

Wattle Glen Primary School provides a learning for life environment where engagement, achievement, resilience and wellbeing are prioritised.

JUNE 7TH, 2023

NEWSLETTER NO.9

Term 2 Dates

JUNE

12th Public Holiday

13th Come and Play Session
3- PE

19th Prep Breakfast
School Council Meeting

21st Reports Available on
COMPASS

'Future Me' dress up day

Grade 3/4/5 and 5/6
Sustainable House Expo

23rd Last Day of Term 2,
school finishes at 2:20

Term 3 Dates

JULY

10th Term 3 Starts

Principal's Report

Hello everyone,

We've had another two wonderful weeks of learning at WGPS. "Return to School Day" was a great success and I would like to thank everyone for joining the fun, activities and sharing morning tea with us. I have included some photos further along in the newsletter. Big shout out to Beryl, Ava's special person, for joining us and bringing laughter. Beryl will be 104 years old on her next birthday. She was an absolute delight to chat with. Again, thank you to all of our staff working behind the scenes to make the event run so smoothly-activity organisation, resource preparation, catering and clean up. We couldn't have these special days without you.

On Monday I attended the Principal's conference at the Melbourne Convention Centre. It was great to attend the event with my fellow Principals and see the great work other schools are doing. I attended the "Leading Whole School Numeracy Improvement" session and I am very pleased to say that WGPS are well aligned to achieve whole school numeracy improvement. I also listened to the keynote speaker, who was none other than Professor Lea Waters, whom we are engaged with for Visible Wellbeing. It was wonderful to hear her speak about 'Emotional Awareness', which is the next component on her "SEARCH" framework that we will be learning about next term (this term it was Strengths). Another keynote speaker I enjoyed was Aunty Geraldine Atkinson, who spoke about First Nations perspectives, and how important it is to have an indigenous voice in Parliament.

Over the next two weeks our teachers will be very busy assessing students and writing end of Semester reports. They will be available for parents to read on Compass June 21st.

I'd like to send out lots of love to Blair Innella (one of our grade 6 students) and his family. Blair is currently in hospital. We are putting together a "Happy Hamper" to lift his spirits. If you would like to donate anything please drop it off at the office.

Have a wonderful week,
Mel

CALL OUT FOR TISSUES!

OUR TISSUE SUPPLY IS EMPTY. COULD YOU PLEASE DONATE A BOX?



School Council 2023: President: BJ McNeilly Vice President: Andrew Spence
Treasurer: Jayde Sheffield Secretary: Alison Wylie PTFA: Sarah Suban
General Members: Simon Braham, Rebecca Beasley, Megan Staley, Kylie D'Amico DET: Meredith Fell, Michelle de Haan Executive Officer: Mel McLennan



Stars of the Week

Week 5

- P/1 Jade
- 1/2/3 Xavier and Jack
- 3/4/5 Henry
- 5/6 Harriet



Week 6

- P/1 Luna
- 1/2/3 Jacob
- 3/4/5 Ada
- 5/6 Esther



Inter School Sport Awards

Each week, when we compete against the other schools for Inter School Sport (ISS), the opposing school selects students to receive recognition. Here are the recipients for weeks five and six.

Congratulations everyone!



Learning Showcase

In week five grade 3/4/5 showcased their work on Visible Wellbeing. The students spoke about character strengths. At week six assembly grade 1/2/3 shared their learning about renewable and non renewable energy. They showed the pin wheels they made, that use wind to move, which is an example of a renewable energy.



Curriculum News

Classroom Observations in June

What's happening

This week we started our term two classroom observations. This is when a teacher (in this instance it was Mel) goes into each classroom to observe a lesson, then feedback is given to the teacher.

On Wednesday the P/I maths lesson was observed.

Michelle was teaching a lesson on time, and it was amazing to see and hear the student learning taking place.

The learning Intention was: We are learning about time, and the students knew they had been successful when they could share something about a clock, or time.

Here are some of the amazing responses;

Braxton: 24 hours equals one day

Eliza: if the big hand is on the 12 and the little hand is on the 5, it's 5 o'clock

Finn: half a day equals 12 hours

Mason: 48 hours equals 2 days

Archer: the clock is always moving

Leila : 12 months equals 1 year

Elise: there are seven days in one week

Jade: Saturday and Sunday are the days of the week we don't come to school

Well done Ms de Haan and P/I. Keep up the incredible learning!

June Lunch time clubs

Minecraft - Monday,

Wednesday and Friday

Mindful Colouring- Tuesday

Lego - Thursday



Reminders

JSC Fundraiser

Student's dress up as their "Future Me" on June 21

Grade 3/4/5 and 5/6 Expo June 21



TERM 2 JSC FUNDRAISER



This year the JSC have continued the work from 2022 and decided to raise money to create a more sustainable Wattle Glen Primary School.

The JSC have discussed the importance of being sustainable so that we can look after our planet for our future selves and future generations. With this in mind this term we will be having a 'Future Me' dress up day. Dress up as what you dream to be in the future; a farmer, a basketball player, a doctor the possibilities are endless.

Bring a gold coin donation and come dressed as your future self.

SAND SCULPTURES!

Look at the amazing sand sculptures that our creative students have been working on at recess. Aren't they fantastic!



Do you want to adopt some chickens?



*We are receiving chicks in 1/2/3
and our chick's can be adopted!*

If you wish to adopt chickens (must take at least 2 chicks as they are a flock bird) please email Kira Elliott with your name and the number of chicks you wish to adopt.

Please note we are unable to tell with certainty, if the chicks are hens or roosters at this age.

Optional 'Take Home - Starter Pack' are available to assist in setting up to look after new baby chicks (refer Take Home Pack flyer for contents). Pack orders will need to be received by us by 5.00 pm on Thursday the 22nd of June before collection. Cost \$40 (cash preferred).

Note : It would be helpful if chicks were taken prior to them being collected by Henny Penny Hatching (Friday morning) - thanks.

If you have any queries please contact Linda (Henny Penny Hatching) on 0422 404 233.

Adopting chicks- Fact sheet

Chick Breeds: Bond Black Layer (like Australorp) • Pale Yellow; Caramel – Bond Brown Layer (hybrid, similar to Isa Brown) Both breeds produce excellent laying hens.

Please be advised should you wish to take home chicks they are 'as hatched' (they could be 50% females and 50% males). We recommend therefore that you do not take chicks home if you will be infringing local Council bylaws in any way (please check with your local council).

Important: Please do not adopt our chicks if you would not be able to source a suitable home for a rooster. You must have a rooster plan.

Predators include foxes, cats, dogs and crows. A crow will fly down and attack and kill a baby chick. Please do not leave chicks unattended outside in the backyard at any time even in a cage or box.

We suggest that before committing to taking home chicks, you visit our website:- www.hennypennyhatching.com.au in order to familiarise yourself as to your responsibilities in looking after the chicks. Areas to access are - Taking Home Chicks and Frequently asked Questions.

What you will need:

You will need to take home at least 2 chicks. (Chickens are flock birds and need each other to be reared successfully. They will perish if alone).

If you do decide to take home chicks at this young age (7 - 14 days old), the chicks will require:-

- warm, draught proof environment in a room;
- light/heat lamp producing at least 35 degrees (c) at floor level. (heat required until fully feathered approximately 5-8 weeks)
- feeder;
- drinker;
- bedding material (wood shavings).

Initially for 2-3 chicks a large open topped cardboard box will suffice, wood shavings for bedding, a feeder, drinker with a suspended lamp with at least a 60 watt bulb for heat. (Desk Lamp can be used). Any heat source must be carefully mounted to minimise fire risks. We recommend a Philips NR63 reflector globe for your chicks heat needs - 60W 240V - available at Bunnings or some Woolworths stores.

(Wood shavings, drinker, feeder and food (chick starter crumb) can all be purchased at any produce store in your area or Henny Penny has an optional 'Starter Pack' available which contains all the things you would need to start off. Cost \$40

Pullets (female poultry) start laying eggs at about 19 weeks of age.

At this time they will require:

- a special shed with nest boxes and perches;
- large feeder (that can be hung and provides feed automatically allow 6" per bird around the feeder for ample feeding space)(included in the Starter Pack);
- a drinker;
- a secure fully enclosed pen to run in preferably on grass and in the shade. Secure from predators (foxes)

Vaccinations

All adult chickens at our farm are fully vaccinated and the embryo eggs fumigated. Chicks have a natural immunity to disease for 3 weeks after birth. After that time, vaccination for your animals, when they are at the appropriate age, is your decision to make.

Please note:

We are unable to tell with certainty, if chicks are roosters or hens until they are approx 6-8 weeks old. Due to health & safety issues, Henny Penny Hatching is unable to take any chickens back once they have left the program.



CAFE 4060

Café 4060 will be operating again in
Term 3, on the following dates;

July 18

August 1

August 15

August 29

September 4



CAFE 4060 MENU

HOT FOOD

Patties Party Pie	\$0.50 each
Patties Sausage Roll	\$0.50 each
Cheese Toastie	\$3.00
Hot Dog	\$4.00
McCain Lil' Pizza	\$3.00 each
• Ham and pineapple	
• Margherita	

*tomato sauce available

DRINKS

Juice Boxes- all flavours	\$1.00
Water 600ml	\$1.00
Milk 200ml	Free

SNACKS

Apple, Orange, Pear	Free
Messy Monkeys-BBQ flavour only	Free



Wattle Glen
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Experience our specialists

Wattle Glen Primary School invites all preschool children to attend our 'experience the specialist' sessions.

Session one: Art
May 2nd
3:45pm- 4:30pm

Session two: Performing Arts
May 23rd
3:45pm- 4:30pm

Session three: Sport
June 13th
3:45pm- 4:30pm



In these sessions, children will have the opportunity to participate in specialist related activities.


All sessions will be supervised by current staff members.

Call or email the office to enrol your child in these amazing transition experiences.



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 Wattle Glen Primary School

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WATTLE PLAYGROUP



COME AND JOIN US AT WATTLE GLEN PRIMARY SCHOOL
FOR A FUN AND EDUCATIONAL PLAYGROUP.
PLAYGROUP IS DESIGNED TO HELP CHILDREN
SOCIALISE AND LEARN SOME FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS
BEFORE ENTERING PRIMARY SCHOOL.

WHO CAN JOIN US?

We invite all children under the age of 6!

Our playgroup is catered to all ages as we have created a space that encourages free play, while also providing the children with opportunities to learn new skills and concepts. (We do kindly ask that children under the age of 2 to be supervised by a carer at all times.)

WHAT TO BRING?

Please bring along your child's drink bottle and their hat for outside play.

We encourage personal toys to stay at home as we have a large variety of activities and toys for children to play with.

WHEN?

Every Friday
during the school
term.
10-11am
Fruit will be
provided.

WHERE?

Wattle Glen Primary School
16-24 Reynolds Road, Wattle Glen.
Enter the school via gate 1 on
Sunnyside Crescent

CONTACT US...

16-24 Reynolds Road, Wattle Glen Vic 3096

Phone: 9438 1259

Email: wattle.glen.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Website: wattlegps.vic.edu.au



RETURN TO SCHOOL DAY





Community Announcements

WWW. BLUELIGHT.ORG.AU

16TH JUNE

Blue Light

PROUDLY RUN BY LOCAL POLICE AND VOLUNTEERS

DIAMOND CREEK BLUE LIGHT DISCO

7 - 9.30PM | 8 TO 13 ONLY | \$8 ENTRY CASH ONLY NO EFTPOS

DIAMOND CREEK COMMUNITY CENTRE
28 MAIN HURSTBRIDGE RD, DIAMOND CREEK
PLEASE ENSURE CHILDREN HAVE AN EMERGENCY CONTACT ON THEM
CONTACT SENIOR SERGEANT WAYNE SPENCE 9438 8300

DIAMOND CREEK BLUE LIGHT DISCO

DIAMOND CREEK BLUE LIGHT

WINTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

<p>Diamond Creek</p> <p>Marine life magic 26 June, 9:30 - 10:30am - \$20</p> <p>Panton Hill</p> <p>The Story of Me - story writing workshop 8-13yrs 29 June, 10am-11am - \$10</p> <p>Polymer clay earrings 10-16yrs 5 July 10am-12pm - \$25</p> <p>Bush magic 5-12 yrs 6 July, 10am-11am - \$10</p>	<p>Eltham</p> <p>Mosaic pot decorating 27 June, 9:00am-10:00am - Free</p> <p>Drama for kids 7-11yrs 4 July, 9:30am-12:30pm - \$25</p> <p>Kindy Kids Yoga 3-5yrs 7 July, 9:30am-10am - \$7</p> <p>Primary Kids Yoga 6-12yrs 7 July, 10:15am-11am - \$10</p>
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livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au

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Help get Treaty done — sign up today:

TREATYELECTIONS.ORG

This is mob's opportunity to choose who we want negotiating Treaty.

ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS YOUR VOTE MATTERS

VOTE MAY 13 - JUNE 3

TREATY FOR VICTORIA



ETC'S FIRST NATIONS SCHOLARSHIPS

Invest in your future and your community!

3 x \$2500 SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE AWARDED

Are you an **Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander** person (over 15 years old) looking to further your education and create a brighter future? ETC is offering three scholarships to support your educational journey and help you gain the skills needed to succeed in high-demand industries.

SCAN QR CODE



OR

VISIT OUR WEBSITE:

<https://etcctd.com.au/first-nations-scholarships/>

Application period:

24 APRIL – 16 JUNE



YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE

1800 007 400
etcctd.com.au



DENTESSENCE
DIAMOND CREEK

Open Day

Saturday July 8th

11.00 am – 1.00 pm

43 Chute Street, Diamond Creek

(Old Commonwealth Bank)

Come and say Hello

Join us for a tour, coffee, a pizza truck,
kids face painting, prizes and more.



FOR MORE
INFORMATION