



Issue 14 Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024

## Upcoming Events :

- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May- Breakfast Club at 8am
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May- Whole School Athletics
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May- Interschool Sports
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May- State School Spectacular



Key Dates



## Principal's Report

This week is Week 5, and therefore we are at the midpoint of Term 2. Whilst our staffing profile has been very settled, it will be very nice to welcome Fiona Dandie to the WPS team next week as Fiona will be starting as our Wellbeing Learning Specialist. Next week Fiona will complete a little introduction about herself in the newsletter, so we can all put a name to the face.

This week we had our 3<sup>rd</sup> School Council meeting for the year. With Betty Tzelepis leaving the school, one of the positions was vacated, so I would like to welcome Brad Dupuy who has stepped into this 'teacher representative' position for the remainder of the year.

At School Council it was pleasing that we were finally able to present the main points of the WPS Annual Implementation Plan, (AIP). The AIP operationalises the 4-year School Strategic Plan (SSP). All schools must prepare an AIP each year which outlines how the school will implement the goals and key improvement strategies (KIS) that will be their focus for improvement in the coming year.

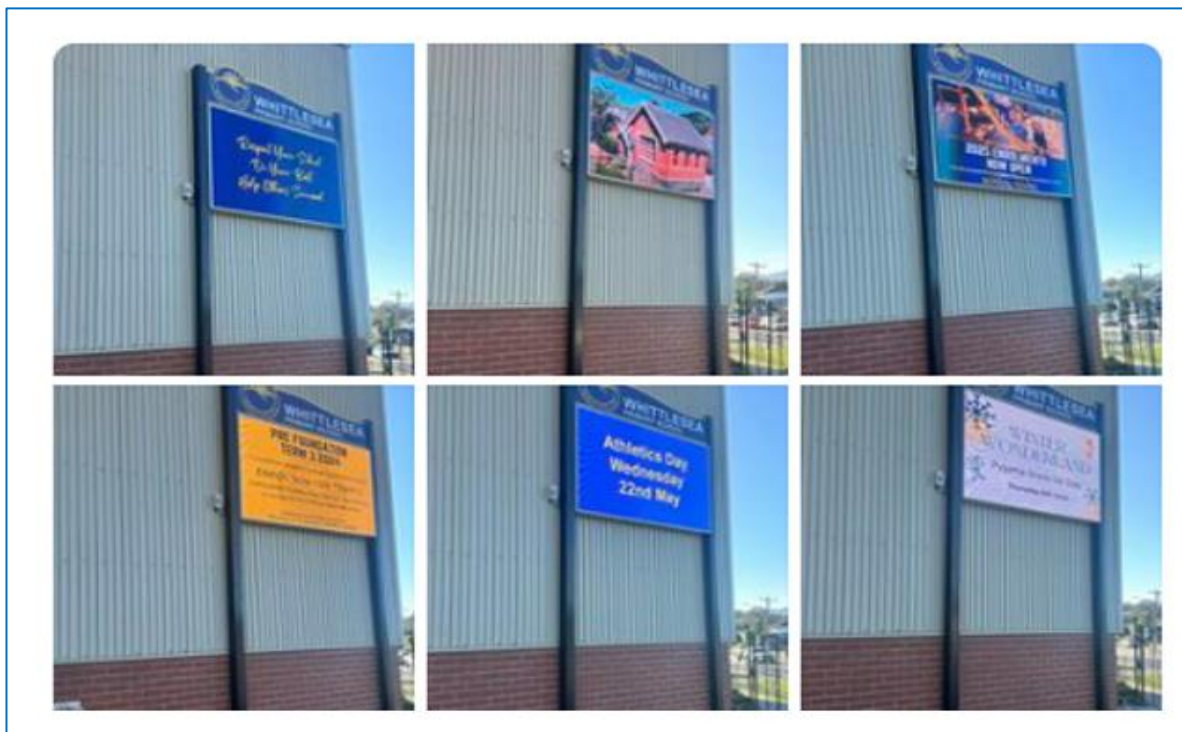
**2024 Annual Implementation Plan**  
for improving student outcomes

Our School council also approved that we will have a student free day on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June. This is a staff professional practice day that all teachers are entitled to under our current work agreement. If any family is requiring supervision on this day, then please contact TheirCare who will facilitate this. On the day prior we decided to have an out of uniform Pyjama Day, which acknowledges the season of Winter has arrived, and also has an 'optional' gold coin donation which will support the relocation of part of our indigenous garden due to the placement of our new toilet block. It will be great day, leading into an 'extended' long weekend.

Recently we have gained access to preliminary results for NAPLAN. These results are for all domains except for Writing. We will continue to unpack the results and look at the areas of strength and areas for improvement in developing our teaching and learning program throughout the remainder of 2024 and into 2025. Unfortunately, we are not able to share any results with students or families. It is anticipated that all results will be available to students and families later this term, or at the start of Term 3.

At the time of writing this article, our teachers have commenced the process of getting ready and collecting evidence for our upcoming Semester 1 Reports. The format for the 2024 reports will remain unchanged. Throughout Semester 2, we will complete an analysis of the reports and seek student, staff, and community feedback so we can ensure that the time and effort that reports demand is meeting the needs of our community.

Our new Electronic Sign has been installed on the Early Learning Centre wall at the school. We have been waiting for this for several months, so it is pleasing that it is now up and running. We will be using this to promote various events that are coming up in the school and community, as well as information reminders, such as the 40km speed limit during drop off and pick up times



Lastly, I would like to acknowledge that that this week we celebrated Education Support Appreciation day. Our Education Support staff are vital to the success of our school, whether it be in classrooms, tutoring, in the yard or in the office all our Education support staff members are highly valued and greatly appreciated at Whittlesea Primary School. We hope you enjoyed your lunch and your Certificate of Appreciation that we celebrated on Thursday 16h May. Our ES staff are AWESOME!



Enjoy your weekend,  
Kaylene Kubeil  
Principal

Don't forget we have a  
student free day on  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

# Assistant Principal's Report



Hello everyone

Next Wednesday, we are looking forward to our annual Whole School Athletics Carnival at Meadowglen International Athletics Stadium. If you have not yet paid and consented for this event, please check Compass. Our Year 3-6 students will be boarding the buses from 9:00am so aim for you children to be at school on time. The Foundation and Year 1/2 students will be leaving at 10:45am. We are looking forward to a great day of activities and hopefully some great weather.

Just a reminder that the embankment running along the school in Plover Way is a NO STANDING ZONE and is enforced by Whittlesea Council. To avoid council fines, we encourage you not to park here. We are liaising with Whittlesea Council to request for during this time. Once we know more, we will communicate this to families.

## TOILET INSTALLATION

Next Wednesday is ATHLETICS DAY and the long-awaited toilet installation. There will be some significant changes to traffic conditions and parking at the school due to the toilet installation. The staff carpark off Plover Way will be CLOSED to all traffic. Parents are encouraged to seek alternate parking for drop off and pick up on this day. Theircare will be relocated to the gym and entry will be via the front gate on Plenty Road.

We have liaised with the Church parish, and they have kindly agreed to open the Church carpark early for Theircare drop off in the morning from 6:45am and pick up until 6:30pm. Note that ALL STAFF will be using the Church carpark on this day and there will be limited drop off spots for parents. We encourage you to think ahead and consider alternate drop off and pick up spots on this day.

A reminder that as the cooler weather sets in all jumpers, bomber jackets and soft-shell jackets should be clearly labelled so that they can be returned quickly if they are left in the yard during breaks or outdoor learning. Hats are no longer required to be worn outside however our schoolhouse beanies are available for purchase at the office for \$15.

Best wishes for a wonderful weekend with your family 😊

Rae Gittos  
Assistant Principal



# Star of the Week

Student/Class	Date:	Class:	For demonstrating:	Teacher
Luca Coomber	17th May, 2024	Foundation D	Making 2 step patterns using blocks and then drawing the pattern in his maths book.	Mikayla Di Mauro
Quinn Cossick	17th May, 2024	Foundation G	Great speaking and listening skills when presenting your 'All about me' poster for Inquiry. Well done, Quinn.	Jess Gordon
Britney Cameron	17th May, 2024	Foundation F	Her knowledge of letter sounds and blending when reading CVC words. Well Done, Brit!	Jess Fontana
Brylie Crocker	17th May, 2024	Year 1/2F	Kindness towards her classmates and always giving things a red hot go. Well done, superstar!	Carli Scoberg/Amanda Pascoe
Hunter McGrath	17th May, 2024	Year 1/2S	His ability to complete tasks and assist others, helping them succeed. Well done, Hunter.	Stuart Maxfield
Bentley Davies	17th May, 2024	Year 1/2M	His creative ideas when persuading the pigeon to choose a different pet. Well done, Bentley!	Madison Merritt
Elora Howe Hilton-Bright	17th May, 2024	Year 1/2B	Her willingness to complete many learning tasks and doing her best. Well done, Elora!	Jai Bowring
Jessie Tanoai-Mcmaster	17th May, 2024	Year 1/2K	Continuously showing the schools values in everything you do.	Kate Storck/Sarah Pearce
Emerson Fairchild	17th May, 2024	Year 3/4W	A great inquiry presentation to the class. Well done!	Jay Atkinson
Tiernan Donis-Llewellyn	17th May, 2024	Year 3/4D	His ability to encourage others in our class by offering positive feedback and asking relevant questions to students about their Inquiry Presentations. Keep it up, Tiernan!	Brad Dupuy
Kayla Kringle	17th May, 2024	Year 3/4T	The confidence to start her learning independently in reading straight away. Well done, Kayla!	Deanna Tuppen
Angus Watt	17th May, 2024	Year 3/4Z	An excellent presentation on your inquiry innovation and writing about the MCG this week. Great work!	Zoe Dyer/Jacquie Mondon

Aran Wild	17th May, 2024	Year 3/4C	His Inquiry innovation, 'the anti-fire bomb' in an engaging and entertaining way. Your video advertisement was fantastic!	Elise Cowdery
Piper Briggs	17th May, 2024	Year 5B	Excellent communication and persuasive skills when debating her opinion during a class debate. Well done, Piper!	Erin Barker
Marlee Engdahl	17th May, 2024	Year 5C	Kick starting her groups arguments for the class debate and bringing them together, welcome to Whittlesea Primary School!	Jacky Chen
Sarah Hallam	17th May, 2024	Year 5M	Focusing on her learning and giving thorough examples of persuasive language devices!	Bianca Avolino/Alex Box
Ellie-Mae Willoughby	17th May, 2024	Year 6A	An excellent presentation on your inquiry which you delivered to the whole class. Well done!	Matthew Kirkright/Chantelle Fasone
Maison Kringle	17th May, 2024	Year 6C	A positive attitude and bringing a growth mindset to class. Well done, Maison!	Hope Cummins
Madison Van Weenen	17th May, 2024	Year 6P	Fantastic effort during writing sessions. Well done on lifting your efforts to complete your work!	Rob Pain/Leonie Gorski
1/2K	17th May, 2024	PE	Fantastic teamwork and sportsmanship when participating in games.	Hayley Northridge
Foundation D	17th May, 2024	PE BOOST	Great persistence when practising throwing and catching skills, well done!	Verena Smith
6P	17th May, 2024	STEM	Continuing to show improvement every week. Keep at it!	Hugh Wilson
34B	17th May, 2024	Mandarin	Showing amazing effort in Mandarin lessons. Well done!	Jessie Liu
3/4T	17th May, 2024	Art	The ability to lead your own learning and show independence during your art session! Fantastic work!	Sarah Carpenter



# SPORTS REPORT

## Term 2 Interschool Sport Results

### Round 2



GOLD A WPS		Mernda Primary School	
(H) WPS Netball Mixed	3	MPS Netball Mixed	13
(H) WPS Netball Girls	15	MPS Netball Girls	1
(A) WPS AFL Mixed	29	MPS AFL Mixed	26
(A) WPS Soccer Boys	1	MPS Soccer Boys	12
(A) WPS Soccer Girls	2	MPS Soccer Girls	8



BLUE B WPS		Mernda Primary School	
(H) WPS Netball Mixed	1	MPS Netball Mixed	6
(H) WPS Netball Girls	14	MPS Netball Girls	0
(A) WPS AFL Mixed	49	MPS AFL Mixed	0
(H) WPS Soccer Boys	0	MPS Soccer Boys	9
(H) WPS Soccer Girls	1	MPS Soccer Girls	8





# Community Leaders 2024

*Welcome to the 2024 Community Leaders. Students who will be participating, on their assigned day will not have to wear uniform and can come in casual clothes. Below is the list of students for Term 2 Week 5 😊*

Keira	AUGUSTUS	20 <sup>th</sup> May
Lincoln	TRAFFORD	20 <sup>th</sup> May
Noah	LEESON	21 <sup>st</sup> May
Noah	HENNING	21 <sup>st</sup> May
Tanah	DAVIS	22 <sup>nd</sup> May
William	HORTON	22 <sup>nd</sup> May
Angelissa	PERINOVIC	23 <sup>rd</sup> May
April	BODAGH	23 <sup>rd</sup> May
Cadence	ARTHUR	20 <sup>th</sup> May
Jai	FORSTER	20 <sup>th</sup> May



# COMMUNITY NEWS



## 2025 ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

For all prospective families, including Foundation 2025

### SCHOOL TOURS

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

Contact 97 16 2140 for more information

#### TERM 2

Thursday 2nd May 4.30-5.30PM

Tuesday 14th May 4.30-5.30PM

Monday 3rd June 4.30pm - 5.30pm

Wednesday 19th June 4.30-5.30PM

#### TERM 3

Thursday 25th July 4.30pm-5.30PM

Wednesday 28th August 4.30pm-5.30PM

Respect Your School | Do Your Best | Help Others Succeed



## PARKING REMINDER



Please remember that the Church Car park is *private property*. We appreciate the ability to be able to use this space, however, we need to be mindful of parking in the parking spaces and being respectful to the Church residents and other users of this parking area.

We also ask that our students and other children who are with our families are not jumping on the chains near and around the parking spaces.

Thank you in advance of your co-operation

THANK  
YOU



# WINTER WONDERLAND

Pyjama Dress Up Day

When: **Thursday 6th June**



Dress up ideas: pyjamas, dressing gowns,  
oodies, earmuffs, beanies etc.

Appropriate footwear must be worn  
(no slippers or crocs)



Celebrate  
World  
Environment  
Day



Dr. Seuss'  
The

# LORAX

*Movie night*

Friday 7 June  
6PM – 9PM

Plenty Ranges Arts &  
Convention Centre

Get ready to embark on a colourful journey through the fantastical world of Truffula Trees and quirky characters, all while learning lessons about the importance of conservation and protecting our environment.

It's a night of family-friendly fun, with activities for the kids, prizes, food and drinks followed by The Lorax film.



National 20-26 MAY 2024  
**Volunteer**  
Something for Everyone **Week**

**Defibrillator Launch,  
CPR Training  
& Morning Tea**  
**Church St, Whittlesea**

Join us to meet your local  
Paramedics, CFA and  
Police for FREE Pop-Up  
CPR training

**DETAILS:**

- **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024**
- **10am—12noon**
- **AMCAL Pharmacy**  
Cnr Church & Walnut St
- **CPR training & morning tea**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:**

[whittlesearotary@gmail.com](mailto:whittlesearotary@gmail.com)



**FREE &  
Everyone Welcome**