



Lake Wangary School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 1 - 28th April 2021



Indonesian & Technology

In Term 1 for Indonesian, we had been learning about the map of Indonesia including the natural and constructed features. The Middle and Upper Primary classes did some mapping and learnt to give directions using Indonesian. The Junior Primary Class drew a map of the area around their house and made some amazing volcanoes using paint, paper plates and cotton wool. For Digital Technology, the Junior Primary learnt basic coding using building blocks based around the story of Rosie's Walk.

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dates to Remember:



TERM 2 Week 2

Monday 3rd May
Surf Comp Elliston

Tuesday 4th May
Gov Council
Meeting 6.00pm

Thursday 6th May
School Assembly
2.30pm

Friday 7th May
Hockey

Week 3

NAPLAN WEEK

Week 4

Thursday 20th May
Foody Fundraiser

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to term 2. I hope you all had a restful break and are rejuvenated. Term 2 is always a busy time and we have hit the ground running. Next week we have 8 students from the Upper Primary class attending a school surfing competition near Elliston. We wish the children all the best and thank Mr Rowe and other parents for supporting this event.

Congratulations to Tallara Slater and Makani Saxby for 100% attendance in term 1. There is an assembly on Thursday the 6th of May at 2:30pm in the gym where we will be presenting attendance and L.E.A.R.N awards plus seeing student learning.

Congratulations to all the students who competed at the Interschool Sports Day in the last week of term 1. We had some great achievements and congratulations to those who won and have been invited to compete in Adelaide. Good Luck.

NAPLAN is rapidly approaching in week 3 for all year 3, 5 and 7 students. There are 4 tests on Language conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy. These tests give the school vital data to help our planning and programming. NAPLAN is not a competition, rather a means of assessing children. Tests are 40-50 minutes each and I will provide a few biscuits for students during the test to keep nerves minimal. Most students have no issues sitting test and they can do at their own pace. Testing is important for students as they will have numerous tests throughout their life.

Attached to the newsletter is a fact sheet for parents. Please take the time to read this. If you have any questions please contact the school. Parents can exempt their child from the test through completing a form, however there needs to be sufficient reasons why. We encourage all students to take the test. Please contact the school for further information.

The Governing Council has changed the meeting date to next week - 4th of May at 6pm. If you have any agenda items please contact one of the GC members.

This term we will be doing cross country running on Wednesdays and Fridays before recess.

The preschool is set to be repaired this term and we have been looking forward to this. We are hopeful that all work is completed before the rains start.

We have some big events coming up this term. These include Reconciliation Week, Drama performances and Minya Custodians. In the administration building we have our stobbie designs on display. Please come and see they look great.

Here's to a great, productive and challenging term.

Regards,

Wade Branford

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TERM 2 REMINDERS

ABSENCES

Please remember to contact the school if your child is absent. You can use the skoolbag app, text the school's mobile number or ring the front office.

UNIFORMS

Uniform items can be purchased from the front office. Second hand items too. Please name all uniform items - there is a mountain of un-named lost property, plus water bottles and food containers.

CONTACT DETAILS

Please contact the school if your personal details change. It is important we have the correct contact numbers, postal and residential addresses.

NOTES

Please remember to check your child's bag/communication book/diary/blue reader bag, each night for important notes home. While we have our Facebook page, SMS messages, and the Skoolbag App, notes being sent home are still a huge part of our communication. We always endeavour to make sure the notes are placed safely in bags at the end of the day and students and parents must also take responsibility to unpack them at home.

PHONES

Phones are not encouraged to be brought to school. They are to be handed into the front office on arrival at school and not kept in bags.

WATER BOTTLES

Please ensure that your child/ren have their water bottles filled up each day.

STUDENT & VISITOR SIGN IN/OUT BOOK

Please note all students arriving late or leaving early must come through the front office and be signed in or out.

THANK YOU

TERM 2 ASSEMBLIES

WEEK 1 - THURSDAY 6TH MAY 2.30PM
JUNIOR PRIMARY HOSTING

WEEK 9 - THURSDAY 24TH JUNE 2.30PM
UPPER PRIMARY HOSTING

SAPSASA ATHLETICS RESULTS 8/3/21

Congratulations to following students:

Kade Clarke - 2nd Shotput

Sharlee Leslie - 2nd Shotput

Lilly Brown - 2nd Long jump

Ruby Dent 4th - 100m & 200m

Felix Hawkes - 1st 100m 2nd 200m

Kyuss Bates - 2nd 200m 1st 100m

2020 YEARBOOK

The 2020 Yearbooks have arrived! Please note payment of \$20 is needed before they can be sent home if you have ordered one. Thank you.

CADBURY CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

The school is fundraising for future school camps. **Only 10 boxes of eggs and 6 boxes of frogs left to sell!**

Please contact the school if you would like to help out and sell a box or two.



Term Dates

Term 1: 28 January - 9 April

Term 2: 27 April - 2 July

Term 3: 19 July - 24 September

Term 4: 11 October - 9 December

Parent and Student Information



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NAPLAN testing 2021

Information for parents and carers

NAPLAN testing

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assesses literacy and numeracy skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life.

Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 may participate in the annual NAPLAN tests in reading, writing, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

The assessment provides parents/carers and schools with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests.

This year, the NAPLAN Online test window is 11 to 21 May. Most schools in South Australia will undertake testing online, however all Year 3 students will complete the writing test on paper. There are contingency measures to revert to paper testing if required.

Supporting your child

On its own, NAPLAN is not a test that can be studied for and students are not expected to do so. You can reassure your child that NAPLAN is just one part of their school program and remind them on the day to simply do their best.

It is not recommended that students use services by coaching providers or excessively prepare for NAPLAN testing.

Teachers will ensure students are familiar with the types of questions in the tests and provide appropriate support and guidance.

NAPLAN reporting

Individual student performance is shown on a national achievement scale, and a NAPLAN individual student report will be issued by your child's school later in the year.

Students and parents may use individual results to discuss progress with teachers, while teachers use results to better identify students who would benefit from greater challenges or extra support.

Participation in NAPLAN

Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 may participate in NAPLAN testing. If a child is absent on a testing day, the school may arrange for them to complete the missed test/s another time during the school's test schedule.

If a student has a disability, they may qualify for adjustments to their tests. Students with a disability that severely limits their capacity to participate, or students who have recently arrived in Australia with a non-English speaking background, may be granted a formal exemption.

There are provisions for parents/carers to withdraw their child from NAPLAN testing. Schools are familiar with this process and a decision should be made with your child's school. Speak to your principal in the first instance.

More information

For queries about NAPLAN, speak to your child's school. You can also find information about NAPLAN testing at www.nap.edu.au.