1A	Matilda P	For showing great persistence with all her learning tasks.
1B	Saskia T	For working very hard to use the dotted thirds correctly when handwriting. Well Done Saskia!
1C	Caleb N	For showing a great understanding of place value when making a paper chain to show the number 33.
1D	Zac F	For experimenting with interesting onomatopoeia leads in his writing. Well done Zac!
2A	Lizzy P	For consistently showing an excellent effort in the classroom and for having such a wonderful attitude to her own learning while doing so! Keep up the great work Lizzy!
2B	Jawaher E	For consistently showing the 5L's on the floor and participating in class discussions with enthusiasm. Keep up the great work Jawaher!
2C	Ella R	For her wonderful effort with challenging herself while representing numbers as pictures, numbers, and words during learning about place value.
2D	Izzy G	For her consistent effort within the classroom and in her learning at home. Keep up the great work, Izzy!
2E	Lam V	For always showing the Wembley Values and for being a fantastic role model for 2E. Great work Lam, keep it up!
3A		
3B	Daniel F	For showing outstanding effort and persistence when working through his narrative plan. Fantastic work Daniel!

3C	Mia D	For doing a fantastic job of settling in and making friends in your new school.
3D	Liam R	For showing great determination to have resilience inside and outside the classroom. Well done for a great start to 2017 Liam!
4A	Maddi R	For her fantastic efforts during class discussion, showing her own understanding of the different reading comprehension strategies. Well done, Maddi!
4B	Wilson H	For making deliberate word choices and using detailed descriptions in your quickwrite to help your audience visualise the scene.
4C	Ella G	For being an independent, focused and caring member of 4C. Keep up the good work Ella!
4D	Isabelle B	For showing persistence in her learning and seeking assistance when needed. A great start to the year, Isabelle. Keep it up!
5A	Callum B	For being an independent and responsible learner. Well done Callum, you always give your best effort!
5B	Daniel S	For his impressive sportsmanship during a Beach Program running race. You should be proud of your achievement and resilience.
5C	Lucy M	For her wonderful ability to persist with her own work and support others, and additionally for her outstanding organisation of our classroom library. Superstar effort Lucy!
5D	Jemma G	For her cooperation and initiative when completing classroom tasks.
5/6A	Levi B	For his sportsmanship during the Beach Program flags race and his overall attitude, which was enthusiastic, positive and respectful at all times.
6A	Levi F	For the effort he put into his School Captain and peer mediator applications as well as the initiative he showed by submitting the latter. Keep up the great work Levi!
6B	Aaliyah C	For always working hard, while having the initiative to ask questions in order to further challenge herself and improve.
6C	Zoe H	For being extremely helpful and her amazing efforts this week, especially during our school captain writing sessions. You should be proud of yourself Zoe!



Parent Information Session: Wednesday 15th March 2017

In 2017, we are welcoming our community to engage with all the wonderful ways we learn at Wembley Primary School.

In this first session, we will be sharing all aspects of our **Wembley Primary School Learning Cycle**, which is attached as a graphic to this newsletter. The session will explain how teachers decide on Essential Learnings and then take their classes through a cycle of new learning. You will also get updated information on how these Learning Cycles include the new Victorian Curriculum and how we report to you and the Department of Education.

There are two times available for the Parent Information Session: 9:00am and 6:00pm.

Please RSVP here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DSJZD9F>

Proficiency Scales: Sent home in week 6.

Teachers and students have already begun their work with our Essential Learnings. At the end of week 6, all students will share proficiency scales with you, either as a hard copy (Yr P-3) or on their Macbook (Yr 4-6). The proficiency scales are developed by the teachers as a way for students to be able to focus their learning. Teachers and students keep track of individual achievement of skills and growth towards an Essential Learning using the proficiency scale. Some of our students refer to them as 'my ladder of learning' or 'my tracker of how much I've grown'. Please ask your children about their proficiency scales, and help make sure they are returned to school. We welcome a parent pride comment or signature on their proficiency scale too! (If you would like to find out more about proficiency scales, please come to the Parent Information Session on Wednesday 15th March).

Wembley Parents Community Group (WPCG)



Who is WPCG.

We are a group of parents focusing on community togetherness and culture building, along with forming the fundraising arm at Wembley Primary School.

Class Representatives for 2017

WPCG is again looking for parents to become their Class Representative/s for 2017.

All WPCG Reps play an important role in facilitating the building of our school community and culture, starting from the ground up at class level.

Responsibility of a WPCG Class Rep

- Act as the main conduit between parents of your child's class and WPCG to keep them up to date with events throughout the year.
- 2017 is a Wembley Fete year. Reps will become vitally important in the overall organization of the day – timetabling volunteers, working stalls, sourcing leads for donations/sponsorship, etc.
- Encourage families to participate in events and activities. It is through engagement that our community grows.
- Most of our communication will be done via email but there will be times we will try to come together to idea share, problem solve and have a chat!
- Have heaps of fun whilst networking with other like-minded parents.

Proposed Future Events for WPCG

- Family Film Night
 - Mum's Night Out/Dad's Night Out
 - Wembley Families' Small Business Showcase
 - Wine Tasting Evening
 - Mothers and Fathers Day Stalls
 - Wembley Fete
 - Annual Raffle
 - Guest speakers ie. Cyber Safety, "Raising Children" – Steve Biddulph
- We are always looking for new and exciting ideas. Don't be shy!**

If you are keen to get involved and make a real difference, please email Ally and Rebecca on wembleycommunitygroup@gmail.com

Make sure you like our facebook page:
Wembley Parents Community Group (@WPCG4788)



TERM 1 DRAMA AT WEMBLEY

Schamozzle offer drama classes for Wembley Primary School children at the school on Friday afternoons. Term 1 classes start Friday 24th February.

Group 1: 2.25-3.15pm

Group 2: 3.15-4.15pm

Term 1 is a 5 week term open to all children from Prep-Year 6. Cost for the term is \$70.

Please contact Suzanne for enrolment details:

suzanne@schamozzle.com.au

0416 104 947

www.schamozzle.com.au

HOOK IN 2 HOCKEY

Come n Try



- Who:** 4-12 year olds NEW to the game of hockey
- Where:** Footscray Hockey Club, Fogarty Ave Yarraville
(Down by the Westgate Freeway)
- Time:** U6 & U8: 5.15 – 6.00pm
U10 & U12 and above: 6.00 – 6.45
- Dates:** Wednesdays 15th Feb, 22nd Feb, 1st Mar, 8th Mar
- Cost:** FREE !
- Equipment:** Hockey sticks and shin guards are available to borrow by new players. Please arrive 10-15 minutes early to have a hockey stick fitted.



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