



Wembley Primary School

Newsletter No. 5 – 8 March 2017

From the Principals

Year 6 Canberra Camp

The Year 6 team set off bright and early on Monday morning for their week long adventure in Canberra. The teachers have been in daily communication with the school and everything is going really well. The students have visited the Australian War Memorial, Parliament House, Telstra Tower and the Institute of Sport to date, with trips to Questacon and the Australian Museum to come. They are expected back at school on Friday afternoon around about 4pm. A notice regarding a more accurate arrival time will be sent out to parents via Sentral and TIQBIZ or parents are able to contact the office. In the coming weeks newsletters, we will have some interesting recounts of the camp to share with you.

Public Holiday-Monday 13 March

On Monday March 13 the school will be closed for the Labour Day Public holiday. All families are wished a happy long weekend!

Wembley Cross Country

The Wembley Cross Country trials will be held next week on Wednesday 15 March between 9.15 and 11.00am at McIvor Reserve. All students in Years 3-6 will be participating and parents are invited to come along a cheer along all of our athletes. Parents are asked to ensure that all children have applied sunscreen before they come to school on Wednesday morning (additional sunscreen will be available at the first aid station on the day), have their broad brimmed hat and a water bottle. From the trials a training squad will be selected to represent Wembley at the District Cross country which will be held in Term 2.

Upcoming dates:

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.

Parent Information Sessions on the Wembley Primary School Learning Cycle

Information regarding all aspects of the Learning Cycle at Wembley will be given to parents at information sessions that will be held at school next week on Wednesday 15 March at 9.00am and 6.00pm. The sessions will be held in the Jim Kinniburgh building and all parents are encouraged to attend and to learn more about the cutting edge work we are doing with learning, teaching and assessment at Wembley.

2017 Camping Program at Wembley

The camping program at Wembley enables students to further their learning and social development in a non-school setting. It is designed to assist with the gradual development of independence and responsibility by providing engaging, challenging and educational experiences beyond the classroom, for all students. The program has been sequentially planned to enable all students from Prep through to Year 6 to participate in.

To assist parents with future planning the following dates of camps for 2017 have been confirmed.

Year 6-Canberra-Monday 6 to Friday 10 March (5 days, 4 nights)-in progress

Year 5-Kangarooie, Great Ocean Road, Princeton Monday 19 to Friday 23 June (5 days, 4 nights)

Year 4-Sovereign Hill, Ballarat-Monday 27 to Wednesday 29 November (3 days, 2 nights)

Year 3-The Island, Phillip Island-Wednesday 29 November to Friday 1 December (3 days, 2 nights)

Year 2-Cottage by The Sea, Queenscliff- Group 1-Wednesday 7 June to Thursday 8 June, Group 2-Thursday 8 June to Friday 9 June (2 days, 1 night)

Year 1-Games, dinner and movie at school-5.00-November-December, date to be decided

Prep-Stay and Play-afternoon tea and games at school, adjacent to school day, November-December, date to be decided.

Further information will be sent home to each year level regarding their camping activities, closer to the date.

If you have any questions regarding the Camping Program at Wembley, please direct them to Annmaree Jones.

Medicare Child Dental Benefits Schedule

Parents are advised that the following service is available to assist families financially with dental expenses that may occur throughout the year. It is important to access regular dental checks for your children to ensure that their gums and teeth are healthy and their daily hygiene routines are effective in eliminating decay and dental disease.

The Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS) provides financial assistance of up to \$1000 over 2 calendar years for basic dental services to eligible children between the ages of 2-17 years.

Please visit <https://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/medicare/child-dental-benefits-schedule> for further information on eligibility and accessing and managing payments.

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 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

Special toys coming to school

Over the last couple of weeks several students have come to the office upset because they have lost or misplaced special toys, Pokémon cards, bey blades etc.

Unfortunately we are unable to take any responsibility for special or precious items that come to school. The safety of any items that come to school are the sole responsibility of the student and parent. The loss of these items causes distress to young children and it is difficult to resolve issues of missing things.

Please discuss this matter with your child and discourage them from bringing special items to school.

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. 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.

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.

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.wembleyps.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	Olive C	For always displaying a positive attitude towards her learning and always trying her best. Well done Olive!
Prep B	Hudson V	For his fantastic effort towards his craft and being a superstar all week! Impressive work Hudson!
Prep C	Lila J	For her amazing writing about The Very Hungry Caterpillar with Mr K!
Prep D	Lia D	For displaying a positive attitude towards her learning in class. Keep up the great work Lia!
Prep E	Miles D	For a fantastic effort when completing his independent writing tasks. Great work Miles!
1A	Annabelle L	For displaying excellent persistence when completing independent writing tasks.
1B	Bodhi P	For showing outstanding motivation, focus and effort in each task that he completes. Well done, Bodhi!
1C	Ryder S	For showing responsibility for his classroom by making sure it is always tidy. Awesome job Ryder!
1D	Audrey B	For showing increasing stamina in her writing and her wonderful recount about her birthday party. Well done Audrey!
2A	Oscar C	For the consistent effort and persistence which he applies to his own learning across the board. Well done Oscar!!
2B	Oliver S	For showing increased persistence and resilience when faced with new learning. Keep it up, Olly!
2C	Lucas E	For his outstanding effort with planning a detailed memoir about playing footy with his brother.
2D	Jackson S	For showing increased persistence and effort in all his work while also showcasing the 5L's consistently on the floor. Great work this week Jackson!
2E	Rayanne D	For showing persistence in maths and trying your best on the place value activity. Well done Rayanne. Keep it up!
3A	Angus K	For consistently upholding and modelling the Wembley Values both inside and outside of the classroom. Well done, Angus!
3B	Hannah M	For showing great attention to detail in her Narrative plan, and applying teacher feedback to her draft. Fantastic work Hannah!

3C	Lila G	For doing a fantastic job of settling in and for making friends in your new school.
3D	Harry H	For always completing his work to a high standard and participating in classroom discussion. Well done for a great start to the year Harry!
4A	Drew S	For his fantastic effort in achieving his SMART goal on odds and evens in Mathematics. Well done Drew, keep up the great work!
4B	Maddison C	For her enthusiasm to build her knowledge and skills and to apply these to her work. Keep up the impressive effort!
4C	Eve M	For showing persistence and enthusiasm about her learning of odds and evens in Mathematics. Keep up the great work!!
4D	Oscar G	For the patience and persistence he displayed when working with his partner during reading activities. Well done, Oscar, keep it up!
5A	Imogen A	For showing excellent persistence and resilience when presenting her Junior School Council speech in front of the class. Fantastic effort Imogen!
5B	Rose G	For her outstanding persuasive writing and then presenting her speech in a confident, articulate and entertaining manner.
5C	Olivia F	For her wonderful improvement she has shown already in 2017, particularly in her writing. Her brilliant attitude and positive personality has made 5C a great place to be.
5D	Tessa S	For outstanding persuasive writing and then presenting her speech in a confident and articulate manner.
5/6A		
6A	Troy H	For his mature and thoughtful contributions in class discussions as well as his inquisitive approach towards his work.
6B	Jade A	For her attitude, focus and persistence that she has shown towards her learning. Great work this week.
6C	Emily L	For settling in well in her new school, showing all the Wembley Values, and helping out her classmates at all times. Outstanding attitude Emily!

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

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