

Wandong Primary School

Resilient, persevering, commitment, pride, improving, engagement, curious and mature – these are all words teachers have used to describe students at Wandong Primary School during the return to learning from home. Students and families have shown how positive attitudes have led to continual learning and growth amongst students. We thank everyone for their support and endeavours to return to school as soon as possible – with as many of us vaccinated as possible!

Father's Day

Without the usual Fathers' Day stall, our school came up with innovative ideas to acknowledge the wonderful fathers and carers who support our students. Some year levels created iced biscuits at home, others explored how to spell words to share messages of love on cards and crafts abounded.

Change in face mask recommendations

Please note that it is now recommended primary-school-age children wear masks while indoors and outdoors, except when in the home or when an exception applies. However, it is not mandatory.

Enrolment for 2022

We currently have an enrolment of 88 Foundation students for 2022. Same time last year we had 79, 2020 = 47, 2019 = 54, 2018 = 64, 2017 = 38, 2016 = 43, 2015 = 40. The increased numbers demonstrated the growth and confidence in WPS. Following June 1st, as per our enrolment policy, we have sent out letters of offer. At this stage we are still holding off having any tours, considering the restrictions that are in place. We are thankful that we ran our Open Days early in March and April so that many families were able to view our wonderful school.

Wellbeing Resources for families

It can be challenging to process and manage changes to routines and the uncertainty that comes with COVID-19 and related restrictions – including moving to and from remote learning. To support our school community during this time, resources and support are available for parents, carers and families. These resources will help to support the mental health and wellbeing of our students and the young people in our care during this time. We encourage everyone in our community to access these resources and take care of themselves during this time. Students, parents and carers can also access

support through external services including: Lifeline, Beyond Blue, Kids Helpline, Headspace and ReachOut.

Book Week

With a quick return to remote learning, Book Week costumes were adapted and modified to suit the new learn-ing environment. A wonderful video was created by staff, which had them reading a page from the book - in costume. Some staff went above and beyond to provide lots of fun! Other activities occurred online to support our love of reading and all things 'books'.

Upcoming Events

Whilst we are never quite sure with COVID lockdowns and regulations, we hope that many of our upcoming camps will go ahead in Term 4. Enjoy the spring weather and school holidays.

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