

Week 2, Term 4

Friday 25 October 2024

# **Congrats Chelsea, State Champion!**

Warami (Hello),

Yesterday I had the honour and privilege to attend the NSW PSSA State Athletics Championships held at Sydney Olympic Park. This year our school was proudly represented by Chelsea.W in the 100m and 200m events and our Senior Girls Relay Team consisting of Chelsea.R, Charlotte, Koa and Chelsea.W.

Chelsea placed first in her 200m heat, she also placed first in her 100m heat and semi-final, she also broke the state record in her 100m heat, setting the scene for a great chance in the final. Chelsea's hard work, commitment and determination paid off, she had convincing wins in both the 100m and 200m finals, bringing home two gold medals and the title of state champion. It was a heartwarming experience to share this special occasion with Chelsea and her family, who are so proud of her achievements.

Our relay team placed third in their heat and 12<sup>th</sup> overall out of 38 teams. The four girls gave it their all running with such determination, we are so pleased with their efforts.



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## **World Teachers Day**

Today we celebrated the amazing work that our teachers do each and every day to support the learning of our students.

I am very proud to lead such a wonderful group of teachers and thank them for everything they do to prepare our students to be great citizens.

I would also like to thank our P&C and parent volunteers for the delicious morning tea and lunch they provided for us and for the very generous gift that each teacher received.



### Parking at drop off and pick up times

I would like to remind families that we have a few no stopping zones outside the school, these areas are clearly marked by signage. We have had the rangers out a couple of times this year and they have booked parents who are parked illegally during drop off and pickup times.

Please also be mindful when dropping off and picking up from OOSH, that these no stopping zones still apply outside school hours.

Thank you to those families who are parking in the correct places, keeping our students safe.

### Supervision - Before and After School

I would like to take this opportunity to remind our families that supervision of students does not commence until 8.30am. Our front gates are closed and are not opened until 8.30am, students waiting outside the gate prior to 8.30am are unsupervised.

If you are running late and are unable to collect your child at 3pm, please contact the office to let us know. Teachers attend meetings most afternoons during the week and are unable to provide supervision for students after 3pm.



We encourage families to contact our Out of School Hours Care provider in the school hall if you require care before or after school.

### Dogs on school grounds

A reminder that dogs should not be on the school grounds - this includes the new outdoor learning space at the front of the school or any area within the school gates. Please also keep in mind that even on the footpath areas, dogs should be on a lead at all times and that some of our students are genuinely scared of dogs.



Under the Companion Animals Act 1998 (NSW), Section 14, dogs are prohibited on school grounds unless the Principal grants permission. Reasons why the Principal may grant permission for a dog to be in a school include:



1. Assistance or Service dogs – are accredited and specially trained to assist an individual person with a disability. Assistance dogs have undertaken a Public Access Test (PAT) and meet the NSW standards for public access rights. The term assistance dog is the generic term for a guide, hearing, or service dog, specifically trained to perform identifiable physical tasks and behaviours that assist a person with a disability in order to aid in quality of life and/or independence.

- 2. Farm working dogs may be used on school farms and must be under the control of the teacher, farm assistant or person in charge of the activity at all times.
- 3. Visits by organised groups or programs for school incursions includes such programs as Responsible Pet Ownership Education Program offered by the Office of Local Government.
- 4. School support dogs are used in schools to provide emotional support, companionship or well-being support. They are often known as therapy, emotional support or companion dogs. For the purpose of these guidelines, any dog in a school used to support student wellbeing (other than accredited assistance dogs) will be referred to as school support dogs.

Yanu (Goodbye)

Mrs Belinda Clarke

Principal

# Congratulations to our Merit Award Winners from...

	KL	KT	K-2G
Week 2	Georgia Lincoln Molly Lucas	Jai Blake Owen Stella	Krish Eleanor
1F	1/2D	2R	1/5B
Charlotte Lily Lachlan Zorawar	Ashleigh Hunter Isaac Charlotte	Liam Basim Evan Alexander	Elijah Elizabeth
3/4B	3/4G	3/4W	4/50
Cooper Randal Hannah Carly	Lara Zyra Brody Nathaniel	Hayden Jessica Nicholas	
4/6G	5/6P	5/6T	5/6ST
Liam Samantha	Lexi Cynthie Braxton Baylana	Jade Chayce Ruby-Lee	Raynesh John Riley

Students' names are only included if the school has permission to publish, therefore some classes may only have one or no names listed.

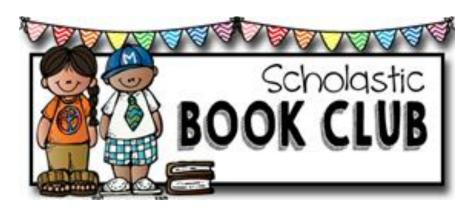




Thank you to all the families who returned their overdue library books or paid for those that they could not find.

Please remember, books that have become lost or damaged beyond repair

need to be paid for.



The latest issue of Book Club was handed out to students yesterday.

Orders close **Friday 1**<sup>st</sup> **November.** If you wish to collect your order at the office, please tick the gift order box. You will be contacted when your order is ready to be collected.

Mrs Baxter Teacher Librarian PRC Coordinator Book Club Coordinator



# FEATURE TEACHERS

# **MS BREEN**

What year did you join Werrington County Public School? I joined Werrington County Public School in 2019!

What advice would you give to the Year 6 students entering High School? It's completely normal to feel nervous as you start high school. Remember that you're not alone and most students are feeling the same way. With new experiences also comes excitement - embrace both feelings! Being nervous means, you care about doing well! Don't be afraid to ask for support if you need it.

What year would you teach in school if you had the opportunity? I used to be a teacher before my current role. I would teach Kindergarten!

Who are your top 3 favourite teachers? My English teacher in Year 12 inspired me to love books and read in general. Another favourite teacher was my Year 7 maths teacher because he taught me Algebra. My other favourite was my Kindergarten teacher because I liked the way her chin crinkled when she made the 'fff' sound.

What is your favourite movie of all time? My favourite movie is The Never Ending Story!





# **MRS COLEBORN**

If you could go back in time to any age, what age would you choose? I'd go back to being 18, because the 80s were great!

What is your favourite food?

My favourite food is pizza because you can add anything to it.

If you had 1 million dollars what would you do with it?

I'd buy my children a house and start an animal rescue program.

What would be your dream holiday?

Travelling around Australia with my whole family.

If you had to pick one job for the rest of your life what would you do? I would choose my current job which is an SLSO.

# MISS MULFORD

What is your favourite Sport? I enjoy watching soccer.

**Do you have any pets?** I have a golden retriever named Molly and a Labrador named Stella.

What would you do with one million dollars? I would buy everyone in my family a house, donate some money to the homeless and buy land. Where would you like to go on vacation? I would love to go to England to visit family.

What was the most recent concert you went to? I went to see Taylor Swift with Mrs Moss!



Our Feature Teachers have been interviewed by our Student Leadership Team.



# In KL we have been using blocks to create data displays













In Term 4 our teachers and students are working together to build and consolidate our Positive Affective Language vocabularies.

For the next couple of weeks, we are introducing the Positive Affective Language Wheel.



Teachers or students spin the wheel at the start of the day/week, and whatever word it lands on becomes the word of the day or week for that class. The challenge is then to accurately use the word as often as possible - for both teachers and students.

Students who use the word correctly during a conversation might be rewarded with Superkid tokens, or if they are exceptionally great at using Positive Affective Language, they might earn a Teachers Award!

We are aiming to finish the term strongly and keep that positive language going!!!!

Ask you child which word their class is focussing on this week!



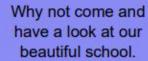
# Kindergarten 2025

It's Time To Enrol!



Have you enrolled your child yet?

Please feel free to contact our friendly office staff if you have any questions.



We have 3 different tour sessions available.



# 2025 KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL TOURS

TUESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER 2024 AND OCTOBER 28TH 2024

Come along and have a look at our

heautiful school
3 SESSIONS AVAILABLE
17/9/24 - 3.15 PM OR 5PM
28/10/24 - 5PM ONLY
RSVP VIA OR CODE OR LINK

HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/DHD8CD2ZMLURZWGJ9



# P&C NEWS

# **UPDATES**

We hope everyone had a great time at the school disco. We raised over \$2000 on the night so it was a great success!

World Teacher day is coming up on 25/10. Make sure you take the time to thank our teachers for everything they do.

# **HELP NEEDED**

Our Christmas raffle is one of our biggest fundraisers for the year.

We are seeking any donations of gifts or services which can include vouchers for us to raffle off on the day. If you think you, a business or someone you know may be able to contribute to this, please contact us.









# STAY IN TOUCH

For news and updates, please follow our Facebook page or contact us via email for any suggestions or information.



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# FUNDRAISERS

25.10.24 - World Teacher Day

**01.11.24** – Note for Christmas cookie fundraiser sent home (due back 29.11.24)

**06.12.24** – County Carols and Christmas raffle



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1	14 Oct Staff and Students return	15 Oct	<b>16 Oct</b> P&C Meeting 9am	17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	18th Oct
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7	25 Nov	<b>26 Nov</b> Kindergarten Orientation Visit 4 – Library/Sport	27 Nov	28 Nov	29 Nov  Orders due back for cookie fundraiser  Special Education Excursion
8	2 Dec	3 Dec  High School Orientation – Public Schools	4 Dec Presentation Day Assembly	5 Dec	6 Dec  Newsletter Day Christmas in the Courtyard 5.30pm Last day to hand in your 10 awards for this term
9	9 Dec	10 Dec	11 Dec  Recognition Assembly	12 Dec	13 Dec
10	16 Dec Year 6 Graduation and Farewell Reports sent home	17 Dec	18 Dec Principal Assembly - 2pm Year 6 Arch 2.45pm Last Day for students	19 Dec Staff Development Day	20 Dec Staff Development Day



# **Our School Values and Expectations**

# and Compassionate

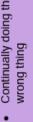
Orange Slip We are Curious, Collaborative

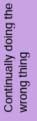
Reflection Time



Principal

Purple Slip





Brought a weapon to

school

Drawing on school or

violent and attempting Being physically to harm others

 Hitting, punching or kicking another person's property

because you want to hurt

someone

Stealing

# Name on Chart Name

Time to have a chat

Throwing objects in the

classroom Back chat

Talking when someone else is talking

Back on track and

reminder

Chill Zone

Using the furniture in the wrong way

You can turn this around

Not following

instructions

- Using equipment in the wrong way
- Not sitting on the floor correctly

Not completing your

Distracting yourself or

Take some deep

Think it through

Leaving rubbish on the

Move on from the

mistake

Implementation of Berry Street/Bill Rogers Strategies student moves to yellow If behaviour is repeated to assist in turning behaviour around.

# AP Reflection Time Yellow Slip Step 2

after being asked multiple Not following instructions

Take 5 Completed

- Not keeping your hands and feet to yourself
- Hurting others on purpose

Repeatedly not keeping your

hands to yourself

disrespectful or disruptive

Repeatedly being

- inappropriate language when speaking to Using rude or someone
- Wrong place at the wrong time multiple times, on

Repeatedly using rude

Racist language

Cyber bullying

Bullying

 Repeatedly in the wrong place at the wrong time

student moves to purple If behaviour continues

If behaviour is repeated

If behaviour is repeated

student moves to

orange step

student moves to red