

What's on in the West

Wangaratta West Primary School Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 3rd April
Grade 1J + 1M Winton
Wetlands
Icy Pole Day Fundraiser

Wednesday 5th April
Cross Country
(see times page 3)

Thursday 6th April
Last day of Term 1
2:20pm Dismissal

Term 2

Monday 24th
First day of Term 2

Tuesday 25th
Anzac Day Public Holiday

Friday 28th April
Pupil Free Day



TERM 1 WEEK 10 | 31.03.2023

Our defibrillator has arrived

Our new defibrillator has arrived and been installed just inside the office door. One again, we'd like to extend our sincerest thanks to Garry and Marion Nash, and Mike Nobel from Garry Nash and Co. for their generous support. Thank you also to the Into Our Hands Community Foundation for their assistance in relation to the grant. We are extremely grateful!



Winter Uniform

As the days are beginning to become cooler, particularly in the mornings, we that you make sure your child or children have a school jumper that is clearly labelled. We are noticing a number of random jumpers being worn and ask that, if students have mislaid their uniform, they check lost property. If unsuccessful, we kindly ask that they either borrow a jumper from our second hand stock or purchase a replacement. Thank your for your support with this.

REMINDERS

Absences

Please text any absences to 0477 343 814 or call 5721 3491. It is a legal requirement that all absences are explained.

Signing Students In/Out

Please sign your child or children in and out at the office if they are arriving at school late or being picked up early. For early pick-ups, we ask that parents/carers please go directly to the office.

Late Arrivals

All classes (including specialist classes) will begin at 9:05am so we ask that students please make their way in to classrooms by 8:55am.

School Hours

Just a friendly reminder that staff supervision of students in the yard before school begins at 8:45am. Prior to this, all staff are in a staff briefing each morning and thus cannot monitor the yard. We understand that this timing may be difficult for some families which is why we have Out of School Hours care available each morning from 6:30am. Alternatively, should you wish to drop your child off before 8:45am, you may do so but please be aware that formal supervision is not available at this time and we recommend that students do not arrive before 8:30am.

Staff Correspondence

Staff can be contacted between 8:30am and 4:30pm on their working days. Out of hours contact may not be responded to until the following work day.

School Council

On Monday night we held a school council meeting at which new office bearers were selected. Congratulations to Tom Arnold who will be fulfilling the role of President; Rachel Hogan - Vice President and Jodie Wells - Treasurer.

Our subcommittees consist of:

Finance

- Tom Arnold
- Kristy Mullins
- Jodie Wells
- Tania Pool

Buildings & Grounds

- Danielle Ashmead
- Hayden Broadbent
- Rachel Hogan

Community/Engagement/Sponsorship Sub Committee

- Alexei Rowles
- Andrea Matheson
- Vanessa Manning
- Simon Billings
- Katie Easton

Other items raised at the meeting included the approval of the Term 1 OSHC Holiday Program and the 2023 cash budget; the replacement of the Hall carpet will be occurring over the Easter Break; advertising in the newsletter will be limited to not for profit organisations and corporate sponsors.

Easter Raffle

There is still time to get your tickets for our Easter Raffle! We have EIGHTEEN amazing prize packs up for grabs, consisting of a range of fabulous easter treats - chocolate, coffee cards and beans, craft activities - there's something for everyone!



Grade 5/6 Camp

Our campers didn't let some wet weather deter them from having a fantastic time at ADANAC in Yarra Junction. They were still able to complete their activities, despite being wetter than fish!



Final Day of Term & First Week Back

Next Thursday will be the final day of Term 1 - where has it gone! We will have an assembly before our departure of 2:20pm. Student of the Week certificates from last weeks newsletter and today's newsletter will be handed out at this assembly.

Please be reminded we will return to school on Monday 24th April, with Anzac Day on Tuesday 25th April, and staff will be undertaking professional development on Friday 28th April - this will be a pupil free day.

REMINDERS

Headlice

We endeavour to keep our school as free from headlice as possible. As such, any student who has live headlice or eggs will be sent home for treatment. They can return as soon as the treatment has occurred but please remember that it is vital that bedding, hats, clothing and any other soft furnishing/teddies that your child has used need to be washed. If you require a treatment kit, please let the office know.

Lunch Orders

Lunch orders are available online through Munch Monitor on Mondays, Thursdays & Fridays at first break (11.20am).

Bike Storage & Locks

We encourage our students to ride their bikes to school and would like to inform due to high numbers at the school now, we will require bikes to be stored in and out of the bike storage facility. Each student is required to have their own bike locks and are responsible for safely securing them to the bike racks.

Compass Parent Portal

If you haven't accessed the Compass Parent Portal please call into the office for your unique log in letter. This is vital for informing of student absences, emailing your child's teacher and accessing of student reports.

OSHC

All OSHC Queries/Bookings to 0407 004 059 or wangwestoshc@gmail.com



Westy's Sports Report

Cricket for Girls

Over the past month on Tuesday afternoons Cricket Victoria has been running an All Girls Cricket Program for some of our prep-6 girls. The girls got to practice their skills with the help of Nick while having loads of fun! We are thankful to Woolworths Cricket Blast and Cricket Victoria for this amazing opportunity and can't wait for the next chance to put these new skills into action!





Westy's Sports Report

Cross Country Course

We will be running the same course this year as we did last year, with all students starting on the oval, and finishing in the quiet area at the front of the school.

Preps will be running approximately 500m, Grade 1 & 2 approximately 800m, Grade 3 & 4 approximately 2km and Grade 5 & 6 approximately 3km.

Parents are welcome to watch on the Oval, Middle Area or finish line.

WWPS CROSS COUNTRY5th April 2023

Cross Country Times

Approximate times for the races:

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| Preps - 9.30 | |
| Grade 1s - 9.50 | Grade 4s - 12.30 |
| Grade 2s - 10.10 | Grade 5s - 1.00 |
| Grade 3s - 12.10 | Grade 6s - 1.30 |

All races are at school again this year!

Students wear house colours and appropriate running shoes!

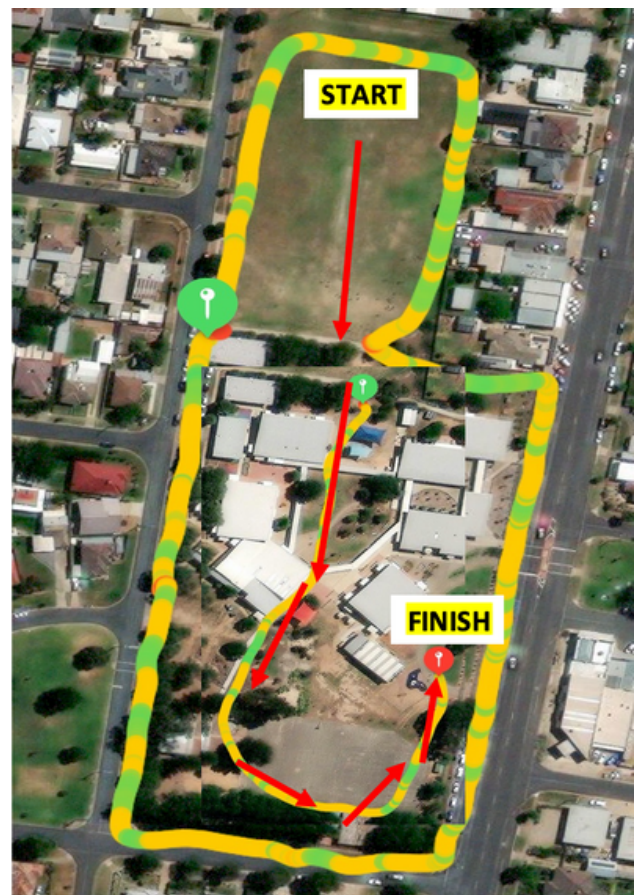
We are looking for some parent helpers to help with our 3-6 Cross Country at school on Friday 24th March.

Helpers needed from:

12.00pm - 1.00pm (grade 3/4 races)

1.00pm - 2.00pm (grade 5/6 races)

Please Seesaw or email me at demi.walker@education.vic.gov.au with the times you are available to help!



Student OF THE Week

- Prep A** Brock for his awesome effort learning and practising his sounds. I love your "can do" attitude, Brock! Well done and keep it up!
- Prep D** Joe For being enthusiastic and eager to practise pronouncing his sounds. Fantastic work, Joe!
- Prep M** Piper For working hard on your letters and sounds! You should be so proud of your work!
- Prep O** Wyatt Congratulations Wyatt, for smashing through all M300w words with ease and now working towards spelling these tricky words. You should be very proud for how hard you have been working in reading groups!
- 1J** Max for the amazing effort he has put into his writing and for working so hard at on his writing goal. Keep up the great work Max!
- 1ZC** Gus for the amazing effort he is putting into his learning, in particular developing instant recall of the high frequency words. Well done, Gus!
- 2C** Lily Rose For using her strong, but kind words to tell people how she is feeling when she is playing. This shows your courage, and I am proud of you.
- 3G** Tui For confidently and enthusiastically reading a picture story book to the whole class. We are so proud of you Tui!
- 3P** Brock for sharing his mental strategies in Mathematics this week with the class! Great work Brock, keep it up!
- 4SM** Kenzie Well done on using feedback and the Bump It Up Wall to up level your writing. Fantastic work, Kenzie!
- 6P** James For taking on feedback in a positive way with his learning and making good choices in the classroom.
- 6S** Luke For the amazing respect and manners he shows to all in the school. Luke we love the way you always greet us with a big smile, wave and a Hi Mr S and Hi Bec! Keep up the amazing work. You are a superstar.
- Auslan** Malakye for his amazing signing of zoo animals. Malakye, I am so impressed you challenged yourself to sign every animal we have learnt. You signed them carefully and correctly. Keep up the amazing work in Auslan!

ICY POLE DAY

All money raised will be donated to Oxley P.S

SRC Fundraiser



\$1

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

Oxley Primary School are collecting coins in honour of the loss of one of our favourite students, Imogen Booth, whose family were graced with the access to this charity in December 2022. We ask for any coins that you can spare so that we can donate to an important charity that supports regional families in times of need.

SRC Fundraiser

\$1

Monday April 3rd
1st Break

WWPS 2023

\$2 PER
TICKET

EASTER

• RAFFLE •



EASTER HAMPERS UP FOR GRABS!

PLEASE SEND ANY EASTER DONATIONS TO THE OFFICE.
ALL MONEY AND DONATIONS DUE NO LATER THAN
TUESDAY 4TH APRIL.

PRIZES DRAWN THURSDAY 5TH APRIL

PLAYGROUP



10AM - 11:30AM

EVERY WEDNESDAY

WWPS HALL

EVERYONE WELCOME

NO COST

FRUIT PROVIDED

**BEGINS
TERM 2
26TH OF APRIL**



JOIN THE FUN!

Wan garatta Auskick are thrilled to announce that in 2023 we will be offering a Girls Only Auskick program for those who wish to be part of a female only group of Auskickers.

The program will run on a Sunday morning and offers footy fun for girls aged 5-12 that are keen to give it a go!

The 2023 season starts on Sunday the 23rd of April at the Barr Reserve oval and the Girls Only program runs from 9:30am to 10:30am.

Head on over to <https://www.play.afl/play/auskick> to register!

Make sure you're following our Wangaratta Auskick Facebook page for the most up-to-date information about the season – the full 2023 draw will be available in the coming weeks.

If you have any further queries please contact our President, Ben Watts, on 0488 017 347.



WANGARATTA
HIGH SCHOOL



2024 SEAL INFORMATION EVENING

17th of May 2023 at 6pm in the FLC Building

Please join us for our 2024 SEAL (Select Entry Accelerated Learning program) Information Evening on Wednesday, the 17th of May at 6pm in the FLC Building.

For any enquiries, please contact our friendly SEAL Coordinator, Meryl Herman on 03 5723 0500 or via Meryl.Herman@education.vic.gov.au.

To RSVP, please use the provided QR code or via our Administration Office on 03 57230500.

We look forward to meeting you.



RSVP TODAY



MINI ROOS
REGISTRATIONS
NOW OPEN
Season starts April 28th

Muster/Grading night 31st of March
South Wangaratta Reserve

4:30pm 4-6 years

5:30pm 7-12 years

Active Kids Vouchers Accepted

To register head to: wangarattacityfc.com.au

Any questions: wcfcregistrar@gmail.com

Wangaratta Baptist Church

Bringing **HOPE** to the North East



Presents...

FREE
EASTER
FUN DAY



Easter Saturday

APEX PARK 10am-2pm

FREE Jumping Castle, Toy Workshop, Face Painting, Easter Egg Hunt, Hot Cross Buns and Sausage Sizzle!

