



# The Magpie

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## Issue 2

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### *From the Principal*

Dear Parents and Friends

Welcome to Week 3! I hope you are managing to stay cool throughout this latest heat wave.

#### **Learning from home survey**

Thank you for completing our survey recently, regarding Learning from Home. We had over 200 of our families respond. This will provide valuable information to classroom teachers in regard to your expectations and capacity, when the time comes to switch to remote learning.

#### **Student Numbers**

Last week was student census and we have 383 students enrolled from K-6. We have few spaces across the school, but a re-structure of the classes is looking very unlikely.

#### **School Board Election**

We are conducting an election to select two school board members in the parent category. Each registered parent/carer with students currently enrolled in our school is eligible to vote in the election. Information on the candidate is contained within this newsletter publication and is available on the school's website at [www.woodbridgeps.wa.edu.au](http://www.woodbridgeps.wa.edu.au). Please copy the following link into your internet browser, to access the online election. The election will close on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 3:00pm. You are encouraged to vote.

**Election link:** <https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/2022SchoolBoardElection>

#### **P & C AGM**

Our P & C AGM meeting is currently scheduled for Wednesday 2nd March 2022 at 6:30pm, possibly in our Undercover Area, due to covid restrictions. All positions are declared vacant, and nominations for positions will be called for. We hope to see many of you present at the meeting.

#### **Class Information Sessions 2022**

Whilst we have been unable to host these face to face, teachers will provide you with the information they would normally present to you at the meeting, if they haven't done so already. If you have not received a copy of this via electronic means (i.e. Connect or email), or hard copy, please contact your child's teacher directly and make this request.

#### **School Assemblies**

As per current advice, we are unable to host whole

school assemblies. We will continue to present awards at the school. Teachers will photograph award presentations in the classroom and forward to parents.

#### **Communication**

We will continue to use Connect as our main means of communicating with you. We have also set up whole school and class parent email groups and whole school parent text messaging, which will enable us to communicate with you urgently. Please ensure we have your latest contact details at the office. If you are unsure you can check with the office and update your details by emailing Deb Taylor on [Deborah.Taylor3@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Deborah.Taylor3@education.wa.edu.au)

#### **Traffic Warden Feedback**

We have received some feedback from the Traffic Warden, that has also been shared with Police. Reports indicate cars moving through the roundabout and pedestrian crossing at speeds greater than 40km/h. This is a timely reminder to our community using this area to abide by the speed limits. We have also been informed that some cars have stopped at the crossing and let out children. Please ensure you are using allocated parking bays around the school to do so. The crossing is not a kiss and drop. Thanks for your efforts and understanding here.

#### **Covid Safe Extra-Curricular Activities**

As stated in the Connect notice on Wednesday this week, we have needed to cancel large scale gatherings on school grounds, such as assemblies, however, our specialist teachers/coaches have reconfigured their groups to consider the need to restrict large, cross-phase interaction. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them and recognise the passion they have for their Learning Area/sport. The following will provide more information:

**Extension Art** - This will continue, as it draws from Year 5 and 6 students only, commencing Tuesday 22nd February, 2022.

**Choir** - A choir is being set up for Year 3 students only, commencing next week.

**Soccer** - This will draw from Year 5 and 6 only at this stage, commencing Week 4.

**Tennis** - An external provider has already set this up to operate for Year 5 and 6 students only at this stage.

**Drama** - Mrs Galley is running a drama group for selected Year 4 students only, commencing next week.

**Dance Group(s)** - Mrs Roads is going to operate a Year 4 Dance Group as well as a separate Year 5/6 Dance Group.

**Drumming** - Mrs Galley and Tracey will commence a junior primary drumming group for selected students across one or two year levels in the near future.

Individual teachers will relay more information home to families regarding these groups.

We will continue to provide you with further information as it becomes available.

Thank you to parents and carers for wearing masks onto school grounds and remaining outside the classrooms. We appreciate your efforts to do so.

Please continue to work with us to keep your children safe.

### **NAPLAN 2021**

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Accompanying today's newsletter is a parent information brochure for parents of Year 3 and 5 students.

NAPLAN is a nationwide measure through which parents, teachers, schools, education authorities, governments and the broader community can determine whether or not young Australians are developing the literacy and numeracy skills that provide the critical foundation for other learning and for their productive and rewarding participation in the community. NAPLAN is a point-in-time assessment that allows parents to see how their child is progressing against national standards in literacy and numeracy and over time.

The tests provide an important contribution to monitoring and evaluating the performance of schools and school systems in these fundamental capabilities. They also provide schools, states and territories with information about how education approaches are working, the areas to be prioritised for improvement, and those schools requiring support in the teaching and learning of literacy and numeracy.

NAPLAN tests are one aspect of each school's assessment and reporting process, they do not replace the extensive, ongoing assessments made by teachers about each student's performance. Your child's teacher will have the best insight into your child's educational progress.

NAPLAN results do not measure overall school quality. The 2022 assessments will be undertaken, from 10<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas (or 'domains') of:

- Reading
- Writing (Year 3 complete a paper test)
- Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation)
- Numeracy.

Feel free to visit the NAP website <https://www.nap.edu.au/home> for more information about NAPLAN. If you do not wish for your child to participate in the testing and would like to withdraw them, please see a member of the admin team.

*Paul Marshall*  
Principal

### **P & C AGM**

**Wednesday, 2nd March @ 6.30pm**

**Undercover area (TBC)**

### **WEEKLY RAFFLE DRAW**

Room 1	Dayn	Room 9	Harvey
Room 2	Fletcher	Room 10	Ivy
Room 3	Sofia	Room 11	Mia
Room 4	Jimmy	Room 12	Alannah
Room 5	Kaden	Room 13	Brayden
Room 6	Chloe	Room 14	Audrey
Room 8	Wyatt	Room 15	Chloe

### **Winning Class—Room 14**

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**The following students will be celebrating a birthday before the next newsletter**

Room 1	Gemma	Emily	Mia
Room 3	Ava		
Room 4	Arlo		
Room 5	Betty		
Room 6	Xavier		
Room 7	Pranjal	Lucy	Archie
Room 8	Jacob		
Room 9	Noah	Jake	
Room 10	Prisma		
Room 13	Kyron	Charlotte	
Room 14	Oberon		
Room 15	Nirvik	Seth	Logan



### **SPORTS NEWS**

Our athletics training is well and truly underway for 2022 and I have enjoyed seeing the students encourage each other, try their best and show resilience when learning and training for these events. There are still a number of students who are not wearing appropriate footwear on their sports day. Can you please make sure they are wearing joggers and socks (not sandals), as it makes training for these events a lot easier for the students. The weather has also been very hot, so a drink bottle is essential for sport days.

*Eve Bond*  
Phys Ed Specialist

### **UNIFORM SHOP CLOSED**

**Uniform shop will be closed on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.**

**I will be open again Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February.**

My apologies for the lack of stock currently available. Sizes 4, 6, 8 & 10 are currently out of stock, but a new order is on its way and hopefully reaches us soon. For anyone wanting to pre-order for these sizes, you're welcome to do so.

I understand that everyone's situation is different and I want to make sure that all Woodbridge students have access to uniforms. I currently have a large amount of 2<sup>nd</sup> hand items in most sizes at only \$2-\$5. I also offer a lay-by system for any parents and carers that would like the option to pay off items.

*Steph Moran*  
Uniform Shop Coordinator

## LIBRARY NEWS

I am very excited to welcome you back to the library for 2022!

While Mrs Kingston is on leave for Term 1, I am happy to be stepping in as Library Officer on Mondays and Tuesdays, along with Mrs Conway on Wednesdays. We look forward to seeing all our students throughout the week and sharing some amazing new books with you.

We have two new graphic novels in the library:

### School of Fish - Frozen Fish

by Louis Shaw

Finn the shark and his buddies are excited about their school trip to Iceberg Primary in *Antarctica!* But there's a mysterious magic at this new school - an ice crystal with strong but unknown powers. Will it fall into the wrong fins and cause disaster? Or can Finn, Philippa, Shelley and Humphrey get it back before it's too late? With glittering castles, action-packed Ice Smash games, and a new gang of bullies to keep an eye on, there's never a dull moment in this *school of fish!*

### Cranky Chicken

by Katherine Battersby

A cranky chicken, an extremely cheerful worm and a very unlikely friendship.

When Cranky the chicken meets Speedy the worm, they decide to be BFFs (Best Feathered Friends). Now they just need to figure out how to be BFFs.....*together!*

"Reading is a passport to countless adventures." - Mary Pope Osborne

*Mrs Drabarek (AKA Mrs D)*



Want \$500 to help you with school costs?



Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join, participants must:

- Have a current health care card OR pensioner concession card
- Be studying yourself OR have a child in school
- Have regular income from work, yourself OR your partner

For full eligibility requirements, speak to a Saver Plus Coordinator.

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



For more information, please contact Saver Plus:

[saverplus@bsl.org.au](mailto:saverplus@bsl.org.au)

[saverplus.org.au](http://saverplus.org.au)

1300 610 355

@SaverPlusAU

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

## DIARY OF EVENTS

### FEBRUARY

21	2:45 - 3:45pm	Drama Club (Year 4 only)
22	7:45 - 8:30am	Soccer (Years 5/6 only)
	All day	Rugby Clinics
	2:45 - 3:45pm	Extension Visual Art (Years 5/6)
	2:45 - 3:45pm	Koolbardi Choir (Year 3 only)
23	2:45 - 3:30pm	Drumming
24	All day	Rugby Clinics
28	2:45 - 3:45pm	Drama Club (Year 4 only)

### MARCH

1	7:45 - 8:30am	Soccer
	2:45 - 3:45pm	Extension Visual Art
	2:45 - 3:45pm	Koolbardi Choir
2	6:30pm	P&C Meeting (TBC)
3	2:45 - 3:30pm	Drumming
4	<b>Newsletter</b>	
7	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Public Holiday</b>

## UNIFORM SHOP NEWS



Orders may be placed online through the link below

**QuickCliq**

<https://www.quickcliq.com.au/>

or a completed order form left with Deb Taylor in the office, with the correct money. The Uniform Shop will be open at the stated times below:-

**Wednesday afternoon 2.15pm to 3.00pm**

**Friday mornings 8.15am to 9.00am**

## TERM DATES FOR 2022

Term 1 Monday 31st January - Friday 8th April

Term 2 Wednesday 27th April - Friday 1st July

Term 3 Tuesday 19 July - Friday 23rd September

Term 4 Tuesday 11th October - Thursday 15th December



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Thank you for your time to do so.

### Rai Dietrich



I'm a mum of two boys, my eldest son is in pre-primary and enjoys being in school full time. My little boy is due to begin kindy next year. I am a registered nurse, with a specialty qualification in mental health. I work with the most vulnerable members of the community in an inpatient setting of the hospital and within the forensic area. I am also working as a community nurse on top of my full time position in the state vaccination program for roll up for WA since the beginning on this pandemic.

I was recently nominated to be the OSH representative for both North Metro Health inpatient services and Child Adolescent Health community services and have completed intensive training for this area.

I joined the Woodbridge P&C as the Vice President last year when my son began kindy and have played an active role in fundraising for the school. I intend to continue supporting the school in 2022 and beyond. I enjoy cooking and love to holiday whenever the opportunity comes. I feel I can make a positive contribution to our school board.

### Farrah Greville



My name is Farrah and I'm a resident of Viveash and parent of two children in Year 2 and Year 1 at Woodbridge. My children have each attended since Kindy and for the past three years I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know the teachers, students and families within this beautiful, community focused school. I enjoy volunteering my time to fundraise and support various events throughout the year and assist within the class when permitted, and I would be more than happy to represent the wider parent group at upcoming Board meetings in 2022.

I would be happy to submit my resume or character references if required.

Thank you for your consideration.

### Amy Lang



I am the mother of 2 boys, Ezra and Arlo Davis in years 5 and 3 respectively. They have both attended WPS since kindy.

Before becoming a parent I was an Interior Designer and managed a team of Retail Hospitality designers at a practice in Highgate. I have not yet returned to paid work.

I have been interested in being on the school board for a couple of years but have not had the flexibility to nominate due to ongoing medical commitments to my eldest son as he recovers from a long cancer treatment.

I see myself as an involved member of the school community, volunteering for classroom help and excursions, contributing to fund raising opportunities and am a general good ambassador for WPS. I have always had a positive, mutually respectful relationship with teaching staff and Admin.

I care about my children's education and the wellbeing of all the children I come across; the environment in which they learn and sensitivity around how they learn and are supported. I would like to be involved in the processes surrounding the meeting of students' needs at Woodbridge and feel my contribution would be one of value.

Thank you for the consideration.

## Aden Van Den Beld



I would like to apply for the position of Board Member with Woodbridge Primary School. I am an active community member and resident of Woodbridge and I am fortunate to have two children (Wilhelmina age 7 and Elek age 5) currently attending the school. I have a background in training and education and would appreciate the opportunity to give back by lending my advisory skills to the school.

I have current and previous experience on multiple industry councils, working group steering committees and industry representative bodies for consultation. Including: Resource Industry Training Council WA, Minerals Council of Australia, Chamber of Minerals and Energy, Department of Training and Workforce Development and Chamber of Commerce and Industry WA.

I am currently the Training Superintendent and CEO of a Registered Training Organisation and I am privileged to lead a team of 26 learning and development professionals in order to work with multiple stakeholders, clients and vendors on a daily basis to explore learning and development solutions to individual, enterprise and sector issues achieving cost effective quality outcomes. I am directly responsible for the training and education of over 6500 employees both domestic and internationally, of which 360+ are engaged in formal Traineeships and 130+ are engaged in Apprenticeships and annually see over 600 new to industry employees commence employment directly through specifically developed enterprise training programs. I am directly responsible for establishing and managing an annual budget of approximately 3.2M.

I have extensive background in training and education at tertiary level and possess a broad range of technical skills. Some of my areas of expertise is curricula and qualification initiation development and reform, Indigenous development and education, high impact coaching and mentoring programs.

Additionally, I have experience with crisis management, and I am involved with emergency response teams formed to deal with immediate to longer-term crisis and emergency situations. My experience currently working with these teams has provided me with knowledge that translates to other industries. Of personal interest is the management of infectious disease control highlighted throughout the pandemic, this ever shifting, long standing threat has required me to make agile decisions and prompt responses directly impacting on people's health and wellbeing.

I am confident you'll find me a good fit for your needs as a Board Member for Woodbridge Primary School.