

West Wyalong Public School

TERM 1 *Week 4*

Monday 15th February 2021

NEWSLETTER



From the Principal's Desk

Welcome to Week 4. Last week was a very busy one and it seems that this week will be the same. It was really enjoyable meeting parents last week and learning about routines and programs that are occurring in Stage 1 and Stage 3. This week, Stage 2 and Kindergarten will have their information sessions, if you are able to attend, please contact the office to RSVP.

Staff have been very busy testing students over the past 2 weeks, mainly with sight words, reading levels and numeracy. This information will be used to inform the teaching and learning programs for each class as well as identifying adjustments and individualised focusses for particular students.

Students are not the only learnings at West Wyalong Public School, all staff have an extensive list of mandatory training they complete at the beginning of each. Some other exemplar Professional Learning has also started last week with a group of teachers starting their first round of the Quality Teaching Rounds. This program will continue all year, with all teaching staff having the opportunity to observe each other, using a matrix of quality teaching practices to score the lessons. These observations provide teachers with extremely useful feedback and the opportunity to improve their teaching. I've been so impressed already with the professional dialogue between staff and look forward to seeing the positive impact it will have in the classrooms.

There will be some teacher changes for Stage 2 classes starting from next week. Year 3/4 Blue will have Mrs Whiley all week and Year 3/4 Red will have Mrs Miller for Monday and Tuesday and Mrs Wiencke for the rest of the week. There will be more information about these changes at the information evening.

The joint funded outdoor learning area project that was organised by the P&C last year, is now completed. Thank you to the P&C for providing funds and Evolution for the Cowl Community Grant, to allow the construction of this outdoor learning area.

I'm looking forward to discussing school planning tonight at the P&C meeting and hope to organise some parent focus groups to run in the next few weeks so that we can finalise our School Improvement Plan by the end of term.

All the best to students competing in the swimming carnival on Friday.



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Dates for the diary:

Monday 15th February

P&C Meeting 5pm in the Library

Tuesday 16th February

Years 3 & 4 Information night in the Library 5.00-6.00pm

Wednesday 17th February

Kindergarten information night in the Kindergarten rooms 5.30 – 6.30pm

Monday 1st March

School Photos

Mrs Victoria Jenkins

Parents and Carers – Covid 19 – Updated procedures

Parents and carers should be reminded that students must not attend school if they are unwell, even with the mildest of symptoms. Students must return a negative COVID-19 test and be symptom free prior to returning to school.

- Parents and carers can enter the school to:
 - o purchase or pick up uniforms from the uniform shop
 - o meet with school staff with an appointment
 - o drop off students for department Preschool, Kindergarten and Years 1, 2 and 7
 - o attend parent orientation meetings for Preschool, Kindergarten or Year 7 and 'meet the teacher' meetings with school staff for all year/stage groups. Meetings should be limited to 1 hour where possible. A COVID-19 Safety Plan must be in place.
- volunteering in educational support roles for activities that are essential to the delivery of the curriculum such as reading groups, music and kitchen garden areas. Schools are required to have scheduled programs in place and remind parents and carers that they must not attend school unless it has been previously arranged
- Gatherings are limited to 30 people indoors and 100 people outdoors for all other locations. Gatherings should be limited to 1 hour where possible and a COVID-19 Safety Plan must be in place.
- P&C meetings can occur after school hours with restrictions.
- Community outdoor social events and functions and can proceed after school hours with a COVID-19 Safety Plan in place. These are limited to 100 people outdoors for all other locations other than Sydney areas.

The following visitors are able to attend school sites to deliver specialist services or services essential to school operations:

- SRE/SEE volunteers
- construction and maintenance providers and contractors for asset-related activities
- official visitors and dignitaries (PDF 479KB) in accordance with the protocols
- allied health partners and providers
- department staff delivering specialist support services where these services cannot be delivered remotely. This includes WHS Advisers, PSLs and School Infrastructure NSW staff
- external providers delivering educational services with a COVID-19 Safety Plan in place

New procedures for visitors to West Wyalong Public School.

If you are planning to visit our school grounds to meet with a member of our staff, the following procedures must be followed:

1. Use our QR code to complete the COVID safe check-in for Service NSW
(If you do not have a QR scanner, please complete the form supplied at the front counter)
2. Complete an *External Visitors to our School Site* form
3. Sign in on our IPAD in the Front Office

Please note that if you are calling in to pick up your child or deliver to the Front Office, it is advisable to telephone ahead on 69722157 so you do not have to follow the steps above.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their

1 day per fortnight


= **4** weeks

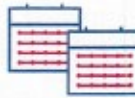


= Over **1** year



1 day per week


= **8** weeks



= Over **2.5** years missed

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NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

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Please consider the environment

1 ream of paper = 6% of a tree / 5.4kg CO2 in the atmosphere | 3 sheets of A4 paper = 1 litre of water

Joss
 Facility Management



NEW YEAR NEW JOB?

Are you looking for a fresh start in 2021? Do you want to work for a family owned company that empowers and encourages its staff?

In 2021 Joss Facility Management are looking for cleaning staff to work at local Government sites across regional NSW. At Joss we value our diverse and committed workforce and we are regularly recruiting for cleaning positions across NSW.

PPE, Training and Uniforms provided.

Applicants need to provide a valid Working With Children Check upon application and successful applicants will be required to undertake a pre-employment medical prior to commencement.

Please contact Joss Facility Management via email on careers@jossgroup.com.au



Check us out on Facebook Joss Cleaning

or visit our webpage
www.jossgroup.com.au

TERM 1 REMINDERS:

PLEASE make sure students bring a water bottle every day.

Please do not send students who are unwell to school. If students are sick for 3 days they need to return with a medical certificate for absent days.

Please drop students off and pick them up outside the school

gates. Remember to social distance yourselves while waiting. We are asking that staff and students are the ONLY people on the school grounds at this time. If you need to speak to your child's classroom teacher, please ring the front office and we will organise this for you.



The Canteen is open each Wednesday and Friday.

P&C

AGM & General Meeting
today Monday 15th
February at 5pm
In the library.
All welcome...

Book Club LOOP

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform.

It's easy to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order using your credit card. If your school is not yet in the **LOOP**, speak with your school's Book Club Organiser.

Head to [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)



Follow these **easy** steps!

1 Simply grab your child's Book Club catalogue and either **SIGN-IN** or **REGISTER** your account.

2 Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for), then select your **SCHOOL** and your **CHILD'S CLASS**.
Note: You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school.

Looking for **MORE** product information? Additional content such as videos and downloads are available for select titles. Select your issue and enter the item number to view information on titles and some great resources, such as videos and reviews.

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LOOKING FOR MORE PRODUCT INFORMATION?

3 Click on **ORDER** and enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue.

4 All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date.

That's it! There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school.

SCHOLASTIC



WEEK 4 LIBRARY NEWS

How long is my child allowed to borrow a book for?

At West Wyalong Public School library books are on loan for one week, however, if a student requests a loan extension because they are still reading their library books an extension is granted.

How many books is my child allowed to borrow from the school library?

Kindergarten -	1 book
Year 1 -	2 books
Year 2 -	3 books
Year 3 -	4 books
Year 4 -	5 books
Year 5 -	6 books
Year 6 -	6 books



Please note this is each year groups borrowing limit and this doesn't mean that every week your child must borrow the specified number of books listed above.

INFANTS ASSEMBLY AWARDS

TERM 1 Week 3 9th February 2021

Merit Awards

K: Lenny Anderson
 Violet Sinclair

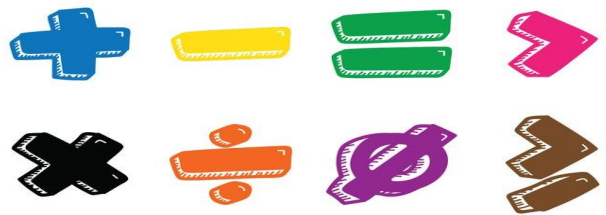
1/2 Red: Bryenna Scealy
 Izac Larden

1/2 Blue: Zainkahn Pathan
 Annie Miller

1/2 Green: Heath Bischoff
 Keaton Cattle

Literacy Awards

Darcy Hemmings, Noah Byrnes,
Jax McCartney, Charlotte Clay
and Atlas Moxon



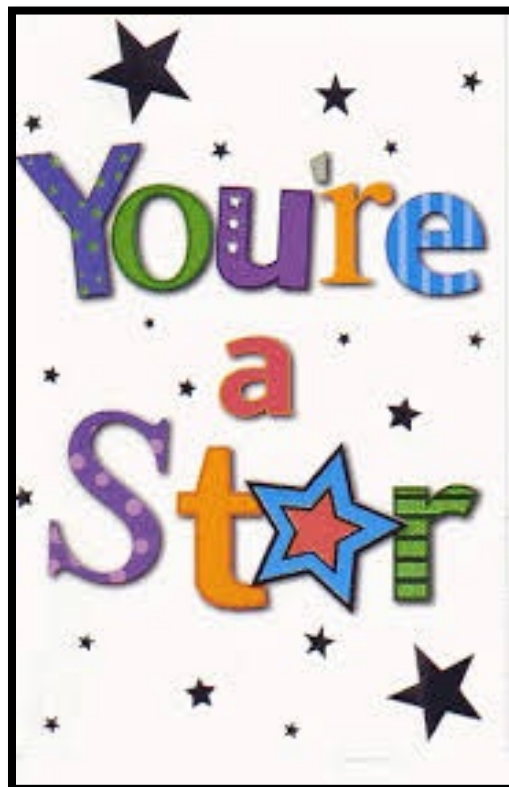
★ **Student of the Week** ★
Mack Pursehouse, Ned
Crossman, Charlotte Clay and
Aleyah Catlin.

Maths Awards

Hazel Worner, Brumby Johnston,
Halle Turner, Kailani Greene and Jax
Lange



Aleyah Catlin



Halle Turner

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Mack Dursehouse



Charlotte Clay



Kailani Greene



Heath Bischoff



Noah Byrnes



Violet Sinclair



Lenny Anderson



Jax McCartney



Annie Miller



Brumby Johnston



Darcy Femmings



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SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON:

Monday 1 March 2021



ORDER NOW go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code PPG 8XL 8DP

Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by advancedlife. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at www.advancedlife.com.au using our school's unique 9-digit advancedorder code. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please contact us at www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

At West Wyalong Public School we value strong communication between our parents and community members. Each Monday of the term we issue a newsletter which can be accessed by: Email, a printed copy, Skoolbag (download the App) or on our school website. Please complete the form below with your choice of communication and return it to school as soon as possible:



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Parents Name:.....

Child's Name:.....

Class:

Yes I would like to receive the newsletter by email.

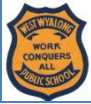
My email address is:.....

OR

I would like a paper copy to be given to my child

OR

I will access the newsletter through Skoolbag or the website.



WEST WYALONG PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term 1 2021



	Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
Jan/ Feb	1	25	26 Australia Day Holiday	27 Staff Development Day	28 Staff Development Day	29
Feb	2	1	2	3 Swimming Carnival	4	5
Feb	3	8	9 Resilience Talk Years 5 & 6	10 Stage 1 Information Night 5-6pm in the Library Stage 3 Information Night 6-7pm in the Library	11	12
Feb	4	15 P & C AGM 5pm in Library	16 Stage 2 Information Night 5-6pm in the Library	17 Kindergarten Information Night 5:30 pm in the Kinder room	18	19 District Swimming Carnival Issue One of Book Club due
Feb/ Mar	5	22	23 Leaders Induction Assembly (Invitation Only)	24	25	26
Mar	6	1 SCHOOL PHOTOS LIFE EDUCATION	2	3	4	5
Mar	7	8	9	10	11	12
Mar	8	15	16	17	18	19
Mar	9	22 HARMONY DAY ACTIVITIES	23	24	25	26
April	10	29 RECOGNITION ASSEMBLY 12 noon in MPU	30 Cricket Gala Day	31	1	2 Good Friday
April		6 Easter Monday	7	8	9	10

Term 2 – Staff return Monday 19th April, all students return Tuesday 20th April 2021