

Wakool Burraboi Public School

Term 3 Week 8 2019

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Principal's Message

Are you Okay? Day

Students recognized ARE YOU OKAY DAY on Thursday 12 September. Students indulged in smiley faced treats (a very much sometimes food) and discussed feelings in their writing task. Many students reflected on hard times and happy times with writing being a way to express emotions so they are not stuck in a sad moment but can express that with dignity and heartfelt emotion. Many students



surprised peers and staff with their dedication to writing tasks this week.

Literacy Update

Another aspect of writing this week was to explore how good writers use a number of techniques:

Exploring PLOT / setting up action and events in an interesting way;

- Exploring how characters sense the world around them through the sense of sight, sound, taste, touch and smell;

- How a character thinks and feels about particular events in the story.

Students were divided up into different groups to analyze text and they also co-created one story. For example, I provided a basic plot for students and groups worked in pairs or threes to be responsible for:

Writing the description of setting (sights); **Describing what sounds could be heard (sound);** Describing the smell of the world around the character; Describing the taste and touch of the world; Describing the thoughts of the character; Describing the feelings of the character.

Students will be using these concepts and colour codes to enhance their own writing skills in future writing tasks.

Mathematics Update

All students are learning about counting and multiplication / times tables, from K-2 exploring 'Friends of Ten' and the five times tables to older groups revising the three and four times tables. By the end of Year 6, it is advisable that students know all times tables (up to the 12 times tables).

Year 5-6 Focus: Students have been working on an investigation about travelling to Melbourne return to see a sporting or cultural event. Students must create an itinerary and budget for three days. This has been a very challenging task!

Year 4 group: Students have been learning about chance and probability – whether something has a fair or unfair chance. This is part of their studies in Statistics, Data and Probability. Students have also studied concepts in area and understanding directions in map reading.

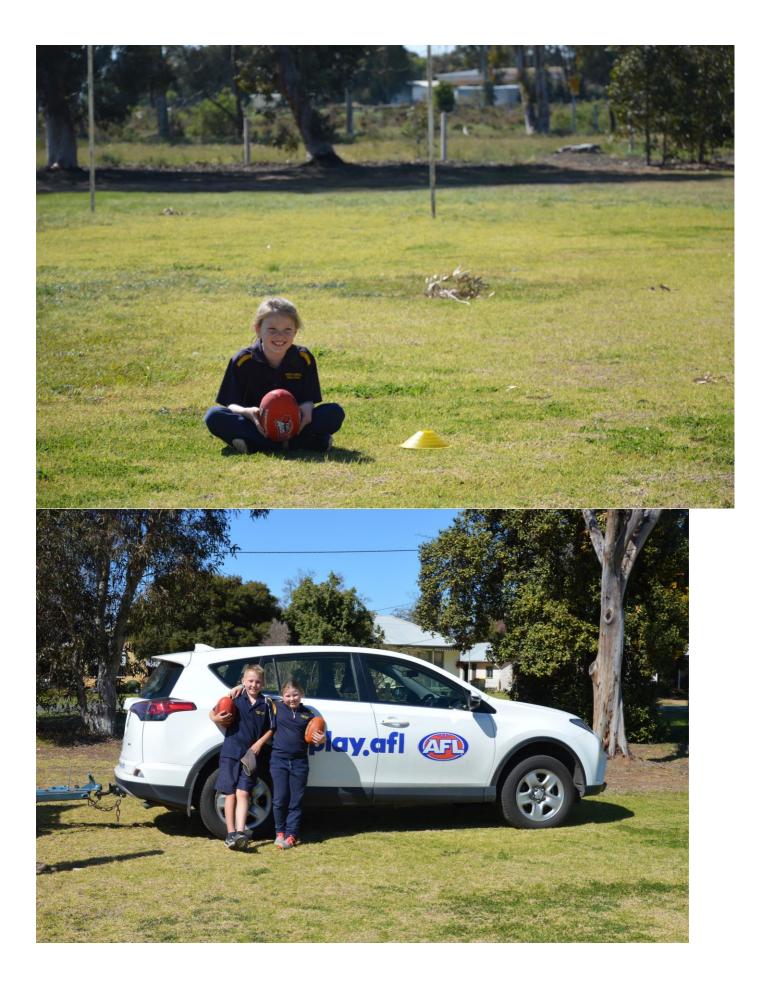
Year 2: Length. Measurement and distance.

Year 1-2 group: Students have been learning about picture graphs. This is related to using data and statistics. Measurement – informal and formal.

Sporting Clinics and Update

Students have been privileged this term to receive coaching in football and basketball. Coaches have been paid for by the school to provide students with specialist skills so that students have the best opportunity to excel in future sporting activities. All students in government schools are expected to participate in 150 minutes of active sporting activity as part of the required school program. We are pleased to announce that most students show a very active and healthy relationship with sport and hope that this remains the same level of engagement next term. During Term 4, we are scheduled to do Jump Rope for Heart and a two week AustSwim program. More details will be provided soon. I'm sorry that there are not more photos – we took heaps but the computer kept freezing! We have ordered more updated computers and they should arrive sometime next term.







Birthday Invitations

Many schools around the state have adopted the policy that birthday party invitations are to be given outside of school hours. Sometimes when one student is invited to a party and another student is excluded, this can feel upsetting and like being left out or rejected. We would prefer that either all students are invited to birthday parties or that invitations are dealt with after school by individual parents. Schools are trying more and more to be inclusive settings rather than places that cause conflict and division. Sometimes birthday invitations, although a happy event, can cause others to feel rejected. Please negotiate these invitations after school hours if possible or talk with myself to quietly distribute invitations.

Yoga and Stretching

Yoga for parents and community members is on at 5pm Thursday. Please call to find out more / RSVP and join us for 30-45 mins of fitness and stretching.

Camps

Our school joins with Barham Public School to attend camps so that there is a great sense of camaraderie between the two schools that are in close proximity. Year 6 students will be travelling to camp in Canberra during Week 10. We wish them well on this journey. Year 4 students will be attending camp in Term 4. There is a possibility that this Year 4 camp may be opened up to other year levels, pending discussions with the P & C.

Please note – students who are not performing well at school behaviorally or academically may not be permitted to go to camp. Camps are a privilege and a responsibility. Teachers devote many of their own hours to attending camp (they do not get paid for overtime and extra time devoted to care for students) so teachers will not be expected to go away with students who do not follow instructions at school. Put another way, **students who do not follow basic school rules of kindness and following teachers' instructions may not go to camp.** Some parents have yet to be contacted about this issue but calls will be made over the next week about student behavior. Students who do not get to go to camp will be expected to come to school and dedicate their time to learning *how to follow simple class instructions*.

Parenting Programs

When my son was younger, I attended these sorts of programs a few times as they were so helpful! I really recommend these programs for understanding child development and behavior management. Also, meeting other parents in the area is an added bonus!!! There is also information about a holiday program attached. There are also events scheduled for public libraries which will be really fun – check out Barham library for more information.

1 2 3 Magic Managing behaviour in children (for 2-12 years)



Being a parent can sometimes be tricky! At times children act in ways that can be frustrating.

123 Magic and emotion coaching is held over three, sessions and is designed to help parents and caregivers learn new strategies to manage their child / children's behaviour in a positive way.

You will learn practical skills such as:

- using counting to manage difficult bebayiour;
- encouraging positive behaviour; and
- · helping children manage their emotions.

Cost: This is a FREE program

When: Tuesday, November 12th, 19th & 26th

Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Where: Intereach, Trickett St, Deniliquin

Sound interesting?

To register contact: Libby Barker Intereach Parenting Program Phone: 1300 488 226

Email: ibbyb@intereach.com.au

Please leave a message or email with your name and phone number.



Need practical help with parenting?

If you have children aged from two to 12 years and would like some practical help to survive and thrive as a parent, join us for the 'Triple P' program.

We can help your family build positive:

- relationships;
- communication; and
- behaviour.

It's a great way to chat with other parents, take time out, and get some new ideas for a happier family.

Cost:	It's free!
Time:	9.30am – 11.30am
Starts:	Thursdays October 17, 24, 31 & November 14 & 28 (5-week program)

Where: Intereach Deniliquin

Bookings are essential







Sound interesting?

Deidre McCalman Intereach Parenting Program Phone: 1300 488 226 Email: deidrem@intereach.com.au

The Positive Parenting Program (Triple P) is an initiative of the Intereach Parenting Program and is financially supported by Families NSW. Intereach ~ Helping children and families of the Deniliguin region for more than 40 years.

INTEREACH VACATION CARE

OCTOBER 2019

Intereach Vacation Care Week One: September 2019

Monday 30 September Excursion to Scotts Park. Bring your helmets, bikes and scooters. Ute Muster Site Tour

Tuesday 1 October Excursion to Gravity shack in Echuca **\$10** entry and bus travel

Wednesday 2 October Movie 'Ralph breaks the internet' **\$10** per ticket Afternoon excursion to the Pool **\$5**

Thursday 3 October Healthy food creating & physical activity fun challenge with Health Promotion Officer, Mel Broadbent

Friday 4 October Bikes and balls at High school

followed by face painting in the afternoon. Bring you helmets, bikes and scooters!

DON'T FORGET TO ALWAYS BRING YOUR: Hat Morning Tea/Lunch/Afternoon Tea Water bottle Sense of adventure!

Bookings: Use 'My Family Lounge' via www.intereach.com.au r download the smartphone app Please check your child's enrolment is still ACTIVE and not due to EXPIRE

efore booking your Vacation Care sessions. You can do this by checking vithin your MyGov account, OR calling Centrelink 132 307 OR calling OSH 0428 554 478.

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Intereach Vacation Care Week Two: October 2019

Monday 7 October Public Holiday

Tuesday 8 October

Bead, lanyard and key ring making with army, sporting colours and Spring colours followed by sports at St Michaels

Wednesday 9 October Excursion to the Pool \$5 Lego Champion competition

Thursday 10 October

Excursion to Scotts Park -Bring your helmets, bikes and scooters!

Friday 11 October Excursion to the Police station followed by McDonalds ice cream and Uno tournament

Monday 14 October Sports with John from the stadium



BOOK FAIR and Premiers Reading Challenge!!!!

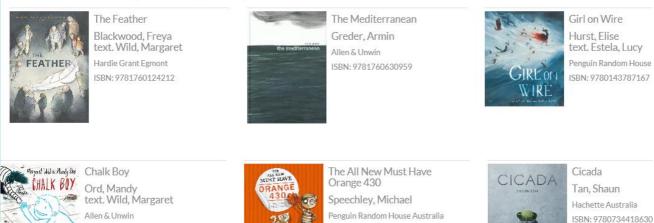
We sold over \$700 worth of books and every school gets part of the sales to add to their own library collection!!! We have recently bought books that have been winners in the recent CHILDRENS BOOK AWARDS COUNCIL AWARDS. These books include:

PICTURE BOOK OF THE YEAR

ISBN: 9781760630683

Entries in this category should be outstanding books of the Picture Book genre in which the author and illustrator achieve artistic and literary unity or, in wordless picture books, whe theme or concept is unified through illustrations. Ages 0-18 years (NB. Some of these books may be for mature readers).

Note: Picture Books are listed by the illustrator, followed by the author



Congratulations to ALL STUDENTS. As a WHOLE SCHOOL we may be the first in the state where ALL students at the school have ever completed the PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE!!!!!!! This is the first time for over eight years that students from Wakool Burraboi Public School have completed this challenge! I'm so proud of the students who persevered under the pressure and came out successful!!!! I hope that all students will continue reading into very old age as reading can provide so much insight, laughter and wisdom.

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