



DATES TO REMEMBER

- 20/9/2018 SACA Cricket Clinic Rec – Year 5
- 21/9/2018 Years 6/7 Enterprise Learning at Arndale Shopping Centre
- 25/9/2018 Years 6/7 Enterprise Market Day held in the Gym
- WGS Childcare Governing Council
- 27/9/2018 WGS B-7 Sports day
- 28/9/2018 12:00pm Whole School Assembly
2:00pm EARLY DISMISSAL
- 15/10/2018 Term 4 Commences

Dear families and friends,

Staffing Update – Term 4 2018

We would like to farewell and acknowledge Emily Cartwright for her work in Miss Jean and Miss Julie's classes. Emily has only been with us for three days each week this term and has accepted a fulltime position elsewhere.

Miss Julie (7008) will increase to fulltime for the remainder of the year, ensuring the consistency of the learning program for children.

Likewise, Miss Jean (6012) will work 4 days and Mrs. Angela Santinon will work Fridays, again maintaining the learning environment. We are also joined by Mr Imtiaz Bughio and Miss Kylie Barham who work as part of the EALD (English as an Additional Language or Dialect) team for the remainder of the year.

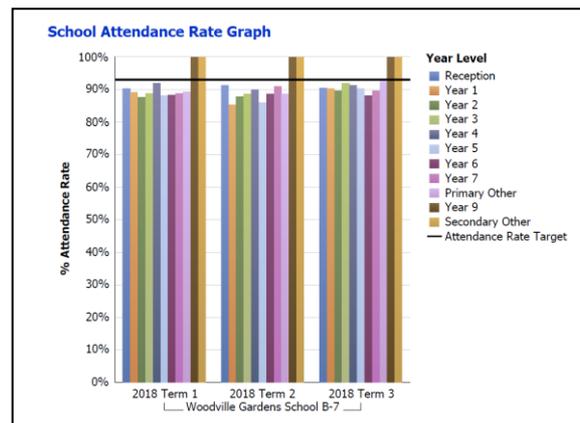
NAPLAN Results & Trends - 2018

Some individual children have, again, had some great results in their NAPLAN tests across all three year levels. The most notable improvement has been made by the Year 7 children who, on average, have improved their results in the aspects of Reading, Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation and Writing with Numeracy being maintained. Writing importantly improved by 35 points, which provides motivation to the rest of the school as Writing is the area we need to make the greatest growth in.

NAPLAN results will be sent home by week's end and should you wish to discuss the report please don't hesitate to make an appointment with your child's teacher.

Attendance Data

Congratulations to an amazing group of children who have 100% attendance for Term 3.



When our average attendance is sitting at 89.5%, those children who have managed 100% need to be acknowledged. Our commitment is to celebrate those who have fantastic attendance over time starting with: Sora, Vincent, Kathy, Katelyn, Scott, Rebekah, Riona, Alexandra, Justin, Eddie, Rowan, Melleny and Monika *all who have 100% this year to date!*



SPORTS DAY reminders

Please remember to return your lunch orders for Sports day by **MONDAY 24th September 2018**, with payment. If families need additional order forms these can be collected from the Canteen.

Kind regards,

Fiona Voigt, Principal



RED LEARNING AREA

First Aid Incursion

On Thursday the 16th of August, Leah from St John Ambulance, came to our school to teach the 4/5 students how to perform first aid. She taught us about DRSABCD (danger, response, send for help, airways, breathing, CPR, defibrillation). We got to practice CPR on a baby and adult mannequin. She also showed us what to do if someone was unconscious and also what to do if someone was choking. After our session we received some packs that had lots of information, an activity book and a pack of coloured pencils. Overall the experience was great and we learnt a lot.
Era Bunjaku and Jamila Ramos.



VR Incursion

As part of our History unit, students in Years 4 and 5 recently participated in a virtual reality experience. We wore special VR headsets and watched 3D video clips showing us things about Aboriginal people and their life in the past. We learnt how Aboriginal people used special songs, stories and dances. It was really interesting and very fun!



In 907 we have focused on developing a Growth Mindset. The students are learning to reflect and engage strategies that will support growth and achievement. Here are examples of reflections students have written in response to quotes from positive role models. Neli, Angela and Tracy stand near the Growth Mindset Tree in our classroom.

Buddies

This term, 907 collaborated with their big buddies in Mr. Incoll's class to complete a STEM Challenge.

The groups were given a set time to create a tower with straws, tape, string and a marsh mellow.



Makers Empire Symbols

During Inquiry, 911 have been learning about celebrations and commemorations. During our research we discovered the significance of symbols and the stories behind them. We expanded on what we had learnt to design and produce a symbol that was unique to us as individuals. We developed our design and technology skills by using a 3D printing app called Makers Empire. Once we designed and prototyped our symbols we were able to print them. We also drafted and published the story behind our symbols and how they represent us. Please feel free to visit our classroom in the Red Building to look at our symbols and read our stories.

The students from 911



Swimming Week

In week 7 Room 9.12 and the rest of the red building went to The Parks Community Swimming Centre for swimming lessons.

We learnt all about water safety and got to practice our swimming skills in a range of ways. Lots of us practiced our floating skills (floating on our back and stomach). Focus areas also included, learning how to rescue each other, entering and exiting the pool safely, learning about rip currents and keeping ourselves safe. We also got to practice different swimming strokes.

Students got to use a variety of floating devices such as noodles, kickboards and life jackets. Swimming lessons were extremely fun and everyone learnt lots of new skills.

Book week - Author visit

As part of book week, we were lucky enough to enjoy a special visit from South Australian author Phil Cummings. Classes were entertained as Phil presented many of his stories and shared his journey to becoming an author. Students were surprised to learn many things about the detailed process involved in writing and illustrating books. We hope this valuable experience has inspired students about their own writing.

WGS 2018 PRELOVED BIKE RAFFLE



WIN a bike for just \$2!!!

**The year 6/7 Fundraising Team are raffling off 2 preloved bikes!
Tickets are only \$2 each and there are more books available from the front office.**

Everyone has the chance to win one of two bikes donated by The Smith Family Funds raised will go to support families living with childhood cancer and Camp Quality

All books must be returned to school sold or unsold by Sports Day when the raffle will be drawn.

CENTREPAY PAYMENTS

The Centrepay deductions form SA325 is no longer available for families wishing to use Centrepay as a payment option. Families can now organise their payments online. To register for the online service go to humanservices.gov.au/submitdocumentsonline to set up a Centrelink account. Then contact Jacqui to give you our service provider Centrepay Reference Number and an account number. For more information families can call Centrepay on **136150**.

Alternatively the school can also create a Centrepay Deductions Account for you. Please contact Jacqui for more information on how we can help.

Writers' Corner

There were many great entries in the year 6/7 writing competition. These are a few lines from these student's stories that demonstrate the quality of writing:

The grand house was Jeffrey's house. He was my great, great grandfather. Some say that before he passed away, he left some treasure in a secret room in his house. But I thought that was all nonsense, until July 21st 2008. On that day, my curiosity got out of hand.

Abass Kamara

The house on the hill was a beautiful sight. Kings and queens used to live there. Now I, Emily Carmen Maxwell live there. My mother passed away when I was eleven. Now I am twelve. We moved because my dad believed it was his fault but it wasn't. So, from New South Wales to New York we flew around 15,979 km because he needed to get away from all that history.

Tess Burleigh

CRASH! Bill sharply turned around to check that no one was following him. He cautiously continued navigating the dark, almost ancient looking steps. As he dropped down deeper, it looked as if the mouldy spiral staircase went on forever. He thought to himself *Who made that noise ... or what?*

Arti Mulaj

After I finished all my work, I went home to see my dog Coco. Coco was really happy to see me and I was really happy to see him. My head hurt from thinking, my legs hurt from skating but I still had heaps of energy for Coco.

Thyara Satterley

Swoosh, the wind and rain storm were getting louder and stronger as we saw people entering their cars and driving home. But for us, we never had those things in our lives. Trying our best to save up money for an apartment wasn't always the easiest thing to do, especially when our home was the streets.

Nghi Le

I heard a noise. As the noise got louder, I felt a rush of cold sweat running down my body. As a nine year old named Gale, I found myself stuck in a world of shouting and screaming that would never break off. I suddenly heard my dad, Frederick, as he yelled at the top of his lungs. Tears ran down the side of my face, slowly trickling onto my bedroom floor.

Ethan Tran