



Dear Wallaroo Primary School Community,

I am delighted to share some wonderful updates from our school as we continue to build a vibrant and supportive learning environment for our students.

Firstly, I want to extend a huge thank you to everyone who supported our recent Bunnings barbecue fundraiser. It was a tremendous success, raising an impressive \$1,320.76! A special shout-out to Donna for her exceptional organisation and to all the volunteers who helped out across the day. Your efforts have made a significant contribution to our school, and we are excited to announce that the funds raised will go towards purchasing a TV and stand for the computer lab, enhancing our students' learning experiences.

We are also thrilled to congratulate and welcome Adrienne Harris on her successful appointment as Assistant Principal Curriculum Leader. Ms Harris brings a wealth of experience and passion for education, and we are confident that she will make a valuable contribution to our school's leadership team.

In recent news, we are proud to announce that Wallaroo sent two teams to represent us in the STEM Paper Plane Challenge. With over 30 teams from surrounding primary schools competing, it was a fun and engaging day out for our students. Their participation and enthusiasm in such a creative and scientific endeavour were inspiring to witness.

Students from grades 4/5 and 5/6 also had the opportunity to participate in the Combined Winter Concert at Westernport Secondary. It was a fantastic evening that allowed our students to showcase all the hard work they've put into Music this year. The dedication and talent displayed were truly commendable, and our students did us proud.

Looking ahead, we have some exciting events on the horizon. Book Week Dress Up Day is just around the corner, taking place on Monday, 19th August. We can't wait to see all the creative costumes as students and staff dress up as their favourite book characters. It's always a day full of fun and imagination, and we encourage everyone to get involved!

In addition, we are hosting a special Fathers Day Family Night on Thursday, 29th August, from 4:30 - 6:30pm. This event is a wonderful opportunity for families to come together and celebrate the important role that fathers and father figures play in our community. We hope to see many of you there for what promises to be a fantastic evening.

Last week, we held our first 2025 Prep transition afternoon, and it was heartwarming to see the smiling faces of our future leaders. The next transition afternoon is scheduled for Thursday, 5th September. If you know of any children who will be starting school in 2025, please encourage their families to visit the office and collect an enrolment pack.

Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to making Wallaroo Primary School a thriving and welcoming community. Together, we are creating a positive and enriching environment where every student can succeed.

Warm regards,

Kieran Walta

Acting Principal



Dates to remember:

15 August	Yr 5/6 excursion
16 August	Book Fair—last day
16 August	Assembly— 1/2CA presenting
17-23 Aug	Book Week
19 August	Book Week dress up day
27 August	P/1E Melbourne Zoo excursion
29 August	Athletics Day at Mornington
29 August	Father's Day Family Night

Curriculum News @ Wallaroo



Curriculum and Assessment Assistant Principal.

Miss Adrienne Harris.

It has been a pleasure getting to know all the students at Wallaroo Primary School. It is fantastic to see how engaged the students are with their learning. The results that have been achieved so far this year are terrific. I look forward to working with the students and teachers to continue this learning growth.

My background is in Primary and Secondary teaching, I have worked in the Government System for 12 years and have had many leadership opportunities in the curriculum and assessment space. I am really looking forward to working with the Wallaroo School Community, teachers and students to continually improve student outcomes, academic growth and results.

Come say 'hello' and introduce yourself, when you see me around the school. I am looking forward to getting to know everyone.

Core Knowledge Units.

Through our literacy program, we have an array of engaging units of work called Core Knowledge Units. The purpose of Core Knowledge units is to enhance student vocabulary and reading comprehension. The units cover a broad range of subjects, including language arts, mathematics, science, history, geography, and the arts, building a strong foundation of essential knowledge and skills across different subject areas. This serves as a scaffold for future learning and comprehension. Core Knowledge units include content that exposes students to important cultural concepts, events, figures, and literary works. This helps develop cultural literacy. By engaging students with interesting and relevant content, Core Knowledge units aim to instil a passion for learning and exploration. Through hands-on activities, discussions, and projects, students can develop curiosity and enthusiasm for academic subjects.

Term 3 Core Knowledge Units: The focus throughout the school this term is History.

P/1E: What's on our money?

Students will learn about the Australian Currency system. Paying close attention to the important people, places and things that feature on our bank notes and coins.

1/2CA: Ancient Egypt

Students will explore the ancient civilisation of Egypt. Students will study the geography of Egypt, specifically the Nile River, as well as the culture and beliefs associated with the ancient Egyptians.

3/4G: Ancient Rome

Students will learn about ancient Rome. Focusing on the daily lives of the Roman people, the Roman leaders, political ideas and institutions, architecture, and literature.

4/5R: Vikings

This unit covers the homeland of the Vikings: Students will explore the history of pirates and how they were able to trade, conquer, and explore the world.

Greek stories and the Olympics

Students will examine ancient Greece through epic stories and myths where heroes face enormous and frightening challenges and meet those challenges with bravery. Students will look at the early Olympics in contrast to the Olympics of today.

5/6R: The Middle Ages: Aztek, Maya and Inca Civilisations

Students will learn about the different empires and civilisations in history. They will understand what contributed to the end of the Aztek and Inca eras, while explaining the effect this had on the different empires.

Economics

Students will learn the definition of Economics and understand how communities meet their needs and wants. Students will explore the resources that are available to communities and how to make economical choices.

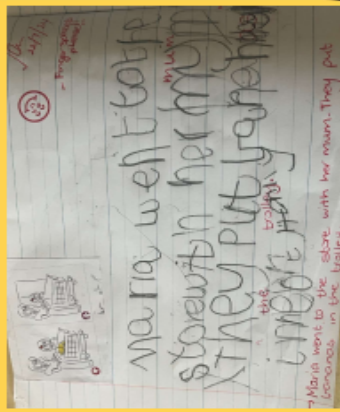
CLASS NEWS

Month of AUGUST

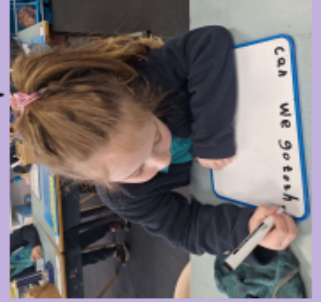
A NOTE FROM Prep / One E

We are officially halfway through Term 3! WOW! We have some fun events still to come such as our excursions to the ZOO and BOTANIC GARDENS in week 7 and 10. Don't forget you BOOK WEEK DRESSUP on the 19th August!

CLASS Snapshot



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WE ARE Learning

MATHS

One of the topics we have been learning this month is ordering numbers forwards and backwards. We have been focusing on how to add one more and one less.

PHONICS

During our Phonics sessions we have been practicing our CVC words with our sound of the week. We then have a go writing phrases and sentences with the words we've practiced writing.

CORE KNOWLEDGE

During our Core Knowledge sessions, we have been learning about Animals and their Habitats. So far, we have explored the Ocean and the Farm habitat along with most animals who live there.

UNTIL Next Term!

Swimming



We enjoyed swimming at Pelican Park. Our swimming instructors taught us life saving swimming skills.

Mason - "I liked jumping in the deep end".

Natalie - "I liked finding the sinkies".

Zayden - "Doing the monkey crawl to the deep end".



Maths - Shape

We have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes and investigating their properties, such as sides, faces, vertices etc. The 1/2s really enjoyed challenging themselves by constructing a variety of 2D and 3D shapes using marshmallows and skewers. Check out Bruce's 3D pyramid!

The Life Ed Van



The Life Education van came to visit us. We participated in a session titled 'Growing Good Friends'. We watched an animated story to learn about the special people in our lives, ways to make new friends and maintain healthy friendships and we explored how positive relationships benefit our health and well being. We even got to meet Harold!

Grade 1/2CA

Paired Reading



We are getting really good at participating in Paired Reading and following our Paired Reading protocols. Everyday we take turns to read a challenging story to our partner while our partner listens carefully. Then we answer questions to check our understanding. This helps us to improve our reading fluency and comprehension skills. Great reading James, Zarlee, Ori and Akuol.



The 3/4's have been learning all about Time this week with our lovely student teacher, Miss Christiel. We took a lesson outside to enjoy the sunshin^e!

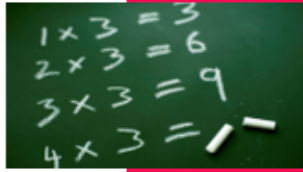


4/5 R are always busy! We have been enjoying learning about 3D shapes and their attributes. We even attempted to draw a 3D Rubik's cube and created some tricky shapes. With the Olympics underway, the students have been excitedly discussing Australia's achievements. They have enjoyed researching different countries and creating some great posters. In other news, some of the students have really been enjoying the challenge of chess; we have some strategic players in 4/5 R! A big congratulations to Jaidyn, who has passed 175 nights of home reading!



GRADE 5/6R

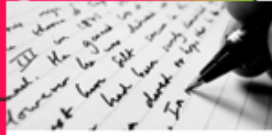
Maths



We have been working very hard learning about fractions, with students mastering the skills of simplifying, adding, subtracting and comparing different fractions.



Literacy



It's been a busy time in Literacy, particularly within Writing. Students have been learning about Information Reports and writing on topics including different countries and technologies.

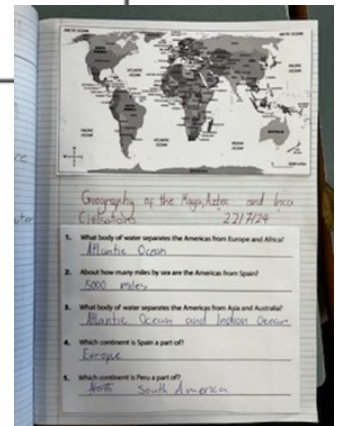
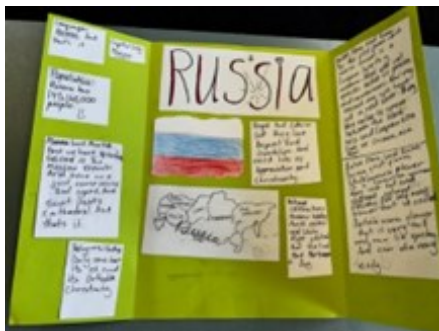
Wellbeing

Through our Open Parachute program, we've delved in to the topics of Choosing Kindness, Celebrating Differences and Creating Systems of Support.



Maya, Aztec and Inca Civilisations

Our new topic this term has so far given exposure to maps and their features, as well as time lines and the importance of different civilisations.



Student Birthdays

August

3rd Pendeza	21st Deborah
9th Melodey	21st Ian
17th Mason	23rd Zayden
18th Jax	23rd Sieise
19th Everly	31st Haneah
19th Isla	
21st Joel	



Don't forget your birthday book from Mr Walta!

Crib Point Community Market

Saturday August 10th 9am to 1pm

Father's Day Raffle. Win a quilted knee rug in your choice of AFL colours.

Also, a free raffle for kids to win a present for Dad.

Father's Day gifts! Handmade products: candles, cards, jewellery, clothing, mosaics, pens, skincare, bags, footy quilts. Recycled goods. Plants.

Coffee Van and Devonshire Teas.

Hot Jam Donuts

Bring the kids down to have fun on our Cribby Koala Treasure Hunt!

Proceeds go to the Crib Point Community House and community programs.

Location: Crib Point Community House, 7 Park Rd, Crib Point, Mornington Peninsula

**WALLAROO COMMUNITY HOUSE IS A
CHATTY CAFÉ VENUE**



EVERY THURSDAY FROM 2:00PM – 3:00PM

FREE TO ATTEND

ALL ARE WELCOME

'SIP, CHAT, SHARE, CARE'

6 Wallaroo Place, Hastings

Call 5970 7000

YOGA WITH MEL



EVERY WEDNESDAY

10:00AM – 11:00AM

FIRST SESSION FREE

THEN \$5 PER CLASS

TERM 3

**AT WALLAROO COMMUNITY HOUSE (6 WALLAROO PLACE, HASTINGS) CALL 5970
7000 TO BOOK IN**

STARTING JULY 17 JULY

OIL PAINTING WITH TRISH



TERM 3

**WHEN: EVERY TUESDAY DURING SCHOOL TERM at
Wallaroo Community House (6 Wallaroo Place, Hastings)**

Call 5970 7000 to book in

From 16 July – 17 September

TIME: 10:00AM – 12:00PM

Exhibition 19 September

Gold Coin Donation

Wear old clothing you don't mind getting messy or an apron.

Events & Info Sessions

DIY - Home Upgrades & Energy Tips - Monday 15 July from 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Hearing Australia - Free Hearing Checks. Date to be advised.

Christmas In July - Thursday 25 July from 1:30pm - 3:00pm (Places Limited - Call 5970 7000 to book in)

R U OK Day - Thursday 12th of September from 1:30pm - 3:00pm

Kitchen Garden

Wallaroo Community House has a Kitchen garden for the whole community to share and enjoy.



Chatty Cafe

Come and have a cuppa and connect with people in the community.

Day: Thursday

Time: 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Cost: Free

Group Work

Parenting Under Pressure

Day: Thursday Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

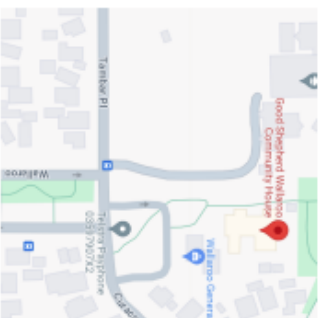
Contact: Monica on 5971 9444

Good Shepherd Service

Providers

Specialist Family Violence Practitioner
Financial Independence Hub Co Ordinator
Financial Counsellor

Visit Us Today!



Location: 6 Wallaroo Place, Hastings, VIC, 3915

Contact: (03) 5970 7000

Email: wallaroo@goodshep.org.au

Facebook: Wallaroo Community House - Good Shepherd

Instagram: wallaroo_community_house

Services

SECASA Phone: 1800 806 292

Brotherhood of St Laurence (NDIS) Phone: 1300 275 634
Walk Ins Available

Lynne Alexandra (Counsellor Medicare Registered) Phone: 0482 171 295
Communities Kinders Plus
Phone: 9783 3931

USA E: info@u3ahastings.org.au

Supported Play Group and Maternal Health
Phone: 5950 1099

Acknowledgement

Good Shepherd Wallaroo Community House acknowledges the Bunurong People of the Kulin Nation as the traditional owners of the lands and waters.



 **Good Shepherd**
Australia New Zealand

**Wallaroo
Community
House**



Program Guide
Term 3 2024
July 15 -
September 20

Wallaroo Community House is a place for everyone in the community to connect, make friends, learn skills and build confidence.
We offer a variety of parenting, educational and recreational programs throughout the year.

Room hire is available for community groups.



Families,
Fairness
and Housing

Kids Corner

Playgroup Sessions

Community Play Group – Wallaroo Wild Ones

Day: Thursday

Time: 9:15am – 11:15am

Cost: Gold coin donation

Held in Kinder room 2 excluding school holidays and public holidays. No healthcare card required. Please bring a snack for your child. All parents and caregivers with children under 4 welcome.

Supported Playgroup

Small Talk

Day: Monday

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Cost: Free

Contact: Mornington Peninsula Shire on 5950 1099

Held in Kinder room 2, this playgroup provides fun play based learning opportunities for children 0 – school age, and building local connections. Co facilitated by Brotherhood of St Laurence (NDIS) to assist with early stages of access to NDIS Supports.

Maternal Child Health Nurse

Day: Monday and Thursday

Time: By Appointment Only

Contact: 5950 1099

Communities Kinders Plus

Day: Monday – Wednesday

Time: 9:00am – 3:00pm

Contact: CKP

Share-a-Book Swap-a-Book

Available everyday for all ages

Creative

Art Therapy with Cathleen

Day: Every Monday during school term

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Contact: Cathleen via email at riseupsocialintegration@gmail.com

Oil Painting with Trish

Day: Every Tuesday during school term

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Cost: Gold Coin Donation

U.F.O Unfinished Objects

Day: Tuesday

Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Cost: Free

Bring in your unfinished projects for a fun craft afternoon.

Wallaroo Arts & Craft Group

Day: Wednesday

Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm

Cost: Gold Coin Donation

A friendly, relaxing space for Indigenous and non Indigenous to join in with activities weekly, sit and have a cuppa and a yarn. Men, women and children all welcome. Painting, jewellery making, wood burning.

Yoga with Mel

Day: Every Wednesday during school term

Time: 10:00am – 11:00am

Cost: First Session Free then \$5 per class

Adult Education

Corner to Corner Crochet

Day: Monday

Time: 10:00am – 11:00am

Arthouse Films

Day: 2nd Monday – Monthly

Time: 1:30pm – 4:30pm

Patchwork

Day: Monday

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm

8 week short course

Beginners French

Day: Tuesday

Time: 9:30am – 11:00am

Intermediate & Advanced French

Day: Tuesday

Time: 11:30am – 1:00pm

Mah Jong

Day: Tuesday

Time: 1:00pm – 3:30pm

Bridge

Day: Tuesday

Time: 1:30pm – 4:00pm

A Current Affair

Day: Tuesday Forthnightly 2nd & 4th

Time: 11:00am – 12:00pm

Play Reading

Day: Thursday

Time: 11:00am – 12:00pm

Contact U3A for the above

Peninsula Health Carers Group

Day: First Wednesday of every month
All are welcome to join in and create a colourful, colossal, crochet Christmas Tree.

Wallaroo Primary School

Donations Needed

For

Father's Day Raffle

Please drop any donations to the office.

All proceeds will go towards school resources.

Raffle tickets will be available at the office from the 6 of August.

Raffle will be drawn Friday 30th August

Wallaroo Primary School Father's Day Raffle

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*Raffle tickets available at the front
office*

50c Ticket or 10 tickets for \$5 Dollars