

Wakool Burraboi Public School Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 5 2023

Principal's Report

Over the past two weeks students have engaged in swimming lessons at the Swan Hill Leisure Centre on Wednesday's and Thursday's. During these lessons students have worked in ability based groups to further develop their swimming skills. All students displayed outstanding effort during the swim session and were keen to have a go.

Students able to swim 50 metres also swam a time trail in preparation for last Fridays Moulamein PSSA District Swimming Carnival, which was also held in Swan Hill. Congratulations to Thomas, Charlie, Leah and Cooper for their effort on Friday at the carnival. All students should be very proud of their efforts. We are very excited that the P6 Relay qualified for the Riverina Regional Swimming Carnival to be held on March 6th in Leeton. Well done Thomas, Charlie, Leah and Cooper! Further details about the carnival will be sent home this week.

On Wednesday 8th February we welcomed Director of Educational Leadership, Helen McRae to our school.

Next Monday and Tuesday students in Years 2-6 will be going on an overnight excursion to the Swan Hill Pioneer Settlement. Permission notes were sent home last week, it is important that these notes are returned to school as soon as possible. Further information regarding what students need to pack will be sent home this week. Students are to arrive at school to depart at 9am on Monday and will return to school before 3pm on Tuesday. There is no cost for this excursion. Mrs Scoullar and Neville will be the staff attending this excursion.

This Friday students will begin music lessons with South West Music teachers at school. Lessons will run for 1 hour from 12pm – 1pm each Friday. K/1/2 will be learning percussion and 3/4/5/6 will be learning guitar. There is no cost to students for these lessons.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at school to discuss.

Have a great week!

Lisa Chambers

Principal

Upcoming Events

This week:

Monday 20th

> Library

Tuesday 21st

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Wednesday 22nd

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Thursday 23rd

> Neville

Friday 24th

> Homework Due

> Music Lesson 12 -1pm

Next Week:

Monday 27th

> Library

> Yr 2-6 Excursion

> WHIN Nurse visit

Tuesday 28th

> Yr 2-6 Excursion

> Makayla

Wednesday 1st

> Yr 5/6 Gala Day Balranald

> School Counsellor – Stacey Warren visit

Thursday 2nd

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Friday 3rd

> Homework Due

> Music 12 – 1 pm

> Miss Hackett

**Permission Notes
Yr 2-6 Excursion
need to be
returned**

**School hats must
be worn at school**

School Uniform

Please ensure your child is dressed in school uniform each day for school. School uniforms are available to purchase from the school office.

All students are also required to have a school hat to wear during recess, lunch and outside lessons.

Please contact the school if you require assistance with school uniforms.

Back to School Vouchers can be used. Please contact Mrs Chambers or Tamara for assistance with this.



Year 5/6 Gala Day

This year all students in Year 5/6 have been invited to attend a Gala Day in Balranald as part of the AFL and Netball Trials. A permission note for this day will be handed out today and needs to be returned by Wednesday 22nd for names to be submitted.

Alana Leave

SLSO; Alana Flight implements the Macq Lit Program with some students each morning. She will be on leave from this Friday 24th February through to the 6th March, as a result the program will recommence on Tuesday 7th March.

Swimming Lessons





Crunch and Sip

Students may enjoy a fruit or vegetable snack during the morning session and water from their drink bottle.

Art

Last Monday afternoon students had their first art lesson of the year in the art room. All students completed a self-portrait looking at their own face, facial features and approximate size and location of these features. Water colour paints were then used to paint the portraits.



Lunch

During Term 1 students need to bring lunch to school ready to eat. There will be no pie warmer offered. Lunches may be placed into the fridge to keep cool if needed. Please make sure your child has enough snacks for morning tea.

If students forget their morning tea or lunch, they are encouraged to let teachers know as soon as they do so that arrangements can be made. We do have a supply with some snack food at school if required.

Kitchen Garden Program

This week we will begin the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. Students will engage in these sessions every second week: alternating with technology sessions.

Music Lessons

Each Friday students will engage in Music lessons provided by South West Music Deniliquin. This term students will engage in a one-hour music lesson; K/1/2 Percussion and 3/4/5/6 Guitar. The school will provide all instruments and cover the cost of these sessions. These lessons will commence this week.

District Swimming Carnival



Congratulations to Tom who finished in 1st place in his 50 metre freestyle event. It is unfortunate that his time for this event did not qualify for the Regional Carnival. Well done Tom!





**WELL DONE TOM,
CHARLIE, LEAH
AND COOPER!**

Sunflower Harvest

Students have started to harvest the sunflowers that were planted last year along the school fence. This week students will bag these seeds and begin to sell them.







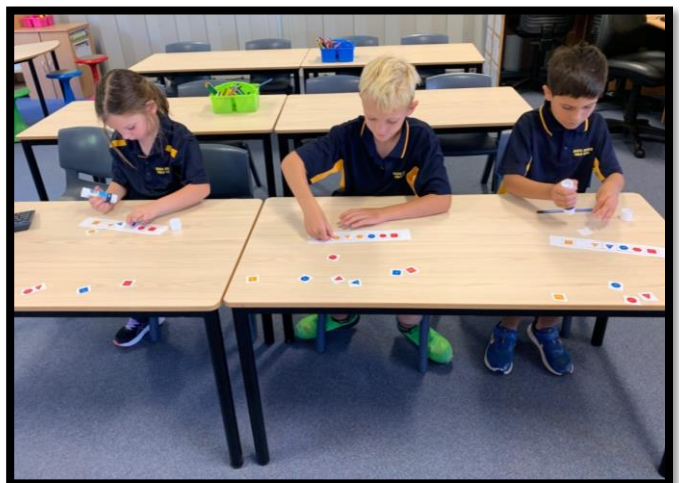
Maths

Maths sessions allow students to explore through hands on learning using a variety of mathematical resources. Hands on resources used in the classroom include:

- > Counters
- > Dice
- > MAB blocks; ones, tens, hundreds and thousands
- > Dominos
- > Unifix blocks
- > Tens frames
- > Number cards

Students are engaging in lessons that address the Maths Syllabus outcomes. Lessons are differentiated to ensure individual student needs are met. Lessons are supported in department resources, the Math plus Program and Top Ten Maths.

We look forward to continuing this hands on, engaging approach during math's lessons.



Miss Hackett

Last Friday we welcomed Miss Hackett to the school as a casual classroom teacher. Miss Hackett worked in the classroom with K-6. We look forward to welcoming Miss Hackett back to the school soon.

Wellbeing Nurse – Jem Boyd

My name is Jem, and I am the wellbeing nurse for your school.



The school's I currently work at are:

- > Barham High School
- > Barham Public School
- > Bunnaloo Public School
- > Mathoura Public School
- > Moama Public School and
- > Wakool Burraboi Public School

I have been working in this role since 4th term 2022 and absolutely love what I do. Here is a bit about the wellbeing nurse role and how I can help you.

What is a wellbeing nurse?

Wellbeing nurses are experienced nurses employed by NSW Health who work in schools to help support the health and wellbeing of students and their families. Wellbeing nurses work closely with:

- school wellbeing and learning and support teams
- local health and community services, including mental health, social and behavioural support, physical health, and peer or family relationship support services.

How does the wellbeing nurse help students and their families?

Wellbeing nurses help students and their families to:

- identify their health and wellbeing needs
- connect to appropriate health services
- understand information about their health care and how they can use the information to make decisions and act on it.

The wellbeing nurse does not administer medications, provide first aid or help students who require healthcare support that a child may need at school, for example tube feeding or diabetes management.

Who can get help from a wellbeing nurse?

- Any student at the school and their family can contact the wellbeing nurse to talk about their health and wellbeing concerns.

How to get help from a wellbeing nurses?

- Parents/carers/guardians can contact the school and ask to speak to the wellbeing nurse if they have concerns about their child's health and wellbeing and need information or support.
- The school's learning and support team and school staff can also refer students and their family to the wellbeing nurse.
- High school students can approach the wellbeing nurse directly to talk confidentially about their health and wellbeing concerns.

Does my child need my permission to see the wellbeing nurse?

All students who contact the wellbeing nurse are always encouraged and supported to talk to their parents or carers about their health and wellbeing concerns.

Primary school students

- The wellbeing nurse will need to seek consent from parents/ carers/guardians if their child is referred or comes to them with health and wellbeing concerns.
- Parents/ carers/guardians can give their consent either by completing and signing a consent form given to them by the wellbeing nurse or school or via a phone call from the wellbeing nurse.

Does the wellbeing nurse keep my child's health information confidential?

At most times, the wellbeing nurse will get the permission from the student's parent/guardian/carer or the student before passing on the student's information to others.

If a wellbeing nurse is concerned about the safety of a student or someone else, they will give the information to the NSW Child Protection Helpline and Child Wellbeing Units. This is required by law. The wellbeing nurse will also tell the school principal about their concerns about a student's safety.

Contacting the wellbeing nurse

The wellbeing nurse is not at school every day. Students, parents or carers may need to make an appointment. This is how to make an appointment: Ask at the school office for a referral to the wellbeing nurse.

The nurse will contact you to arrange a meeting or have a conversation over the phone.

**Library day is
Monday.
Students need
to return
books each
week.**

