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Important Dates

19-21 Sept	Year 3 Camp
22-23 Oct	Year 2 Camp
5-7 Dec	Year 4 Camp

Canteen Roster

June

7	Marga
8	Robyn, Sarah
13 th	Help needed
14 th	Emma
15 th	Tania, Help needed

Uniform Shop

Tuesdays	8.45am - 9.15 am
Thursdays	3pm - 4pm

Student Banking

Wednesday:	hand in books via classroom
Thursday:	books processed and returned.

HOUSE NAMES AND COLOURS

Chisolm	Yellow
Dryden	Green
Ebden	Red
Mitchell	Blue

QKR will continue to be the 'go to place' for Canteen, Uniforms, Fees and any other activities that **DO NOT REQUIRE CONSENT.**

CompassPay for parents to pay electronically for Excursions or any activity that requires **PAYMENT AND CONSENT.**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL, DIANA ELLIS

Pizza Day at Carlsruhe

As we all know Carlsruhe has a long standing tradition in our school and is a highly valued program. This week I enjoyed being with the students at Carlsruhe while they engaged in another Pizza Lunch. A big thank you to the parents and grandparents that support this program and volunteer their time to engage in learning with our students. *See pictures Pg. 2.*

Pirate day

Tomorrow we are having World Pirate Day. There is an absolute buzz around the school with a lot of talk about costumes. Although this is a fun day, it is also to raise awareness about Brain Cancer. We are trying to get as many staff and students as possible to dress up, even if it as simple as a bandana or an eye patch. We are not asking people to go to huge lengths and we are only asking for a gold coin donation that will go towards cancer research. Susan in the library has even been getting into the spirit making sure she has displayed a wide range of Pirate books and an amazing poster.



As we head into the colder months we are still lucky to be be blessed with such beautiful days. It is important however that parents ensure their children have coats, hats etc for children to keep warm outside, and inside during our regular power outages.

Last week when I was on yard duty, this photo reminded me how lucky we are to be enjoying weather like this in June.

As our students demonstrated that even on cold days you can still have fun making mud pies.



Garden Harvest Produce Stall

This week was a wonderful celebration of the relationship between our parents, students and staff and how much can be achieved when people contribute their time and skills to our school programs.

As a result of the great work led by Nicole Middleton and her growing team of helpers in our Children's Garden and the work of parents at Carlsruhe, we were able to hold a produce stall with produce harvested from our gardens. The money received will go back into our garden project.

Thank you also to our environmental leaders in Year 6 and the staff who have got involved in these programs. Programs like this build school pride and ownership of our wonderful school.



Thank you

A big thankyou to our wonderful PFA team for the work that they have put into fundraising of late and supporting our programs. First the Movie Night, payment for new sports tops for students to wear to district sports events and now a "wood" raffle. Many of you may have noticed members of this dedicated team at the market on the weekend and Anna busy selling tickets on Monday at school. Not only have some of our parents volunteered their time to cut a load of wood, we would also like to thank the family that offered for us to get wood from their property. If you would like to purchase tickets, you can do so at the office. Thank you for your support in this fundraising effort that is going toward the cost of new playground we are hoping to be installed by the end of this term or early next term.

We are always looking for new members of the PFA team. Even if you cannot attend meetings regularly you might be able to help with particular projects. On movie night we had a few parents come along and help even though they are not part of the PFA.



Curriculum Day

Last week our Curriculum Day was a huge success. How do I know this? One because of the feedback from staff but mainly because of the changes I am seeing implemented in classes.

In reading we are focusing on strategies called think aloud and making text to self, text to world and text to text connections. It is wonderful to observe these practices happening consistently in all classes.

School Sports Day –Wednesday June 20

Just a reminder that it is our Whole School House Sports Day on Wednesday June 20. We ask that students wear house colors. We do not expect parents to have to go and buy new clothing for this event but we do ask that your children wear house colors. We suggest one/or all of the following options - a t-shirt, ribbons, socks, a hat, face paint, streamers, crazy hair. Really anything in your child's house color. Your children should know their house color as we regularly have house meetings. *See first page for names and colours.*

I also had feedback that a number of people did not know what *tabloid sports* meant. This just means a range of fun competitive activities such as tunnel ball, sack races. We discussed the day at staff meeting last night and Miss Mann is busy organising the event – *See Pg. 2.*

Feedback

Thank you to the many people that have offered such positive feedback about our school in the last few weeks. You have acknowledged our work on many levels – particularly our open day, our learning programs, the garden program and extra opportunities such as clubs. Equally of significance is the constructive feedback we have received from parents through face to face discussions about possible improvements or concerns.

We appreciate you taking the time to come and speak to us so that we can have a solution, not problem based approach.

Clubs

So far we have started our coding and crocheting lunch time clubs and already we have had a huge number of students attending. We will also be starting other clubs including lego/construction, photograph and drawing, in the next few weeks.

If you would like to help with the community crocheting project please contact Mrs. Minchew in the Year 6 portables.

Interviews

Our Parent Teacher interviews approved by the Department of Education, will occur on Thursday June 28. The interviews will occur from 12.00 midday until 7.00 at night. Students will not attend school on that day. More information will follow regarding booking interviews on COMPASS.

Communication

As communicated previously we will not be using COMPASS to send out regular reminders. We will advertise all events on our main communication space – our newsletter and we will also advertise on our school Facebook Account. We are encouraging people to take personal responsibility for being informed as we simply cannot be responsible for continually reminding people when we have tried to communicate the information via our newsletter which everyone has access to.

Crossing safety

As part of the Department of Education, we of course have a legal duty of care to try to keep children safe. Recently we again have had a number of near misses with the latest a child nearly being hit by the bus, then a car. We understand our parking situation is hugely inadequate and we ask people to seek improved/more parking spaces, as ratepayers, from the Shire.

Myself or Mrs. Graham will be supervising out near the bus parking area as often as possible. We know you will understand our role in keeping your children safe. Please don't be offended if we remind you or your child to cross at the crossing or to park in a parking space.

Building works update

As you may have noticed, our new Music room is getting close to completion.

In the next few weeks fences will start to go up for the second stage of the project which is landscaping works to the bottom half of the school. This will impact on the main entry to the school and we apologise in advance for any inconvenience but we are sure it will be worth it in the long run when our school is greatly improved.

Yesterday a container was delivered and is sitting up behind the staff room. This will be used for storage purposes when the multi-purpose Hall is being refurbished. At the end of the completion we get to keep the container and it will be fitted out and potentially used for the space for our drum lessons.

Carlsruhe

Next term CU3 and CU4 will shift back to the main campus and CU1 and CU2 will transition out to Carlsruhe. We will provide time to support teachers in the next few weeks to shift all of their belongings and set up their new classes.

Representatives of our school

It was my pleasure to again meet with our PFA last night for the monthly meeting. Our PFA are a dynamic and committed group of parents who are working hard to help our students and programs.

Our School Council is also another great body of our school who work hard to implement Department of Education requirements in regards to legal and policy requirements. A current example is the implementation of User Agreements and costs for all groups that use our facilities. This is a legal requirement of the department and all formal user agreements must be approved by the department's legal branch.

If you are interested in being a member of Parents and Friends, School Council or our Grounds and Facilities or Marketing sub-committees then we would love to welcome you aboard. Just give us a call in the office or pop in and register your expression of interest send an email to woodend.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Diana Ellis

Principal



WHOLE SCHOOL SPORTS DAY

On June 20, we will be having a Whole School Sport Day. Children will be in teams, Preps – Year 6, and will participate in a number of sports activities involving running, jumping, throwing, hitting etc. Teams will rotate through 10 quick activities with the students scoring points for their team as they go.

Put this date in your diary as we would like you to come along to support the students and teachers.

More information on our Whole School Sports Day next week.

Sandra and Nathan

2018 CALENDAR

Thurs 7/6	Woorabinda Camp Book Club due in	Mon 18/6	Strings Concert 7pm School Council meeting at 7pm
Fri 8/6	Woorabinda Camp National Pirate Day – Dress up, run by Jnr School Council. \$1.00 donation towards Cancer research.	Wed 20/6	Whole School Sports Day (wear house colours)
Mon 11/6	NO SCHOOL. Queen's Birthday – Public Holiday	Thurs 21/6	Prep Tours 9.30am – 2.30pm Snr Unit – Parent Info Session 3.45pm-4.30pm
Wed 13/6	JU1 excursion to Woodend Kinder 9.15-10.30am	Wed 27/6	Sushi Day – No other lunch orders available (Back up day) Sports Day
Thurs 14/6	Boys (selected) Soccer at Bendigo	Thurs 28/6	NO SCHOOL. Parent Teacher Interviews
Fri 15/6	CDSSA Winter Sports Carlsruhe Federation Walk	Fri 29/6	CU3 & CU4 Edgar's Mission Lancefield excursion No canteen – cleaning day. END OF TERM - 2.30pm school finish
Sat 16/6	PFA selling raffle tickets at Coles 9am-1pm	Mon 16/7	Term 3 begins

SENIOR UNIT NEWS

Cross Country

On Tuesday the 5th of June this week, Elsie and Ned went to the cross country Regional Championships in St. Arnaud. They had to travel for two and a half hours up to the course in either the Cobaw bus or a private car. Elsie ran the 3 kilometre race and came 15th. Ned ran the 2 kilometre race and came 20th. Unfortunately they didn't make it to the State level but they were both very close. Great Job to both students!

Winter Vegetable Stall

On Monday we had our vegetable stall all the vegetables came from either our Carlsruhe garden or our Woodend Community Garden just below the school. The environmental leaders Ashleigh, Alex, Eva and Soleil all served the customers. We raised a lot of money selling the rhubarb, herbs, turnips, kale and silverbeet. Make sure you keep an eye out for signs, posters or on the school facebook page to know when more upcoming stores will be! Thank you to all the customers who brought our vegetables. **-Soleil**

Senior Unit Parent Information Session

On the 21st of June, the Senior Unit students are presenting to parents about all the great things we do at school. Students will take turns to speak to parents and answer any questions. If you've ever been curious about the Senior Unit, now is the time to come and see for yourself.

Busking

On the 3rd of June my friend/manager Lexie and I went busking to raise money for pancreatic cancer. We raised a whopping \$92.50. In the Senior Unit, we have been doing a program called Flex-Learning. Flex-Learning gives student a chance to learn about something they are interested in and/or passionate about, for example I am doing pancreatic cancer, someone is doing robotics, another person is doing recycling. There is a very wide range of topics. For the rest of June I will be busking around town to continue raising money; my goal is \$300 dollars to donate to the Cancer Council to help cure pancreatic cancer. **-Charli**



CARLSRUHE NEWS

This week students enjoyed another pizza lunch prepared and cooked by a wonderful group of parents in the Annex' pizza oven. We would like to thank everyone who helped, from lighting the fire and tending it for many hours, preparing the dough, chopping up the toppings, assisting the students, providing an apple cake and washing up. Everything ran very smoothly.

Free to a good home

Young chicken and rooster require a loving caring home. (13 weeks old) Please contact the Carlsruhe teachers if interested – 5422 2744

MIDDLE UNIT NEWS

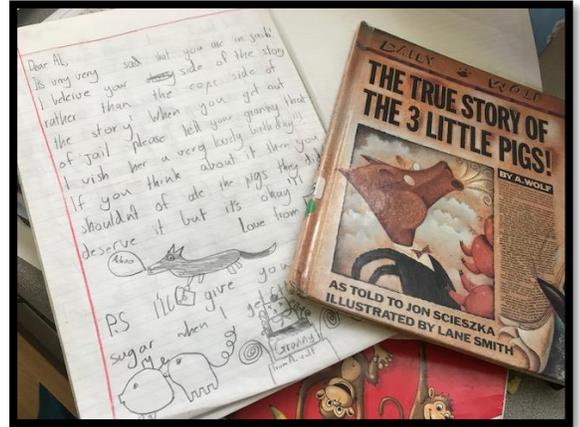
Middle Unit News - Year 1 / 2

During Science this term, students have been developing an understanding of how water is used, where water comes from and how to use it responsibly. In recent weeks, students have had the opportunity to learn about the water cycle and the three main stages associated with the water cycle.

Some of the classes even created their own water cycle diagram, which included adding their own 'rain' to their posters

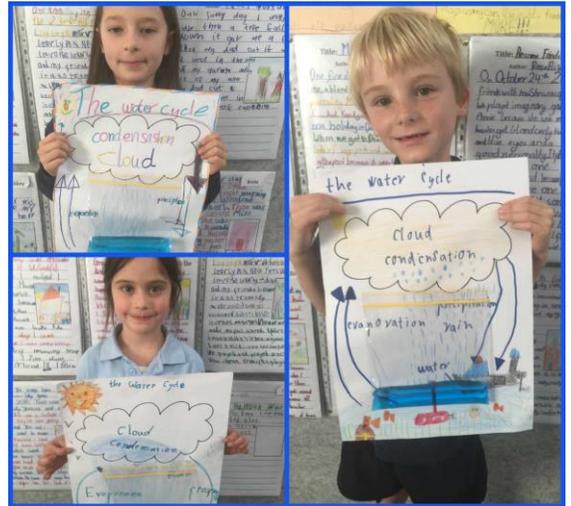
Here are some examples of what the students have enjoyed and learnt about this term in Science:

- In Science I learnt about the water cycle. Learning about the water cycle was fun and I enjoyed making the posters. **Hunter**
- I enjoyed Science because I have heard interesting things and I had lots of fun. I learnt that water is precious and how the water cycle works. **Breanna**
- What I learnt in Science this term was the water cycle. I enjoyed going outside to the playground to see what happens to the water when it rains. **Bridie**
- I have learnt about the water cycle. The water cycle is very interesting because it shows us about evaporation, condensation and precipitation. I have enjoyed Science because we get to walk around the school and see how water works. **James**
- What I have learnt in Science is the water cycle. I enjoyed Science because I get to learn stuff I haven't learnt before. I always have fun. **Lotti**
- I have learnt a lot about the water cycle and how water works. I have enjoyed learning about the water cycle because I like learning new things in Science. **Lilly**

**Year 3**

This week the Middle Unit (Year 3) has been exploring Fractured Fairy tales. We looked at the original story of the "Three Little Pigs" and compared it to the Big Bad Wolf's version, "The True Story on the Three Little Pigs'. The students then wrote a story to the Alexander Wolf, who claims he was framed and thrown in jail when all he wanted was a cup of sugar to make his Granny's birthday cake (and he had a terrible cold).

- Dear Mr. Wolf, What's doing in Jail? Sorry you didn't get the sugar. Hope next time you do get the sugar. Also, calm down and sell the pigs so you can buy the sugar. **From Patrick** P.S. hope next time you get out soon. Next time make, if selling the pigs doesn't work, just make Granny a card.
- To Al, if you still want a cup of sugar, I can get you some. I will try to break you out of jail and we can be friends. I know you were innocent, but the cops didn't think so. I think you have the right part of the story. **From Ben**
- Dear Al, I really want to know, how old are you? Also, which jail are in you, are you planning to escape, and are do you have any brothers and sisters? One more thing, I will lend you some sugar. What is your Granny's name and how old are you? **Love from Lucy** P.S. Sorry you are in jail and I think the cops just put you in jail because they are pigs. Do you know who is living in your house now?
- Dear Al, I'm sorry to hear you're in jail. How long do you stay in jail? What happened to the third pig? How did the first two just die like that? Did you ever see your dear old Granny for her birthday? If you want I can give you a cup of sugar for Granny's cake. I would love to help if you don't eat me. Did your cold ever go away? How old are you? **From Chloe**
- Dear Al, it's very sad that you are in jail. I believe your side of the story rather than the cop's side of the story! When you get out of jail please tell your Granny that I wish her a very lovely birthday! If you think about it, you shouldn't have eaten the pigs they didn't deserve it, but that's okay! **Love from Inga** P.S. I'll give you a cup of sugar when I get the chance.



JUNIOR UNIT NEWS

Dinosaurs and more

In Science this term, the Junior Unit students have been learning all about dinosaurs. Some things we have covered in the topic so far have been;

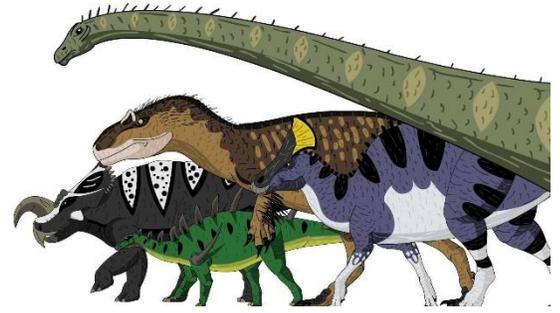
- ✓ What the word prehistoric means?
- ✓ What a paleontologist does?
- ✓ The features of modern and prehistoric animals?
- ✓ Looking at the teeth of dinosaurs to work out what they ate?

As we are coming to the end of the term, we would love to put all of our learning and knowledge into action and make a dinosaur.

If you have any craft materials at home that you could donate that would be a wonderful help. Some things we will be needing would be small boxes, long cardboard rolls, egg cartons, material and paper.

If you have anything you wish to donate please give it to your classroom teacher. We are looking at making our dinosaurs in the last 2 weeks of term.

Junior Unit teachers



WPS GARDENING GROUP

What a fabulous week we've had in the Carlsruhe Kitchen and Woodend Community Children's Gardens!

Monday we held our first garden stall, selling winter veg from both gardens. We expect to see many healthy kids at school given how much silverbeet was purchased. Many thanks to everyone who contributed. All money raised will go back into the gardens.

Wednesday the Woodend Men's Shed received a huge load of timber, donated by Bunnings Sunbury, to begin making new raised garden beds for our Community Children's Garden. Big changes are afoot, so stay tuned.

Nicole Middleton, Gardening Group Facilitator, 0418 233 366



PFA NEWS

'WIN A TRAILER OF WOOD' RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone who volunteered on the day and came to see us at the Farmer's Market last Saturday – our wood raffle is off to a great start! As a reminder all funds from the raffle are contributing toward the purchase of new playground equipment for the school grounds.

In response to requests, you can also purchase tickets from Friday 8 June at the front office until 3.30pm Friday 15 June. A very big thank you to the front office staff for assisting with this.

Don't forget to come and see us on Saturday 16 June from 9am at Coles Woodend to grab a sausage from our sausage sizzle and 3 raffle tickets for \$5 before the raffle is drawn at 2pm that afternoon. You have to be in it to win it!

We would also appreciate some help on the final day at Coles, so if you could spare some of your time on Saturday 16 June, please contact the PFA at wpspfa@gmail.com.

CANTEEN NEWS

- Thanks John for filling in at short notice.
- Please contact me in canteen if you're able to help.
- Sushi Day planned for June 27th. Notices have gone out.
- **NO CANTEEN: FRIDAY 29TH JUNE. CLEANING DAY**
- **Please don't forget to provide or pay for your child(s) lunch bag.**

Jenny Rossi, Canteen

ASSEMBLY AWARDS: 1 JUNE 2018

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

JU1	Tom For working really hard and making great progress with his writing.
JU1	Grace For speaking in a loud confident voice and adding detail into her show and tell.
JU3	James For trying hard to follow classroom rules and listening intently.
MU1	Mia For helping others with their diagrams of a worm farm. Thanks for being kind.
MU2	Lonsdale For his efforts in creating a wonderful narrative piece. Well Done Lonsdale.
MU3	Josh For getting involved and having a go during group work activities.
MU4	Ellie For writing an interesting narrative based on the Tiny Seed and sharing it with her classmates.
MU5	Edgar For having a positive attitude towards all of his assessment tasks.
MU6	Lachlan For trying his best during writing, despite having a broken hand. Well done Lachie.
MU7	James For being a wonderful guest speaker, sharing "Sticks and Stones- animals homes" With the calls. Excellent effort.
MU8	Dylan For showing a caring attitude by helping those in need while working on difficult concepts.
CU1	Juliette For showing ideas confidently during discussion and presenting work to standard to show her understanding.
CU2	Lily For her outstanding work on reconciliation week and being a great role model.
CU3	Frankie and Darius For working hard and showing a marked improvement in the reading and setting of clocks to 5 minute intervals, using both analogue and digital times.
CU4	Emma For her outstanding presentation on 'antique cake forks,' which included a graphic detailed demonstration on how to use one correctly.
SU1	Jack For helping the recycling team during grade 6 jobs! YOU ROCK!
SU2	Tadhg For working extremely well and persisting when choosing creative words and creating rhythm when writing his Picture Story Book! You have a real knack with words! Keep up the AWESOME work!

ARTISTS OF THE WEEK

Year 3 students spent many, many weeks constructing a castle from boxes and cardboard.

This was a huge task and involved building, painting and decorating. All the castles look terrific and it was very hard picking only a few for 'Artists of the Week'.

Our Special Artists of the Week are: Stefanie, Kitty, Lucas, Lachlan, Patrick, Kurt, Chloe, Gemma and William.

SCHOOL BANKING

Welcome to school banking: *Carter*

CHOOSE YOUR REWARD (8TH DEPOSIT) NOTE SENT OUT WITH BANK BOOK	REWARD ORDERED (9TH DEPOSIT) NEED 1 MORE DEPOSIT TO RECEIVE REWARD	REWARD DISTRIBUTED (10TH DEPOSIT)
Kate	Sam	Lucca, Caitlyn

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

School photographs have been distributed today.

If you wish to purchase a Whole School Photo please follow instructions – right.

Any inquiries please contact SchoolPix directly on 1300 766 055



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Orders placed after this date will incur a \$7.95 fee and be posted to your nominated address.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Woodend District Netball Club



Net Set Go registrations are now open for term 3

NetSetGO is Netball Australia's only junior entry netball program. It has been developed to provide children from 5 to 10 years with the best possible learning and playing experience to develop a positive introduction to netball, ensuring enjoyment and continued participation.

Woodend's Net Set Go program will be run on Saturdays 9am to 10am, starting 21 July until 15 September (9 weeks, third term) at Buffalo Stadium. Places are strictly limited.

<http://wdnc.sportzvault.com/home.aspx>

All welcome!

Any Enquiries to go to our Registrations Coordinator Louise Farrelly lfarrelly@westnet.com.au

BASKETBALL CAMP

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1st WOODEND SCOUT GROUP
LOG CABIN CAFE



POPS-UP AGAIN - The 1st Woodend Scout Groups annual fundraiser, The Log Cabin Cafe will be opening its doors for three days only during the Woodend Winter Arts Festival, this Queens Birthday long weekend.

Check out the cosy log cabin, enjoy the wood-fire, our famous Devonshire Cream Teas; as well as coffees, cakes, slices, soups and toasted sandwiches, run all day by the Scouts and their families.

Saturday 9th, Sunday 10th and Monday 11th June
11am - 4pm

Ps. look out for acapella flash-mob performances at the Scout's Log Cabin by 'Miranda's Picnic'