

The Magpie

ASPIRING TO BE THE MOST CARING AND ENCOURAGING COMMUNITY SCHOOL

10 Archer Street, Woodbridge, W.A. 6056
Telephone: (08) 9267 9900 www.woodbridgeps.wa.edu.au
Bankwest Midland BSB 306-041 A/C No: 419788-1

Key to Success: Getting Along

Issue 1

Habit of the Mind: Playing by the rules

Friday, 9th February 2018

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Friends

A huge thank you for the wonderful start you have been partners in, achieving for all the children at Woodbridge Primary School. The amazing attendance at the Meet and Greet on Tuesday prior to school starting helped make the transition to the new school year easier for both staff and students. At an in-house assembly on Wednesday morning children were reminded of the School rules:

1. We treat everyone with care and respect;
2. We take pride in our school;
3. We play safely in appropriate areas;
4. We use our school equipment responsibly and
5. We follow school procedures and guidelines.

Part of the discussion included the need to wear school uniform and have it labelled with names. Please support your child by helping them wear the correct uniform every day. A reminder the Department of Education has banned the wearing of denim at government schools.

Uniform Shop

Naomi, our coordinator, did a fantastic job at the start of the year. Size 6 and 10 shirts are on order and should be available in week 6. School bags are also out of stock and are expected to arrive in week 5.

Newsletters and Connect

The decision was made at the end of last year to continue to send home hard copies of the newsletter. These will be sent fortnightly with the youngest child in the family. There are many other things we need to communicate and these are posted on Connect. Copies of excursion notes will also be included. If you are not already connected please come and sign the permission note and ensure we have your correct email address. This will continue to be developed as our main area of communication so I urge you to join. Teachers will check if parents/cares would like some training sessions during the parent meetings next week and then we will give you some dates.

Class Sizes

For the last three years we have been following the guidelines of enrolling only in-area students and siblings of students already enrolled. This means that over the next few years we will be in the position of having only in-area students at the school. The maximum class sizes recommended varies according to year level and whether there are split classes. We currently have 403 students enrolled at the school in 15 classes, which includes an extra

Kindy class. Most classes are close to or at the recommended level. Currently students from South Guildford are being directed to Guildford Primary School which has excess capacity.

At this stage there is not a need to rearrange classes and I hope this remains the case as the year progresses. I am happy to further explain this at the P & C meeting in week 4.

P & C Meeting and Nominations

The P & C has traditionally been a small group that organises a number of events for the school community. This includes an Easter raffle, Mothers' and Fathers' day stalls, Art Exhibition activities, Fun Run and Movie night. They provide opportunities for the community to come together and also provide funds for the school. Over the last year funds have gone towards providing resources for Choir and Drama. Each year the executive and committee positions are declared vacant. So nominations are now called for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and at least 3 Committee members. Nomination forms are available at the office. The AGM will be on Wednesday 21st February at 6.30pm in the school library. Please come and join us.

Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to those families who have paid their voluntary contributions this year.. Please be reminded that the current contributions have been set at \$60 per child per year and to a maximum of \$120 per family for the year. Payment can be made in cash at the office, via EFTPOS or electronically directly into the school account being:

Bankwest Midland BSB 306-041 A/C No: 419788-1

WEEKLY RAFFLE DRAW

Room 1	Riley	Room 10	Grace
Room 2	Cameron	Room 11	Callum
Room 3	Roy	Room 12	Braeden
Room 4	Elexis	Room 13	Jasmin
Room 5	Tayla	Room 14	Eloise
Room 6	Nevae	Room 15	Stephanie
Room 8	Emily		
Room 9	Harrison		

Next P & C Meeting
Wednesday, 21st February @ 6.30pm

Uniform Committee

At regular intervals we review different school policies and invite interested parents to join us on these committees. It is time to review our Dress Code and invite interested parents to fill in the Expression of Interest Form available at the office. The committee will include members of admin, teachers, Board and P & C members.

Parent Information Sessions - Timetable

As part of our Reporting to Parents Policy all classes have parent information sessions in week 3. Individual teachers will send home or post on Connect invitations. Below is a list of the class days and times.

Date (Week 3)	Time	Teacher	Rm	Year Level
Monday 12-02-18	3:00pm	Jenni Bannani	5	4
	3:00pm	Danni Whitcombe	8	2
	3.15pm	Lorraine Steele	9	1
	3.15pm	Siobhan	1	3
	5:30pm	Brescacin Lore Gannaway / Elle Peacock	3	3/4
Tuesday 13-02-18	4:00pm	Kirilee Lunan	11	PP
	4:00pm	Rachel Weller	10	K/P
	4:00pm	Anita Thomson	14	4/5
	4:30pm	Jenna Burgess/ Shelley Ekert	6	1/2
Wed 14-02-18	3.15pm	Rebecca Marshall	15	P/1
	4:00pm	Sarah Nichols	7	K
Thurs 15-02-18	3.15pm	Lawrence Noakes	13	5/6
	3.15pm	Jade Beilken	12	5/6
	3:15pm	Kelly Blee	4	2
	5.00pm	Eve Bond/Cassie Ekert	2	3/4

Allergy Friendly School

We have a number of children at school who react to some allergens, resulting in anaphylaxis. Please read the information provided so we can work together to keep them safe. Attached with the newsletter is information about anaphylaxis.

PMI Music - A representative from PMI visited the school on Wednesday and visited each class to explain this keyboard music program. Children were given an information brochure about the lessons that we have agreed will be offered after school so as not to take time away from the classroom.

Updated Details

If any of your contact details have changed (address, phone number, email address) could you please drop into the office and fill in a form to give us the new details.

Before and After School

Keeping our children safe takes high priority. To assist with this we have the following processes in place at Woodbridge Primary School. When you bring your children onto the school site we have a duty of care, even when you are with them. If children arrive before 8.30am they are required to sit in the undercover area where they are supervised from 8.15am. Parents may come with them. Kindy children from rooms 7, 10 and 11 may sit on the bench outside their classroom with their parents. They are not permitted to be walking around or play on the equipment.

At 8.30 the classroom doors will be opened and children can get ready for the school day.

At the end of the day Kindy and Pre-primary children need to be collected from the classroom. Children who are walking home need to leave straight away, so they are walking when there are people around. You are more than welcome to stay and use the school grounds and equipment but children need to be with their parents and supervised. Please ensure your children know that if for some reason you are running late, they need to come to the front of the school or the office and let someone know.

I noticed towards the end of last year students waiting out of sight for 8.30 to arrive or not sitting with parents outside the Kindy and Pre-primary rooms. Please support the staff at the school by giving the correct information to your children and to move to the right place.

City of Swan School Parking Initiative

Please read the information below that has been supplied by the City of Swan.

The City's community regularly identifies school parking safety concerns as a priority. In order to address these community safety concerns, the City deploys a School Parking Approach during Term 1 of the school year.

During Term 1 of the school year the City's Community Safety Advocates will conduct patrols of parking areas surrounding schools and provide education advice to parents who are deemed to be committing a parking offence. Whilst the City aims to address these concerns without imposing penalties, once Term 2 commences, the education phase is deemed to be completed and enforcement patrols will commence. The Community Safety Advocate team will undertake patrols of the area and issue enforcement notices to vehicles for offences committed.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Please note that if you are not able to attend the Uniform Shop, you can either place your order online or complete an order form and leave with Leah or Melissa in the office with correct money. Apologies but EFTPOS is not available at the Uniform Shop. Opening hours:

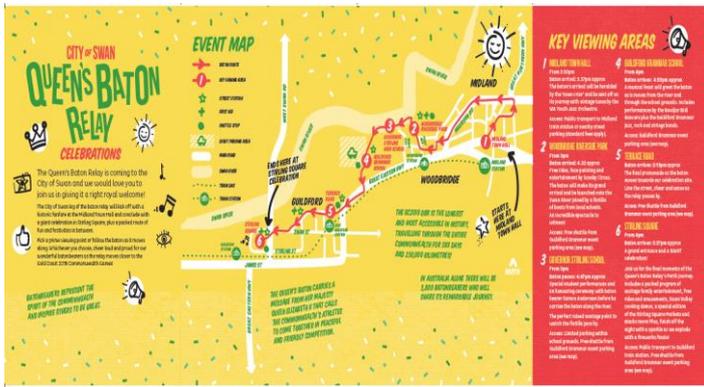
Tuesday and Thursday mornings 8.15am to 9.00am

For help in setting up your account contact:
1300 484 888 or 9467 967. Fax: 08 9200 5693



Queens Baton Relay Celebrations-Monday 26th Feb

The Queen's Baton Relay is coming to the City of Swan and they would love you to join them in giving it a right royal welcome! The City of Swan leg of the baton relay will kick off with a historic fanfare at the Midland Town Hall and conclude with a giant celebration in Stirling Square, plus a packed route of fun and festivities in between. Pick a prime viewing point or follow the baton as it moves along. Whichever you choose, cheer loud and proud for our wonderful baton bearers as the relay moves closer to the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games! Woodbridge, Bassendean and Beechboro Primary School Choirs will join together to sing at this event. They will be performing at Stirling Square at 5.20pm. For more details, please read the Event Guide attached to our school newsletter, or visit [FACEBOOK.COM/CITYOFSWANEVENTS](https://www.facebook.com/cityofswanevents) [WWW.SWAN.WA.GOV.AU/QBR](http://www.swan.wa.gov.au/qbr)



School Banking

Commonwealth Bank School Banking is available at Woodbridge again this year in the library on Thursdays from 8.15 – 8.45am.

If you would like to start banking, all you need to do is open a Youthsaver account by either visiting your local Commonwealth Bank or apply online at CommBank.com.au/schoolbanking. Congrats to Emily S for being one of Commonwealth banks prize winners in last years competition.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

Room 1	Lily-Grace, Mystique
Room 2	Tyson
Room 3	Roy
Room 4	Mackenzie
Room 5	Jordan
Room 6	Lira, Gemma
Room 7	Arlo, Olivia
Room 10	Oberon
Room 11	Wild
Room 12	Evie
Room 13	Evelyn, Xavia
Room 14	Cadence, Jalon
Room 15	Te Reo



SPORTS NEWS

My name is Jesse Thyer and I am the new sport teacher at Woodbridge Primary School. I am very excited and I am looking forward to getting to know the students and to develop their abilities and interests in sport. Please feel free to say hello and ask any questions at any time.



Our school is participating in the Coles Sports for Schools Program. By collecting vouchers from your local Coles, the school is able to earn sports gear. Ask your friends and family to donate their vouchers, as the more vouchers we collect, the more sports equipment we can enjoy. Every \$10 earns 1 voucher. Please drop your vouchers off at the front office in the Coles Sports for Schools box.

One of our 2018 school focus is Health and Wellbeing. Over the next few weeks we will be collecting some baseline data measuring fitness and upper body strength for middle and upper students and fundamental movement skill level for our juniors. We will then implement fitness/skills programmes across the school and revisit the data later in the year to determine progress.

Jesse Thyer

LIBRARY NEWS

Scholastic Book Club will be running again this year and the Issue 1 catalogue will be going to classrooms this week. Please have the order returned by **16th February, 2018**

A few points to remember for parents and students:
If you are ordering online through LOOP please remember to select your students room number.
If you are paying cash for your order please complete the order form at the back of the catalogue, place students full name, room number and order details on this form. Then attend the front office and obtain an envelope which you will complete with the students full name, room number, Scholastic order and cash enclosed. Please remember to include the *correct cash amount*. Place envelope in the School Payments mail box on the front desk.

There are many new exciting books in the library this year. There are 50 new Lexile books ready to be read. Have you chosen yours?

***"The more that you read the more things you will know.
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."***
DR SEUSS

Pam Kingston

COMMUNITY NEWS

CirQuest Circus is starting the new year with a bang! CirQuest HQ, in North Perth, is a FringeWorld Festival venue with a huge season of four fantastic circus shows for the whole family from February 1-11. CirQuest's hugely popular circus classes for children and adults start on February 12, so there's still plenty of time to book!

CirQuest Circus classes have received a huge boost, with a grant from the Stronger Communities program, courtesy of local MP Ken Wyatt, to purchase new equipment to support our non-profit association's excellent work in the community. We can't wait for you to come play with our new equipment with us!

Classes are held on Tuesdays at Brown Park Community Centre, with morning sessions for children aged 18 months – 3 years at 10.00am, and for children aged 3-4 years at 11.00am. After school classes start at 3.30pm for children aged 4-7 years, and at 4.30pm for children in the upper primary school years. To find out more, go to <https://www.cirquest.com.au/our-classes>.



Midvale Hub Parenting Service Perth (North East)



MIDVALE HUB

Protective Behaviours Parent Workshop

The Protective Behaviours Parent Workshop is a FREE 3 hour workshop recommended for parents and carers of children aged birth to 13 years.

This personal safety abuse prevention program is aimed to teach parents valuable personal safety skills and strategies that can help empower your child and keep them safe from abuse. Learn the skills to help your child identify unsafe situations and arm them with tools to seek appropriate assistance to protect themselves. Learn more about:

- empowerment
- communication
- self-esteem
- social skills and other life skills for children.



Where:	Child & Parent Centre - Swan Lot 574 Cockman Cross, Stratton
When:	Thursday 8 th March, 2018
Time:	9:00am - 12:00pm
Cost:	FREE – Registration Essential
Crèche:	Not available for this program

For more information and to register, please contact:

Name: Midvale Hub Parenting Service Perth North – East
Telephone: (08) 9374 0327
Email: parentingservice@mundaring.wa.gov.au



The Midvale Hub Parenting Service Perth (North East) is provided by Midvale Hub (Shire of Mundaring) and funded by the State Government through the Department of Local Government and Communities.



Children and Young People's Program

Expressions of Interest



Change and loss affects all of us at some stage in our lives. When changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances, children may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively.

Centrecare Midland is offering a very successful education program called *Seasons for Growth* for children aged 6 – 8 years or 9 – 10 years.



This program is facilitated in a small group and is based on research that highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with change and loss.

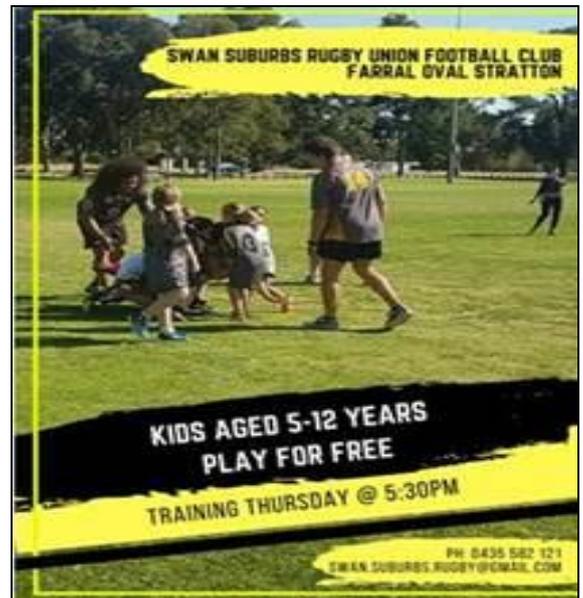
Seasons for Growth is a free service, runs for 8 weeks and each weekly session is 40 minutes, commencing February 2018. The program explores topics such as:

- self-esteem
- managing feelings
- problem-solving
- decision-making
- effective communication
- support networks

Expressions of Interest are now sought from parents and caregivers who would like their child to participate. For further information, please contact Centrecare Midland on (08) 9436 0600



An Australian Government Initiative



DIARY of EVENTS

February

- 12 2.45-4pm Drama
- 13 2.45-4pm Choir and Learning Club
- 14 8-8.30am Gardening Club
- 15 7.45–8.15 Soccer training
8.15-8.45 School Banking
- 19 2.45-4pm Drama
- 20 2.45-3.45 Extension Art
2.45-4pm Choir and Learning Club
- 21 8-8.30am Gardening Club
3.60pm P&C AGM
- 22 7.45–8.15 Soccer training
8.15-8.45 School Banking
- 23 Peer Mediation Training
12.45-1.45 Choir Rehearsal at Beechboro PS
- 26 4-8pm Queen's Baton Relay
- 28 Room 3 Assembly

TERM DATES for 2018

- Term 1 Wednesday 31st January – Friday 13th April
- Term 2 Tuesday 1st May - Friday 29th June
- Term 3 Tuesday 17th July – Friday 21st September
- Term 4 Tuesday 9th October – Thursday 13th December

